

# Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 4, Tŷ Hywel  
and videoconference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 6 October 2025

Meeting time: 10.45 – 14.00

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## Hybrid

### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mike Hedges MS (Chair) Hannah Blythyn MS (In place of Alun Davies MS) Tom Giffard MS (In place of Samuel Kurtz MS) Adam Price MS
Witnesses:	Jane Hutt MS, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip Ben Henriques, Welsh Government Amira Evans, Welsh Government Jane Peffers, Welsh Government Mark Hand, Royal Town Planning Institute Rhian Brimble, Royal Town Planning Institute Cymru Annabel Graham Paul, Planning and Environment Bar Association
Committee Staff:	Owain Davies (Second Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk)



## **1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

Apologies were received from Samuel Kurtz MS, and Tom Giffard MS attended as substitute.

Apologies were also received from Alun Davies MS, and Hannah Blythyn MS attended as substitute for items 1 to 4.

## **2 British Sign Language (Wales) Bill: Evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip**

The Committee received evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip.

## **3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the following items: 4, 11 and 12**

The motion was agreed.

## **4 British Sign Language (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence**

The Committee considered the evidence received.

## **5 Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill: Evidence session with Royal Town Planning Institute Cymru**

The Committee received evidence from Royal Town Planning Institute Cymru.

## **6 Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill: Evidence session with the Planning and Environment Bar Association**

The Committee received evidence from the Planning and Environment Bar Association.

## **7 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3**

### **12.1 SL(6)650 – The Sheep Carcass (Classification and Price Reporting) (Wales) Regulations 2025**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

#### **7.1 SL(6)651 – The Senedd Cymru (Disqualification) Order 2025**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

#### **7.2 SL(6)652 – The National Health Service (Concerns, Complaints and Redress Arrangements) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2025**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting point identified.

## **8 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 – previously considered**

### **8.1 SL(6)645 – The Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications and Site Visits) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2025**

The Committee noted the Welsh Government response.

## **8.15 SL(6)635 – The Amendments to Subordinate Legislation (Miscellaneous Corrections) (Wales) Regulations 2025**

## **9 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement**

### **9.1 Correspondence from the Welsh Government: Meetings of inter–ministerial groups**

The Committee noted the letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language in relation to a meeting of the Finance: Interministerial Standing Committee due to take place on 17 October.

## **10 Papers to note**

### **10.1 Correspondence from the Finance Committee to the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery: Financial implications of the Planning (Wales) Bill and the Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill**

### **10.2 Correspondence to the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip: The Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 2) on the Crime and Policing Bill**

The Committee noted its outgoing letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip.

### **10.3 The Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 6) on the Mental Health Bill**

The Committee noted that Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 6) on the Mental Health Bill has been laid. The Committee agreed, due to the short reporting deadline, to not report on the Memorandum.

### **10.4 Written Statement by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: Welsh Government plans to amend the legislative**

**framework in Wales to provide additional protection to European beavers (Castor fiber) in Wales**

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

**10.5 Written Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Education: Consultation summary of responses: Healthy Eating in Schools (Nutritional Standards and Requirements) (Wales) Regulations 2013 and Accompanying Statutory Guidance**

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Education.

**10.6 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: General scrutiny follow-up**

The Committee noted the letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs and agreed to share the letter with the Equality and Social Justice Committee.

**11 Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence**

The Committee considered the evidence received from Royal Town Planning Institute Cymru and the Planning and Environment Bar Association.

**12 International Agreements: Draft report**

The Committee agreed its draft report.