

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

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

Meeting date: Monday, 17 November
2025

Meeting time: 11.30 – 14.59

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mike Hedges MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Samuel Kurtz MS Adam Price MS
Witnesses:	Julie James MS, Counsel General and Minister for Delivery Ryan Price, Welsh Government Will Whiteley, Welsh Government Anna Hind, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Owain Davies (Second Clerk) Tom Lewis-White (Second Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Jennifer Cottle (Legal Adviser)



1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

There were no apologies or substitutions. Samuel Kurtz MS recused himself from items 2 to 4.

2 Senedd Cymru (Member Accountability and Elections) Bill: Evidence session with the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery

The Committee received evidence from the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery.

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from items 4, 11, 12 and 13

The motion was agreed.

4 Senedd Cymru (Member Accountability and Elections) Bill: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered evidence heard during the evidence session.

5 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

5.1 SL(6)665 – The Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

5.2 SL(6)670 – The Agricultural Subsidies and Grants Schemes (Appeals) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

6 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.7

6.1 SL(6)666 – Code of Practice on the exercise of social services functions in relation to Part 4 (direct payments and choice of accommodation) and Part 5 (charging and financial assessment) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014

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

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

7.1 SL(6)667 – The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified. The Committee also noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care to the Llywydd.

7.2 SL(6)669 – The Bathing Water (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2025

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

7.3 SL(6)671 – The Agriculture Support Schemes (Eligibility, Enforcement and Appeals) (Wales) Regulations 2025

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

7.4 SL(6)672 – The Basic Payment Scheme (Tapering, Payment Entitlements and Closure) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points 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)648 – The Health Impact Assessment (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care.

8.2 SL(6)663 – The Land Transaction Tax (Modification of Special Tax Sites Relief) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the Welsh Government response.

8.3 SL(6)664 – The Land Transaction Tax (Modification of Special Tax Sites Relief) (No. 3) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the Welsh Government response.

9 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

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

The Committee noted correspondence and notifications from the Welsh Government in relation to meetings of: the Inter–Ministerial Group for Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change; the British Irish Council Early Years Work Sector Ministerial Meeting; and the Inter–Ministerial Group on Justice.

9.2 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: Biocidal Products (Data Protection Periods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

9.3 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: The Phytosanitary Conditions (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

9.4 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: Independent Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) Secretariat annual reports

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

10 Papers to note

10.1 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

10.2 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Education: Healthy Eating in Schools (Nutritional Standards and Requirements) (Maintained Primary Schools) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Education.

11 Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered the draft report and agreed to consider a revised report at a future date.

12 Prohibition of Greyhound Racing (Wales) Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered the draft report and agreed to consider a revised report at its next meeting.

13 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 3) on the Tobacco and Vapes Bill

The Committee considered the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum and agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting. The SLCM was subsequently withdrawn by Welsh Government.