

# Agenda – Children, Young People and Education Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel  
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 25 June 2025

Meeting time: 09.30

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## Hybrid

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### Private pre-meeting

09.15 – 09.30

### public meeting

09.30 – 11.40

### 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

09.30

### 2 Issues facing the Higher Education Sector – evidence session

09.30 – 10.30

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Lynne Hackett, Lead Officer for Higher Education, UNISON Cymru

Dan Beard, Lay Chair, Higher Education Forum, UNISON Cymru

Gareth Lloyd, Wales Official, University and College Union

Jamie Insole, Policy Officer, University and College Union

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Paper 1 – UNISON

Paper 2 – University and College Union

Private paper – Supplementary confidential information



## **Break**

10.30 – 10.40

## **3 Issues facing the Higher Education Sector – evidence session**

10.40 – 11.40

Deio Owen, President, NUS Cymru

## **4 Papers to note**

11.40

### **4.1 Legislative Consent: Children’s Wellbeing and Schools Bill**

(Pages 34 – 44)

Attached Documents:

Information from Home Ed Cymru

### **4.2 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025–26**

(Pages 45 – 48)

Attached Documents:

Letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language from the Chair of the Finance Committee

### **4.3 Information from Stakeholders**

(Pages 49 – 55)

Attached Documents:

Briefing note from the Bevan Foundation

#### **4.4 Issues facing the Higher Education Sector**

(Pages 56 – 57)

Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee  
from Chair of Council, Cardiff University

#### **4.5 Information from Stakeholders**

(Pages 58 – 64)

Attached Documents:

Briefing note from the Children’s Legal Centre and the Children’s Rights  
Alliance for England

#### **5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting**

11.40

#### **6 Issues facing the Higher Education Sector – consideration of the evidence**

11.40 – 12.10

(Pages 65 – 67)

Attached Documents:

Legal Services – Derogations

#### **7 Implementation of education reforms – scope and approach for the final check-in**

12.10 – 12.20

(Pages 68 – 86)

Attached Documents:

Scoping paper

Research paper

## **8 Supplementary Legislative Consent: Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill**

12.20 – 12.30

(Pages 87 – 96)

Attached Documents:

Legal Advice Note

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Education

Letter from the Children's Commissioner for Wales