

# Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 23 January 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:30 – 11:41**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Ann Jones (Chair)**  
**Peter Black**  
**Janet Finch-Saunders**  
**Mike Hedges**  
**Mark Isherwood**  
**Gwyn R Price**  
**Ken Skates**  
**Rhodri Glyn Thomas**  
**Joyce Watson**  
**Jocelyn Davies**

### Witnesses:

**Lyn Cadwallader, One Voice Wales**  
**Robert Robinson, Town Clerk, Welshpool Town Council**  
**Mariette Roberts, Towyn & Kinmel Bay**  
**Stephen Brooks, Electoral Reform Society Wales**  
**Owain ap-Gareth, Electoral Reform Society Wales**  
**Darren Hughes, Electoral Reform Society Wales**

### Committee Staff:

**Bethan Davies (Clerk)**  
**Leanne Hatcher (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Rhys Iorwerth (Researcher)**  
**Gwyn Griffiths (Legal Advisor)**

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## 1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the Committee Members, witnesses and public to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Chair said that apologies for absence had been received from Lindsay Whittle. The Committee welcomed Jocelyn Davies who was substituting for him in accordance with Standing Order 17.48.

## **2. Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Bill (Stage 1): Evidence Session 3**

2.1 The Committee received evidence from One Voice Wales and the North Wales Association of Town and Larger Community Councils.

## **3. Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Bill (Stage 1): Evidence Session 3**

3.1 The Committee received evidence from the Electoral Reform Society Wales.