

# Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 11 July 2022

Meeting time: 13.00 – 16.09

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## Virtual

### Attendance

| Category               | Names                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Members of the Senedd: | Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair)<br>Rhys ab Owen MS<br>Alun Davies MS<br>James Evans MS                                                                                                                       |
| Witnesses:             | Mick Antoniw MS, Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution<br>Dylan Hughes, Welsh Government<br>Dr James George, Welsh Government                                                                  |
| Committee Staff:       | P Gareth Williams (Clerk)<br>Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk)<br>Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk)<br>Sian Giddins (Deputy Clerk)<br>Nia Moss (Researcher)<br>Sara Moran (Researcher)<br>Rhun Davies (Researcher) |



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|  | Ben Stokes (Researcher)         |
|  | Lucy Valsamidis (Researcher)    |
|  | Robin Wilkinson (Researcher)    |
|  | Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)  |
|  | Kate Rabaiotti (Legal Adviser)  |
|  | Jennifer Cottle (Legal Adviser) |
|  | Craig Griffiths (Legal Adviser) |

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

There were no apologies or substitutions.

## **2 Historic Environment (Wales) Bill: Ministerial evidence session**

The Committee received evidence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution in relation to the Historic Environment (Wales) Bill. The Committee agreed to write to the Counsel General following the session with a number of further questions.

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

Made Negative Resolution Instruments

### **3.1 SL(6)230 – The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) (No.3) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Llywydd.

### **3.2 SL(6)231 – The Council Tax (Amendments Relating to Discount Disregards and Exempt Dwellings) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

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

Affirmative Resolution Instruments

### **3.3 SL(6)222 – The Plant Health etc. (Fees) (Amendment) (Wales) (EU Exit) (No.2) Regulations 2022**

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

### **3.4 SL(6)225 – The Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 (Housing Association Tenancies: Fundamental Provisions) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Minister for Climate Change.

### **3.5 SL(6)226 – The Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 (Amendment of Schedule 12) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Minister for Climate Change.

### **3.6 SL(6)227 – The Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Minister for Climate Change.

### **3.7 SL(6)229 – The Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Minister for Climate Change.

During the private session the Clerk informed the Committee that these Regulations had subsequently been withdrawn by the Welsh Government during the Committee's meeting.

### **3.8 SL(6)232 – The Welsh Language Standards (No.8) Regulations 2022**

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

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language.

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

### **4.1 SL(6)218 – The Provision of Information by Head Teachers to Parents and Adult Pupils (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered and noted the response from the Welsh Government.

### **4.2 SL(6)228 – The Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Wales) Order 2022**

The Committee considered and noted the response from the Welsh Government.

## **5 Written Statements under Standing Order 30C**

### **5.1 WS-30C(6)010 – European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment and Revocation) (United Kingdom and Gibraltar) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the statement and the commentary.

## **6 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement**

### **6.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Economy: Meeting of the Ministerial Forum for Trade**

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Economy.

### **6.2 Written Statement and correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change: The Official Controls (Plant Health) (Frequency of Checks) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the Written Statement and correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change.

### **6.3 Correspondence from the First Minister: British–Irish Council Summit in Guernsey**

The Committee noted the correspondence from the First Minister.

## **7 Papers to note**

### **7.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice: Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence**

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice.

### **7.2 Correspondence from the Finance Committee: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2023–24**

## **8 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**

The motion was agreed.

## **9 Historic Environment (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence**

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

## **10 Consideration of international agreements**

The Committee considered the following international agreements:

- Protocol Relating to an Amendment to Article 56 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation;
- Protocol Relating to an Amendment to Article 50(a) of the Convention on International Civil Aviation,

and agreed to consider its draft report on the agreements outside of Committee to allow the report to be published ahead of the relevant scrutiny deadlines.

## **11 Monitoring Report**

The Committee noted the monitoring report.

## **12 Annual Report**

The Committee considered the draft report and agreed to return to a revised version after summer recess.

## **13 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill**

The Committee considered the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill, and agreed to consider its report at a future meeting.

## **14 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Procurement Bill**

The Committee considered the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Procurement Bill, and agreed to consider its report at a future meeting.

## **15 Forward Work Programme**

The Committee considered its forward work programme for the autumn term.