

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Monday, 14 November
2022

Meeting time: 13.30 – 16.42

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Sarah Murphy MS Sioned Williams MS Ken Skates MS
Witnesses:	Emma Wools, South Wales Police Nicola Davies, His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service Victoria Harries, His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service Dr Chantal Edge, UK Health Security Agency Joanne Hopkins, Public Health Wales Dee Montague-Coast, Fair Treatment for the Women of Wales
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk)



1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

No apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest were received.

2 Women's experiences of the Criminal Justice System – evidence session two

Members heard evidence from Dee Montague–Coast of Fair Treatment for Women in Wales, Jo Hopkins from Public Health Wales (Adverse Childhood Experiences Hub) and Dr Chantal Edge from the UK Health Security Agency.

3 Women's experiences of the Criminal Justice System – evidence session three

Members heard evidence from Nicola Davies and Victoria Harries of His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service and Emma Wools, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales and Chair of the Women in Justice in Wales Group.

4 Papers to note

Members noted the papers.

- 4.1 **Correspondence from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Chair regarding correspondence from the Wales Governance Centre**
- 4.2 **Correspondence from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Minister for Social Justice regarding the Draft Budget 2023–2024**
- 4.3 **Correspondence from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Minister for Health and Social Care, the Deputy Minister for Social Services and the Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing regarding the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2023–2024**
- 5 **Motion under SO17.42 (vi) and (ix) to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**

Members agreed the motion.

- 6 **Women's experiences in the criminal justice system – consideration of the evidence**

Members considered the evidence received during the session.

7 Forward Work Programme

Members agreed to consider the forward work programme at the next Committee meeting on 21 November 2022.