Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue: This meeting can be viewed

Committee Room 4 - Tŷ Hywel on Senedd TV at:

Meeting date: Monday, 16 January 2023 http://senedd.tv/en/13179

Meeting time: 12.15 - 16.30

Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair)
	Alun Davies MS
	James Evans MS
	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Witnesses:	Sophie Brighouse, Welsh Government
	James Gerard, Welsh Government
	Dr Robert Parry, Welsh Government
	Mick Antoniw MS, Counsel General and Minister for the
	Constitution
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk)
	Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk)
	Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk)
	Josh Hayman (Researcher)
	Kate Rabaiotti (Legal Adviser)



- 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

 There were no apologies or substitutions
- Welsh Government's Draft Budget for 2023-24 (spending in relation to justice) and general scrutiny: Evidence Session with Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

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

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

Made Negative Resolution Instruments

3.1 SL(6)302 - The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Wales)
(Amendment) Regulations 2022

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

3.2 SL(6)311 - The Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (Wales) (Amendment)
Regulations 2023

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

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

Affirmative Resolution Instruments

4.1 SL(6)301 - The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (Wales)
(Amendment) Regulations 2023

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

Made Affirmative Resolution Instruments

4.2 SL(6)307 - The Landfill Disposals Tax (Tax Rates) (Wales) (Amendment)
Regulations 2022

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

- Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 previously considered
- 5.1 SL(6)299 The Seed (Equivalence) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2022

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

- 6 Written Statements under Standing Order 30C
- 6.1 WS-30C(6)022 The Plant Health and Trade in Animals and Related Products (Amendment) Regulations 2022

The Committee noted the Written Statement and the letter from the Minister. The Committee also noted the commentary.

- 7 Common frameworks
- 7.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change to the Climate Change,
 Environment, and Infrastructure Committee: Waste and Resources common
 framework

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister.

- 8 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement
- 8.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: The Organic Production (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022

The Committee noted the correspondence with the Minister.

- 9 Papers to note
- 9.1 Correspondence from the Business Committee to the Local Government and Housing Committee: Legislative Consent Memoranda

The Committee noted the letter from the Business Committee.

9.2 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution:
Historic Environment (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General

9.3 Correspondence from the Permanent Secretary: Explanatory Memoranda to subordinate legislation

The Committee noted the correspondence with the Permanent Secretary.

10 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

The motion was agreed.

11 Welsh Government's Draft Budget for 2023-24 (spending in relation to justice) and general scrutiny: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence it received from the Counsel General.

12 Legislative Consent: Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill

The Committee considered the Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill and agreed to consider its draft report at a future meeting.

13 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memoranda (Memoranda No. 3 and No. 4) on the Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memoranda (Memoranda No.3 and No.4) on the Bill and agreed to consider its draft report at the next meeting.

14 Agriculture (Wales) Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered its draft report on the Agriculture (Wales) Bill and agreed to consider a revised version at the next meeting.

- 15 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No.
 - 3) on the UK Infrastructure Bank Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report.

16 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report.

17 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Shark Fins Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report.

18 Historic Environment (Wales) Bill : Detailed Committee Consideration proceedings in Committee (subject to the Initial Consideration debate)

The Committee agreed it's approach to the detailed committee consideration stage of the Bill and agreed the order of consideration for the disposal of amendments at Detailed Committee Consideration, subject to the Initial Consideration debate.

15 Monitoring report

The Committee agreed to share its report on the Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Northern Ireland Protocol Bill with the House of Lords' Protocol on Ireland//Northern Ireland Sub-Committee, and further agreed to defer full consideration of the latest Monitoring Report to its next meeting.

20 International agreements

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report on the international agreements considered on 9 January 2023.