

# Agenda – Local Government and Housing Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2

Meeting date: 18 January 2024

Meeting time: 09.00

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**(Pre-meeting 8.45 – 9.00)**

- 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**
  
- 2 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – evidence session 1: Welsh Local Government Association**  
(09.00–10.00) (Pages 1 – 24)  
Councillor Lis Burnett, Leader, Vale of Glamorgan Council  
Councillor Jane Gebbie, Deputy Leader, Bridgend County Borough Council  
Councillor Charlie McCoubrey, Conwy County Borough Council  
Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn, Leader, Gwynedd Council
  
- 3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from item 4, 8 and 9 of the meeting**
  
- 4 Consideration of the evidence received under item 2**  
(10.00–10.20)
  
- Break (10.20 – 10.30)**
  
- 5 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – evidence session 2: Minister for Finance and Local Government**  
(10.30–12.00) (Pages 25 – 65)



Rebecca Evans MS, Minister for Finance and Local Government, Welsh Government

Emma Smith – Head of Local Government Finance Policy, Welsh Government

Judith Cole – Deputy Director Local Government Finance Policy & Sustainability, Welsh Government

## **Break (12.00 – 12.45)**

## **6 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024 – 25 – evidence session 3: Minister for Climate Change**

(12.45–14.15)

(Pages 66 – 107)

Julie James MS, Minister for Climate Change, Welsh Government

Emma Williams, Director of Housing and Regeneration, Welsh Government

Jamie Powell, Deputy Director of Finance, Welsh Government

Sarah Rhodes, Deputy Director, Housing Policy, Welsh Government

Andrea Street, Deputy Director, Housing Safety Regulations & Standards, Welsh Government

## **7 Papers to note**

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### **7.1 Letter from First Minister to Chair of Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement**

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### **7.2 Letter from the Chair of Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Minister for Climate Change – Response to the Welsh Government's White Paper on ending homelessness in Wales**

(Pages 110 – 120)

### **7.3 Letter from the Minister for Climate Change following the Ministerial scrutiny session on 9 November**

(Pages 121 – 123)

**7.4 Letter from Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution – Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Bill**

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[Letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 11 December 2023](#)

[Joint schedule of amendments: Elections and Elected Bodies \(Wales\) Bill and the Senedd Cymru \(Members and Elections\) Bill](#)

**7.5 Letter from Cymorth Cymru – Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25**

(Pages 125 – 133)

**8 Consideration of evidence received under items 5 and 6**

(14.15–14.45)

**9 Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Bill – Consideration of the draft report**

(14.45–16.00)

(Pages 134 – 253)