

Agenda – Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: 23 January 2020

Meeting time: 09.00

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At its meeting on 15 January, the Committee resolved to exclude the public from item 1 of today's meeting

1 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2020 – 21: consideration of draft report

(09.00–09.30)

(Pages 1 – 19)

2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(09.30)

3 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill: evidence session 12

09.30–12.00)

(Pages 20 – 61)

Cllr Huw Thomas, Leader of Cardiff Council, WLGA Labour Group and WLGA Spokesperson for Culture, Tourism and Major Events

Cllr Emlyn Dole, Leader of Carmarthenshire County Council, WLGA Plaid Cymru Group Leader

Cllr Peter Fox, Leader of Monmouthshire County Council, WLGA Conservative Group Leader

Cllr Ray Quant, Deputy Leader of Ceredigion County Council, WLGA Deputy Presiding Officer

Chris Llewelyn, Chief Executive, Welsh Local Government Association

Daniel Hurford, Head of Policy, Welsh Local Government Association



Break

(12.00–12.45)

4 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill: evidence session 13

(12.45–13.45)

(Pages 62 – 76)

Rob Thomas, Chair, SOLACE Wales

Michelle Morris, Vice Chair & Workforce Portfolio Lead, SOLACE Wales

5 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill: evidence session 14

(13.45–14.45)

(Pages 77 – 90)

Davina Fiore, Lawyers in Local Government

Representative to be confirmed

6 Papers to note

(14.45–14.50)

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6.1 Correspondence from the Local Government Association regarding the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill – 6 January 2020

(Pages 92 – 96)

6.2 Correspondence from Chris Highcock regarding the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill – 14 January 2020

(Pages 97 – 101)

6.3 Correspondence from Arfon Jones, North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the Committee's report on mental health and substance misuse services for rough sleepers – 13 January 2020

(Pages 102 – 103)

6.4 Correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Housing & Local Government regarding the benefits in Wales report response – 13 January 2020

(Pages 104 – 106)

6.5 Wales Centre for Public Policy report – Administering social security in Wales: Evidence on potential reforms – 14 January 2020

(Pages 107 – 134)

6.6 Correspondence from the Minister for Housing and Local Government regarding fire safety in high-rise buildings – 13 January 2020

(Pages 135 – 150)

7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

(14.50)

8 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill: consideration of evidence

(14.50–15.00)