## Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 - Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 13 May 2015

Meeting time: **09.17 – 12.20** 

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Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



#### Concise Minutes:

#### **Assembly Members:**

David Rees AM (Chair)
Alun Davies AM
Janet Finch-Saunders AM
John Griffiths AM
Elin Jones AM
Darren Millar AM
Gwyn R Price AM
Lindsay Whittle AM
Kirsty Williams AM

#### Witnesses:

Sarah Rochira, Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Nicola Evans, Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Dr Rosanne Palmer, Age Alliance Wales
John Moore, My Home Life Cymru
Loraine Brannan, 'Justice for Jasmine' Campaign Group
Pamela Cook, 'Justice for Jasmine' Campaign Group
Kelvyn Morris, 'Justice for Jasmine' Campaign Group
Robin Moulster, BASW Cymru Manager, British Association
of Social Workers Cymru

Committee Staff:

Helen Finlayson (Second Clerk) Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk) Sian Giddins (Deputy Clerk)
Rhys Morgan (Deputy Clerk)
Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)
Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)
Amy Clifton (Researcher)

#### **Transcript**

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Lynne Neagle.

### 2 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: evidence session 9

- 2.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.
- 2.2 The Older People's Commissioner agreed to provide the Committee with:
  - a copy of her letter to the Minister for Health and Social Services setting out her views on the Bill; and
  - case studies of the impact the Bill might have on older people in Wales.

# 3 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: evidence session 10

- 3.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.
- 3.2 Dr Rosanne Palmer agreed to provide a note regarding:
  - the reservations of one member of Age Alliance Wales in relation to the extension of registration to the whole social care workforce; and
  - Age Alliance Wales' views on ensuring the cost effectiveness of using lay inspectors.
- 3.3 The witnesses agreed to write to the Committee with a view on whether the Bill should provide that those involved in commissioning services and awarding contracts to private companies should be prevented from working for such companies within a specified time frame.

# 4 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: evidence session

- 4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.
- 4.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Minister for Health and Social Services to ask how the Bill would take account of Dr Margaret Flynn's independent review of Operation Jasmine.

# 5 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: evidence session 12

5.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.

### 6 Papers to note

- 6.1 Minutes of the meeting on 23 April 2015
- 6.1a The Committee noted the minutes of the meeting on 23 April.
- 6.2 Minutes of the meeting on 29 April 2015
- 6.2a The Committee noted the minutes of the meeting on 29 April.
- 6.3 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: additional information from the Welsh Reablement, Wales Carers and Social Care and Wellbeing Alliances 6.3a The Committee noted the additional information from the Welsh Reablement, Wales Carers and Social Care and Wellbeing Alliances. It noted that the information was also endorsed by the Wales Alliance for Mental Health.
- 6.4P-04-603 Helping Babies Born at 22 Weeks to Survive: correspondence from the Petitions Committee
- 6.4a The Committee noted the correspondence. It:
  - agreed to write to the Chief Medical Officer to ask her to clarify her expectations
    of individual hospitals' application of professional guidance for the treatment
    and care of extremely premature babies;
  - requested a paper outlining options for future work on this issue, to be considered as part of a future forward work programme discussion; and
  - agreed to inform the Petitions Committee of the Committee's decision.
- 6.5 Inquiry into the performance of Ambulance Services in Wales: correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Health
- 6.5a The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Health.
- 6.6 Scrutiny of the Minister for Health and Social Services and the Deputy Minister for Health: correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services
  6.6 a The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services.

- 7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting and for item 1 of the meeting on 21 May 2015
- 7. The motion was agreed.
- 8 Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Bill: consideration of evidence
- 8.1 The Committee noted the consultation responses, and considered the evidence received.
- 9 Regulations in relation to eligibility to be made under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014: consideration of approach
- 9.1 The Committee considered and agreed its approach to scrutinising the regulations in relation to eligibility to be made under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.