

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 15 December 2025

Meeting time: 13.30 – 14.19

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mike Hedges MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Samuel Kurtz MS Adam Price MS
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Owain Davies (Second Clerk) Tom Lewis–White (Second Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Elizabeth Foster (Deputy Clerk) Megan Ford (Deputy Clerk) Jennifer Cottle (Legal Adviser)



1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

Samuel Kurtz MS recused himself from item 12.

2 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.7

2.1 SL(6)684 – Code of Practice on Quality Assurance and Performance Management, Escalating Concerns, and Closure of Regulated Care and Support Services

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

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

3.1 SL(6)682 – The Commission for Tertiary Education and Research (Decision Review) (Wales) Regulations 2025

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

3.2 SL(6)685 – The Education (Specified Courses of Higher Education) (Wales) Regulations 2025

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

3.3 SL(6)689 – The Non-Domestic Rating (Chargeable Amounts) (Wales) Regulations 2025

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

3.4 SL(6)690 – The Landfill Disposals Tax (Tax Rates) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025

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

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

4.1 SL(6)681 – The Local Government (Standards Committees and Member Conduct) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the Welsh Government response.

5 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

5.1 Correspondence from the Welsh Government: Meetings of inter–ministerial groups

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government in relation to a meeting of the Inter–Ministerial Group for Elections and Registration.

5.2 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language: The Procurement Act 2023 (Commencement No. 4) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language.

5.3 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: The REACH (Amendment) Regulations 2026

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

6 Papers to note

6.1 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery: Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery.

6.2 Correspondence from Mark Isherwood MS: The Member in charge of the Bill's response to the Committee's report on the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from Mark Isherwood MS.

6.3 Correspondence to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery: The Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2026–27

The Committee noted their outgoing letter to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery.

7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of today's meeting

The motion was agreed.

8 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Draft report

The Committee agreed the draft report on the Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill subject to minor changes to be agreed by the Chair outside of Committee.

9 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Public Office (Accountability)

Bill: Draft report

The Committee agreed the draft report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Public Office (Accountability) Bill subject to minor changes to be agreed by the Chair outside of Committee.

10 Planning (Wales) Bill and Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales)

Bill: Detailed Committee Consideration

The Committee considered and agreed the order of consideration for Detailed Committee Consideration proceedings of the Planning (Wales) Bill and the Planning (Consequential Provisions) (Wales) Bill.

11 International Agreements

Members received a briefing from Senedd Research on the latest International Agreements laid in the UK Parliament and agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting.

12 Senedd Cymru (Member Accountability and Elections) Bill: Draft report

Samuel Kurtz MS recused himself from consideration of this draft report. The Committee considered its draft report and agreed to hold an additional meeting on Wednesday 17 December to consider it further.