

# Children and Young People Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Thursday, 24 October 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:03 – 12:02**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Ann Jones (Chair)**  
**Angela Burns**  
**Keith Davies**  
**Suzy Davies**  
**Rebecca Evans**  
**Bethan Jenkins**  
**Lynne Neagle**  
**David Rees**  
**Aled Roberts**  
**Simon Thomas**

### Witnesses:

**Huw Lewis, Minister for Education and Skills**  
**Grace Martins, Senior Lawyer, Welsh Government**  
**Simon Morea, Welsh Government**  
**Gemma Nye, Welsh Government**  
**Ceri Planchant, Welsh Government**  
**Emma Williams, Welsh Government**  
**Mair Roberts, Welsh Government**  
**Andrew Clark, Deputy Director Further Education and  
Apprenticeship Division, Welsh Government**  
**Marcus Richards, Welsh Government**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

The Chair welcomed Members and the Public to the meeting. There were no apologies.

### 2 Education (Wales) Bill: Stage 1 – Evidence session – Minister for Education and Skills

The Committee heard evidence the Minister for Education and Skills on the Bill. The Minister agreed to provide the following information:

A full list of respondents to the Education (Wales) Bill consultation;

An explanation as to what it required under the section 160 process compared with that of the section 347 application;

Further clarification on the process of moving SEN children between local authorities.

### 3 Further and Higher Education ( Governance and Information) (Wales) Bill – Stage 2: Consideration of Amendments

The Chair said that the Committee would consider the amendments in the following order:

Sections 1 – 11

Schedules 1 and 2

The Committee disposed of the following amendments:

**Sections 1, 2 and 3:** No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore these sections were deemed agreed.

**Section: 4:**

**Amendment 4,** was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (i).

**Section 5 & 6:** No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore these sections were deemed agreed.

**Section 7:**

**Amendment 1 – Simon Thomas**

For	Against	Abstain
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Simon Thomas Bethan Jenkins Aled Roberts Angela Burns Suzy Davies	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	
5	5	0
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 7 was not agreed.</b>		

**Sections 8 and 9:** No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore these sections were deemed agreed.

**Amendment 9** was withdrawn in accordance with Standing Order 26.66

**New Section**

**Amendment 10 - Aled Roberts**

For	Against	Abstain
Suzy Davies Angela Burns Aled Roberts Bethan Jenkins Simon Thomas	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	
5	5	0
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 10 was not agreed.</b>		

**Amendment 13**, was not moved, in accordance with Standing Order 26.65.

**Amendment 14**, was not moved, in accordance with Standing Order 26.65.

**New Section**

**Amendment 15 - Bethan Jenkins**

For	Against	Abstain
Bethan Jenkins Simon Thomas	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees Suzy Davies Angela Burns Aled Roberts	
2	8	0
<b>Amendment 15 was not agreed.</b>		

**Section 10:**

**Amendment 11 - Aled Roberts**

For	Against	Abstain
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Simon Thomas Bethan Jenkins Aled Roberts Angela Burns Suzy Davies	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	
5	5	0
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 11 was not agreed.</b>		

**Section 11 & 12:** No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore these sections were deemed agreed.

### Schedule 1:

#### Amendment 2 – Simon Thomas

For	Against	Abstain
Simon Thomas Bethan Jenkins Aled Roberts Angela Burns Suzy Davies	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	
5	5	
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 8 was not agreed.</b>		

#### Amendment 8 – Angela Burns

For	Against	Abstain
Simon Thomas Bethan Jenkins Aled Roberts Angela Burns Suzy Davies	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	
5	5	0
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 8 was not agreed.</b>		

**Amendment 5** was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (i)

#### Amendment 6 – Huw Lewis

For	Against	Abstain
Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees	Simon Thomas Bethan Jenkins Aled Roberts Angela Burns Suzy Davies	
5	5	0
As there was an equality of votes, the Chair cast her vote in the negative, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.37 and 6.20(ii).		
<b>Amendment 6 was not agreed.</b>		

**Amendment 3** was withdrawn in accordance with Standing Order 26.66

**Amendment 7** was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (i)

**Amendment 12 - Bethan Jenkins**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Bethan Jenkins Simon Thomas Aled Roberts	Ann Jones Keith Davies Rebecca Evans Lynne Neagle David Rees Suzy Davies Angela Burns	
3	7	0

**Amendment 12 was not agreed.**

**Schedule 2:** No amendments were tabled to this schedule, therefore this schedule is deemed agreed.

The Bill, as amended, was deemed agreed.

The Committee agreed a revised Explanatory Memorandum (Standing Order 26.27) was not required.

The Chair informed the Committee that Stage 3 proceedings for the Bill would begin on Friday, 25 October 2013. The Chair informed Members that the deadline for tabling amendments at Stage 3 would be issued in due course.

**4 Education (Wales) Bill : Stage 1 – consideration of key issues**

Due to time constraints the Committee was unable to discuss the key issues. They agreed that they would be considered at the meeting on 6 November.

**5 Welsh Government draft budget proposals for 2014–15 – consideration of draft letters**

Due to time constraints the Committee was unable to discuss the draft letters and agreed that the draft letters would be circulated to Members out of committee for comment.