

Welsh Statistical Liaison Committee
A National Statistics Joint Consultative Committee
Minutes of meeting held on 5 October 2018
Cathays Park, Cardiff

Attendees

Glyn	Jones	GJ	Welsh Government (Chair)
Tom	Brame	TB	Data Cymru
Lee	Clarke	LC	Cardiff County Council
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Daniel	Cummings	DC	Data Cymru
Vicki	Doyle	VD	Caerphilly County Borough Council
Owen	Hathway	OH	Sport Wales
Helen	Jones	HJ	National Assembly for Wales
Paul	Jones	PJ	Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council
Steve	King	SK	City and County of Swansea
Sue	Leake	SL	Welsh Government
Ann-Marie	McCafferty	AMC	Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
Duncan	McKenzie	DM	Data Cymru
Geraint	Morgan	GM	Powys County Council
Jenny	Murphy	JM	Data Cymru
Rhys	Powell	RP	NHS Wales
Meilir	Price-Owen	MPO	Gwynedd Council
Andrew	Stephens	AS	Data Cymru
Alison	Vaughan	AV	Ceredigion County Council
Andy	Wilson	AW	Torfaen County Borough Council
Lowri	Wyn Morton	LWM	Gwynedd Council

Note takers

Jac	Williams	JW	Welsh Government
Chelsie	John	CJ	Welsh Government

Speakers

Don	A'Bear	DAB	Welsh Government
Andy	Milne	AM	Welsh Government
Steve	Hughes	SHu	Welsh Government
Steph	Howarth	SHo	Welsh Government
Jackie	Preston	JP	Citizens Advice
Helene	Hayes	HH	Citizens Advice
Elizabeth	Williams	EW	Citizens Advice
Nicole	Scully	NS	Welsh Government
John	Fuery	JF	Welsh Government
Scott	Clifford	SCI	Welsh Government
Samantha	Collins	SC	Welsh Government

Apologies

Martin	Jennings	Assembly Commission
Karen	Armstrong	Flintshire County Council
Phillip	Barlow	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park
Hywel	Butts	Welsh Government
Fiona	Clay-Poole	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Brett	Davis	South Wales Police
Janine	Edwards	Conwy County Borough Council
Rhys	Fidler	Data Cymru
Leanne	John	City and County of Swansea
David	Morgan	Pembrokeshire County Council
Lesley	Rees	Carmarthenshire County Council

1	Welcome, Introductions & Apologies	
	GJ opened the meeting and read out a message from Jamie Thorburn who had been a member of WSLC been for many years and, as a result of moving on from his previous role, will no longer be taking part. GJ thanked Jamie for all his contributions to WSLC over the years and members wished him well. Alison Vaughan will be attending from Ceredigion County Council.	
2	Notes of last meeting and update on action points	
	<p>Minutes from previous meeting approved, subject to a change of wording in section 10: 'Census Liaison Managers (CLMs) and Assistant Census Liaison Managers (ACLMs)' to replace 'Census Liaison Officers'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action 2: re Tourism Research Group. AV and LWM agreed to follow up. • Action 10/11: Re Census: VD suggested Census to become regular item on agenda. The next Census Advisory Group will take place in January 2019 • Action 13: Will hold over to next meeting 	Action: Secretariat to add Census to agenda in future meetings
3	Review of information papers	
	<p>Welsh Government Statistics Newsletter: A number of issues were highlighted including data due out from WHCS before end of year, agreement on way forward on estimates of housing need and demand.</p> <p>GJ provided a short verbal update on the plans for a new style of Welsh Government Statistics and Research website and invited members to indicate if they wished to help test the new website.</p> <p>Demography update: There was a short discussion about the item on numbers of Welsh speakers including a question about potential proxy responses for children. Reference was made to an e-mail from Ludi Simpson, regarding small area population projections which could be circulated.</p> <p>Data Cymru Update: New members from Data Cymru, TB and DC</p>	

	<p>were introduced. There was some discussion of the content of the National Intelligence Event to take place on 22 November, the focus of which will be on data and intelligence about well-being.</p> <p>National Survey & Housing Conditions: No comments on this update.</p>	
4	Citizens Advice - what our data can tell you	
	<p>Presentation given by JP, HH and EW (CAB) about the data captured and made available by Citizens Advice. This included dashboards of statistics about activities, the kinds of advice being requested and support provided to clients. They also recorded some demographic information about clients seeking advice, though data made available is anonymised. Members asked how they would be able to access information at a more local level and were advised to contact their local Citizens offices.</p>	
5	Well-being of Wales update	
	<p>GJ updated on the Well-being of Wales 2018 report which had been published in September. He noted the new additional report “What do we know about Children’s well-being?” mentioning some of the new information on children’s well-being included in that. There is likely to be a consultation relating to setting National Milestones in late autumn. It was noted that a number of workshops at the National Intelligence Event would relate to well-being, national indicators and future trends work. Some members noted work that was taking place on futures e.g. Gwent and Public Health Wales</p>	<p>Action: VD to be invited to present at next WSLC meeting on Gwent work on futures and use of Thriving Places Index</p>
6	Road Accidents and Apprenticeships dashboards	
	<p>NS and JF (Welsh Government) gave short presentation on a couple of newly developed interactive dashboards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Police recorded road accidents in Wales; and - Apprenticeship learning programmes started <p>Both are updated quarterly and aim to give users better access to the most recent data.</p>	
7	Information Sharing	
	See AOB	
8	Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (WIMD) Consultation	
	<p>Presentation by SCI and SC on the key elements that will be included in a formal consultation on proposed indicators for the next Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation, due to be published before the end of October. The results of the consultation will feed into indicators used for the next WIMD which will be published towards the end of 2019. Some comments were made on a few of the specific proposals (e.g. anti-social behaviour, access to green spaces, on-entry assessment of pupils and weighting of domains). A number of Webinars will take place during the consultation period.</p>	<p>Action: WIMD team to advise WSLC members when the consultation is published</p>
9	Education statistics and changes to publication of school performance data	
	DAB, Shu, SHo and AM presented on the range of statistical information for Wales available on:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Education • Post 16 further education • School Statistics <p>with reference to new developments and the reasons behind some of the recent changes. There is considerable interest in the education data and presenters responded to a number of queries including about availability of data not proactively published; HESA data provided to WG can be shared with LAs, School data not proactively published can be requested.</p>	
10	Any Other Business	
	<p>There was discussion about a consortium agreement for CACI Paycheck data. Data Cymru can support negotiations.</p> <p>RP reported that PHW had recently published the Public Health Outcomes Tool. Hospital Indicator data was now due to be out in March 2019.</p>	Action: Data Cymru to liaise with LAs about use of Paycheck data and consortium arrangements

No.	Summary of Action Points	
1.	Secretariat to add Census to agenda in future meetings	Secretariat
2.	VD to be invited to present at next WSLC meeting on Gwent work on futures and use of Thriving Places Index	Secretariat
3.	WIMD team to advise WSLC members when the consultation is published	WIMD team
4.	Data Cymru to liaise with LAs about use of Paycheck data and consortium arrangements	Data Cymru