Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday, 25th March 2003

The Meeting commenced at 2pm

Oral Questions to the First Minister

The first 12 questions were answered. Questions 2, 7 and 13 were withdrawn.

2.44pm

Business Statement: The Business Minister

The business statement was agreed

Statement by the Minister for Rural Development and Wales Abroad: Welsh Assembly Government's Foot and Mouth contingency plan - *POSTPONED*

2.54pm

Point of Order

leuan Wyn Jones under Standing Order 17.4 on the inspection of any documents in the possession or under the control of the Assembly which may contain material relating to any proceedings of the Assembly.

2.58pm

This item was not subject to debate and proceeded to a vote immediately
Motion to approve under Standing Order 23.10,23.11 & 22.25
To propose that the National Assembly, acting under Standing Order 22.25, 23.10 & 23.11:

- 1. Approves:
- a) The draft Apple And Pear Research Council (Dissolution) Order 2003, a copy of which was laid in the Table Office on 17 March 2003; and
- b) The explanatory Memorandum laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Members on 18 March 2003.
- 2. Approves:
- a) The draft Horticultural Development Council (Amendment) Order 2003, a copy of which was laid in the Table Office on 17 March 2003; and
- b) The explanatory Memorandum laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Members on 18 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 38; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 38

The motion was carried

2.59pm

This item was not subject to debate and proceeded to a vote immediately Motion to approve under Standing Order 22.25:

NDM1422 - To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 22.25:

1.

- a. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee, laid in the Table Office on 18 March 2003, which has not identified any matters for concern in the draft order **The Miscellaneous Food Additives (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2003**;
- b. Approves The Miscellaneous Food Additives (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2003, laid in the Table Office on 4 March 2003.

2.

- a. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee, laid in the Table Office on 11 March 2003, which has not identified any matters for concern in the draft order **The Education (Free School Lunches) (Prescribed Tax Credits) (Wales) Order 2003**;
- b. Approves The Education (Free School Lunches) (Prescribed Tax Credits) (Wales) Order 2003, laid in the Table Office on 4 March 2003.

3.

- a. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee, laid in the Table Office on 11 March 2003, which has not identified any matters for concern in the draft order **The Education (School Lunches) (Prescribed Requirement) (Wales) Order 2003**;
- b. Approves The Education (School Lunches) (Prescribed Requirement) (Wales) Order 2003, laid in the Table Office on 4 March 2003.

4.

- a. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee, laid in the Table Office on 18 March 2003, which has not identified any matters for concern in the draft order **The Education (Remission of Charges Relating to Residential Trips) (Wales) Regulations 2003**;
- b. Approves the Education (Remission of Charges Relating to Residential Trips) (Wales) Regulations 2003, laid in the Table Office on 4 March 2003.

5.

- a. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee, laid in the Table Office on 18 March 2003, which has not identified any matters for concern in the draft order **The Education (Outturn Statements)(Wales) Regulations 2003.**
- b. Approves The Education (Outturn Statements)(Wales) Regulations 2003, laid in the Table Office on 11 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 39; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 39

The motion was carried

3.00pm

Debate on Annual Report of the Audit Committee

NNDM1421 **-**To propose the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Audit Committee entitled "Annual Report of the Audit Committee September 2001 – September 2002 And Additional Report On Activity To End March 2003" which was laid in Table Office on 7 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 31; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 31

The motion was carried

3.26pm

Debate on Part 2 of the Local Government & Housing Committee's review of Community Regeneration

NNDM1420 - To propose the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Report of the Local Government & Housing Committee entitled "Local Government and Housing Policy Review on Community Regeneration – Capacity Development and Training" which was e-mailed to members on 11 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 34; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 34

The motion was carried

4.14pm

Debate on Education and Lifelong Learning Committee's Report on Schools of the Future - Interim Report

NNDM1419 - To propose the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee entitled "School of the Future: Interim Report" which was e-mailed to members on 18 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 33; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 33

The motion was carried

4.48pm

Motions to approve changes to the Main Expenditure Groups (MEG transfers) under Standing Order 19.5

i) NDM1417 - To propose that the National Assembly, acting under Standing Order 19.5A, agrees the change in the level of resources allocated to the main expenditure group established for the Presiding Office for 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and the provisional allocations for the subsequent two years, as set out in the Revised Presiding Office MEG 2002-2003 to 2005-2006, laid in the Table

Office in 17 March 2003.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 31; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 31

The motion was carried

ii) NDM1423 - To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 19.5, approves the changes to Main Expenditure Groups for the financial year 2002-03 laid in the Table Office on Monday 17 March.

The following tables were laid in the Table Office on 17 March:

Table 1 shows the proposed changes of existing Assembly provision between Main Expenditure Groups;

Table 2 shows the proposed breakdown of the carry-forward provision by Main Expenditure Group; and

Table 3 shows the proposed revised provisions for Main Expenditure Groups taking account of transfers to and from Government Departments.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 24; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 34

The motion was carried

The meeting concluded at 5pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00pm on Wednesday, 26th March 2003

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly

DOCUMENTS LAID SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET Documents Laid on 24 March 2003

Memorandum of Corrections - The Commons Registration (General) (Amendment) (Wales)
Regulations 2003 - LD2043
The Preserved Counties (Amendment to Boundaries) (Wales) Order 2003 - LD2044
Code of Guidance for Local Authorities on Allocation of Accomodation and Homelessness - LD2045 - Please note this document contains 241 pages