Motions and Amendments for Debate on 16 March 2005

Motions tabled on 9 March 2005

Short Debate

NDM 2367 Mark Isherwood (North Wales): Give Housing a Home in Wales.

NDM 2366 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly, acting under Standing Orders 33.9 and 33.11:

- 1. Endorses the Cabinet's proposals for Bills in the next Parliamentary session as set out in the document laid in the Table Office and circulated to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005;
- 2. Requests the Cabinet to pursue these proposals with the UK Government and press for primary legislation which reflects the particular needs of Wales and respects the role of the Assembly.

NDM 2368 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan) WITHDRAWN

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Valuation Tribunals (Wales) Regulations 2005 a copy of which was laid in Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

NDM 2369 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan) WITHDRAWN

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Approves that The Valuation Tribunals (Wales) Regulations 2005 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

To note: No Legislation Committee Report is laid in respect of these Regulations, procedural requirements having been disapplied by the Assembly Cabinet under Standing Order 24.27 (i), (ii) and (iii).

NDM 2370 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 26, agrees that the Secretary of State makes The Regulatory Reform (National Health Service Charitable and Non-Charitable Trust Accounts and Audit) Order 2005, which was laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

The applicability of the Order in Wales is subject to the consent of the National Assembly for Wales. The Explanatory Memorandum was laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

NDM 2371 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan) WITHDRAWN

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 26, agrees that the Secretary of State makes The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, which was laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

The applicability of the Order in Wales is subject to the consent of the National Assembly for Wales. The Explanatory Memorandum was laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

NDM 2372 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales acting under Standing Order 29.3 (iii):

Considers the principle of The Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales a copy of which was laid in Table Office and emailed to Assembly Member on 9 March 2005.

NDM 2373 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales acting under Standing Order 29.3(iii):

Approves that The Fire and Rescue National Framework for Wales is made in accordance with the draft Framework laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005.

NDM 2374 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 24.25:

- 1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office, and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005 on the draft Order The Fire and Rescue Services (National Framework) (Wales) Order 2005; and
- 2. Approves The Fire and Rescue Services (National Framework) (Wales) Order 2005 is made in accordance with:
- a) the draft Order laid in the Table Office on 2 March 2005
- b) Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 8 March 2005
- c) the Memorandum of Correction laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 9 March 2005

Amendments tabled on 10 March 2004

To propose that the Assembly resolves to adopt the following amendments to motions:

NDM2366

1. David Melding (South Wales Central)

In point 1 replace 'Endorses' with 'Notes'.

2. David Melding (South Wales Central)

Add new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the following Bills have not been included in the WAG's proposals for Westminster primary Legislation:

- a) Culture (Wales) Bill to establish a National Gallery and National Archive for Wales.
- b) NHS (Wales) Bill to introduce a "patients' passport" scheme to reduce waiting lists.
- c) Education (Wales) Bill to encourage the development of specialist schools in Wales, starting with Welsh and modern foreign language schools.
- d) Housing (Wales) Bill to allow groups to set up loan funds and establish neighbourhood associations with a view to providing more affordable housing.
- e) Bank Holiday (Wales) Bill to establish St David's Day as an official public holiday in Wales.
- f) Mental Health (Wales) Bill to reform existing legislation and shift the emphasis to therapy rather than criminal law in relation to serious mental health issues.
- g) General Provisions (Wales) Bill to allow miscellaneous matters recommended by the assembly for primary legislation to be consolidated into a single Bill.

3. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire):

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Requests that the Assembly Cabinet pursue with the UK Government a Government of Wales Act to reconstitute the National Assembly as a Welsh Senedd with primary law-making powers that enables it to introduce measures such as free personal care, the banning of smoking in public places and making St. David's Day a public holiday.

4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Regrets the failure within the Assembly Government's proposed Government of Wales Bill

to implement the recommendations of the Richard Commission in full.

The report of the Richard Commission can be found at: http://www.richardcommission.gov.uk/content/finalreport/report-e.pdf

5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Acknowledges that the current devolution settlement represents a barrier to integrated policy development.

6. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Does not expect the majority of the Assembly Government's proposals to succeed.

7. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for an Opencast and Mineral Extraction Bill based on the principles of sustainable development and environmental justice enabling the National Assembly to set a 500 metre separation distance between proposed sites and residential settlements.

8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a Devolution (Finance) Bill to put the allocation of government money between different parts of England and Wales on a statutory and fair basis, replacing the Barnett Formula.

9. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a Welsh Language Bill to provide for equal status for the Welsh language in the private as well as the public sector.

10. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a St David's Day Bill to establish St David's Day as a public holiday in Wales.

11. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a Housing and Local Government Finance Bill, to enable the Assembly to abolish council tax and replace it with local income tax; give powers to local authorities to suspend the right to buy council houses in specific areas; and establish a Land Trust Unit with power and resources to assist the setting up of community land trusts.

12. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a Climate Change and Sustainability (Wales) Bill to devolve to the Assembly all planning decisions about renewable energy projects, including those over 50 megawatts; and devolve authority over the Environment Agency within Wales.

13. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add new point at end of motion:

Calls for a Landfill Tax (Wales) Bill to transfer of all funds raised from the Landfill Tax in Wales to the National Assembly budget.