Notices of Motions and Amendments for Future Debate on 14 March 2002

Motions tabled on 7 March 2002

Short Debate

NDM988 Janice Gregory (Ogmore); Community Funding - Unlocking our Potential

NDM989 Carwyn Jones (Bridgend)

The National Assembly:

1. Welcomes the responses to the consultation exercise on reform of the NHS Complaints Procedure;

2. Recognises that the outcome will lead to reforms which will embody the principles of:

- a) resolving as many complaints as possible through local resolution
- b) making the process quicker and more independent

c) providing adequate support for people who wish to complain and for those complained against.

d) ensuring that the NHS in Wales learns from complaints.

3. Endorses the intention of The Minister for Health and Social Services to draw up an implementation plan for the introduction of a revised complaints procedure by April 2003, (and to report further to the National Assembly)

A copy of the responses to the consultation exercise on reform of the NHS Complaints Procedure is available in the Assembly Library.

NDM990 John Marek (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly:

Approves the National Assembly for Wales (Assembly Members and Officials) (Salaries, Allowances etc) Determination 2002 laid in the Table Office on 6 March 2002.

Amendments Tabled on 11 March 2002

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

NDM989

1. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At end of motion add new point:

Believes that Community Health Councils have a key role to play in any reformed NHS complaints procedure.

2. Jocelyn Davies (South East)

Add at end of point 2. c) insert:

", including a greater role for Community Health Councils in representing patients through the complaints process."

3. Jocelyn Davies (South East)

Add at end of point 2. d) insert:

", aided by the completion of the all-Wales register of clinical negligence claims at the earliest possible opportunity."

4. Jocelyn Davies (South East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

" Notes the enormous annual cost to the NHS in Wales incurred through clinical negligence claims and that annual cash payments and the estimated future costs of such claims have quadrupled in the last four years."