

BUSINESS PAPERS

Part 1- Section E

WRITTEN STATEMENTS OF OPINION TABLED ON

26 November 1999

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OPIN-1999-0049 Credit Union Movement

21 Oct 1999 Raised by

Lorraine Barrett, Peter Black, Jocelyn Davies, John Griffiths LLB

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Rhodri Glyn Thomas - Carmarthen & East Dinefwr

Janice Gregory - Ogmore

Elin Jones - Ceredigion

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The National Assembly wishes today on International Credit Union Day (October 21 1999) to celebrate the Credit Union movement by supporting the contribution it makes to the economic and social life of Wales. The National Assembly for Wales will help launch its latest reports today. We call on members of the Assembly to support the main recommendations in the reports to ensure the continued evolution of the credit union movement in Wales. We wish the credit union movement in Wales continued success and hope to see it play a major part in the continued development of Welsh life.

OPIN-1999-0050 Repeal of Section 28 of the Local Government Act 1988

Raised on 29 October by

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Cynog Dafis – Mid & West Wales

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Gareth Jones – Conwy

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Peter Black – South Wales West

This Assembly believes that Section 28 of the Local Government Act 1988 unfairly discriminates against gay men, lesbians and bisexuals, and is a significant obstacle, preventing schools from dealing with homophobic bullying. We believe that the forthcoming Local Government legislation provides an ideal opportunity to repeal this measure.

OPIN-1992-0062 Exclusion of Barry from Objective 2 Funding

Raised on 22 November by

David Melding – South Wales Central

Jonathon Morgan – South Wales Central

Jenny Randerson – Cardiff Central

Owen Jon Thomas – South Wales Central

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Helen Mary Jones - Llanelli

Glyn Davies – Mid & West Wales

Alun Cairns – South Wales West

William Graham – South Wales East

Peter Black – South Wales West

This National Assembly for Wales opposes the recommendation of the Assembly Cabinet that Barry be excluded from the Objective 2 funding map. This funding is greatly needed in the town because it has wards with high levels of social exclusion and a waterfront project that needs further resources for development. This Assembly calls on the Cabinet to reconsider its recommendation to exclude Barry from the Objective 2 map.

OPIN-1999-0066 An Annual Welsh Public Holiday on St. David's Day, March 1st

Amendments raised on 25 November by

Owen John Thomas – South Wales Central

John Griffiths – Newport East

Helen Mary Jones – Llanelli

2 Subscribers

Jocelyn Davies – South Wales East

Gareth Jones - Conwy

The Assembly demands an annual public holiday on St David's Day, March 1st. This would underline Wales 'unique identity within the UK and allow all Welsh people to celebrate our Welsh culture, history and tradition.