

BUSINESS PAPERS

PART 2 – SECTION H

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER 2000

The Session commenced at 9.05am

The Minister for Assembly Business moved a procedural motion under SO6.16 to take the following No Named Day Motion on Elections to Committees

For 43; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 43

The procedural motion was agreed

ELECTIONS TO COMMITTEES

- To propose that, in accordance with Section 57(5) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **panel of subject committee chairs**:

Val Feld

Richard Edwards

Gwenda Thomas

Cynog Dafis

Rhodri Glyn Thomas

Glyn Davies

Kirsty Williams

- To propose that, in accordance with Sections 57(5) and (6) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves that **the following members of the panel of subject committees chairs shall be selected to chair the following**

subject committees:

Val Feld to chair the Economic Development Subject Committee.

Richard Edwards to chair the Environment, Planning & Transport Subject Committee.

Gwenda Thomas to chair the Local Government and Housing Subject Committee.

Cynog Dafis to chair the Education & Lifelong Learning Subject Committee.

Rhodri Glyn Thomas to chair the Culture Subject Committee.

Glyn Davies to chair the Agriculture & Rural Development Subject Committee.

Kirsty Williams to chair the Health & Social Services Subject Committee

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Economic Development in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of the **Economic Development committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Christine Chapman

Alison Halford

Ron Davies

Christine Gwyther

Brian Hancock

Dafydd Wigley

Phil Williams

Glyn Davies

Alun Cairns

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Economic Development accountability in the fields of; Economic Development, Industry and Tourism and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Economic Development committee shall be construed accordingly

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Environment in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of **the Environment, Planning & Transport committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

John Griffiths

Tom Middlehurst

Karen Sinclair

Geraint Davies

Helen Mary Jones

Rhodri Glyn Thomas

David Davies

Mick Bates

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Environment accountability in the fields of; the Environment, Countryside and Conservation, Town and Country planning, Ancient Monuments and Historic buildings, Transport and Highways, Water and the Water Industry and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Environment, Planning & Transport committee shall be construed accordingly.

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Finance, Local Government & Communities in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of the **Local Government & Housing committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Peter Law

Tom Middlehurst

Janet Davies

Dai Lloyd

Janet Ryder

William Graham

Peter Black

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Finance, Local Government and Communities accountability in the fields of; Local Government and Housing and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Local Government and Housing committee shall be construed accordingly

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Education & Lifelong Learning in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of **the Education & Lifelong Learning committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Huw Lewis

Alun Pugh

Lorraine Barrett

Janice Gregory

Gareth Jones

Pauline Jarman

Jonathan Morgan

Christine Humphreys

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998 and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Education & Lifelong Learning accountability in the fields of; Education, Careers services and Work-related training and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Education & Lifelong Learning committee shall be construed accordingly.

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Culture & Sport in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of the **Culture committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Delyth Evans

Lorraine Barrett

Rosemary Butler

Alison Halford

Owen John Thomas

Gareth Jones

Jonathan Morgan

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Culture & Sport accountability in the fields of; the Arts,

Libraries and Museums, Sport and Recreation and the languages of Wales and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Culture committee shall be construed accordingly

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Rural Affairs in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of the **Agriculture & Rural Development committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Delyth Evans

John Griffiths

Huw Lewis

Elin Jones

Jocelyn Davies

Janet Ryder

Peter Rogers

Mick Bates

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Rural Affairs accountability in the fields of; Agriculture and Fisheries, Forestry and Food production and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Agriculture & Rural Development committee shall be construed accordingly.

- To propose that, following the allocation of accountability to the Minister for Health and Social Services in accordance with sections 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and the selection of the Chair of the subject committee in accordance with Section 57(5) and (6) of the Act and standing order 9.3, the National Assembly resolves to elect the other members of the **Health & Social Services committee** in accordance with Sections 57(7) and (8) of the Act as follows:

Brian Gibbons

Ann Jones

Lynn Neagle

Dai Lloyd

Brian Hancock

Geraint Davies

David Melding

The National Assembly notes that:

The First Minister, acting under section 56(3) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, and standing order 2.4, has conferred on the Minister for Health & Social Services accountability in the fields of; Health and Health services, Social services and Social Care and Food safety and in accordance with section 57(4) of the Act, the remit of the Health & Social Services committee shall be construed accordingly.

- To propose that, in accordance with standing order 28.2, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **House Committee**:

Janice Gregory

Elin Jones

Glyn Davies

Peter Black and

elects Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Presiding Officer to be the chair of the committee.

- To propose that, in accordance with standing order 16.2, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **Committee on Standards of Conduct**:

Janice Gregory

Christine Gwyther

Karen Sinclair

Gwenda Thomas

Cynog Dafis

Brian Hancock

Gareth Jones

Christine Humphreys and

elects David Melding to be the chair of the committee.

- To propose that, in accordance with Section 60(3) and (5) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **Audit Committee**:

Ann Jones

Alison Halford

Peter Law

Lynne Neagle

Jocelyn Davies

Dafydd Wigley

Alun Cairns

Kirsty Williams and

elects Janet Davies to be the chair of the committee.

- To propose that, in accordance with standing order 14.3, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to **the Equality of Opportunity Committee**:

Lorraine Barrett

Richard Edwards

Christine Gwyther

Ann Jones

Helen Mary Jones

Janet Ryder

Owen John Thomas

Jonathan Morgan

David Melding

Christine Humphreys and

elects Edwina Hart to be the chair of the committee

- To propose that, in accordance with standing order 15.4, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **Committee on European Affairs**:

Rosemary Butler

Val Feld

Christine Chapman

John Griffiths

Ieuan Wyn Jones

Rhodri Glyn Thomas

Phil Williams

Nick Bourne

Jonathan Morgan

Mick Bates. and

elects Rhodri Morgan to be the chair of the committee.

- To propose that, in accordance with Section 59(2) and (4) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, the National Assembly resolves that the following Assembly Members shall be elected to the **Legislation Committee**:

Rosemary Butler

Ron Davies

Val Feld

John Griffiths

Dai Lloyd

Pauline Jarman

Owen John Thomas

Glyn Davies and

elects Mick Bates to be the chair of the committee.

A vote was taken. Due to a technical failure with the electronic voting system, a single roll call vote was called to cover all elections as detailed above.

For 52; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 52

The motion was carried

9.15 am

Questions to Jenny Randerson, Minister for Culture and Sports

The first 7 questions were reached. Question 5 was not asked.

9.36 am

Questions to Carwyn Jones, Minister for Rural Affairs

The first 6 questions were reached.

9.54 am

Statement: The Minister for Health and Social Services made a statement on the Carlisle Review for Children and Young People treated and cared for by the NHS

10.04 am

Points of Order

Nick Bourne raised a point of order about displays in the Milling Area. The Presiding Office said that this was now a matter for the House Committee

10.14 am

The Minister for Assembly Business moved a procedural motion under SO 6.16 to take the following No Named Day Motion on the independent investigation into the Nantygwyddon landfill site

For 39; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 39

The procedural motion was agreed

The National Assembly resolves that the Environment, Planning and Transport Committee shall continue with the independent investigation into the Nantygwyddon landfill site referred to the former Environment, Planning and Transport Committee on 4 July 2000, and that anything carried out by that Committee is to be regarded as having been carried out by the Environment, Planning and Transport Committee for the purposes of the investigation

A vote was taken:

For 42; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 42

The motion was carried

10.17am

Approval of the School Government (Terms of Reference) (Wales) Regulations 2000

To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of The School Government (Terms of Reference) (Wales) Regulations 2000 laid in the Table Office on 11 October 2000.

A number of Members declared an interest as teachers or school governors

A vote was taken

For 45; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 45

The principle of The School Government (Terms of Reference) (Wales) Regulations 2000 was agreed

To propose that the National Assembly:

(a) considers the report of the Legislation Committee relating to the draft Order, The School Government (Terms of Reference) (Wales) Regulations 2000 laid in the Table Office on 17 October 2000.

(b) approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 11 October 2000.

A vote was taken

For 44; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 44

The School Government (Terms of Reference) (Wales) Regulations 2000 was agreed

10.39 am

The Deputy Presiding Officer took the Chair

Debate on Objective 2 Single programming Document

To propose that the National Assembly:

- Notes with approval the Single Programming Document, agreed between the East Wales Partnership and the European Commission, for the Objective 2 and Transitional Programme areas in East Wales, laid in the Table Office on 2 November 2000.

Calls upon the Minister for Economic Development with the agreement of the Partnership, to insert any additional text or make any textual amendments as may be necessary, to meet the technical requirements necessary to secure formal approval of the document by the European Commission as

soon as possible.

The following amendments were tabled:

1. Alun Cairns (South Wales West);

Add at the end of the motion;

Expresses concern that the implementation of the Objective 2 programme will be undermined by the other Structural Fund programmes and calls for the necessary facilitation between all partners, with particular support for the private sector.

2. Phil Williams (South Wales East);

Add at end of motion as new bullet point

- Applauds the recognition in the Single Programming Document that unplanned economic growth may have negative environmental impact and urges sufficient commitment to development such as: local sustainable renewable energy schemes; broadband communication; waste re-cycling and improved access to public transport to ensure the combination of sustained economic growth with positive environmental impact;

3. Phil Williams (South Wales East);

Add at end of motion as new bullet point

- Calls on the Minister for Economic Development to act upon the request of the European Commission, as included in its response to the draft Single Programming Documents, to adopt specific targets for ICT;

4. Phil Williams (South Wales East);

Add at end of motion as new bullet point

- Urges the Coalition Government of Wales to establish a National Partnership to co-ordinate the rural policies contained in Priority 5 of the Objective 1 Programme, Priority 2 of the Objective 2 Programme; the Rural Development Plan and the LEADER+ Community Initiative;

5. Phil Williams (South Wales East);

Add at end of motion as new bullet point

- Approves the proposed division of responsibility between Regional and Local Action Plans in the Objective 2 Programme and regrets the failure to ensure such a clear division across the whole range of European Structural Fund Programmes in Wales;

6. Phil Williams (South Wales East);

Add at end of motion as new bullet point

- Recognises that the extra funds allocated in the Comprehensive Spending Review to cover European Grants for the Structural Funds and the Community Initiatives assumes a gradual build-up of actual spending and urges the Coalition Government of Wales to press the Treasury for a guarantee that if the spending on worthwhile projects increases more rapidly than assumed in the CSR the extra funds will be allocated.

11.48am

Point of Order: Ron Davies asked what status non-assembly documents have within the Assembly. **The Deputy Presiding Officer** advised that it is courteous for members to make reference to the document's title for the Record and/or make a copy available in the Library.

A vote was taken:

Amendment 1

For 7; Abstain 13 ; Against 30; Total 50

Amendment 1 fell

Amendment 2

For 50; Abstain 0 ; Against 0; Total 50

Amendment 2 was carried

Amendment 3

For 50; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 50

Amendment 3 was carried

Amendment 4

For 21; Abstain 0; Against 29; Total 50

Amendment 4 fell

Amendment 5

For 21; Abstain 0; Against 29; Total 50

Amendment 5 fell

Amendment 6

For 21; Abstain 1; Against 28; Total 50

Amendment 6 fell

The motion, as amended

For 50; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 50

The motion, as amended, was carried

11.55am

Short Debate: Helen Mary Jones (Llanelli); Census and Identity

The session concluded at 12.20pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00 pm on Tuesday, 14th November 2000

J W Lloyd

DOCUMENTS LAID SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET

DOCUMENTS LAID ON 8 NOVEMBER 2000

Countryside Council for Wales - Annual Report 1999-2000 (No electronic version available)

DOCUMENTS LAID ON 7 NOVEMBER 2000

Leader + Single Programming Document for Wales 2000-2006 (No Electronic Version Available)

West Wrexham Urban 2 Community Initiative

Ireland/Wales INTERREG IIIA Community Initiative Programme 2000-2006

LC132 - Legislation Committee Report - The Children's Commissioner for Wales (Appointment) Regulations 2000

LC133 - Legislation Committee Report - The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2000