

Plenary Session 2001 – 2002 (28)

Thursday, 8th November 2001

VOTES & PROCEEDINGS

The Session commenced at 9.05am

Questions to Jenny Randerson, Minister for Culture, Sport and the Welsh Language

The first 7 questions were answered.

9.28am

Questions to Carwyn Jones, Minister for Rural Affairs

The first 6 questions were answered.

9.49am

Questions to Andrew Davies, Minister for Assembly Business

The first 6 questions were answered.

10.14am

Points of Order

1. **Nick Bourne** under Standing Order 2.4 about Cabinet Accountability.
2. **Dai Lloyd** under Standing Order 5.3 seeking clarification on last week's Business Statement.
3. **Phil Williams** about the commitment in Standing Orders for an open and inclusive Government and his concern about the change in the global address list on the internal e-mail system.
4. **Peter Rogers** under Standing Order 6.34 about ministerial correspondence.
5. **William Graham** under Standing Order 6 about business listed on the Agenda.

10.45am

Approval of the joint order on the Plant Breeders Rights (Fees)(Amendment) Regulations

NDM827 To propose that the National Assembly:

Acting under Standing Order 22.25, 23.10 & 23.11:

Approves the draft **The Plant Breeders Rights (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2000**, a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 30 October 2001 and the Regulatory Appraisal which was laid in Table Office on 30 October 2001.

A vote was taken:

For 35; Abstain 3; Against 0; Total 38

The Regulations were approved

10.46am

Approval of 6 Seed Marketing Regulations

NDM815 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Beet Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 31; Abstain 11; Against 0; Total 42

The principle of the order was approved

NDM816 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, **The Beet Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001 and approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001, and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 31; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 41

The Order was approved

NDM817 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Cereal Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 31; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 41

The principle of the order was approved

NDM818 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, **The Cereal Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001; approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001, and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 31; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 41

The Order was approved

NDM819 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Fodder Plant Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 32; Abstain 11; Against 0; Total 43

The principle of the order was approved

NDM820 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of

the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, **The Fodder Plant Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001; approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001 and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 33; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 43

The Order was approved

NDM821 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Oil and Fibre Plant Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 32; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 42

The principle of the order was approved

NDM822 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, **The Oil and Fibre Plant Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001; approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001 and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 33; Abstain 11; Against 0; Total 44

The Order was approved

NDM823 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Seed Potatoes (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 32; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 42

The principle of the order was approved

NDM824 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, The Seed Potatoes (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001; approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001 and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 31; Abstain 10; Against 0; Total 41

The Order was approved

NDM825 To propose that the National Assembly:

Considers the principle of **The Vegetable Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001**, laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 33; Abstain 11; Against 0; Total 44

The principle of the order was approved

NDM826 To propose that the National Assembly:

considers the report of the Legislation Committee which does not draw the special attention of the Assembly to any matter under Standing Order 11.5, in relation to the draft order, The Vegetable Seeds (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001, laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001; approves that the Order is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 23 October 2001 and the report of the ARD committee laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 33; Abstain 11; Against 0; Total 44

The Order was approved

10.58am

The Deputy Presiding Officer took the Chair

Approval of two Special Grant reports for financial assistance to businesses affected by Foot & Mouth

NDM828 To propose that the National Assembly:

Under Section 88B of the Local Government Finance Act, 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 19.8, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 17) (Wales) 2001, which was laid in the Table Office on 31 October 2001

A vote was taken:

For 35; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 35.

The Motion was approved

NDM829 To propose that the National Assembly:

Under Section 88B of the Local Government Finance Act, 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 19.8, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 18) (Wales) 2001 which was laid in the Table Office on 30 October 2001.

A vote was taken:

For 34; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 34.

The Motion was approved

11.24am

Approval of the Woodland Strategy

NDM830 To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Notes with approval that its long-term strategy for trees and woodlands, prepared as part of its sustainable development scheme made under Section 121 of the Government of Wales Act 1998, was published in July under the title '*Woodlands for Wales*', and that it is available on the internet at www.forestry.gov.uk/woodlandsforwales.

2. The Assembly also notes with approval the progress already made towards implementing

this strategy, and that a Woodland Forum has been established to monitor this progress.

A personal copy of 'Woodlands for Wales' was distributed to all Members on 31 October 2001

The following amendment was tabled:

William Graham (South Wales East);

Add new bullet:

"and recognises the significant contribution that private woodland owners will make to enhancing the social and economic benefits of woodlands to the wider community".

A vote was taken:

Amendment

For 48; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 48

The Amendment was approved

The motion, as amended

For 48; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 48

The motion, as amended was approved

Debate on the Agriculture & Rural Development Committee's report on Diversification of the Rural Economy - *This item was not moved*

12.15pm

Short Debate:

NDM814 Peter Rogers (North Wales); Life in the Ring - why livestock auctions matter

The session concluded at 12.40pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00pm on Tuesday, 13th November 2001

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly

DOCUMENTS LAID SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET

Documents laid on 07 November 2001

The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001 Memorandum of corrections-LD1094

Documents laid on 06 NOVEMBER 2001

The Education (Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales) (Conferment of Function) Order 2001-LD1085

The Relocation Grants (Forms of Application) (Amendment no.2) (Wales) Regulation 2001-LD1086

The Education (External Qualifications) (Description of Tests) (Wales) Regulations 2001-LD1087

The Housing Renewal Grants (Amendment no.2) (Wales) Regulations 2001-LD1088

The Housing Renewal Grants (Prescribed forms and particulars) (Amendment no.2) (Wales) Regulations 2001-LD1089

The Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations-LD1090

The Colours in Food (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001-LD1091

DOCUMENTS LAID ON 05 NOVEMBER 2001

The Farm Waste Grant (Nitrate Vulnerable Zones) Scheme 2001 - Memorandum of Corrections - LD1079

Qualifications, curriculum and assessment Authority for Wales (ACCAC): Annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2001-LD1093

Legislation Committee Reports

Documents laid on 7 November 2001

LC354: The Plant Health (Amendment) (Wales) (No2) Order 2001 - LD1080

LC355: The Accounts and Audit (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001 - LD1081

LC357: The Mandatory Travel Concessions (Reimbursement Arrangements) (Wales) Regulations 2001 - LD1082

LC358: The Import and Export Restrictions (foot and Mouth Disease) (Wales) (No 10) Regulations 2001 - LD 1083

LC359: The Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) (Charges) (Amendment) (No2) (Wales) Regulations 2001 - LD 1084

LC356: The Travel Concessions (Extension of Entitlement) (Wales) Order 2001 - LD 1092