

Motions and Amendments for Future Debate - 14 February 2002

Motions tabled on 7 February 2002

Short Debate

NDM963 Peter Black (South Wales West); Mobile Phone Masts - Safe or Not?

NDM964 Andrew Davies (Swansea West);

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Welcomes the Report of the Assembly Review of Procedure Group.
2. Approves the recommendations of the Group.
3. Asks the parties listed in Chapter Ten of the report to drive forward the implementation of the Review Group's recommendations.

The Report of the Assembly Review of Procedure Group can be located on the Intranet at the following address: http://assembly/committees/Review_of_Procedure/Reports/Final%20English%20Version.html
http://cynulliad/wcommittees/Review_of_Procedure/Adroddiadau.html

Amendments Tabled on 11 February 2002

To propose that the Assembly resolve to adopt the following amendments above motion (insert amendments):

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1. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

In point 1 replace 'welcomes' with 'notes'

2. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

add at end of point 1:

' and welcomes the Group's adoption of the principle that there should be the clearest possible separation between the Government and the Assembly which is achievable under

current legislation.'

3. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add at the end of point 2: 'subject to the following amendments to the Report:'

- I. Chapter 2.3 - add new recommendation 'That the Government adopt the title 'Government for Wales' to describe itself rather than the 'Welsh Assembly Government'.
- II. Chapter 3.5 - add at the end of the second recommendation ', and provided that any extension of plenary sessions beyond 6.00pm on Tuesdays is limited to facilitating urgent Government business.'
- III. Chapter 4.8 - Insert at the end of the recommendation 'and that a primary legislation unit be set up within the office of the Presiding Officer to assist in their task'
- IV. Chapter 6.14 - Insert at the end of the recommendation ' There should be a debate in Government time on Ministers' response to such reports.'

Add at end of point 3 'as amended.'

4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add new point 4

' Notes that the Review Group was limited by its terms of reference into working within the framework of the Government of Wales Act 1998 and accepts that substantial and meaningful improvements in the effectiveness of the Assembly cannot be achieved unless it acquires primary legislative powers.'

5. Andrew Davies (Swansea West)

Insert as new point 3 and re-number accordingly:

"Encourages the publication of Bills in draft, but recognises scrutiny must, in practice, prioritise bills proposed by the Assembly and those which significantly affect Wales".

6. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At point 1 replace "Welcomes" with "Notes".

7. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At the end of point 1, add:

but criticises the First Minister for pre-empting the Review Group's report by announcing a

change in nomenclature from "Assembly Cabinet" to "Welsh Assembly Government".

8. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At end of point 2, add:

however, calls for the boundaries of regional committees to mirror the boundaries of the Assembly's electoral regions.

9. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At the end of point 2, add:

however, calls for Assembly Ministers to lay motions for debate in response to subject committee reports.

10. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At the end of point 2, add:

however, calls for a vote to be reinstated at the end of short debates.

11. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

At the end of point 2, add:

however, requests that a hard copy of the Assembly record be made available in addition to the electronic format.