

Forward Look

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[Notified by the Business Minister in a statement to the Assembly on Tuesday, 29th November 2005.]

Tuesday 6 December & Wednesday 7 December 2005

Tuesday 10 January & Wednesday 11 January 2006

Tuesday 17 January & Wednesday 18 January 2006

Tuesday 6 December 2005

- **Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)**
- **Business Statement (10 mins)**
- **Motion to approve under Standing Order 24.25 (1 min):**
- **The Children Act 2004 (Commencement No5) (Wales) Order 2005**

The purpose of this Order is to commence section 57 of the Children Act 2004. Section 57 amends section 12(3)(d) of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (power to make provision as to the payment of expenses of members of an adoption review panel) by substituting the words "expenses" with "fees".

- **The Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2005**

These Regulations amend the Non-Domestic Rating Contributions Regulations 1992 (which set out the rules for calculating estimates for contributions to the Welsh Non Domestic rates pool) by

updating two elements of the rules by which councils calculate their contributions for 2006-07. The first of these amends the buoyancy factor, which relates to the changes year on year for the percentage of losses in collection, and the second inserts updated adult population figures

- **Motion to approve the Valuation Tribunal (Wales) Regulations 2005 (10 mins)**

These Regulations establish a Valuation Tribunal Service for Wales, which will comprise of the four current Valuation Tribunals. The membership, judicial functions and areas served by each current Valuation Tribunal will remain unchanged. The Valuation Tribunal Service for Wales will provide a centralised administrative service for the Valuation Tribunal's and the Valuation Tribunal Service for Wales' administrative functions will, for the most part, be undertaken by its Governing Council and/or it's Chief Executive. The Regulations will revoke the Valuation Tribunals (Wales) Regulations 1995, the Valuation Tribunals (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2001 and the Valuation Tribunals (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004 as they supersede and replace them. Failure to revoke these Regulations would result in there being more than 1 set of Regulations in place governing the Valuation Tribunals, parts of which would contradict each other and therefore be unworkable.

Proposal to debate the next 2 items together but with separate votes (15 mins)

- **Motion to approve The Representations Procedure (Children)(Wales) Regulations 2005**

These Regulations, together with a matching set on services for adults (The Social Services Complaints Procedure (Wales) Regulations 2005) and the associated guidance, will have the effect of putting into place a new framework for handling complaints in local authority social services

- **Motion to approve The Social Services Complaints Procedure (Wales) Regulations 2005**

These Regulations, together with the matching set on services for children (The Representations Procedure (Children) (Wales) Regulations 2005) and the associated guidance, will have the effect of putting into place a new framework for handling complaints in local authority social services.

- **Motion to approve The Common Agricultural Policy Single Payment and Support Schemes (Cross Compliance) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2005 (10 mins)**

Cross compliance is a set of environmental standards and conditions required by the European Commission that farmers have to meet in order to receive full payment under the Single Payment Scheme. Cross compliance comprises two elements:

- Compliance with Statutory Management Requirements (SMR) – a number of specific standards established in EU Directives and Regulations, phased in over 3 years (2005 to 2007). Most of the 19 SMRS relate to existing laws and address environmental, public and plant health, animal health and welfare and livestock identification and tracing objectives.
- Maintenance of land in accordance with the Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition (GAEC) - a framework established in EU Regulations.

These Regulations amend the Common Agricultural Policy Single Payments and Support Schemes (Cross Compliance) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 to introduce a derogation from the current hedge cutting, hedge laying and soil management assessment requirements under the Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition framework. All other amendments are administrative, designed to strengthen the current requirements.

- **Motion to approve The Feed (Hygiene and Enforcement) (Wales) Regulations 2005 (10 mins)**

The Regulations introduce national enforcement powers and other administrative provisions in respect of EC Regulation 183/2005 on feed hygiene. The Regulations also update enforcement and other provisions in respect of animal feed law required by the coming into force of EC Regulation 882/2004 on Official Feed and Food Controls. EC Regulations 183/2005 and 882/2004 are directly applicable in all EU Member States from 1 January 2006.

- **Motion to approve The Meat (Official Controls)(Charges)(Wales) Regulations 2005 (10 mins)**

These Regulations will allow for the continued application of current meat hygiene and inspection charges by the Meat Hygiene Service in Wales. The Regulations are required to take effect from 1 January 2006 when new EU food hygiene Regulations enter into force in all Member States and amend the legislative base for the current charging provisions. The charges to which these regulations relate are prescribed in Directive 85/73/EEC. This Directive provides a system of charging for various veterinary checks and controls on certain products of animal origin in licensed meat plants and is implemented in Great Britain by the Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) (Charges) Regulations 1998.

Directive 85/73/EEC will be replaced and modified from 1 January 2006 by EC Regulation 853/2004, which is directly applicable in all EU Member States. The Meat (Official Controls) (Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2005 are required to maintain the current charging system in Wales by revoking the 1998 Regulations and making reference to the new EU food hygiene Regulations rather than to the meat hygiene legislation that will cease to have effect on 1 January 2006.

- **Motion to approve The Animal Health Act 1981 (Amendment) Regulations 2005 under Standing Order 25 section 3 (10 mins)**
- **Welsh Conservative Party nominated debate (45 mins)**
- **Debate on Proposed Restructuring of the Police Service (60 mins)**

Wednesday 7 December 2005

- **Local Government Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services (30 mins)**
- **Questions to Jane Davidson, Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning (30 mins)**
- **Motion(s) to: establish the public inquiry; appoint the chair of the Inquiry; delegate the remaining functions under the Inquiries Act 2005 to the First Minister and to note report of the Committee on the Inquiry into the E.coli Outbreak in Wales (45 mins)**
- **Motion to delegate the functions under the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 2005 (10 mins)**
- **Debate on the Final Budget (90 mins)**
- **Short Debate (30 mins)**

Tuesday 10 January 2006

- **Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)**

- **Business Statement (10 mins)**
- **Slot reserved for subordinate legislation (20 mins)**
- **Plaid Cymru Party nominated debate (45 mins)**
- **Debate on NHS Dentistry (90 mins)**

Wednesday 11 January 2006

- **Questions to Edwina Hart, Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration (30 mins)**
- **Questions to Andrew Davies, Minister for Economic Development and Transport (30 mins)**
- **Questions to Jane Hutt in accordance with Standing Order 6.28 and as specified in the list of Ministerial responsibilities (30 mins)**
- **Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: The Welsh Assembly Government's Response to the Health and Social Services Committee's Report Review of the National Service Framework for Mental Health –Standard 2 : User and Carer Participation (30 mins)**

The National Assembly debated the Health and Social Services Committee's Report Review of the National Service Framework for Mental Health –Standard 2 : User and Carer Participation in Plenary on 1 November 2006.

- **Motion to consider the feasibility study report on Val Lloyd's Standing Order 31 proposal which was debated on 27 September 2005 (60 mins)**

The motion debated on 27 September 2005 proposed that the National Assembly supported in principle legislation to require all NHS Trusts in Wales to identify a senior director who will have responsibility for hospital cleanliness, and to place the following statutory obligations on the director so identified:

- To report, on a quarterly basis to the full Trust Board, during the public part of that Trust Board's agenda.
- To provide this same report on a quarterly basis, to the Community Health Councils that serve that Trust

- **Short debate (30 mins)**

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Tuesday 17 January 2005

- **Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)**
- **Business Statement (10 mins)**
- **Proposal to debate the following 2 items together but with separate votes (30 mins)**
- **Motion to approve The Historic Buildings Council for Wales (Abolition) Order 2006**

This Order gives effect to the first phase of the process of the proposed change of constitution of the Historic Buildings Council for Wales (HBC) into an advisory panel of the Welsh Assembly Government by abolishing the Board as a body under the Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments Act 1953 and abolishing the statutory functions of the Council under that, and any other, enactment.

- **Motion to approve The Ancient Monuments Board for Wales (Abolition) Order 2006**

This Order gives effect to the first phase of the process of the proposed change of constitution of the Ancient Monuments Board for Wales (AMB) into an advisory panel of the Welsh Assembly Government by abolishing the Board as a body under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 and abolishing the statutory functions of the Board under that, and any other, enactment.

- **Slot reserved for subordinate legislation (60 mins)**
- **Welsh Conservative Party nominated debate (45 mins)**

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Wednesday 18 January 2005

- **Finance Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance ,Local Government & Public Services (30 mins)**
- **Questions to Carwyn Jones, Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside (30 mins)**
- **Debate on a Policy Review by the Culture, Welsh Language and Sport Committee : Dance in Wales (60 mins)**
- **Debate on the Annual Report of the Children's Commissioner for Wales (60 mins)**
- **Short debate (30 mins)**