# Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2003

## The meeting commenced at 2.00pm

#### **First Minister's Question Time**

The first 13 questions were answered. Questions 3+6+7 were withdrawn.

#### 2.45pm

#### **Business Statement**

More than 10 Members objected to the business statement.

#### A vote was taken on the business statement:

For 30; Abstain 0; Against 25; Total 55

The business statement was agreed

### 2.53pm

# **Presiding Officer Ruling**

The Presiding Officer said that in future he would expect the Motion for the debate with the Secretary of State for Wales on the Government's Legislative Programme under Standing Order 6.5 (vii) to remit specific Bills to Subject Committees

# 2.55pm

Statement by the First Minister: The British Irish Council Summit

#### 3.13pm

**Points of Order** 

Jonathan Morgan on the amendment to the Minority Party Debate.

Alun Ffred Jones on delays in responses to written questions.

# 3.23pm

This item was not subject to debate and proceeded to a vote immediately Motion to approve under Standing Order 22.25

NDM1729 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 22.25:

1. a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office, and e-mailed to Assembly Members, on 25 November 2003 on the draft regulations "The LEA Budget, Schools Budget and Individual School Budget (Wales) Regulations 2003"; and

- b) Approves that "The LEA Budget, Schools Budget and Individual School Budget (Wales) Regulations 2003" is made in accordance with the draft regulations laid in the Table Office on 11 November 2003 and the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 11 November 2003; and
- 2. a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 25 November 2003 on the draft Order "The Education (Recognised Bodies)(Wales) Order 2003"; and
- b) Approves that "The Education (Recognised Bodies)(Wales) Order 2003" is made in accordance with the draft order laid in the Table Office on 19 November 2003 and the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 24 November 2003; and
- 3. a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 25 November 2003 on the draft regulations "The Feeding Stuffs, the Feeding Stuffs (Sampling and Analysis) and the Feeding Stuffs (Enforcement)(Amendment) (Wales) (No2) Regulations 2003"; and
- b) Approves that "The Feeding Stuffs, the Feeding Stuffs (Sampling and Analysis) and the Feeding Stuffs (Enforcement)(Amendment) (Wales) (No2) Regulations 2003" is made in accordance with the draft regulations laid in the Table Office on 20 November 2003 and the Memorandum of Corrections laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 25 November 2003 and the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 20 November 2003; and
- 4. a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 25 November 2003 on the draft Order "The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers Charges) (Amendment) Order 2003"; and
- b) Approves that "The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers Charges) (Amendment) Order 2003" is made in accordance with the draft order laid in the Table Office on 19 November 2003 and the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 19 November 2003.

#### A vote was taken on the motion:

For 52; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 52

The motion was carried

#### 3.24pm

## **Debate on the Final Budget**

NDM1728 Sue Essex (Cardiff North)

To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 19.3, adopts the final budget for the financial years 2004-2005, 2005-2006 and 2006-2007, laid in the Table Office on 24 November 2003 by the Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services.

#### A vote was taken on the motion:

For 30; Abstain 9; Against 15; Total 54

The motion was carried

#### 4.35pm

#### **Conservative Minority Party Debate**

NDM1727 Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

The National Assembly for Wales calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to bring forward, as a matter of urgency, detailed proposals to tackle the unacceptably long waiting lists and the growing problem of bed blocking, and condemns the Government for not implementing a strategic and coherent approach to the recommendations of Derek Wanless.

# The following amendment was tabled: Amendment 1 - Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

Delete all after the National Assembly for Wales and replace with:

- 1. Commends the actions of the Assembly Government in tackling waiting times in Wales;
- 2. Notes, in particular, the substantial reductions in long waits in priority areas, the positive effect of recent investment to reduce delayed transfers of care and the 'second offer guarantee' scheme announced by the Minister for Health and Social Care on 18 November 2003.
- 3. Welcomes and endorses the Welsh Assembly Government's response to the Wanless Review of Health and Social Care.

The Welsh Assembly Government's response to the Review of Health and Social Care can be accessed via this hyperlink:

http://www.wales.gov.uk/servlet/HealthAndSocialServicesCommittee?area \_code=37D6A89F00087B550000121400000000&document\_code=N0000 00000000000000000000013883&p\_arch=post&module=dynamicpages&month\_year=

#### A vote was taken:

**Amendment 1** 

For 30; Abstain 0; Against 22; Total 52

Amendment 1 was carried

The motion, as amended

For 30; Abstain 0; Against 22; Total 52

The motion, as amended, was carried

The meeting concluded at 5.39pm

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# The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

# 2.00pm on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2003

E P Silk

**Clerk to the Assembly** 

# **DOCUMENTS LAID SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET**

Docu	ments Laid on 01 December 2003
	Welsh Local Government Financial Statistics 2003 - LD2482
Docu	ments Laid on 26 November 2003
	The Adoption Agencies (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2448 The Collagen and Gelatine (Intra-Community Trade) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2449 The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory
	Appraisal - LD2450 The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Amendment) (No 2) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2451
	Adoption Agencies (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 20032003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2452
	The Collagen and Gelatine (Intra-Community Trade) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2453
	The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Pupil Referral Units) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2454
	The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Maintained Schools) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2455
	The Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales)(Amendment) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2456
	The Central Rating List (Wales)(Amendment) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2457
	The Wildlife and Countryside (Registration, Ringing and Marking of Certain Captive Birds) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2458
	The Waste Management Licensing (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2459

The Independent Schools (Religious Character of Schools) (Designation Procedure) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2460
The Independent Schools (Provision of Information) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2461
The Independent Schools (Publication of Inspection Reports) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2462
The Independent Schools Standards (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2463
The Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2464
The Welsh Language Schemes (Public Bodies) Order 2004 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2465 The Dog Fouling (Fixed Penalty) (Wales) Order 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2466 The Litter (Fixed Penalty) (Wales) Order 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2467 The Education (School Day And School Year) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - Regulatory Appraisal - LD2468
The Independent Schools (Religious Character of Schools) (Designation Procedure) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2469
The Independent Schools (Provision of Information) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2470 The Independent Schools (Publication of Inspection Reports) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2471
The Independent School Standards (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2472 The Education (Information About Individual Pupils) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2473 The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) (Amendment)(No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2474 The National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (Commencement No.1) (Wales) Order
2003 - LD2475 The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Pupil Referral Units) (Wales) Regulations
2003 - LD2476 The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Maintained Schools) (Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2477
The Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 - LD2478 The Central Rating List (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 - LD2479 The Wildlife and Countryside (Registration, Ringing and Marking of Certain Captive Birds)
(Wales) Regulations 2003 - LD2480 The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (Commencement Order No. 4) (Wales) Order 2004 - LD2481