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Second Assembly Plenary Meeting

Votes and Proceedings (259)

Date: Tuesday, 20th March 2007

Time: 2.00pm

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Visit of Governor Chubut Province

2.07pm

Item 1 - Motion to elect a Planning Decision Committee

NDM3547 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales resolves:

- 1. That a Committee, to be known as Planning Decision Committee (2) 2007-2, be established in accordance with Standing Order 17 of the Assembly to discharge those functions of the Assembly in respect of the matters identified in the Schedule to this motion which are indicated in respect of each matter in that schedule and that the Assembly's functions in those respects be delegated to that Committee.
- 2. That the members of that Committee be:

Carwyn Jones (Chair) Lorraine Barrett Mick Bates Elin Jones

- 3. That the Committee shall cease to exist when the Chair of the Committee signs the decision letter in accordance with Standing Order 17.16 or on the 30 March 2007, whichever is the earlier.
- 4. That if the Committee shall cease to exist without the Chair having signed a decision letter in respect of the matter identified in the Schedule to this motion then in that event the functions identified in paragraph 1 above are, in relation to such matter, delegated to the First Minister.

Schedule

- 1.Called in planning application under section 77 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 by S V Owen Ltd for proposed residential development of 34 three-storey dwellings at the Old Cricket Ground, Trearddur Bay, Anglesey:
- 2. Planning appeal under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 by Westbury Homes (Holdings) Ltd for new residential development consisting of 41 no. three- storey town houses, 221 no. apartments in 6 six-storey pavilions, 1 no. block rising from three storeys to seven storeys and 1 no. block rising from four storeys to ten storeys along with associated car parking, landscaping and infrastructure requirements at Pentreguinea Road, St Thomas, Swansea
- 3.Planning appeals under section 78 of the town and country planning act 1990 by Newbridge Construction Ltd, Mr R A E Herbert & Mrs M G Herbert for: -

(appeal a) residential development, public open space, flood alleviation works and associated environmental improvements at the former Tredegar Park Golf Course, Newport.

(appeal b) proposed works to provide flood storage and flood control facilities at Tredegar Park Sports Field and Recreation Ground, Newport.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	0	0	34

The motion was approved.

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2.08pm

Item 2 - Questions to the First Minister

The first 10 questions were answered. 11 was withdrawn. 13 was transferred for written answer.

3.11pm
Item 3 - Business Statement
The business statement was agreed.
3.22pm
Statement by the Minister for Enterprise, Innovation and Networks: Alfred McAlpine's slate quarries

3.42pm
Item 4 - Statement by the Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services: The Welsh Assembly Government's response to the Local Government and Public Services Committee's scrutiny project - Electoral Arrangements in Wales

4.14pm Item 5 - Statement by the Minister for Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills: Progress made in investing in school buildings

4.35pm
Item 6 - Motion to approve The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels In

Crops, Food And Feeding Stuffs) (England And Wales) (Amendment)

Regulations 2007 under Standing Orders 24.25, 25.13 and 25.14

NDM3539 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 24.25, 25.13 & 25.14:

Approves the draft The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 a copy of which was laid in Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 6 March 2007, and notes the Explanatory Memorandum for this Order laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 6 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
32	0	0	32

The motion was approved.

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4.45pm

This item is not subject to debate and will proceed to a vote immediately Item 7 - Motion to approve under Standing Order 24.25

NDM3548 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 24.25:

- 1 a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007 on the draft The Independent Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007;and
- b) Approves that The Independent Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007 are made in accordance with
- i) the draft Order laid in the Table Office on 27 February 2007; and
- ii) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 27 February 2007.

- 2 a) Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007 on the draft The References to Health Authorities Order 2007; and
- b) Approves that The References to Health Authorities Order 2007 are made in accordance with
- i) the draft Order laid in the Table Office on 6 March 2007; and
- ii) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 6 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
41	0	0	41

The motion was approved.

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4.46pm

Item 8 - Motion to approve The Local Health Boards (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2007

NDM3549 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Local Health Boards (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 27 February 2007.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Regulations:

		Abstain	Against	Total
'	42	0	0	42

The principle of the regulations was agreed.

NDM3550 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007 in relation to the draft The Local Health Boards (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007; and
- 2. Approves that the draft The Local Health Boards (Constitution, Membership and Procedures) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2007 is made in accordance with:
- a) the draft laid in the Table Office on 27 February 2007; and
- b) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 27 February 2007.

A vote was taken on the Regulations:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
41	0	0	41

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Item 9 - Motion to approve The Staffing of Maintained Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007

NDM3551 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Staffing of Maintained Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 6 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Regulations:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
43	0	0	43

The principle of the regulations was agreed.

NDM3552 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007 in relation to the draft The Staffing of Maintained Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007; and
- 2. Approves that the draft The Staffing of Maintained Schools (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2007 is made in accordance with:
- a) the draft laid in the Table Office on 6 March 2007; and
- b) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 6 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the Regulations:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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Item 10 - Motion to approve The NHS Business Services Authority

(Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y Gig) (Wales) Directions 2007 under Standing Order 29 .3 (iii)

NDM3553 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales acting under Standing Order 29.3 (iii):

Considers the principle of The NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Wales) Directions 2007 a draft of which was laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Directions:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
43	0	0	43

The principle of the directions was agreed.

NDM3554 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly

Acting under Standing Order 29.3 (iii) approves The NHS Business Services Authority (Awdurdod Gwasanaethau Busnes y GIG) (Wales) Directions 2007 which was laid in the Table Office and emailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the Directions:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
44	0	0	44

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Item 11 - Motion to approve The Highways (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 under Standing Order 25 section 3

NDM3555 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 25.13

Approves the draft The Highways (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 a copy of which was laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007, and notes the Explanatory Memorandum for this Order laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 March 2007.

A vote was taken on the Regulations:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
44	0	0	44

The Regulations were approved.

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4.50pm

Item 12 - Debate on the Annual Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education and Training

NDM3556 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Welcomes:
- a) the annual report for 2005-06 of the Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education and Training;
- b) the Chief Inspector's conclusion that providers in most sectors have improved a great deal since they were last inspected;
- c) the action being taken through the Learning Country programme to address the areas for improvement identified by the Chief Inspector and break down barriers to learning.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Delete point b) and replace with: 'the Chief Inspector's conclusion that better joint working between those who plan, provide and deliver education is essential if many of the new initiatives in education and training in Wales are to be effective.'

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	26	46

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 - Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Delete point c) and replace with: 'the acknowledgement of the need to encourage a wider use of the Welsh language in English-medium schools in subjects other than Welsh and in after-school activities.'

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	26	46

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion

For	Abstain	Against	Total
46	0	0	46

The motion was agreed.

The meeting concluded at 5.38pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 21st March 2007.

Determinations