

**BUSINESS PAPERS**

**PART 1 - SECTION A**

**AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2000**

**The session will commence at 2pm**

**Election to Committees**

To propose that the Assembly;

1. In accordance with section 57(8) of the Government of Wales Act 1998 and Standing Order 8.3, elects Delyth Evans (Labour) to its Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee in place of Alun Michael (Labour).
2. In accordance with Standing Orders 8.3 and 15.4 elects, Delyth Evans (Labour) to its Committee on European Affairs in place of Alun Michael (Labour).

**Election to Partnership Council**

To propose that the Assembly, in accordance with paragraphs 1(1) and 4 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 1998, appoints the following persons to be members of the Partnership Council:

Rhodri Morgan (Labour) in place of Alun Michael (Labour).

Peter Black (Liberal Democrat) in place of Mike German (Liberal Democrat).

Glyn Davies (Conservative) in place of Nick Bourne (Conservative).

**Questions to Rhodri Morgan, Secretary for Economic Development (15 minutes)**

A list of the Oral questions are on the Internet (and Chamberweb)

**Questions to Edwina Hart, Finance Secretary (15 minutes)**

A list of the Oral questions are on the Internet (and Chamberweb)

## **Planning Decision Committee 2000/1**

To propose that the Assembly resolves:

1. That a committee, to be known as Planning Decision Committee 2000/1 be established, in accordance with Standing Order 27 to discharge the functions of the Assembly under Section 77(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in respect of the matter identified in the Schedule to this motion and that the Assembly's functions in that respect be delegated to that Committee;
2. That the members of that Committee be:  
  
Sue Essex (Chair)  
John Griffiths  
Geraint Davies  
David Davies
3. That the Committee shall cease to exist when the Chair of the Committee signs the decision letter in accordance with Standing Order 27.16 or on the 9 August 2000 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 Secretary.

### **Schedule**

An application by Mr and Mrs S George for permission to carry out certain development at Portfield Gate, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, namely rehabilitation of the Enfield Homestead, including conversion of redundant corn barn for use as a single detached dwelling

### **Debate on Climate Change**

To propose that the Assembly agrees to work in partnership with the UK Government, the Scottish Executive and the Department of the Environment (Northern Ireland) to deliver the Kyoto target of a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions of 12.5% below 1990 levels by 2008-2012 and a domestic UK goal of a 20% reduction in carbon dioxide emissions below 1990 levels by 2010 and that it notes the draft climate change programme as described in "Climate Change - Wales" – issued to Members on 4 April 2000

### **The following amendments have been tabled:**

In accordance with the revised guidance on the Grouping, Selection and Refusal of Amendments, the Presiding Officer has decided to group the amendments as follows for the purposes of debate - but votes will be taken separately:

(1+2+4)

(3)

(5+6+7)

(8)

**Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

In line 1 delete 'Assembly' and insert 'National Assembly for Wales'

**Amendment 2 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

In line 1 before 'agrees' add ' recalling its statutory responsibility to promote sustainable development '

**Amendment 3 - David Davies (Monmouth);**

After "2010" delete the words "and that it" and insert ",yet recognises that punitive taxation is not the best way of achieving these targets and calls on the UK Government to look again at the alternatives to an energy tax. The Assembly"

**Amendment 4 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

In line 5 delete 'that it' and add 'recognises the major opportunities in Wales for a dynamic renewable energy industry, calls upon statutory bodies such as the Environment Agency and the Countryside Council, and local authorities to co-operate positively in the advancement of this industry while also recognising the responsibility of all sectors to significantly improve energy efficiency and '

**Amendment 5 - Christine Humphreys - North Wales**

Add at the end of the motion: -

To assist Wales and the other UK regions in meeting the targets set out in the Kyoto agreement, this Assembly calls upon the UK government to introduce a phased carbon tax applied to fossil fuel generated energy sources with the undertaking that: -

A portion of the generated revenue be used to provide energy intensive businesses financial assistance towards the cost of energy efficiency investment.

A portion of the generated revenue is used for investment in energy efficient public transport.

A portion is used to reduce the tax burden upon the earnings of the individual, shifting the tax burden towards energy consumption and away from the individual.

## **Amendment 6- Christine Humphreys - North Wales**

Add at the end of the motion: -

This Assembly also resolves to implement an all Wales waste strategy with the following characteristics: -

That there is a clear movement away from unsustainable landfill and incineration towards recycling and sustainability.

That a planning presumption be introduced against further incineration and landfill developments in Wales in the interests of sustainability.

Where incineration is the only viable option, the Assembly should encourage the harnessing of the energy that is generated so that it can be put to both domestic and industrial use.

## **Amendment 7 - Christine Humphreys - North Wales**

At the end of the motion insert the following: -

In addition, this Assembly resolves to: -

Set, monitor and evaluate targets for environmental performance improvements.

Set clear guidelines for local authorities to assist them in reducing road traffic volumes.

Seek European Union co-operation to assist in the development of international environmental initiatives.

## **Amendment 8 - Alun Cairns (South Wales West);**

Add at the end of the motion:

Regrets the additional taxation that will be imposed, which will hit the Welsh economy harder than any other part of the UK due to a disproportionate dependence on the manufacturing and agricultural sectors.

**Short Debate:** (to commence by 5pm)

**Lorraine Barrett (Cardiff South and Penarth); Young People and M.E.**

**The session will conclude at 5.30pm**

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**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at**

**2.00 pm on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2000**

**J W Lloyd**

**Clerk to the Assembly**