Plenary Session 2001 – 2002 (14)

Thursday, 28th June 2001

AGENDA

The Session will commence at 9.05am

Item 1

Local Government Questions to Edwina Hart, Minister for Finance, Local Government & Communities

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Item 2

Oral Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Environment

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Item 3

Debate on the Lottery in Wales

NDM712 To propose that the Assembly:

- 1. Notes the continued efforts of the Lottery Distributors in Wales and of the UK Distributors which impact upon Wales, with particular reference to developing joint working arrangements, tackling social inclusion and geographical spread, equality of access and simplification of application processes.
- 2. The Assembly encourages the introduction of arrangements to strengthen its relationship with Lottery Distributors in Wales and the UK, to ensure that future policy directions adequately reflect the specific requirements of Wales and complement the Assembly's objectives, ensuring that priority is given to projects which have the maximum impact upon the people and communities of Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

In accordance with the revised guidance on the Grouping, Selection and Refusal of

Amendments, the Presiding Officer has determined the order in which they will be taken and has decided to group the amendments as follows for the purposes of debate. Votes will be taken separately:

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 $(4)+(5)$

1. William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point 1 and renumber accordingly:

1. Notes with concern the UK Government's plans to further dilute the principle of additionality, which states that lottery money should not be spent on core government functions such as health and education but on 'good causes' not usually supported by the state.

2. William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point two and renumber accordingly:

2. Notes with concern the effect that the UK Government's botched handling of the renewal of the National Lottery operator's licence will have on lottery applicants in Wales.

3. William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point at end of motion:

Fully supports the principle that the lottery should advance the principles outlined in *betterwales.com* such as social inclusion, but notes with concern that, as a result of legislative changes in the last four years, over a third of lottery money is now under ministerial command and control rather than allocated by independent agencies.

4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Insert new point at end of motion:

Calls upon the Minister for Culture to ensure the close involvement of the Culture committee in monitoring the distribution policy of lottery funds in Wales and the progress made towards meeting the objectives outlined above.

5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Insert new point at end of motion:

Notes its disappointment at the lack of progress made towards securing a greater share of lottery funding for Wales.

Item 4

Debate on the Report of the Agriculture and Rural Development Committee on the Diversification of the Rural Economy

NDM711 To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 9.9, notes the report from the Agriculture & Rural Development Committee entitled "Diversifying the Rural Economy", which was laid in the Table Office on 20 June 2001.

Click <u>here</u> for the report

Item 5

Short Debate:

NDM713 Pauline Jarman (South Wales Central); First Objective - Objective One

The session should conclude by 12.35pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00pm on Tuesday, 3rd July 2001

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly