Wednesday, 14th July 2004

AGENDA

The meeting will commence at 2.00pm

Item 1 Motion to elect a Planning Decision Committee NDM2080 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales resolves:

- 1. That a Committee, to be known as the Planning Decision Committee (2) 2004-4 be established, in accordance with Standing Order No. 17 of the Assembly, to discharge the functions, in respect of the matter identified in the schedule to this motion under sections 77 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 2. That the members of that Committee be:

Carwyn Jones AM (Chair)
Tamsin Dunwoody -Kneafsey AM
Alun Ffred Jones AM
Brynle Williams AM

- 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 6 August 2004 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

Called in Planning Application by Celtic Energy Ltd for the proposed extension of an existing opencast coal site, with an on-site washery, followed by restoration and aftercare management at East Pit East, Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen, nr Ammanford.

Item 2

Questions to Jane Hutt, Minister for Health & Social Services

Click here for the questions

Item 3

Questions to Jane Davidson, Minister for Education & Lifelong Learning Click here for the questions

Item 4

Statement by the First Minister - Public Services in Wales

Item 5

Statement by Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government & Public Services - Response to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Statement on the Comprehensive Spending Review

Item 6

Motion to approve The Welsh Development Agency (Financial Limit) Order 2004 under Standing Order 24.27 NDM2076 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Welsh Development Agency (Financial Limit) Order 2004 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 6 July 2004.

Click here for the Order

NDM2077 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Approves that The Welsh Development Agency (Financial Limit) Order 2004 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 6 July 2004 and notes the Regulatory Appraisal for this Order laid in Table Office on 6 July 2004

To note: No Legislation Committee Report is laid in respect of these Regulations, procedural requirements having been disapplied by the Assembly Cabinet under Standing Order 24.27 (i), (ii) and (iii).

Click here for the Regulatory Appraisal

Item 7

Motion to approve The General Medical Services (Transitional Measure Relating to Non –Clinical Partners) (Wales) Order 2004 under Standing Order 24.27 NDM2078 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The General Medical Services (Transitional Measure Relating to Non-Clinical Partners) (Wales) Order 2004 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 6 July 2004.

Click here for the Order

NDM2079 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Approves that The General Medical Services (Transitional Measure Relating to Non-Clinical Partners) (Wales) Order 2004 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 6 July 2004.

To note: No Legislation Committee Report is laid in respect of these Regulations, procedural requirements having been disapplied by the Assembly Cabinet under Standing Order 24.27 (i), (ii) and (iii).

Item 8 Motion to approve The Bus Service Operators Grant (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004 NDM2074 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Bus Service Operators Grant (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 25 June 2004.

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

NDM2075 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office on 6 July 2004 in relation to the draft regulations The Bus Service Operators Grant (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004; and
- 2. Approves that, The Bus Service Operators Grant (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004 is made in accordance with:
- a) the draft Regulations laid in the Table Office on 25 June 2004; and

b) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 23 June 2004.

Click here for the Legislation Committee Report

Click <u>here</u> for the Regulatory Appraisal

Item 9

Motion to delegate the functions of The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Regulations 2003 to the First Minister NDM2073 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Acting under section 62(1)(b) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, resolves to delegate all the functions of the National Assembly contained in the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Regulations 2003 to the Assembly First Minister, save those which by law cannot be so delegated.

Nothing in this motion will have the effect of reducing the pre-eminence of the authority of the full Assembly or of reducing the role of the Assembly Committees in the exercise of the above functions.

This delegation will be made in the knowledge that those functions will, as appropriate, be further delegated to the appropriate Assembly Minister and to staff.

The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Regulations 2003 can be located on the Internet using the attached hyperlink: http://www.legislation.hmso.gov.uk/si/si2003/20033311.htm - Please note this Document will not be available on the Chamberweb

Item 10

Debate on Social Justice and Regeneration Committee's Report : Housing for Older People

NDM2072 Janice Gregory (Ogmore)

The National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order No 9.9, notes the report of the Social Justice and Regeneration Committee entitled "Policy Review – Housing for Older People" which was laid in the Table Office on 2 July 2004.

Click here for the Report

Item 11 - WITHDRAWN
Debate on the First Minister's Report for 2003/2004
NDM2081 Karen Sinclair (Clwyd South)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales

Welcomes the Report of the First Minister 2003/04.

Copies of the First Minister's Annual Report 2003/2004 were e-mailed to Assembly Members on 7 July 2004

Click here for the Report

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 for the purposes of debate. Votes will be taken separately:

(1) + (3)

(4) + (5)

Amendment 1 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Delete 'Welcomes' and replace with 'Notes'.

Amendment 2 - This has not been selected Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales)

Delete 'Welcomes' and replace with 'Notes'.

Amendment 3 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add new point at end of motion:

Expresses concern at the First Minister's rejection of the Richard Commission's recommendation for the need for primary law making powers and the Assembly Government's poor record on the delivery of public services.

Amendment 4 Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add new point:

Notes that of the 10 'solid' achievements of Labour Assembly Government claimed by the Minister for Culture, three were due to action taken before 1 May 2003, four had nothing to do with the Assembly and two have not yet happened.

Amendment 5 Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add new point:

Notes that of the top 10 commitments, listed on page 3 of the First Minister's report, only one has been met - ruling out top-up tuition fees for the full assembly term - and further notes that this commitment lasts for only one year.

Item 12

Short Debate - NDM2071 Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); Renal Services: A Sustainable Future?

It is expected that the meeting will conclude by 5.30pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00pm on Tuesday, 21st September 2004

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly