

# Business Committee

## Minutes BC(3)12-07

**Date:** Tuesday 6 November 2007

**Time:** 8.30 a.m.

**Venue:** Meeting Room 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Corporate Unit

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Presiding Officer (Chair)

Carwyn Jones, Leader of the House

Jocelyn Davies, Plaid Cymru Business Manager

William Graham, Welsh Conservatives Business Manager

Kirsty Williams, Welsh Liberal Democrats Business Manager

### Officials in Attendance

Adrian Crompton, Director of Assembly Business

Andrew George, Clerk to the Business Committee

Marion Stapleton, Office of the Leader of the House

Marc Wyn Jones, Business Committee Secretariat

Aled Eirug, Constitutional Consultant

### 1. Apologies & announcements

### 2. Minutes of the previous meeting

#### (i) BC(3)11-07 (Draft minutes) - Tuesday 23 October 2007

2.1 The minutes were presented to the Committee in their draft format. As there were no comments, they would be translated in readiness for publication.

#### Action: Business Committee Secretariat

### 3. Forthcoming Business

#### This Week's Business - BC(3)12-07(p1)

3.1 The Committee noted the organisation of business for 6 and 7 November 2007.

3.2 The Leader of the House said that the Minister for Finance and Public Service Delivery would be making an oral statement in Plenary on Tuesday on the draft budget.

3.3 The Leader of the House said that the following oral statements would be made in Plenary on Wednesday:

A statement by the Minister for Heritage on the Wales Millennium Centre; and

A statement by the Minister for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills on Education in Denbighshire.

3.4 The Chair said that the Assembly would consider a motion to establish and elect a North Wales Regional Committee on Wednesday. The Leader of the House said that he would be tabling a motion in accordance with Standing Order 10.2 to instruct the Regional Committee:

To discuss only devolved matters affecting the North Wales Electoral Region;

To meet not more than once every Assembly term;

To meet at the National Assembly offices at Colwyn Bay; unless prior agreement from the Business Committee had been sought.

3.5 The Committee agreed that Voting Time would take place no earlier than 5pm on Wednesday for non-government and Assembly business.

### **3 Week Timetable of Government Business - BC(3)12-07(p2)**

3.6 The Committee noted the 3 Week Timetable of Government Business.

### **3 Week Timetable of Assembly and Non-Government Business - BC(3)12-07(p3)**

3.7 The Committee determined the Assembly Business.

3.8 The Committee determined the Non-Government Business.

## **4. Assembly Committees**

### **Proposed Environmental Protection and Waste Management Legislative Competence Order - BC(3)12-07(p4)**

4.1 The Business Committee considered the request by the Chair of the Proposed Environmental Protection and Waste Management Legislative Committee to extend the deadline for the Committee to report. The Chair said that the one week extension of the deadline to 30 November was being sought to allow the Legislative Committee sufficient time to consider outstanding issues. The Business Committee agreed the proposal.

## **5. Any other business**

### **Organisation of Non-Government Business - BC(3)12-07(p5)**

5.1 The Committee noted this paper which explained the process for allocating non-government business.

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