

Business Committee

Minutes BC(3)11-08

Date: Tuesday 22 April 2008

Time: 8.30 a.m.

Venue: Meeting Room 4th 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

Siwan Davies, Head of Legislation and Chamber Services

Aled Eirug, Constitutional Consultant

Marion Stapleton, Office of the Leader of the House

Marc Wyn Jones, Clerk of the Business Committee

1. Apologies & announcements

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

(i) BC(3)10-08 (Draft minutes) - Tuesday 15 April 2008

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)11-08(p1)

3.1 The Business Committee discussed Voting Time and decided to bring it forward. It was agreed that Voting Time would generally take place no earlier than 4.30pm on Wednesday for Assembly and non-government business.

3.2 The Committee noted the organisation of business for 22 and 23 April 2008.

3 Week Timetable of Government Business - BC(3)11-08(p2)

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

3 Week Timetable of Assembly and Non-Government Business - BC(3)11-08(p3)

3.4 The Chair said that the debate on Nerys Evans' proposal for a Measure on **Recycling** which was postponed on 9th April needed to be rescheduled. The Business Committee agreed to schedule the debate for Wednesday 30th April. The Committee subsequently agreed to defer the debate until 7th May.

3.5 The Committee determined the organisation of Assembly Business.

3.6 The Committee determined the organisation of non-government Business.

4. Legislative Competence Orders

Request from the Proposed Vulnerable Children LCO Committee to meet jointly with the Welsh Affairs Committee in the House of Commons - BC(3)11-08(p4)

4.1 The Chair said that the Committee had received a request from the Proposed Vulnerable Children LCO Committee to meet jointly with the Welsh Affairs Committee in the House of Commons to scrutinise the "Proposed National Assembly for Wales (Social Welfare and Other Fields) Order 2008," on Thursday 8th May 2008. The Business Committee agreed the request.

Letter from the Chair of the Proposed Affordable Housing LCO Committee and Report - BC(3)11-08(p5)

4.2 The Committee noted the letter from the Chair of the Proposed Affordable Housing LCO Committee and the Committee's Report.

5. Assembly Committees

Request from the Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee to visit Organización Nacional de Transplantes, Madrid - BC(3)11-08(p6)

5.1 The Committee considered the request from the Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee to visit Organización Nacional de Transplantes, Madrid as part of its inquiry into presumed consent for organ donation on Monday 12 May 2008. The Business Committee agreed the request.

Request from the Finance Committee to visit Belfast and Edinburgh - BC(3)11-08(p7)

5.2 The Committee considered the request from the Finance Committee to visit Belfast and Edinburgh as part of its inquiry into Public Private Partnerships on 7 - 9 May. The Committee agreed the request.

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