

Business Committee

Minutes BC(3)23-09

Date: Tuesday 22 September 2009

Time: 08.30

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

Alun Cairns, Welsh Conservatives Business Manager

Peter Black, Welsh Liberal Democrats Business Manager

Officials in Attendance

Adrian Crompton, Director of Assembly Business

Mandy Lewis, Office of the Leader of the House

Sulafa Halstead, Head of Assembly Committees

Sian Wilkins, Head of Legislation and Chamber Services

Marc Wyn Jones, Clerk of the Business Committee

1. Apologies & announcements

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

(i) BC(3)22-08 (Draft minutes) - Tuesday 14 July 2009

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)23-09(p1)

3.1 The Leader of the House said that the Deputy Minister for Regeneration would be making a statement on the Community Asset Transfer Programme in Plenary on Tuesday.

3.2 The Committee agreed that Voting Time on Tuesday and Wednesday would take place no earlier than 5pm.

3.3 The Committee noted the organisation of business for 22 and 23 September 2009.

3 Week Timetable of Government Business - BC(3)23-09(p2)

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

3 Week Timetable of Assembly and Non-Government Business - BC(3)23-09(p3)

3.5 The Business Committee agreed to schedule the following debates:

Wednesday 30 September 2009:

Motions to elect Members to Committees (1 min)

Debate on the Enterprise and Learning Committee's Report on its Inquiry into the Role of School Governors (60 mins)

Debate on the Rural Development Sub-Committee's Report on its Inquiry into the Production and Promotion of Welsh Food (60 mins)

Wednesday 7 October 2009:

Debate on the European and External Affairs Committee's Interim Report on Patients' Rights in Cross-border Healthcare draft Directive (60 mins)

Wednesday 14 October 2009 -

Stage 3 Standing Order 23.57 Debate on the Proposed National Assembly for Wales Commissioner for Standards Measure (90 mins)

Stage 4 Standing Order 23.58 Motion to approve the National Assembly for Wales Commissioner for Standards Measure

Debate on the Communities and Culture Committee's Report on Public Service Broadcasting in Wales (60 mins)

3.6 The Committee determined the organisation of Assembly Business.

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

4. Committees

Request to hold a formal meeting of the Committee for the Scrutiny of the First Minister on 1 October 2009 - BC(3)22-09(p4)

4.1 The Business Committee agreed the request for the Committee for the Scrutiny of the First Minister to hold its first formal meeting on Thursday 1 October at 9am, in Committee Room 4.

5. Legislation

Letter from the Chair of Legislation Committee No 1: Procedure for consideration of new sections during Stage 2 proceedings - BC(3)23-09(p5)

5.1 The Committee considered a letter from the Chair of Legislation Committee No 1 regarding the procedure for disposing of amendments which seek to insert new sections into a proposed Measure. The Business Committee agreed to take account of Legislation Committee No1's views should it undertake a review of procedures in the future.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 The Presiding Officer said that a motion had been tabled in accordance with Standing Order 3.10 to give directions to the Commission. He said that in accordance with Standing Order 3.10, the Business Committee must report on whether time should be made available to debate the motion. The Business Committee agreed to return to the issue at its next meeting.

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