Draft Business Statement for the next 3 weeks and the Deputy Presiding Officer's Determinations for Tuesday 21 November 2006

Determinations

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Following the meeting of the Business Committee held on 21 November the Deputy Presiding Officer determined, in accordance with Standing Order 24.6 that the following items of legislation <u>need not</u> be referred to a subject committee for extended consideration:

The Fishery Products (Official Controls Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2006

The Feed (Specified Undesirable Substances) (Wales) Regulations 2006

Draft Business Statement

Tuesday 28 November & Wednesday 29 November 2006

Tuesday 5 December & Wednesday 6 December 2006

Tuesday 12 December & Wednesday 13 December 2006

Tuesday 28 November 2006

Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

Business Statement (10 mins)

Motion to approve The Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2006 (20 mins)

This Order amends the Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) Order 1978 and provides an updated list of disinfectants approved for use for animal disease control purposes under the Animal Health Act 1981. It also revokes, with appropriate transitional arrangements, the complete list of disinfectants set out in The Diseases of Animals (Approved Disinfectants) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2005.

Statement by the Rt Hon. Peter Hain, Secretary of State for Wales, on the Queen's Speech (45 mins)

Debate on the Queen's Speech (90 minutes)

Wednesday 29 November 2006

Local Government Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services (30 mins)

Questions to Jane Davidson, Minister for Education, Lifelong Learning & Skills (30 mins)

Statement by the Minister for Environment, Planning & Countryside: The Welsh Assembly Government's Response to the Environment, Planning & Countryside Committee's Report on the Planning Aspects of Mobile Telecommunications Apparatus (30 mins)

Statement by the Minister for Environment, Planning & Countryside: The Welsh Assembly Government's Response to the Environment, Planning & Countryside Committee's Report on the Marine Bill (30 mins)

Motion to approve changes to the National Assembly for Wales Members' Pension Scheme Rules (5 mins)

Motion to approve a Determination on Members` Pay and Allowances (5 mins)

Motion to approve The National Assembly for Wales (Disqualification) Order 2006 under section 12(7) of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (15 mins)

Debate on the National Assembly's Disability Equality Scheme (60 mins)

Motion to approve the Periodic Timetable Statement (5 mins)

Short debate (30 mins)

Tuesday 5 December 2006

Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

Business Statement (10 mins)

Motion to approve under Standing Order 24.25 (1 min)

The Cereal Seed (Wales) and Fodder Plant Seed (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006

These Regulations transpose Council Directive 2006/55/EC, which was published on 12 June 2006 and increases maximum size of cereal seed lots for species other than maize from 25 to 30 tonnes. In addition, these Regulations amend the Cereal Seed (Wales) Regulations 2005 and the Fodder Plant Seed (Wales) Regulations 2005 in line with Council Directive 2006/55/EC.

The Meat (Official Controls Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2006

These Regulations implement in Wales provisions of EC Regulation 882/2004 on Official Food and Feed Controls that relate to the requirements to charge for meat hygiene official controls at approved meat establishments. These Regulations will require the Food Standards Agency to charge the operators of approved meat premises in Wales in order to recover the costs incurred by the Meat Hygiene Service (MHS), an Executive Agency of the FSA. These costs are incurred by the MHS in carrying out official controls at such premises for the purpose of checking compliance with applicable meat hygiene requirements.

The Feed (Specified Undesirable Substances) (Wales) Regulations 2006

These Regulations transpose Commission Directives 2005/86/EC, 2005/87/EC and 2006/13/EC, which revise or introduce maximum permitted levels (MPLs) for certain specified undesirable substances (contaminants) in animal feed. The new and amended MPLs are set out in the Schedule to the Regulations.

Motion to approve The Care Standards Act 2000 and The Children Act 1989 (Regulatory Reform And Complaints) (Wales) Regulations 2006 (15 mins)

These Regulations will bring the existing Regulations on services regulated by the Care Standards Inspectorate for Wales (CSIW) into line with two recent developments – the reform of regulatory practice and the new framework on handling complaints in local authority social services.

Motion to approve The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (Commencement No. 9 And Saving) (Wales) Order 2006 (15 mins)

This Order brings into force certain provisions of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. The provisions require local highway authorities to have regard to the needs of persons with mobility problems when erecting stiles and gates across footpaths and bridleways. The Order also commences some technical provisions within the Act and clarifies the effect of provisions contained within two previous Commencement Orders.

Plaid Cymru Party nominated debate (45 mins)

Debate on the Welsh Assembly`s 7th Equality Annual Report (60 mins)

Wednesday 6 December 2006

Motion to elect a Planning Decision Committee (1 min)

Questions to Edwina Hart, Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration (30 mins)

Questions to Andrew Davies, Minister for Enterprise, Innovation and Networks (30 mins)

Questions to Jane Hutt, y Trefnydd, in accordance with Standing Order 6.28 and as specified in the list of Ministerial responsibilities (30 mins)

Proposal to debate the following 2 items together but with separate votes (15 mins)

Motion to approve The Avian
Influenza (H5N1 in Wild Birds)
(Wales) Order 2006 under Standing
Order 24.27(iv)

Motion to approve The Avian
Influenza (H5N1 in Poultry) (Wales)
Order 2006 under Standing Order
24.27 (iv)

Motion to approve The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) Order 2006 (15 mins)

This Order relates to the Assembly's power to make an Order in preparation for the next Assembly elections in 2007. Part I and II of the Schedule sets a maximum level for charges, expenses and fees, which Returning Officers can recover from the National Assembly for Wales, in respect of elections costs. Part III provides for the expenses a Returning Officer can claim for, which do not have maximum levels specified. This revokes The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) Order 2002 and The National Assembly for Wales (Returning Officers' Charges) (Amendment) Order 2003.

Debate on the Review of the Arts Council (60 mins)

Short debate (30 mins)

Tuesday 12 December 2006

Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

Business Statement (10 mins)

Slot reserved for subordinate legislation (90 mins)

Welsh Liberal Democrat Party nominated motion (45 mins)

Wednesday 13 December 2006

Finance Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government & Public Services (30 mins)

Questions to Carwyn Jones, Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside(30 mins)

Motion to approve under Standing Order 24.25 (1 min)

The Fishery Products (Official Controls Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2006

Provisions for the financing of official controls, including those relating to hygiene inspection charges under Regulation (EC) 882/2004 on Official Feed and Food Controls (The Official Feed and Food Controls (Wales) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No.590 (W.66)) OFFC Regulations), which will apply across the EU from 1 January 2007, will revoke the EU legislative base for the current fishery products hygiene charging regime (Council Directive 85/73/ EEC). The purpose of the EU Regulation, in setting out the charging provisions for hygiene inspections, is to require contributions to the costs of enforcement authorities in sampling and testing direct landings of fishery products to ensure that they meet the hygiene standards set down in EU legislation. Such products may enter Wales without being subject to controls at point of entry and these checks are, therefore, necessary to monitor such fishery products to ensure they meet EU hygiene standards and are fit for human consumption.

These Regulations provide for Local Food Authorities to recover a contribution towards the costs of carrying out hygiene inspection charges in respect of fish and fishery products caught in their natural environment and landed directly in Wales from:

Member States;

EEA States other than Member States;

Greenland; and

Third countries.

Slot reserved for subordinate legislation (30 mins)

Debate on the final Budget (90 mins)

Short debate (30 mins)