

Petitions Committee

PET(3)-11-09 Paper 3: 7 July 2009

New Petitions

This paper provides brief background information on the petitions to be given initial consideration by the Committee on 7 July 2009.

(i) P-03-222 National Osteoporosis Society

Petition wording

The National Osteoporosis Society calls upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh government to fully implement the Falls and Fractures Standard in the National Service Framework for Older People, ensuring that patients with and at risk of fragility fractures are identified, assessed and treated by Fracture Liaison Services (FLS) in all of the new Local Health Boards. We would like a FLS to be linked to every hospital that receives fragility fractures, and ask that the Welsh government insists upon universal provision of FLS's across the NHS in Wales

Background

This petition was raised by the National Osteoporosis Society, and it collected 18 signatures. The petitioner has provided a supporting statement, and this is attached as part of PET (3)-11-09 Paper 3A.

(ii) P-03-223 Section 6, Welsh Language Act

Petition wording

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to investigate the possibility of amending and improving Section 6 of the Welsh language Act to bring Members of Parliament under the provisions of the Welsh Language Act

Background

This petition was raised by Councillor O Arfon Jones, and it collected 23 signatures. The petitioner has provided supporting information, and this is attached as part of PET(3)-11-09 Paper 3A.

(iii) P-03-225 Gorseinon College

Petition wording

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh government to provide extra funding to Gorseinon College to keep courses and classes open and running.

Background

This petition was raised by Tracy Bates, and it collected 800+ signatures. The petitioner has provided copies of correspondence she has had with the Welsh government on this issue, and this is attached as part of PET(3)-11-09 Paper 3A.

(iv) P-03-226 Sands - the stillbirth and neo-natal death charity

Petition wording

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Assembly Government to:

1. Take note of the new Saving Babies' Lives Report 2009, published by Sands in support of its Why 17? Campaign
2. Develop a strategy for reducing levels of stillbirths and neonatal deaths in Wales
3. Fund further research to improve understanding of why stillbirths and neonatal deaths happen
4. Develop gold standard antenatal care provision in all NHS Trusts in Wales
5. Work with Sands to improve public awareness of these issues

Background

This petition was raised by Sands - the stillbirth and neo-natal death charity, and it collected 816 signatures. Sands have produced a report entitled 'Saving Babies Lives', which you can access by clicking on the link below:

http://www.why17.org/fileadmin/content/About_Sands/03520_Saving_babies_lives_watermarked.pdf

P-03-231 Proximity of wind turbines to residential dwellings

Petition wording

We ask the Assembly to review the current position on the proximity of wind turbines to homes, which is now 500m. (see para. 3.4, Annex D of TAN8).

We would ask that the minimum distance be 2KMs as in Scotland.

Besides problems of noise, there have been many accidents and the closeness to homes affects the visual amenity of residents.

Background

This petition was raised by Glyncoirwg Action Group, and it collected 171 signatures.

P-03-232 Ffynnone and Cilgwyn Woods**Petition wording**

Cyngor Cymuned Manordeifi Community Council calls upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to commission an independent inquiry into the funding of Calon yn Tyfu / Growing Hearts Ltd. by Forestry Commission Wales for the purchase of the Ffynnone and Cilgwyn woodland in North Pembrokeshire under the publicly funded Cydcoed Scheme.

Background

This petition was raised by Cyngor Cymuned Manordeifi Community Council, and it collected 329 signatures. The petitioner has provided supporting information relating to the petition, and this is attached as part of PET(3)-11-09 Paper 3A.

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