

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES:

Date: 16 July 2002

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Venue: Committee Room 1, National Assembly Building

Attendance:

Mick Bates	(Liberal Democrat)
Ron Davies	(Labour)
Janice Gregory	(Labour)
Dr Dai Lloyd	(Plaid Cymru)
Val Lloyd	(Labour)
Gwenda Thomas	(Labour)
Owen John Thomas	(Plaid Cymru)

Officials

John Turnbull	Legal Adviser
Huw Davies	Legal Adviser
Olga Lewis	Committee Clerk
Simon Thwaite	Deputy Committee Clerk

Apologies for absence: Glyn Davies

Item 1: Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising: LEG-18-2002(min)

1.1 The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2002.

Item 2: Chair's Report

2.1 The Chair reminded Members that at the last meeting of the Legislation Committee the Members expressed concern about the number of typographical errors in laid orders. A general question was then raised regarding the procedure of drafting statutory instruments. The Chair suggested that Committee Members might benefit from another visit to the Office of the Counsel General to appreciate the process of legislation drafting. The Chair stated that this visit will take place in the new term in Autumn 2002.

Item 3: Assembly Orders for Consideration

LC524 - The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (Commencement No. 3) (Wales) Order 2002

3.1 Mr Turnbull presented the report to the Committee. The Order will be made under the Accelerated Procedure.

3.2 The Committee agreed that it did not need to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to the Order on any grounds specified in Standing Order 11.5. However, the Committee did make an observation which they felt should be recorded in their report.

3.3 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Order is attached as LC524 (Report).

LC525 - The Environmental Protection (Restriction on Use of Lead Shot) (Wales) Regulations 2002

3.4 Mr Turnbull presented the report to the Committee. The Regulations had been made under the Executive Procedure.

3.5 The Committee agreed that it did not need to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to the regulations on any grounds specified in Standing Order 11.5 nor did they have any observations.

3.6 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Regulations is attached as LC525 (Report).

3.7 It was noted that the Schedules to these Regulations remained to be circulated.

Action: Clerk/Deputy Clerk

LC526 - The Food (Figs, Hazelnuts and Pistachios from Turkey) (Emergency Control) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2002

3.8 Mr Turnbull presented the report to the Committee. The Regulations had been made under the Executive Procedure.

3.9 The Committee agreed that it did not need to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to the Regulations on any grounds specified in Standing Order 11.5. However, the Committee did make three observations which they felt should be recorded in their report.

13.10 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Regulations is attached as LC526 (Report).

LC527 - The Food (Peanuts from China) (Emergency Control) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2002

3.11 Mr Turnbull presented the report to the Committee. The Regulations had been made under the Executive Procedure.

3.12 The Committee agreed that it did not need to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to the Regulations on any grounds specified in Standing Order 11.5. However, the Committee did make two observations which they felt should be recorded in their report.

3.13 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Regulations is attached as LC527 (Report).

LC528 - The Tir Mynydd (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2002

3.14 Mr Davies presented the report to the Committee. The Regulations had been made under the Executive Procedure.

3.15 In Regulation 4 and 18 "Schedule 1" should read "the Schedule".

3.16 It was agreed that this minor drafting error could be corrected in the published version. The Committee's report would invite the Assembly to pay special attention to this drafting point.

3.17 The Committee did make two observations which they felt should be recorded in their report.

3.18 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Regulations is attached as LC528 (Report).

LC529 - The Local Authorities (Goods and Services) (Public Bodies) (Wales) Order 2002

3.19 Mr Davies presented the report to the Committee. The Order had been made under the Executive Procedure.

3.20 The Committee agreed that it did not need to invite the Assembly to pay special attention to the regulations on any grounds specified in Standing Order 11.5 nor did they have any observations.

3.21 The Committee's report to the Assembly on the Regulations is attached as LC529 (Report).

Item 4: Any Other Business and Date of Next Meeting

4.1 The Committee expressed congratulations to Ron Davies AM, on the recent announcement of his marriage.

4.2 The next meeting would be held on 15 October 2002.