

Agenda Supplement – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Please note the documents below are in addition to those published in the main Agenda and Reports pack for this Meeting

5.1 WS-30C(5)160 – The Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 (Public Service Obligations In Transport) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

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Agenda Item 5.1

Llywodraeth Cymru
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29 May 2020

Dear Mick,

Thank you for your letter of 1 May regarding Welsh Government consent to the Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 (Public Service Obligations in Transport) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

The laying of this statutory instrument in Parliament took place at a particularly challenging time during the emergence of the Covid-19 crisis, with the Welsh Government pivoting to prioritise the pandemic and prepare for lockdown. I am very grateful for the consideration you are showing to the Welsh Government in such instances where we may have recently struggled to meet our obligations.

The Senedd was notified of the statutory instrument on 12 May.

The lockdown also affected the notification of The Environment (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, which took place on 27 May.

I can assure you that the regulations concerning the preparations for the UK's withdrawal from the EU are very important to the Welsh Government. Procedures have been reviewed in the light of the lockdown and we will continue to make every effort to discharge fully the Welsh Government's obligations to the Senedd under Standing Order 30C.

Yours sincerely,



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Jeremy Miles AM
Counsel General and Brexit Minister

1 May 2020

Dear Jeremy

Welsh Government consent to the Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 (Public Service Obligations in Transport) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

I hope you are keeping well.

It has come to the Committee's attention that the Welsh Government has consented to the making of the **Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 (Public Service Obligations in Transport) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020** by the UK Government.

These Regulations were laid before the UK Parliament on 16 March 2020 and are made under section 8 of the *European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018*. As a proposed negative procedure instrument, the regulations have been subject to the sifting process in both houses of the UK Parliament. I understand that the sift period ended on 28 April 2020, with both the European Statutory Instruments Committee and the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee agreeing that the instrument should follow the negative procedure.

In the difficult circumstances that currently exist, we are mindful of the additional pressures that are being placed on governments. However, regulations preparing for the UK's withdrawal from the European Union continue to be important. Similarly, the Welsh Government must continue to discharge its Standing Order obligations to the National Assembly. Under Standing Order 30C, the Assembly should have been notified of the Welsh Government's consenting to these Regulations over a month ago.

We would be grateful if you would look into this matter and ensure that the required notification under Standing Order 30C is laid before the Assembly as soon as possible. We would also ask that you ensure that, where and if the Welsh Government has consented to the making of other relevant statutory instruments, as defined in Standing Order 30C, the appropriate written statements are laid before the Assembly in adherence with the requirements of that standing order.



Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mick Antoniw". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Mick Antoniw AM
Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.
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