Y Pwyllgor Busnes

Agenda Item 2

Welsh Parliament

Business Committee

Janet Finch-Saunders MS Chair of the Petitions Committee

5 June 2020

Dear Janet,

Debates on petitions with over 5,000 signatures

Thank you for your letter, seeking advice from the Business Committee on scheduling of debates for petitions with over 5,000 signatures during the Covid-19 emergency. The Business Committee considered the letter at its meeting on 1 June.

The Business Committee has previously agreed to only schedule debates relating to Covid-19 in the short term, and would not therefore schedule debates at this time on 'P-05-946 Save Royal Glamorgan A&E' and 'P-05-949 SAVE COWBRIDGE OLD GIRLS' SCHOOL FROM DEMOLITION', or reschedule the debate for 'P-05-912 Supporting Families with Sudden and Unexpected Death in Children and Young Adults'.

However, Business Managers noted that your Committee will be considering 'P-05-967 Welsh Government to amend its NDR relief policy to help keep Debenham stores open in Wales' at its next meeting, and that this is relevant to the current pandemic. Should you then decide to request a debate on this petition, the Business Committee will give consideration to your request at that time.

The Business Committee is keeping the organisation of Plenary business under constant review, and I will keep you updated as and when circumstances change.

Yours sincerely,

Hir fours

Elin Jones MS

Llywydd and Chair of the Business Committee

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