

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Presiding Officer's office, 4th floor – Tŷ

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Meeting date: 7 March 2017

Meeting time: 08.30 – 08.45

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Elin Jones AM (Chair) Jane Hutt AM Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Paul Davies AM David J Rowlands AM
Committee Staff:	Siân Wilkins (Clerk)
Others in attendance	Ann Jones AM, Deputy Presiding Officer Christopher Warner, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service Helen Carey, Welsh Government

- 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions
- 2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes for the meeting were agreed by the Committee for publication.



3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This Week's Business

On Tuesday, Voting Time would be after the final item of business. On Wednesday, Business Committee agreed that Voting Time would take place before the Short Debate.

3.2 Three Week Timetable of Government Business

Business Committee noted the 3 Week Timetable of Government Business.

3.3 Three Week Timetable of Assembly Business

Business Committee determined the organisation of Assembly business and agreed to schedule the following items of business:

Wednesday 15 March 2017 –

- Debate seeking the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member Proposed Bill on Protection of Historic Place Names (Dai Lloyd) (60 mins)
- ~~Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins) – moved to 22 March~~

Wednesday 22 March 2017 –

- ~~Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins) – moved to 29 March~~
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)

Wednesday 29 March 2017 –

- Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal (30 mins)
- Debate on the Children Young People and Education Committee Report of the inquiry into statutory advocacy provision (60 mins)

- Debate on the Petitions Committee Report on a Petition on Ovarian Cancer (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)

4 Legislation

4.1 Abolition of the Right to Buy and Associated Rights (Wales) Bill – Response from ELGC

Business Managers confirmed their in principle decision of 14 February to refer the Abolition of the Right to Buy and Associated Rights (Wales) Bill to the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee for Stage 1 consideration, and agreed the deadline for the Stage 1 Committee to report by as 7 July 2017 and the deadline for the completion of Stage 2 Committee proceedings as 13 October 2017.

4.2 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Digital Economy Bill

Business Committee considered a paper from the government regarding a Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (SLCM) in relation to the Digital Economy Bill.

Business Managers agreed to refer the SLCM to the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee for scrutiny. The Business Committee also agreed that the Committee should report on the LCM by Monday 13 March to allow the Legislative Consent Motion to be debated in Plenary on Tuesday 14 March 2017.

5 Committees

5.1 Paper from PAC – Request for an additional meeting

Business Managers agreed a request from the Public Accounts Committee requesting an additional meeting on the morning of Tuesday 28 March 2017 to enable the Committee to scrutinise Natural Resources Wales (NRW) on their annual accounts 2015–16.

Any Other Business

The Llywydd reminded Business Managers that Members who have requested to speak on items of business are expected to arrive before the beginning of that item if they wish to be called. It is the responsibility of Members to ensure that they are aware of business running ahead of time.