Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue: This meeting can be viewed

Committee Room 3 – Senedd on Senedd TV at:

Meeting date: Tuesday, 24 March 2020 http://senedd.tv/en/5877

Meeting time: 09.15 - 09.31

Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Mick Antoniw AM (Chair)
	Suzy Davies AM
	Carwyn Jones AM
	Helen Mary Jones AM (In place of Dai Lloyd AM)
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk)

1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

Apologies were received from Dai Lloyd AM. Helen Mary Jones AM attended as a substitute.

- 2 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3
- 2.1 SL(5)517 The National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Wales) (Amendment)
 Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.



- 3 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Assembly under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3
- 3.1 SL(5)514 The Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms)
 (Wales) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Assembly in line with the reporting points identified, and to consider the Welsh Government response at a future date.

3.2 SL(5)518 - The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule 2) (Wales)
Order 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Assembly in line with the reporting points identified, and to consider the Welsh Government response at a future date.

- 4 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 but have implications as a result of the UK exiting the EU
- 4.1 SL(5)515 The Food Information (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Assembly to highlight issues as a result of the UK exiting the European Union.

4.2 SL(5)519 - The Addition of Vitamins, Minerals and Other Substances (Wales)
(Amendment) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Assembly to highlight issues as a result of the UK exiting the European Union.

5 UK Government Coronavirus Bill

The Committee noted that the UK Government had laid its Coronavirus Bill, and that a debate on a legislative consent motion for the Bill would take place in Plenary that afternoon.

- 6 Paper(s) to note
- 6.1 Letter from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Chair of the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee: The Welsh Language Standards (No.8) Regulations

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Chair of the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee.

6.2 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Llywydd: The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Wales) Regulations 2020

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Llywydd, and that it would be considering the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Wales) Regulations 2020 at a future meeting.

7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

The Committee agreed the motion.

8 Consideration of Statutory Instruments

The Clerk provided Members with an update on the statutory instruments that had been laid before the Assembly but that had not yet been considered by the Committee. The Committee also discussed some options for its approach to the scrutiny of statutory instruments within the current exceptional circumstances.