Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue: Video conference via Zoom
Meeting date: Monday, 21 September 2020
Meeting time: 09.30 – 12.13

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Attendance

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<td>Jeremy Miles MS, Counsel General and Minister for European Transition</td>
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1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

The Chair confirmed that, in accordance with Standing Order 34.19, he had determined that the public were excluded from the Committee’s meeting in order to protect public health.

There were no apologies or substitutions.

2 UK Government’s Internal Market proposals and general scrutiny of EU exit–related legislation: Evidence session

The Committee took evidence from the Counsel General on the UK Government’s Internal Market proposals and other matters concerning EU–exit related legislation.

3 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

3.1 SL(5)606 – The Healthy Start Scheme (Description of Healthy Start Food) (Wales) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

4 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

4.1 SL(5)605 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 8) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting point identified.

4.2 SL(5)607 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 8) (Caerphilly) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.
4.3 SL(S)612 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 2) (Wales) (Amendment) (No.9) Regulations

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

4.4 SL(S)611 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Functions of Local Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified. In addition, the Committee noted that the instrument has been revoked by The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Functions of Local Authorities etc.) (Wales) Regulations 2020, which were laid before the Senedd on 18 September 2020.

5 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 – previously considered

5.1 SL(S)574 – The European Union (Regulated Professions Proportionality Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2020

The Committee noted the Welsh Government response to its report on The European Union (Regulated Professions Proportionality Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2020.

5.2 SL(S)592 – The Marketing of Seed, Plant and Propagating Material (Wales) Regulations 2020

The Committee noted the Welsh Government’s response to its report on The Marketing of Seed, Plant and Propagating Material (Wales) Regulations 2020.

5.3 SL(S)603 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the instrument along with the Government response and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.
6 Subordinate legislation that raises issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.7

6.1 SL(S)613 – Modification of Curriculum Requirements in Wales Notice 2020

The Committee considered the Notice and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the points noted under Standing Order 21.7.

7 Statutory Instruments requiring Senedd consent (Statutory Instrument Consent Memorandums)

7.1 SICM(S)29 – The Waste (Circular Economy) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

The Committee considered the Statutory Instrument Consent Memorandum and was content. The Committee noted the reporting deadline of 29 September 2020 and agreed to consider its draft report at the next meeting.

8 Papers to note

8.1 Letter from the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs: Committee report on the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Agriculture Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs.

8.2 Letter from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language: Committee report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Trade Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language. In addition, the Committee noted the letters from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Lord Speaker and to the Minister of State for Trade Policy.
8.3 Letter from the First Minister: Scrutiny of regulations arising from the UK’s exit from the European Union – Protocol between the Welsh Government and the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee of Senedd Cymru

The Committee noted the letter from the First Minister.

8.4 Letter from the Counsel General: Inter-institutional Agreement – Intergovernmental Relations Review Ministerial Meetings

The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General.

9 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

The Committee agreed the motion.

10 UK Government’s Internal Market proposals and scrutiny of EU exit related legislation: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence received during the session with the Counsel General on the UK Government’s Internal Market proposals and scrutiny of EU exit related legislation.

11 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Fisheries Bill: Consideration of draft report

The Committee considered its draft report on the Supplementary LCM on the Fisheries Bill and agreed to confirm final changes outside of Committee. The Committee noted that the report would be laid by the required deadline of 24 September 2020.

12 Renting Homes (Amendment) (Wales) Bill: Consideration of draft report

The Committee considered its draft report on the Renting Homes (Amendment) (Wales) Bill, and to consider a further draft at the next meeting.