

Government Response: *The Agricultural Holdings (Units of Production) (Wales) Order 2024*

Technical Scrutiny point 1:

The Government has noted the LJC Committee's concerns, however availability of the data in relation to England, which informs the development of the legislation, was not available from Defra until 13 September 2023. Welsh Government officials then used this data to produce the relevant Welsh figures, completing this process on 18 October 2023. The Order then must go through the usual legal scrutiny which can take up to 12 weeks. The Order was made on 08 January and laid on 10 January 2024, as soon as the Senedd returned after Christmas recess.