

Meeting date: 26 March 2015

Paper 4 – Forward Work Programme

Purpose

1. The purpose of this paper is to:
 - outline the Committee's work programme for the summer term. The Committee's provisional forward work programme is attached at Annexe A.

Forthcoming work

Local Government (Wales) Bill

2. The Committee will consider its draft report for the first time on 22 April. There will be further opportunities to consider revisions to the report in advance of the reporting deadline of 8 May.
3. Subject to Stage 1 agreement, the Bill will return to the Committee for Stage 2 proceedings. The meetings on Wednesday 24 June and Thursday 2 July are being held provisionally for the consideration of amendments.

Renting Homes (Wales) Bill

4. The Committee will hear from the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty on 22 April 2015. There will then be seven evidence sessions with stakeholders, before the Minister returns to Committee on 20 May.
5. Members may wish to note that the meeting on 14 May will extend into the afternoon.

6. The Committee will consider its draft report for the first time on 10 June. There will be further opportunities to consider revisions to the report in advance of the reporting deadline of 26 June.

7. Subject to Stage 1 agreement, Stage 2 proceedings on the Bill will take place in Committee in September/October.

Heritage (Wales) Bill

8. We anticipate introduction of the Heritage (Wales) Bill by the Welsh Government after the Easter recess, and we expect the Bill to be referred to the Committee for Stage 1 scrutiny.

9. In line with usual practice, we expect the Business Committee to write to the Committee in advance of the introduction of the Bill to seek Members' views on the draft timetable for consideration.

Action

10. The Committee is invited to:

- note the contents of the paper and the provisional forward work programme at Annexe A.

Annexe A – Forward Work Programme

<p>22.04.15 Wednesday</p>	<p>Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: evidence from the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty Local Government (Wales) Bill: consideration of draft report</p>
<p>30.04.15 Thursday</p>	<p>Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: evidence from stakeholders –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Housing Law Practitioners Association (tbc) and the Law Society ▪ Welsh Tenants, the NUS and Let Down in Wales <p>Local Government (Wales) Bill: consideration of final report</p>
<p>06.05.15 Wednesday</p>	<p>Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: evidence from stakeholders –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chartered Institute of Housing, Community Housing Cymru, and the WLGA ▪ Cymorth Cymru and Tai Pawb
<p>14.05.15 Thursday</p>	<p>Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: evidence from stakeholders –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Guild of Residential Landlords, National Landlords Association, Residential Landlords Association, and the Country Land and Business Association ▪ Association of Residential Letting Agents (tbc) and the Association of Residential Management Agents (tbc) ▪ Citizens Advice Cymru and Shelter Cymru <p>[please note we will be using our afternoon slot to take evidence from stakeholders]</p>
<p>20.05.15 Wednesday</p>	<p>Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: evidence from the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: consideration of main themes</p>

Half term recess (25.05.15 – 29.05.15)

04.06.15
Thursday

The following work to be undertaken during this term. Dates to be confirmed.

10.06.15
Wednesday

- Consideration of the Heritage Bill;
- Local Government Bill – stage 2 proceedings;
- Renting Homes Bill – stage 1 report

18.06.15
Thursday

24.06.15
Wednesday

02.07.15
Thursday

08.07.15
Wednesday

16.07.15
Thursday

Summer recess (20.07.15 – 11.09.15)