

**National Assembly for Wales**  
**Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee**  
**Statutory Instruments with Clear Reports**  
5 October 2015

**CLA583 - The Town and Country Planning (Powers to Override Easements and Applications by Statutory Undertaker) (Wales) Order 2015**

**Procedure: Affirmative**

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This Order confers powers on local authorities and other bodies to override easements and other rights which otherwise restrict their use of land that has been acquired or appropriated for planning purposes. This can only be done if the use is in accordance with planning permission.

This Order also disappplies the requirement for the Welsh Ministers and the appropriate Minister to decide jointly certain planning applications and appeals where the application has been made by the statutory undertaker.

**CLA584 - The Microchipping of Dogs (Wales) Regulations 2015**

**Procedure: Affirmative**

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The draft Regulations provide for the compulsory microchipping of dogs and the recording of each dog's identity and its keeper's contact details on a database.

The Explanatory Memorandum states:-

*"These draft Regulations address the comments made by the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee in respect of the draft Regulations laid on 24 June and subsequently withdrawn in July 2014. The withdrawal allowed for officials to carry out further work to develop the current policy. This included the detailed consideration of the Committee's comments in relation to introducing standards for microchipping and database operators and the duties placed on owners and explore all options available to Welsh Government to best secure its policy aim.*



# CLA585 - The Plant Health (Forestry) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2015

## Procedure: Negative

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The Plant Health (Forestry) Order 2005 contains measures to prevent the introduction and spread of harmful tree pests and diseases (implementing EU law).

This Order applies, in relation to Wales, certain provisions which have been made amending the 2005 Order in relation to England and Scotland. Therefore, this Order provides that certain provisions of the 2005 Order which currently apply only in relation to England and Scotland, also apply in relation to Wales.

This Order also makes consequential amendments to the 2005 Order.

