



Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

Report: CLA(4)-04-12 : 5 March 2012

The Committee reports to the Assembly as follows:

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

Negative Resolution Instruments

CLA96 – The Special Educational Needs Tribunal for Wales Regulations 2012

Procedure: Negative.

Date made: 8 February 2012.

Date laid: 13 February 2012.

Coming in to force date: 6 March 2012

CLA97 – The Education (Wales) Measure 2009 (Pilot) Regulations 2012

Procedure: Negative.

Date made: 8 February 2012.

Date laid: 13 February 2012.

Coming in to force date: 6 March 2012

CLA98 – The Non-Domestic Rating (Deferred Payments) (Wales) Regulations 2012

Procedure: Negative.

Date made: 20 February 2012.

Date laid: 23 February 2012.

Coming in to force date: 16 March 2012

CLA99 – The Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

Procedure: Negative.

Date made: 20 February 2012.

Date laid: 23 February 2012.

Coming in to force date: 16 March 2012

CLA100 – The Non-Domestic Rating (Small Business Relief) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2012

Procedure: Negative.

Date made: 20 February 2012.

Date laid: 23 February 2012.
Coming in to force date: 16 March 2012

Affirmative Resolution Instruments

None

Instruments that raise reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

Negative Resolution Instruments

None

Affirmative Resolution Instruments

None

Other Business

Committee Correspondence

Welsh Government Guidelines on Choice of Affirmative or Negative Procedure in Subordinate Legislation

The Committee noted the Counsel General's response dated 28 February 2012 to the Chair's letter dated 16 February 2012 regarding the publication of the Welsh Government Guidelines on Choice of Affirmative or Negative Procedure in Subordinate Legislation. The Committee agreed to review how the Guidelines work in the light of experience of scrutinising Assembly Bills in around 18 months' time.

The British Waterways Board (Transfer of Functions) Order 2012

The Committee had a preliminary discussion on The British Waterways Board (Transfer of Functions) Order 2012 and decided to invite the Environment and Sustainability Committee and the Enterprise and Business Committee to consider the Order from a policy perspective.

Committee Inquiries: Inquiry into the establishment of a separate Welsh jurisdiction

The Committee took oral evidence from Professor John Williams, Department of Law and Criminology, Aberystwyth University. Professor Williams agreed to provide additional information on the distribution of the first employment for the Aberystwyth Legal Practice Course graduates and the graduates of the Department of Law and Criminology of Aberystwyth University.

Resolution to Meet in Private

In accordance with Standing Order 17.42(vi) the Committee resolved to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting to discuss the evidence submitted thus far on the Inquiry into the establishment of a separate Welsh jurisdiction and to agree the Committee's reports on the Inquiry into the Granting of Powers to Welsh Ministers in UK Laws and The Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Bill. The Committee also discussed options for timetabling its meetings at alternative times.

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5 March 2012