

Business Committee

MINUTES BC(3)04-07

Date: Tuesday 3rd July 2007

Time: 9.00 a.m.

Venue: Conference Room C **Assembly Members in Attendance:** Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Presiding Officer (Chair)

Jane Hutt, Minister for Government Business

Jocelyn Davies, Plaid Cymru Business Manager

William Graham, Welsh Conservatives Business Manager

Kirsty Williams, Welsh Liberal Democrats Business Manager **Officials in Attendance** Adrian Crompton, Director of Assembly Business

Andrew George, Clerk to the Business Committee

Marion Stapleton, Assembly Business Unit

Marc Wyn Jones, Business Committee Secretariat

Aled Eirug, Constitutional Consultant

1. Apologies & announcements 2. Minutes of the previous meeting (i) BC(3)03-07 (Draft minutes) - Tuesday 26th June 2007

2.1 The minutes were presented to the Committee in their draft format. As there were no comments, they would be translated in readiness for publication. **Action: Business Committee Secretariat 3. Forthcoming Business**

This Week's Business - BC(3)04-07(p1) 3.1 The Committee noted the organisation of business for 3rd and 4th July 2007. 3.2 The Minister for Government Business said that the statement on Climate Change, which had been scheduled for Tuesday, would be postponed. 3.3 The Committee agreed to bring forward a motion to suspend Standing Orders on 4th July to take motions to establish and elect the following Committees on Legislation:

The National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) Order 2007 on Additional Learning Needs;

The National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (No.2) Order 2007 on Environmental Protection and Waste Management;

Legislative Competence Order on Vulnerable Children; and

The Proposed NHS Redress Measure.

3 Week Timetable of Government Business - BC(3)04-07(p2) 3.4 The Committee noted the 3 Week Timetable of Government

Business. **3 Week Timetable of Non-Government Business - BC(3)04-07(p3)** 3.5 The Committee determined the 3 Week Timetable of Non-Government Business.

4. Committees Paper on the remits of Scrutiny Committees - BC(3)04-07(p4) 4.1 The Committee agreed the Report of the Business Committee on Titles and Remits of Scrutiny Committees. The Chair said that the report would be laid before the Assembly. **5. Legislative Competence Orders BC(3)04-07(p5) and BC(3)04-07(p6)** 5.1 The Business Committee agreed proposed timetables for the consideration by Committees of the following Legislative Competence Orders:

The National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) Order 2007 on Additional Learning Needs; and

The National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (No.2) Order 2007 on Environmental Protection and Waste Management.

The Chair said that these timetables would be laid before the Assembly. The Business Committee noted that the Committees would be established and elected on 4th July. **6. Assembly Measures BC(3)04-07(p7)** 6.1 The Business Committee agreed the proposed

timetable for the consideration by a Committee of the proposed NHS Redress (Wales) Measure 2007. The Chair said that this timetable would be laid before the Assembly. The Business Committee noted that the Committee to consider the Measure would be established

and elected on 4th July. **7. Any other business Voting Time** 7.1 The Committee agreed to pilot "Voting Time" as provided for in

Standing Order 6.8, on Wednesdays for non-Government business. This would mean that Committees could run concurrently with

Assembly and non-Government business. 7.2 The Committee agreed that Voting Time should take place between 4-5pm, depending on the amount of business scheduled. The Committee agreed that Voting Time would take place at 4pm on Wednesday 4th July. **BUSINESS**

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