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In addition, an English translation of Welsh speeches is included.

Aelodau'r pwyllgor yn bresennol
Committee members in attendance

Jeff Cuthbert	Llafur Labour
Gareth Jones	Plaid Cymru The Party of Wales
Val Lloyd	Llafur (Cadeirydd y Pwyllgor) Labour (Committee Chair)
Sandy Mewies	Llafur Labour
Jenny Randerson	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru Welsh Liberal Democrats

Swyddogion Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru yn bresennol
National Assembly for Wales officials in attendance

Sarah Beasley	Clerc Clerk
Jonathan Baxter	Gwasanaeth Ymchwil yr Aelodau Members' Research Service
Gwyn Griffiths	Cynghorydd Cyfreithiol Legal Adviser
Sarah Sargent	Dirprwy Glerc Deputy Clerk

Dechreuodd y cyfarfod am 1.32 p.m.
The meeting began at 1.32 p.m.

Cyflwyniad, Ymddiheuriadau a Dirprwyon
Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

[1] **Val Lloyd:** Good afternoon and welcome to this meeting of Legislation Committee No. 2. There are no fire drills planned for today, so, if the alarm sounds, please leave the room by the marked fire exit and follow the ushers' instructions. Please turn off all mobile phones and other electronic devices, because they interfere with the broadcasting equipment. I remind everyone that the National Assembly for Wales operates bilingually. Your headsets will provide a simultaneous translation on channel 1 and amplification of the sound on channel 0.

[2] This afternoon, the committee is reporting on the proposed National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Local Government) Order 2009 agreed at the last meeting. It will be formally laid and published tomorrow.

[3] I have received apologies from Brynle Williams and there are no substitutions.

1.33 p.m.

Gorchymyn Arfaethedig Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru (Cymhwysedd
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and Local Government) Order 2010

[4] **Val Lloyd:** I confirm for the record that the next piece of work that the committee will

undertake is scrutiny of the Proposed National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Housing and Local Government) Order 2010. The aim of today's meeting is to formally agree the committee's approach to the scrutiny of the proposed Order.

[5] The proposed Order was laid by Jocelyn Davies AM, the Deputy Minister for Housing, on 30 November. The role of this committee is to consider and report on the proposed Order. We must do that by 29 January 2010 in line with the deadline set by the Business Committee.

[6] We have had some informal discussion on our approach to scrutiny and, on that basis, I propose that the committee's work should be to consider whether the general principles of the proposed Order, namely that legislative competence as specified in matters 11.2 to 11.8 and in matter 12.18, should be conferred on the Assembly, and whether the proposed Order provides an appropriate framework for the delivery of the policy proposals relating to social housing and meeting the housing needs of vulnerable people. In particular, we will consider whether the terms of the proposed Order are too broadly or too narrowly defined. Are Members content with that approach? I see that they are.

[7] I propose that we issue a general call for evidence via the Welsh media and the Assembly's website. I also propose that we invite written submissions from organisations and individuals and invite key stakeholders to give oral evidence in January. Are Members content with that approach? I see that they are.

[8] We will invite the Member in charge, Jocelyn Davies AM, the Deputy Minister for Housing, to give oral evidence at our next meeting, which will be held next Thursday afternoon. Subject to confirmation, we will meet during the usual time slot.

[9] We have discussed the reporting deadline of 29 January, as given to us by the Business Committee. I put on record that we have concerns that that will impact adversely on our ability to scrutinise the proposed Order before us. On that basis, I suggest that we consider writing to the Business Committee after the Christmas recess to ask for an extension to the reporting deadline. Are Members content with that? I see that they are.

[10] Are there any other issues that Members wish to raise?

[11] **Jeff Cuthbert:** For absolute clarity, could I confirm that the date of this proposed Order is 2010, as you say, because on my agenda it says '2009'?

[12] **Val Lloyd:** It is definitely 2010. We have probably fallen into the difficulty posed by being on the cusp of the year. Thank you for raising that, Jeff. Are there any other issues? I see that there are not, therefore I declare the meeting closed.

*Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 1.36 p.m.
The meeting ended at 1.36 p.m.*