

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Monday, 16 June 2014**

Meeting time: **13.32 – 16.10**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

David Melding AM (Chair)
Suzy Davies AM
Julie James AM
Eluned Parrott AM
Simon Thomas AM

Witnesses:

Huw Lewis AM, Minister for Education and Skills
Simon Moss, Welsh Government
Neil Surman, Welsh Government
Keith Bush QC, Queen's Council

Committee Staff:

P Gareth Williams (Clerk)
Ruth Hatton (Deputy Clerk)
Gwyn Griffiths (Legal Advisor)
Gareth Pembridge (Legal Advisor)
Stephen Boyce (Researcher)
Alys Thomas (Researcher)

1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

There were no apologies or substitutions.

2 Evidence in relation to the Higher Education (Wales) Bill

The Committee took evidence from Huw Lewis AM, Minister for Education and Skills.

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

3.1 CLA406 – The Removal and Disposal of Vehicles (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2014

3.2 CLA407 – The Education (Consultation on School Term Dates) (Wales) Regulations 2014

3.3 CLA408 – The Plant Health (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2014

3.4 CLA409 – The Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (Supplementary Functions) Order 2014

3.5 CLA411 – The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014

3.6 CLA410 – The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 (Amendment) Order 2014

3.7 CLA412 – The Town and Country Planning (Non-Material Changes and Correction of Errors) (Wales) Order 2014

3.8 CLA413 – The Town and Country Planning (Fees for Non-Material Changes) (Wales) Regulations 2014

The Committee noted the instruments and was content.

4 Evidence in relation to the Inquiry into Disqualification of Membership from the National Assembly for Wales

The Committee took evidence from Keith Bush QC.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

The Committee agreed to conduct the remainder of the meeting in private.

5.1 Disqualification Inquiry Key Issues and Emerging Themes

5.2 Draft Report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum: Wales Bill

5.3 Draft Response to UK Government Review of Balance of Competences