

SL(5)303 – The Agricultural Holdings (Units of Production) (Wales) Order 2019

Background and Purpose

This Order prescribes units of production for the assessment of the productive capacity of land situated in Wales and sets out the amount which is to be regarded as the net annual income from each such unit for the year 12 September 2018 to 11 September 2019 for certain purposes of the Agricultural Holdings Act 1986.

Procedure

Negative.

Technical Scrutiny

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

Merits Scrutiny

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

Implications arising from exiting the European Union

The Order defines “eligible hectare” by reference to European Union legislation, namely Regulation (EU) 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council which establishes rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy.

Under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, EU Regulation 1307/2013 will form part of retained EU law on exit day.

Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the instrument at its meeting on 28 January 2019 and reports to the Assembly to highlight the issues identified as a result of the UK exiting the EU.

