Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday, 22nd October 2002

The Session commenced at 2.00pm

Election to the Economic Development Committee

NDM1175 - To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 8.4 elects David Ian Jones (Conservative) to the Economic Development Committee in place of David Davies (Conservative)

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 32; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 32 **The motion was carried**

Election to the Health and Social Services Committee

NDM1176 - To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 8.4 elects Jonathan Morgan (Conservative) to the Health and Social Services Committee. - *This motion was not moved*

The Presiding Officer informed the Assembly that the First Minister had written to him requesting his agreement to his, and the Deputy First Ministers absence and that questions to the First Minister be answered by the Minister for Assembly Business.

2.01pm

Oral Questions to the First Minister

The first 11 questions were answered. Questions 1 and 10 were grouped for answer.

2.41pm

The Minister for Health and Social Services made a statement on Play Policy

3.02 pm

Business Statement: The Business Minister As more than 10 members objected to the business statement a vote was taken: For 29; Abstain 0; Against 22; Total 51 The business statement was agreed

3.07pm Point of Order Rhodri Glyn Thomas on the conduct of Ministers in Committee. The Presiding Officer referred the matter to the Panel of Chairs.

3.20pm

Approval under Standing Order 24 of the Special Educational Needs Tribunal (Amendment) Regulations 2002

NDM1177 - To propose that:

The National Assembly, acting under Standing Order 24, agrees that the Secretary of State makes The Special Educational Needs Tribunal (Amendment) Regulations 2002, which were laid in Table Office on 14 October 2002.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 44; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 44 **The motion was carried**

3.30pm

Approval of Special Grant Report No10 on the disposal of fridges

NDM1178 - To propose that the National Assembly:

Under S88B of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 19.8, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 10) (Wales) 2002 which was laid in the Table Office on 14 October 2002.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 51; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 51 **The motion was carried**

3.53pm

Debate on the Local Government & Housing Committee's Report on Community Regeneration

NDM1179 - To propose that the National Assembly:

Notes the report of the Local Government & Housing Committee entitled "The Local Government And Housing Committee Review Of Community Regeneration", which was laid in the Table Office on 3 July 2002.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For 48; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 48 **The motion was defeated**

4.26pm

Plaid Cymru Party Debate

NDM1180 - The National Assembly:

1. declares its profound concern at the recent loss of jobs in Welsh communities over recent months and the continuing trend for the young and economically active to leave Wales;

2. deplores the fact that the prosperity gap between Wales and the rest of the UK continues to grow, despite the availability of European Structural Funds in Wales;

3. notes the general disillusionment concerning the Government of Wales's failure to devise and implement a credible strategy to promote economic revitalisation;

4. calls for economic policy in Wales to be based on the need to disperse prosperity to all regions; increase the emphasis on indigenous businesses; a strategy to improve the quality of jobs and tackle social exclusion; and to improve radically the application and decision process in the Objective One programme.

The following amendments were tabled: Amendment 1 - Carwyn Jones (Bridgend)

After "Assembly" delete all and replace with:

Welcomes the recent evidence of increasing levels of economic activity and employment in Wales, and confirms its support for the Assembly Government's strategy – "A Winning Wales" – for encouraging indigenous and innovative businesses, improving the quality of jobs, extending opportunity to all parts of Wales and taking maximum advantage of the Objective One Programme.

Amendment 2 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 4;

Delete "calls for economic policy in Wales to be based on the need to disperse prosperity to all regions;" and replace with "calls for all regions to receive equal treatment in meeting economic crisis and for policies to"

A vote was taken: Amendment 1 For 30; Abstain 0; Against 24; Total 54 Amendment 1 was carried

Amendment 1 was carried so amendment 2 fell.

The motion, as amended For 30; Abstain 0; Against 24; Total 54 **The motion, as amended, was carried**

The session concluded at 5.31pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 23rd October 2002

E P Silk Clerk to the Assembly

DOCUMENTS LAID SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET

Documents laid on 22 October 2002

The Local Authorities (Operation of Different Executive or Alternative Arrangments) (Wales) Regulations 2002 - LD1632 The Abortion (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2002 - LD1633

Documents laid on 21 October 2002

Osiris: The PFI Contract for Information Technology in the National Assembly for Wales - LD1631

Legislation Committee Reports

Documents laid on 15 October 2002

LC530 - The Food and Animal Feedingstuffs (Products of Animal Origin from China) (Emergency Control) (Wales) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No.1798(W.173) - LD1613 LC531 - The Child Minding and Day Care (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 20022002, 2002 No.2171(W218) - LD1614 LC532 - The Animal Gatherings (Interim Measures) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2002, SI 2002 No.2060 (W.209) - LD1615 LC533 - The Bus Service Operators Grant (Wales) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No.2022 (W.206) - LD1616 LC534 - The Disease Control (Interim Measures) (Wales) (Amendment No. 3) Order 2002, SI 2002 No. 2061 (W. 210) - LD1617 LC535 - The Transport Act 2000 (Commencement No. 2) (Wales) Order 2002, SI 2002 No. 2024 (W.208) (C.65) - LD1618 LC536 - The Travel Concessions (Eligible Services) [(Wales)] Order 2002, SI 2002 No. 2023 (W.207) - LD1619 LC538 - The Velindre National Health Service Trust (Establishment) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2002, SI 2002 No. 2199 (W.219) - LD1620 LC539 - The Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No. 2258 (W.222) - LD1621 LC540 - The Food (Peanuts from China) (Emergency Control) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2002 SI 2002 No. 2295 (W.224) - LD1622 LC541 - The Protection of Water Against Agricultural Nitrate Pollution (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No. 2297 (W.226) - LD1623 LC542 - The Food (Figs, Hazelnuts and Pistachios from Turkey) (Emergency Control) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No.2296 (W.225) - LD1624 LC544 - The Disease Control (Interim Measures) (Wales) (No.2) Order 2002, SI 2002 No.2304 (W.229) - LD1625

LC545 - The Pigs (Records, Identification and Movement) (Interim Measures) (Wales) (No. 2) Order 2002, SI 2002 No. 2303 (W.228) - LD1626

LC546 - The Bovines and Bovine Products (Trade) (Amendment) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2002, SI 2002 No.2325 (W.232) - LD1627

LC547 - The Disease Control (Interim Measures) (Wales) (No. 2) (Amendment) Order 2002 - LD1628

LC548 - The National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (Commencement) (Wales) Order 2002 - LD1629