

Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee

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

Meeting date: **Thursday, 17 May 2012**

Meeting time: **09:30 – 10:43**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Ann Jones (Chair)
Peter Black
Janet Finch–Saunders
Mike Hedges
Mark Isherwood
Gwyn R Price
Ken Skates
Rhodri Glyn Thomas
Joyce Watson

Witnesses:

Carl Sargeant, Minister for Local Government and Communities

Committee Staff:

Bethan Davies (Clerk)
Leanne Hatcher (Deputy Clerk)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members, the Minister and his officials and members of the public to the meeting.

1.2 The Chair said that apologies for absence had been received by Bethan Jenkins.

2. Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Bill – Stage 2: Consideration of Amendments

Item 2:

2.1 The Chair said that the Committee would consider the amendments in the following order:

Sections 1 – 23

Schedules 1 – 2

2.1 The Committee dispose of the following amendments:

Section 1: No amendments were tabled to this section, therefore Section 1 was deemed agreed.

Section 2:

Amendments 1 and 2, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 3:

Amendments 3, 4 and 5, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 4:

Amendments 6, 7 and 8, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 5:

Amendment 9, was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Amendment 44 – Janet Finch–Saunders

For	Against	Abstain
Janet Finch–Saunders Mark Isherwood Rhodri Glyn Thomas	Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Joyce Watson	0
3	6	0
Amendment 44 was not agreed.		

Amendment 10, was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 6:

Amendment 11, 12 and 13, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Amendment 45 – Janet Finch–Saunders

For	Against	Abstain
Janet Finch–Saunders Mark Isherwood Peter Black	Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates	0

	Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	
3	6	0
Amendment 45 was not agreed.		

Amendment 14, was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Amendment 15 - Carl Sargeant

For	Against	Abstain
Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood	0
7	2	0
Amendment 15 was agreed.		

As amendment 15 was agreed, amendment 46 fell.

Amendment 16, was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 7:

Amendment 17, 18, 19 and 20, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Amendment 21 - Carl Sargeant

For	Against	Abstain
Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood	0
7	2	0
Amendment 21 was agreed.		

Amendment 22 - Carl Sargeant

For	Against	Abstain
Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas	Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood	0

Joyce Watson		
7	2	0
Amendment 22 was agreed.		

Amendment 23, was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Section 8:

Amendment 24 - Carl Sargeant

For	Against	Abstain
Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood	0
7	2	0
Amendment 24 was agreed.		

Sections 8 – 11: No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore Sections 8 – 11 were deemed agreed.

Section 12:

Amendment 47 - Janet Finch-Saunders

For	Against	Abstain
Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood	Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	0
2	7	0
Amendment 47 was not agreed.		

Amendment 48 - Janet Finch-Saunders

For	Against	Abstain
Peter Black Janet Finch-Saunders Mark Isherwood Rhodri Glyn Thomas	Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Joyce Watson	0
4	5	0
Amendment 48 was not agreed.		

Sections 12 – 17: No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore Sections 12 – 17 were deemed agreed.

Section 18:

Amendments 25 and 26, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Sections 18 – 20: No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore Sections 18 – 20 were deemed agreed.

Section 21:

Amendment 49 – Janet Finch–Saunders

For	Against	Abstain
Janet Finch–Saunders Mark Isherwood	Peter Black Mike Hedges Ann Jones Gwyn Price Ken Skates Rhodri Glyn Thomas Joyce Watson	0
2	7	0
Amendment 49 was not agreed.		

Sections 21 – 23: No amendments were tabled to these sections, therefore Sections 21 – 23 were deemed agreed.

Schedule 1:

Amendments 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

Schedule 2:

Amendments 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 17.34 (ii).

2.3 The Bill, as amended, was deemed agreed.

2.4 The Committee requested that the Minister for Local Government and Communities, Carl Sargeant AM (Member in Charge) prepare a revised Explanatory Memorandum, in accordance with Standing Order 26.27.

2.5 The Chair informed the Committee that Stage 3 proceedings for the Bill would begin on Friday, 18 May 2012. The Chair informed Members that the deadline for tabling amendments at Stage 3 would be issued in due course.

3. Papers to note

Item 3:

3.1 The Committee noted the paper 1 (CELG(4)-13-13) – Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Local Government and Communities.

Any other business:

4.1 The Committee agreed the order of consideration for Stage 2 proceedings of the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill, in accordance with Standing Order 26.21:

“Amendments are to be disposed of in the order in which the sections and schedules to which they relate arise in the Bill, unless the committee considering Stage 2 proceedings has decided otherwise.”

3.1 CELG(4)-13-12– Paper 1 – Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Local Government and Communities

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