

Mark Drakeford AM
First Minister

30 July 2019

Dear Mark

The Animal Health, Invasive Alien Species, Plant Breeders' Rights and Seeds (Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

We considered the statutory instrument consent memorandum (SICM) in respect of the above regulations at our meeting on 15 July 2019.

In her letter of 4 July 2019 to us about the SICM, the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs said that she would not be seeking to table a statutory instrument consent motion (motion) to debate the regulations given the volume of legislation that the National Assembly is considering.

For the same reasons as set out in our letter to you of 12 July 2019 about The Electronic Commerce Directive (Adoption and Children) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, it is our position that the Welsh Government should table a motion for debate for every SICM that it lays before the Assembly.

With this in mind, we wish to draw to your attention our new inquiry relating to the Welsh constitution, which we launched yesterday. It will cover matters relating to legislative consent generally and therefore may include consideration of the SICM process in greater depth.



I am copying this letter to the Counsel General and the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mick Antoniw". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Mick Antoniw AM

Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.
We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

