

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

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CLA215 - The Official Statistics (Wales) Order 2013

Procedure: Affirmative

This Order is made under section 6(1)(b) and (2) of the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007, which allows orders to be made to specify other persons as producers of official statistics.

This Order designates the statistics produced, or to be produced, by the persons listed in the Schedule as official statistics. These are the Arts Council of Wales, Natural Resources Body for Wales, Public Health Wales National Health Service Trust, Sports Council for Wales and the Welsh Language Commissioner.

Technical Scrutiny

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

Merits Scrutiny

The following points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3(ii) (that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Assembly) in respect of this instrument.

The Explanatory Memorandum to the Order states:-

“This is the first time that this order-making power has been exercised by the Welsh Ministers. The Order applies to wholly Welsh devolved statistics. Welsh devolved statistics are defined under section 66(3) of the Act. The Order designates the statistics produced, or to be produced by five bodies listed in the Schedule as official statistics. These are the Arts Council of Wales, Natural Resources Body for Wales, Public Health Wales National Health Service Trust, Sports Council for Wales and the Welsh Language Commissioner”.

Legal Advisers

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