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(Disqualification) Order 2015

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A consultation document seeking views on the draft National Assembly for Wales (Disqualification) Order 2015 has been published today on the Welsh Government website <http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/finance/disqualification-order/?&lang=en>

Section 16 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 allows an Order in Council made by Her Majesty to designate particular offices so that, if a person holds one of those offices, they are disqualified from being an Assembly member. Prior to each Assembly election a new Disqualification Order is made which sets out an updated list of disqualifying offices. These offices are additional to those which have been made disqualifying offices by the Government of Wales Act 2006 and other legislation.

This consultation seeks views on which offices should be included in that Order. I am keen to hear the views of stakeholders and will consider these carefully before the final draft of the Order is prepared. The consultation on these proposals will run for 8 weeks until 11 March 2015. Details of how to respond are set out in the consultation document. Following consideration of the responses, the draft Order will be brought forward for the Assembly's approval before formal submission to Her Majesty in Council later this year.