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Proposed Welsh Red Meat Industry LCO
Committee



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Dear Colleague

Consultation - Proposed Welsh Red Meat Industry LCO Committee

The Proposed Welsh Red Meat Industry LCO Committee was established on 14 October 2008 to consider and report on the proposed *National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Agriculture and Rural Development) Order 2008*, which would enable the Assembly to acquire the powers to introduce legislation in relation to the development, marketing and promotion of the red meat industry in Wales.

The Committee has agreed the scope of its scrutiny as follows:

- the general principles of the proposed Order, i.e. that legislative competence, as specified in 'Matter 1.1', be conferred on the Assembly; and
- whether the proposed Order provides an appropriate framework for the delivery of the policy agenda on the Welsh red meat industry, in particular whether the terms of the proposed Order are too broadly or too narrowly defined.

The purpose of the committee's work is to scrutinise the drafting of the proposed Order and, as such, the committee will avoid engaging in detailed discussions on proposed Measures which could be brought forward as a result of the conferral of legislative competence, reviewing existing policies in this area or replicating work already undertaken by former subject committees.

I am writing to invite you to submit evidence to the Committee to help inform its work. In preparing your submission, it would be helpful if you could address the following questions:

1. What are your views on the general principle that legislative competence in the area identified in Matter 1.1 be conferred on the Assembly?
2. What are your views on the terms of the proposed Order? For example, is Matter 1.1 too narrowly or too broadly drawn?

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3. Is it necessary to include interpretations of 'the red meat industry', 'cattle' and 'pigs' in the proposed Order? If so, are the interpretations provided appropriate or should there be any additions or deletions?

Further information on the proposed Order, its Explanatory Memorandum and details of the committee, together with a Guide to the legislative process can be found at

http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-legislation/bus-leg-legislative-competence-orders/bus-legislation-lco-2008-no8-ag_rural_dev.htm

If you wish to contribute to the committee's work, submissions should be sent, preferably by email, or otherwise on disc or in hard copy to:

Sarah Sargent, Deputy Committee Clerk, Legislation Office, National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay, CF99 1NA.

Email: legislationoffice@wales.gsi.gov.uk. (Please title the email '*Consultation: Proposed Welsh Red Meat Industry LCO Committee*'.)

Submissions should arrive in the Assembly by Wednesday 19 November 2008. It may not be possible to take into account responses received after this date.

When putting together your submission, please keep the following in mind:

- Your response should be concise and address the issues before the committee. Please reference your response using the title applied above;
- The National Assembly normally makes responses to public consultation available for public scrutiny and they may also be seen and discussed at Committee meetings. **If you do not want your response or name published, it is important that you clearly specify this in your submission;**
- Please indicate whether you are responding on behalf of an organisation, or as an individual;
- Please indicate whether or not you would be prepared to give oral evidence to the Committee.

The Committee welcomes contributions in English and Welsh. If you are interested in being contacted as part of any future consultation in this area, please indicate this in your response.

If you have any queries, please contact the Clerk, Sarah Beasley (029 2089 8032), or Sarah Sargent, the Deputy Clerk (029 2089 8408).



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