Y Pwyllgor Materion Cyfansoddiadol a Deddfwriaethol Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

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National Assembly for **Wales**



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Dear Lesley,

Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill - Invitation to give evidence to the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee

The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee considered the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill at its meeting on 28 May 2012 and agreed to invite you to attend the Committee to provide further information on the Bill.

I would be grateful if you could give evidence at the Committee's meeting on Monday 2 July 2012 at 3:30pm.

The Committee would be grateful if you could provide a background paper on the Bill in advance of the meeting to help the Committee's consideration. It would be helpful if the paper could address the following points in particular:

- 1. What impact do you consider the Bill will have?
- 2. What powers are contained in the Bill allowing Welsh Ministers to make subordinate legislation?
- 3. Why those matters are being dealt with by enabling powers rather than on the face of the Bill?
- 4. Why the affirmative or negative resolution has been chosen to exercise the powers in each case?
- 5. How will the powers contained in the proposed Bill change the powers currently held by Ministers?
- 6. How does the Government intend to implement these powers?

I should be grateful for a response on these issues by 18 June 2012.

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Ffôn / Tel: 029 2089 8154 E-bost / Email: olga.lewis@wales.gov.uk I would be grateful if your officials could liaise with the Deputy Clerk of the Committee Olga Lewis (tel: 02920 898154) with regards to the practical arrangements.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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David Melding AM Chair