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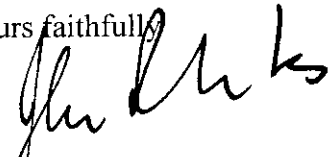
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Dear Minister

ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS IN WALES

Further to your letter of 2nd June 2006 together with the consultative, I now enclose the Town Council's responses to the questions asked in the document.

Yours faithfully



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Clerk to the Council

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Question 1

The Council believes that the European system should be adopted of automatic registration.

Question 2

The registration system could be linked to the National Insurance Number.

Question 3

See answer to Qu 2.

Question 4

Yes – linked to enrolling for Higher & Further Education, National Insurance and claiming benefits – would have to register as part of the process.

Question 5

As above, no difference to any other group.

Question 6

Security has been and will be a problem especially with regard to properties in multiple occupation.

Question 7

Electronic voting should be encouraged using an individual personal code number. It could be cheaper than staffing polling stations.

Question 8

Yes – if it was electronic polling. Electors could vote via the internet from home, work or supermarket.

Question 9

Young people do not relate to politics or politicians. Youth Councils should be encouraged.

Question 10

No.

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Question 11

Not taught but local members could speak to years 11, 12, 13 assemblies.

Question 12

Only if it was a politically balanced programme.

Question 13

A Youth Council has been operating in the Town for several years.

Question 14

If electronic voting was introduced this would be less of a problem.

Question 15

No, some buildings are not accessible to wheelchairs.

Question 16

Funding would have to be provided for the work to be carried out.

Question 17

The Netherlands and Denmark are geographically flat countries as opposed to Wales especially in Snowdonia.

Question 18

Yes.

Question 19

There should be welsh speakers available at Polling Stations.

Question 20

If the documents are bilingual, what's the problem?

Question 21

Depends on the person's literacy.