

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Bee Diseases and Pests Control (Wales) Order 2006 ([S.I. 2006/1710](#)) ([W. 172](#)) (“the 2006 Order”) which makes provision for the control of pests and diseases affecting bees.

Article 2 inserts article 2A into the 2006 Order regarding reporting of the presence of Varroa mites. Article 2A requires persons owning or in charge of a hive to report the presence of any species of Varroa mite in that hive to the Welsh Ministers.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to this Order. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with this Order.