

AGENDA

The Session will commence at 2.00pm

Item 1

Local Government Questions to Edwina Hart, Minister for Finance, Local Government & Communities

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Item 2

Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Environment

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Item 3

Motion to approve the Strategy for Older People in Wales and implementation plan NDM1254 Carwyn Jones Bridgend

The National Assembly:

1. Welcomes the Welsh Assembly Government Strategy for Older People in Wales;
2. Recognises that it will enable services across all sectors in Wales to plan to meet the needs of an ageing society and improve services for older people;
3. Acknowledges that the Strategy will contribute to, and be supported by, policies and programmes across the work of the Welsh Assembly Government;
4. Endorses the Strategy's conclusion that local government has a leading role to play in promoting the interests of older people at the local level and in communities; and
5. Supports the proposal to develop the Strategy and related action plan with advice from a new National Partnership Forum for Older People and investment of £10m over the next 3 years to underpin its implementation.

The Welsh Assembly Government Strategy for Older People in Wales, including the related Action Plan, was emailed to Members on 4 December 2002

The following amendments have been tabled:

In accordance with the revised guidance on the Grouping, Selection and Refusal of Amendments, the Presiding Officer has determined the order in which they will be taken and has decided to group the amendments as follows for the purposes of debate. Votes will be taken separately:

(1),(3),(4),(5) + (8)

(2),(6) + (7)

1. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);

In line 1 add 'for Wales' after the National Assembly

2. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 1, replace "Welcomes" with "Notes"

3. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);

Add at end of point 1:

'and recognises that one of the main issues facing people as they grow older is concern regarding their income.'

4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);

Add at end of point 2:

'and that the co-operation of voluntary sector organisations will be vital in delivering this strategy and believes that they should be funded in a way which sustains the long term provision and development of these services.'

5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);

Add at end of point 4:

'and ensures that local authorities are given adequate funding to provide services to older people.'

6. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 5, delete all after "Forum for Older People" and replace with "and calls for the Forum to consult on the level of investment needed to implement the strategy."

7. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Add new point:

Believes that the Forum for Older People should be chaired by an independent person drawn from the voluntary sector.

8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);

Add as new bullet point:

'Instructs the Local Government and Housing Committee to consider the implications of the Strategy for Older People in Wales on the National Housing Strategy.'

Item 4

Debate on Queen`s Speech

NDM1253 Carwyn Jones Bridgend

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the content of the UK Government`s Legislative Programme for 2002-03;

2. Notes that the following proposed Bills are of particular relevance to the Assembly`s responsibilities:

a) Communications (Culture Committee)

b) Community Care (Health and Social Services Committee)

c) Health and Social Care (Health and Social Services Committee)

d) Local Government (Local Government and Housing Committee)

e) Planning Reform and Compulsory Purchase (Environment, Planning and Transport Committee)

f) Waste and Emissions Trading (Environment, Planning and Transport Committee)

3. Remits the above Bills to the subject committees indicated for further consideration as to the provisions they should make for Wales and how the Assembly might use its new powers therein, and requests each committee to report to the Assembly.

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(1),(5),(6),(7),(8),(9),(10),(11) + (12)

(2),(3) + (4)

1. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add at end of point 1:

'but regrets the failure of the UK Government to adequately respond to the Welsh Assembly Government's proposals for primary legislation'

2. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Add new point before current point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Regrets that the government has failed to bring forward legislation to address the serious issue of the future of pensions, which is causing concern and suffering to many people in Wales.

3. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Add new point before current point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Regrets that the government has failed to bring forward legislation for foundation hospitals in Wales.

4. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Add new point before current point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Regrets that the government is making the banning of hunting with dogs a high legislative priority.

5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add at end of 2(b):

'and Local Government and Housing Committee'

6. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add new sub-point to Point 2:

'Criminal Justice Bill (Local Government and Housing Committee)'

7. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add new sub-point to Point 2:

'Anti-Social Behaviour Bill (Local Government and Housing Committee)'

8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

'Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to negotiate within the UK Government to prioritise a new Government of Wales Act that would devolve primary legislative and tax varying powers to the National Assembly.'

9. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

'Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to reaffirm the Plenary resolution that secondary legislation within the England and Wales Hunting Bill would be made by the National Assembly.'

10. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

'Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to ensure that measures contained within the Community Care Bill to penalise Local Authorities for delayed discharges are not implemented in Wales without a full plenary resolution.'

11. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

'Recognises that measures contained within the Health and Social Care Bill will lead to the establishment of foundation hospitals and therefore the creation of a two tier health system.'

12. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new bullet point at end of motion:

'Deplores the UK Government's failure to bring forward a bill to review the Barnett Formula so as to address the fundamental injustice of the financial settlement to the National Assembly.'

Item 5

Short debate - NDM1255 Gareth Jones (Conwy); The Transport System in the North - where are we going - integration or disintegration?

The session should conclude by 5.30pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

2.00pm on Tuesday, 17th December 2002

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly