

## AGENDA

The Session will commence at 2.00pm

### Item 1

#### Oral Questions to the First Minister

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### Item 2

#### Business Statement: the Assembly Business Minister

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### Item 3

#### Approval of the Periodic Timetable Statement

*NDM813* - To propose that the National Assembly:

Notes the proposed 3 month timetable of Assembly Business laid in the Table Office on 24 October 2001, under standing order 5.1.

Click [here](#) for the proposed 3 month timetable of Assembly Business

### Item 4

#### Debate on the Queen's speech (*Re-scheduled from 19th July 2001*)

*NDM768* - To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Notes the content of the UK Government's legislative programme for 2001-2002, as contained in The Queen's Speech, which is available at:

[http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld199900/ldhansrd/pdvn/lds01/text/10620-01.htm#10620-01\\_head1](http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld199900/ldhansrd/pdvn/lds01/text/10620-01.htm#10620-01_head1)

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

a. Adoption

- b. Homelessness
- c. Education
- d. NHS Reform
- e. Land Registration
- f. Draft Safety Bill

3. Remits the above Bills to the relevant subject committees 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 by 30 November 2001.

4. Notes also the intention to publish an NHS (Wales) Bill and a Communications Bill in draft, and requests the relevant subject committees to consider these within the period allotted for consultation on them, and to report to the Assembly accordingly.

***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)

(2)+(3)+(6)+(7)+(8)+(14)

(5)

(9)+(10)+(11)+(12)+(13)+(15)

**Amendment 1 - Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire);**

*Add at end of point 1:*

"but regrets:

- a) the lack of a commitment to introduce free personal care for the elderly
- b) the lack of a commitment to introduce an early referendum on British entry into the single European currency
- c) the lack of a commitment to democratic reform of the House of Lords
- d) the lack of a commitment to introduce legislation to fulfil the Government's pledge to introduce a licensing scheme for houses in multiple occupation"

**Amendment 2 - William Graham (South Wales East);**

*After "f. Draft Safety Bill" in point 2 insert:*

and warmly welcomes, in particular, provisions in the Education Bill to enable a substantial expansion in the number of faith schools, specialist schools and schools run in conjunction with the voluntary and independent sectors. The National Assembly looks forward to the implementation of these excellent education policies at the earliest opportunity in Wales.

**Amendment 3 - William Graham (South Wales East);**

*At end of point 2 add:*

and notes the First Minister's prediction in answer to OAQ12467 on 10 July 2001 that specialist schools will be established in Wales.

**Amendment 4 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*In bullet point 3, after "therein," insert:*

"calls on the Minister for Business to arrange appropriate training in dealing with draft bills for all Assembly members, as a matter of urgency," **WITHDRAWN**

**Amendment 5 - Andrew Davies (Swansea West)**

In paragraph 3, delete all after "report to the Assembly"

**Amendment 6 - William Graham (South Wales East);**

*At end of point 3 add:*

However, we regret that the UK Government has not acceded to the National Assembly's request (made on 13 March 2001) for a Bill to be included in the Queen's Speech to make St David's Day a public holiday in Wales.

**Amendment 7 - William Graham (South Wales East);**

*Insert new point after point 3 and renumber subsequent points:*

Requests that the Liberal Democrat / Labour Administration and the UK Government give consideration to ensuring that the NHS (Wales) Bill reserves in statute at least one place on the executive committees of the new Local Health Partnerships for a nursing representative.

**Amendment 8 - William Graham (South Wales East);**

*After final numbered point, insert:*

Calls upon the UK Government to establish in the NHS (Wales) Bill an all-Wales arms length agency named 'Wellbeing Wales' whose functions would preclude undue political interference in service reconfigurations or clinical judgements best made by medical practitioners.

**Amendment 9 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

'Regrets the lack of legislative proposals for:

- a) Making St David's Day as a Bank Holiday in Wales
- b) Allowing the National Assembly to decide in the matter of the Welsh tick box in future census surveys
- c) Providing greater cohesion in and between the education, training and careers system for people of all ages '

**Amendment 10 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

'Regrets the lack of legislative proposals for the banning of tobacco advertising throughout the UK.'

**Amendment 11 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

'Deplores the fact that the Government of Wales has failed to address health inequalities by refusing to press the UK Government to introduce free personal care for the elderly.'

**Amendment 12 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

'Regrets the UK Governments proposals to introduce a private element into public services in Wales, particularly in the fields of health and education.'

**Amendment 13 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

'Calls for primary legislative and tax varying powers for the National Assembly.'

**Amendment 14 - William Graham (South Wales East); Peter Rogers (North Wales);**

*Add a new point at the end of the motion:*

Regrets the failure of the UK Government to bring forward legislative proposals aimed at addressing the crisis in the countryside.

**Amendment 15 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East);**

*Add as new point at the end of the motion:*

Calls on the UK Government to devolve further powers to the National Assembly in the field of rural affairs in relation to animal health.

*Please note this document will not be available on the Chamberweb*

**The session will conclude by 5.30pm**

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**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at**

**9.05 am on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2001**

**E P Silk**

**Clerk to the Assembly**