

# Second Assembly Plenary Meeting

## Agenda (254)

Date: Wednesday, 28th February 2007

Time: 2.00pm

Item 1: Local Government Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services

Item 2: Questions to Jane Davidson, Minister for Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills

Item 3: Motion to approve The Plant Protection Products (Amendment) Regulations 2007 under Standing Order 25 section 3

Item 4: Motion to delegate functions under The Children and Adoption Act 2006 to the First Minister

Item 5: Motion to delegate functions under The Gambling Act 2005 to the First Minister

Motion to Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward the Motion under Item 6

Item 6: Motion to delegate functions under the National Health Service Act 2006 and the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 to the First Minister

Item 7: Motion to approve in year changes within the Assembly Parliamentary Service Budget

Item 8: Motion to approve in year changes within Main Expenditure Groups

Item 9: Debate on the Health and Social Services Committee's Report on The Mental Health Bill

Item 10: Short Debate - NDM3493 Tamsin Dunwoody, Politicians: Pariahs and Predators or Paladins and Paragons.

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**Item 3: Motion to approve The Plant Protection Products (Amendment) Regulations 2007 under Standing Order 25 section 3**

**NDM3494 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 25.13:

1. Approves the draft The Plant Protection Products (Amendment) Regulations 2007 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 13 February 2007; and
2. Notes the Explanatory Memorandum for this Order laid in Table Office on 13 February 2007.

**Supporting Documents:**

[The Plant Protection Products \(Amendment\) Regulations 2007 Explanatory Memorandum](#)

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**Item 4: Motion to delegate functions under The Children and Adoption Act 2006 to the First Minister**

**NDM3495 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

The National Assembly for Wales, acting under section 62(1)(b) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, resolves to delegate all functions of the National Assembly contained in and under the Children and Adoption Act 2006 to the Assembly First Minister, save those which by law cannot be so delegated.

Nothing in this motion will have the effect of reducing the pre-eminence of the authority of the full Assembly or of reducing the role of the Assembly Committees in the exercise of the above functions.

This delegation will be made in the knowledge that those functions delegated to the First Minister

will, as appropriate, be further delegated to the appropriate Assembly Ministers and to staff.

**Supporting Document:**

The Children and Adoption Act 2006 can be located on the Internet using the attached hyperlink:  
<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2006/20060020.htm>

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**Item 5: Motion to delegate functions under The Gambling Act 2005 to the First Minister**

**NDM3496 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under section 62(1)(b) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, resolves to delegate all functions of the National Assembly contained within the Gambling Act 2005 to the Assembly First Minister, save those which by law cannot be so delegated.

Nothing in the motion will have the effect of reducing the pre-eminence of the authority of the full Assembly or of reducing the role of the Assembly Committees in the exercise of the above functions.

This delegation will be made in the knowledge that those functions will, as appropriate, be further delegated to the appropriate Assembly Minister and to staff.

**Supporting Document:**

A copy of the Gambling Act 2005 can be located on the Internet using the attached hyperlink:  
[http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2005/ukpga\\_20050019\\_en.pdf](http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2005/ukpga_20050019_en.pdf)

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**Motion to Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward the Motion under Item 6**

**NDM3516 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

That the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Orders 37.5 and 37.6:

Suspends Standing Order 6.13 to allow the motion to delegate functions contained in National Health Service Acts (NDM3517) tabled on Wednesday 28 February 2007 to be considered in Plenary on Wednesday 28 February 2007.

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## **Item 6: Motion to delegate functions under the National Health Service Act 2006 and the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 to the First Minister**

**NDM3517 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly, acting under section 62(1)(b) of the Government of Wales Act 1998, resolves to delegate the functions of the National Assembly contained in and under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 and the National Health Service Act 2006 to the Assembly First Minister, save those which by law cannot be so delegated.

Nothing in this motion will have the effect of reducing the pre-eminence of the authority of the full Assembly or of reducing the role of the Assembly Committees in the exercise of the above functions.

This delegation will be made in the knowledge that those functions will, as appropriate, be further delegated to the Assembly Minister for Health and Social Services and to staff.

### **Supporting Documents:**

Copies of the relevant Acts can be located on the Internet using the attached hyperlinks:

The National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006

<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2006/20060042.htm>

The National Health Service Act 2006

<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2006/20060041.htm>

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## **Item 7: Motion to approve in year changes within the Assembly Parliamentary Service Budget**

**NDM3499 William Graham (South Wales East)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order 21.14, adopts the revised 2006-07 budget for the Assembly Parliamentary Service, as presented in the "Assembly Parliamentary Service Revised Budget for 2006-07" table, laid before the Assembly on 20th February 2007.

### **Supporting Document:**

[Assembly Parliamentary Service Revised Budget for 2006-07](#)

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## **Item 8: Motion to approve in year changes within Main Expenditure Groups**

### **NDM3500 Sue Essex (Cardiff North)**

That the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 21.13, approves the changes to Main Expenditure Groups for the financial year 2006-07 laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on Wednesday 21 February.

The following tables were laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 21 February:

Table 1 shows the proposed revised provisions for Main Expenditure Groups taking account of transfers to and from Government Departments and shows the proposed breakdown of the carry-forward provision and Reserves by Main Expenditure Group.

Table 2 shows the movements between MEG allocations and therefore the final MEG Budgets for the financial year 2006-07.

#### **Supporting Documents:**

[Table 1 – Proposed revised budgets for 2006-07 resulting to and from other government Departments and from the EYF and reserve provision](#)

[Table 2 - Proposed revised budgets for 2006-07 resulting from transfers between Main Expenditure Groups](#)

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## **Item 9: Debate on the Health and Social Services Committee's Report on The Mental Health Bill**

### **NDM3498 Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr)**

The National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 6.6, notes the report of the Health and Social Services Committee on the Mental Health Bill which was laid in the Table Office on 7 February 2007.

#### **Supporting Document:**

[Report of the Health and Social Services Committee on the Mental Health Bill](#)

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**Item 10: Short Debate**

**NDM3493 Tamsin Dunwoody (Preseli Pembrokeshire):**

Politicians: Pariahs and Predators or Paladins and Paragons.

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**It is expected that the meeting will conclude by 5.30pm**

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**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 2.00pm on Tuesday,  
6th March 2007**

**Chamber Secretariat**