# Second Assembly Plenary Meeting (186) Wednesday, 15 February 2006

# **AGENDA**

# The meeting will commence at 2.00pm

Item 1 - Finance Questions to Sue Essex, Minister for Finance, Local Government & Public
<u>Services</u>
Item 2 - Questions to Carwyn Jones, Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside
Item 3 - Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Free Home Care for the Disabled
Item 4 - Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: NHS Finances
Item 5 - Motion to approve SGR (Wales 2006 ) Social Services Performance Management Development Fund
Item 6 - Debate on the Annual Report of the Children's Commissioner
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NDM2851 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Under S88B of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 21.11, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (Wales) (2006) on the Social Services Performance Management Development Fund, which was laid in the Table Office on 7 February 2006.

### Supporting Documents

Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report for Social Services Performance Management Development Fund (Wales) 2006

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### Item 6 - Debate on the Annual Report of the Children's Commissioner

#### NDM2852 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Welcomes the fourth Annual Report of the Children's Commissioner for Wales, which was emailed to Assembly Members on 7 February 2006.
- 2. Notes that the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning will draw up a response from the Welsh Assembly Government and report to the National Assembly on this by 31 March 2006.

### 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 for the purposes of debate. Votes will be taken separately:

### 1. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Notes with concern that it has been 19 months since the publication of Clywch and that this Assembly still awaits the Government and other bodies to implement many of the recommendations.

### 2. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Regrets the time taken by the Government and other bodies to develop the advocacy, complaints, and whistle blowing procedures recommended by the Children's Commissioner.

# 3. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Assembly Government to review advocacy contracts.

### 4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Assembly Government to ensure sufficient additional funding to enable the implementation of standards contained within the National Service Framework for Children, Young People and Maternity Services.

#### 5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Expresses concern at the slow progress made in implementing the CAMHS strategy, and believes that CAMHS should be commissioned and resourced to provide services to all young people up to the age of eighteen.

#### 6. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Assembly Government to commit funding, and set targets for the recruitment of school nurses across Wales.

### 7. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Expresses concern at the continued prevalence of child poverty in Wales and calls on the Assembly Government to give greater urgency to developing an Action Plan.

# 8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point:

Notes with concern the lack of services for young people in Wales suffering from an eating disorder.

# 9. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to review the legal powers of the Children's Commissioner for Wales in circumstances where failure of cooperation by another agency leaves the rights and welfare of children unaddressed.

### 10. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Calls on the WAG to prioritise the provision of consistent independent advocacy services.

#### 11. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Expresses concern about the gap between WAG policy rhetoric and reality on issues such as the National Service Framework for Children and School Nurses.

#### 12. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Notes the importance of independence in staff disciplinary investigation.

# 13. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Notes with concern WAG failure to develop a Child Poverty Action Plan.

# 14. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Expresses concern about he continued failure to provide an adequate response by Child and Adolescence Mental health Services and supports the recommendation that CAMHS should be commissioned for all young people up to the age of 19.

# 15. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Notes the need to build capacity and establish structures as a basis for a sustainable antibullying strategy.

#### 16. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add as new point:

Notes the need for support for all those responsible for raising children which will lead to the development of accessible new services.

#### 17. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:

Believes that any review of advocacy contracts should be carried out working in full partnership with all advocacy service providers to produce a seamless service for children.

#### 18. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to ensure that local bodies are adequately funded to implement the National Service Framework for Children, Young People & Maternity Services.

### 19. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to effectively communicate and encourage parents, carers and children on the safe usage of the internet and new technologies.

# 20. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to publish a list of all the recommendations from recent child protection reports and provide regular updates to the National Assembly for Wales on its progress in their implementation.

# 21. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to make tackling Child poverty a priority.

### 22. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point:
Regrets the continued slow progress made by the Welsh Assembly Government in implementing the CAMHS strategy.
Item 7 - Short Debate - NDM2853 Rosemary Butler (Newport West) Art and Craft Education for the Over 60s – A "Qualified Disaster".
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It is expected that the meeting will conclude by 5.30pm
The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 2.00pm on Tuesday, 28 Febuary 2006
E P Silk
Clerk to the Assembly