

Plenary Session 2001 – 2002 (40)

Thursday, 10th January 2002

AGENDA

The Session will commence at 9.05am

Item 1

Questions to the First Minister on Economic Development

Click [here](#) for the questions

Item 2

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

Click [here](#) for the questions

Item 3

Statement

The Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning will make a statement on the Education Bill

Item 4

Debate on the International Day of Disabled People

NDM912 The National Assembly

1. Welcomes the event held on 3 December 2001 to mark the International Day of Disabled People and notes the success of the event and the questions put forward by the young people during the question time session.
2. Recognises the important role that young people, and specifically young disabled people, have in developing Assembly policy; and
3. Notes that the policy of inclusion will be pursued across Cabinet portfolios and on a systematic basis.

The following amendment has been tabled:

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Add a new point 4:

4. Accepts the validity of the social model of disability and acknowledges the need to mainstream this principle in the policies of the National Assembly.

Item 5

Debate on the Revised Code of Practice on Public Appointments - *this item will not be moved*

Item 6

Minority Party Debate: Plaid Cymru

NDM913 The National Assembly:

1. Notes the successful launch of the Euro and the significant impact the single currency will have on the political and economic life of Wales;

2. Notes the damage caused to the Welsh economy by being outside the Eurozone as a result of the UK Government's fiscal and economic policy;

3. Notes the importance of the UK entering into the single currency at a rate of exchange that is favourable to Wales and other UK nations and regions.

4. Calls upon the Government of Wales and the UK Government to press for the implementation of a robust regional policy at both European and UK levels;

5. Calls for an assurance that a referendum on entry into the Euro will not be held on the same date as the as the National Assembly elections in 2003.

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)

1. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 1:

Delete word "successful."

2. Andrew Davies (Swansea West) - *Withdrawn*

Delete point 2 and renumber subsequent points.

3. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 2:

Delete the words "damaged caused to" and replace with "opportunities for."

After the word "Eurozone" delete the remainder of point 2.

4. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In point 3:

Delete bullet point 3 and replace with "Recognises that the establishment of a single European currency follows a political agenda and would not offer any benefit to the Welsh or UK economy."

5. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

Delete bullet point 4 and replace with "Believes that the history of the volatility of the Euro against the major currencies of the world would expose Welsh and British businesses to great degrees of uncertainty."

6. Andrew Davies (Swansea West) - *Withdrawn*

Delete point 4 and replace with "Notes the need for a robust regional policy to respond to regional inequalities in the Eurozone".

7. Andrew Davies (Swansea West) - *Withdrawn*

Delete point 5 and replace with "Believes that a referendum on entry into the Euro should not be held on the same date as the National Assembly elections in 2003".

8. Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)

In bullet point 5:

Delete the words "assurance that a" and replace with "early" and delete "will not" and replace with "which could."

Item 7
Short Debate:
NDM914 Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire); The Euro - it is time for a referendum.

The session should conclude by 12.35pm

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at
2.00pm on Tuesday, 15th January 2002**

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Clerk to the Assembly