

## AGENDA

The Session will commence at 2.00pm

### Item 1

#### **Oral Questions to the First Minister**

Click [here](#) for the questions

### Item 2

#### **Business Statement: the Assembly Business Minister**

Click [here](#) for the Draft Business Statement

### Item 3

#### **Approval of the Special Grant Report to Local Authorities affected by substances that deplete the ozone layer**

*NDM916* - To propose that the National Assembly:

Under Section 88B of the Local Government Finance Act, 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 19.8, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 21) (Wales) 2001, which was laid in the Table Office on 7 January 2002.

Click [here](#) for the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 21) (Wales) 2001

### Item 4

#### **Approval of the Special Grant Report No9 on Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children**

*NDM917* -To propose that the National Assembly:

Under Section 88B of the Local Government Finance Act, 1988, and in accordance with Standing Order 19.8, approves the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 9) (Wales) 2001, which was laid in the Table Office on 7 January 2002.

Click [here](#) for the Local Government Finance (Wales) Special Grant Report (No 9) (Wales) 2001

## Item 5

### Debate on Primary Care Strategy

NDM915 - To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Welcomes the recently-concluded consultation exercise on "Improving Health in Wales – The Future of Primary Care" .
2. Looks forward to receipt of an Action Plan, before April 2002, which will set out ways in which the Welsh Assembly Government will set out to:-
  - A) Reverse the underdevelopment of the last 20 years of primary care in Wales;
  - B) Improve the range, quality and access to care provided by primary health care services;
  - C) Put right the inequalities of service provision through targeted investment and development of services;
  - D) Invest in the recruitment, education, training and retention of health professionals and the development of the primary care team;
  - E) Improve practice premises and provide resource centres and equipment to extend the range of services provided in the community;
  - F) Develop evidence-based learning and practice backed by an enhancement of NHS research and development.

The report entitled, "Improving Health in Wales – The Future of Primary Care", is available on the Improving Health in Wales website at:-

[http://www.wales.gov.uk/healthplanonline/workinggroups/content/primcare\\_e.pdf](http://www.wales.gov.uk/healthplanonline/workinggroups/content/primcare_e.pdf) - Please note this document will not be available on the Chamberweb

#### ***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)+(5)+(6)+(8)+(9)

(2)+(4)+(7)+(10)

#### **Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)**

In point 1 delete "welcomes" and replace with "notes".

**Amendment 2 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)**

In point one replace "Welcomes" with "Notes".

**Amendment 3 - Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)**

Delete the first two lines of Point 2 and replace with:

"Notes that health statistics demonstrate that current funding arrangements are failing the people of Wales and looks forward to discussion of an Action Plan, before April 2002, which will translate the significant and valuable aims of "Improving Health in Wales - The Future of Primary Care" into a programme of planned and measurable commitments that have sufficient and sustainable funding attached to them.

In this way, the Government of Wales will set out to:"

**Amendment 4 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)**

In point 2 delete point A) and replace with "A) Build upon the improvements achieved over the last 20 years in primary health care.";

**Amendment 5 - Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)**

In point 2B after 'services' insert:

". This will include a commitment to develop a workforce planning process that honours the recommended consultation times of health professionals which will develop the quality as well as the accessibility of healthcare provision"

**Amendment 6 - Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)**

In point 2C after 'services' insert:

". This will necessitate targeting particular geographical as well as service based areas of concern. Measures will include increasing the number and accessibility of health professionals and providing long-term sustained funding for community health interventions"

**Amendment 7 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)**

At the end of point D) add "and set targets for the number of extra GPs, practice nurses and other key NHS staff to be employed in NHS Cymru."

**Amendment 8 - Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)**

At the end of point 2 add new sub-point:

"Extend NHS dental provision and develop a distinctive NHS Dental Strategy, tackling the

serious problem of inadequate access to NHS Dentistry across Wales."

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

At the end of point 2 add new sub-point:

"Recognise the fundamental role of Professions Allied to Medicine in Primary Care and commit itself to the development of progressive career pathways that will aid recruitment and retention rates and dramatically improve the quality and range of the health services available from the future Primary Care Team."

**Amendment 10 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central)**

At the end of the motion add as point 3, "Notes that the proposed structural reforms of NHS Cymru will hinder the prospect for any improvements in primary health care services in Wales."

**Item 6**

**Local Government & Housing Committee report-back on the Homelessness Bill referred to it in the Queen's speech**

*NDM918* - To propose that the National Assembly:

Notes the Report of the Local Government & Housing Committee on the Homelessness Bill, as remitted to the Committee by the resolution of plenary in the debate on the Queen's Speech on 6 November 2001, which was laid in Table Office on 11 December 2001.

Click [here](#) for the Report of the Local Government & Housing Committee on the Homelessness Bill

The session will conclude by 5.30pm

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The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

9.05 am on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> January 2002

**E P Silk**

**Clerk to the Assembly**