

AGENDA

The Session will commence at 2.00pm

Item 1

Oral Questions to the First Minister

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Item 2

Statement: The Minister for Finance, Local Government and Communities on Guidance to Extend Categories of Homeless People Who Are Regarded as Being in Priority Need

Item 3

Business Statement: The Minister for Rural Affairs and Assembly Business

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

Item 4

Consultation on Regulatory Reform Order Private Sector Housing Renewal

NDM1024 - To propose that the National Assembly:

1. In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 24, approves the draft Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance)(England and Wales) Order 2002 laid in the Table Office on 8th April 2002.
2. In accordance with section 1(5) of the Regulatory Reform Act 2001 agrees that an Order in the form of the said draft be made.

Hyperlinks to the House of Commons and House of Lords Scrutiny Committee reports on the first stage of Parliamentary scrutiny of the Regulatory Reform Order and a copy of the Regulatory Reform Act 2001 can be seen below:

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld200102/ldselect/lddelreg/92/9202.htm> - Please note this document will not be available on the Chamberweb

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200102/cmselect/cmdereg/663/66302.htm> -

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<http://www.hmsa.gov.uk/acts/acts2001/20010006.htm> - Please note this document will not be available on the Chamberweb

Click [here](#) for the Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance) (England and Wales) Order 2002 - Explanatory Memorandum.

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Item 5

Delegation of the functions of the Homelessness Act - *this item has been postponed*

Item 6

Special Grant Report on innovative ways of delivering education in a rural setting and to support local authorities in delivering individual pupil number data - *this item has been postponed*

Item 7

Debate on Supporting People Policy (Debate on the new policy for funding framework for housing related support services)

NDM1025 - To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Welcomes the introduction of *Supporting People in Wales*, as a significant step forward in the provision of accommodation based support services to promote independent living for vulnerable people;
2. Confirms the principle of partnership working between the Welsh Assembly Government, local authorities and the voluntary sector as the basis for achievement in this policy area;
3. Re-asserts the importance of engaging with service users themselves in the development of this work.

A copy of *Supporting People in Wales* can be located on the Internet using the following hyperlink:

http://assembly/housing/Supporting%20People/supporting_people_home-e.htm - 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)+(4)+(5)

(2)

Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add at end of point 2:

and calls on the Minister to encourage Local Authorities to promote good practice by establishing forums where council officers and service providers can discuss issues and ways to improve service provision.

Amendment 2 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central):

After point 2, insert a new point and renumber accordingly:

Ensures that all eligible persons receive adequate specific advice to maximise the support available to them.

Amendment 3 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add at end of point 3:

; and recognises that there may be an inhibition of support scheme development between 2003-06 due to the uncertainty of continued funding thereafter, and calls on the Minister to take action to prevent this.

Amendment 4 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point:

Calls on the Minister to form a strategy that will ensure adequate funding for cross boundary initiatives after the transfer of funding to Local Authorities from 2006

Amendment 5 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point:

Calls on the Minister to make further representations to the Secretary of State recommending that the single room rent restriction on Housing Benefit for young people should be abolished.

Item 8

Debate on the report on Adolescent Health in Wales 1986 – 2000

NDM1023 - To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Receives the report 'Young people in Wales: findings from the Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) study 1986-2000', which was emailed to Members on Monday 8 April 2002;
2. Welcomes the intention of the Health and Social Services Minister to ask the Children's Sub Committee of the Cabinet to consider the contents of the report; and
3. Notes that this consideration will lead to a Welsh Assembly Government action plan in order to address the issues raised in the report.

The following amendments have been tabled:

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(1)

(2)

Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Delete point 3 and replace with:

Believes that adolescent health promotion to be an issue of the utmost importance and therefore directs the Government to produce a costed action plan to address the issues raised in the report, as a matter of urgency.

Amendment 2 - Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central):

At the end of the motion add new point:

Notes with concern the worrying trend in unhealthy lifestyles amongst some young people, particularly the effects of smoking and alcohol consumption.

The session will conclude by 5.30pm

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at

9.05 am on Thursday, 18th April 2002

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly