

## Agenda Supplement – Petitions Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1 – Senedd

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# Agenda Item 3.1

## **P-05-477 Support for the Control of Dogs (Wales) Bill, Correspondence – Julie Morgan AM to Committee, 01.11.19**

Thank you very much for your email below to my constituent, Cllr Dilwar Ali.

I understand from the letter from Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs, that Middlesex University is undertaking research, which when completed, will be discussed with the devolved nations. I would therefore be grateful if Cllr Ali's petition hearing could be postponed until this research and consultation has been completed.

Best wishes

Julie

**Julie Morgan AC/AM**  
**Aelod Cynulliad Gogledd Caerdydd**  
**Assembly Member for Cardiff North**

# Agenda Item 3.7

**P-05-817 Specialist prosthetics for child amputees, Welsh Government [Press release](#), 29.10.19**

## **New fund to provide sports prosthetics for children and young people in Wales**

Health Minister Vaughan Gething has announced a new fund to provide specialist sport prosthetics for children and young people in Wales.

Whilst a range of prosthetic equipment is already provided on the NHS, specialist sports prosthetics, like running blades, have not been routinely available until now.

The funding of £417,000 a year will provide extra staff and resources at three specialists centres in Cardiff, Swansea and Wrexham, where children and young people under 25 can be assessed and provided with running and swimming prosthetics. The fund will open from April next year and children and young people can discuss this at their next regular assessment for their prostheses.

Mr Gething said:

“We want all our children and young people to enjoy an active lifestyle. This new fund will support the next generation of children and young disabled people to be more active. I hope all those eligible will apply to the fund and enjoy the benefits of an active lifestyle.”

Ian Massey, Clinical Lead Prosthetist at the Artificial Limb and Appliance Centre, Rookwood Hospital, said:

“We are thrilled that Wales will now be able to provide recreational and sport prosthetics for our children and young people under 25. Having access to these devices will allow this group of patients to participate in sport, play with their peers and realise their full potential.”

**P-05-817 Specialist prosthetics for child amputees, Correspondence – petitioner to committee, 04.11.19**

To all involved with the petitions committee,

Last week (29/10/19) the Health Minister announced the creation of a fund to provide child amputees with specialist prosthesis, achieving what the petition set out to do. Obviously as a family we are thrilled with the news, and deeply, deeply grateful that our child's needs, and the needs of others like her, have been acknowledged and supported by the Welsh Government. This new service will remove so many of the physical barriers posed by limb loss, immeasurably improving the quality of amputees' lives; and it is wonderful that it will be available until the patient turns 25 (in England it is until the age of 18).

I can't begin to tell you how relieved I am for my daughter's sake, or how excited I am that she will finally experience being able to race around with her friends. After years of struggling as a family, it feels as though a weight is being lifted; and I am so pleased that other families in our situation will benefit in the same way.

My deepest and sincerest thanks to everybody involved in this process.

Kind regards,

Rebecca Roberts