

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 22 May 2012

Meeting time:
13:30

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National
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Wales



Agenda

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1. Questions to the First Minister (60 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

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2. Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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3. Financial Resolution in relation to the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill (5 mins)

NDM4890 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, for the purposes of any provisions resulting from the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill, agrees to any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Standing Order 26.69(ii), arising in consequence of the Bill.

The National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill was laid before the Assembly on 30 January 2012.

Supporting Document

The National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill

Explanatory Memorandum

Report of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee

4. Statement by the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House: The Wales

Infrastructure Investment Plan for Growth and Jobs (30 mins)

5. Statement by the Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes: CAP: The Welsh Perspective (30 mins)

6. Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Communities: New arrangements to provide support for Council Tax in Wales (30 mins)

7. Debate on the results of the 'Natural Resources Wales' consultation (60 mins)

NDM4891 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the results of the 'Natural Resources Wales' consultation with regard to the proposal to develop a single body for natural resource management in Wales.

The results of the "Natural Resource Wales" consultation are available on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/environmentandcountryside/singlebody/?lang=en&status=closed>

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to address the concerns of the forestry sector expressed in the consultation responses.

Amendment 2 – Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh government to ensure that the commercial expertise of the forestry sector is adequately reflected in the organisation of any new single environment body, as was recommended by the Environment and Sustainability Committee in its report into the business case for a single environment body, laid in the Table Office on 27 April 2012.

Amendment 3 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the business case for the merger was published before the aims of the single environment body were consulted upon.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the current concerns that the Welsh forestry sector has with the creation of the single environment body.

Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on Welsh Government to re-examine the principle aims and strategic objectives of the single environment body to ensure absolute certainty and clarity in both areas.

Amendment 6 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls upon the Welsh Government to ensure the presence of sufficient commercial expertise in the new organisation.

Amendment 7 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on Welsh Government to ensure that there are sufficient safeguards in the single environment body where there is a conflict of interest between Welsh Government's land ownership and consenting arrangements for energy projects on that land.

Voting Time

8. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM4889 Vaughan Gething (Cardiff South and Penarth):

Participation and empowerment in the future of Care Services in Wales – Co-Ops, Mutuals and direct payments.

To discuss the experience of direct payments together with mutual and co-op models for care services following Scope's report "Individualism versus Collectivism in Care Can direct payments help build stronger communities?"

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 23 May 2012