

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 13 June 2012

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
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Wales



Agenda (71)v3

1. Questions to the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (45 mins)

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2. Questions to the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (45 mins)

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3. Motions to elect Members to committees (1 min)

NDM5010 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Rebecca Evans (Labour) as a member of the Children and Young People Committee in place of Keith Davies (Labour).

NDM5011 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Keith Davies (Labour) as a member of the Environment and Sustainability Committee in place of Rebecca Evans (Labour).

4. Debate on the Environment & Sustainability Committee's report on the Single Environment Body (60 mins)

NDM5008 Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Environment and Sustainability Committee on its Inquiry into

the business case for a single environment body which was laid in the Table Office on 27 April 2012.

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was laid on 1 June 2012

Supporting Documents:

[Report of the Environment and Sustainability Committee](#)
[Welsh Government's Response](#)

5. Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

NDM5007 William Graham (South East Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Regrets that successive Welsh Governments have failed to maximise the potential of EU funds;
2. Expresses concern that lessons have not been learnt by the failure of previous spending rounds of European funding and the Welsh Government has never commissioned a full review of previous projects; and
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to work with Welsh universities, voluntary and private sector organisations in developing a business case to maximise the impact of future European Spending projects in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Delete point 1 and replace with:

‘Notes the use that successive Welsh Governments, local authorities, the private sector, Higher Education and the third sector have made of EU funds.’

[If amendment 2 is agreed, amendment 3 will be deselected]

Amendment 2 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Delete point 2 and renumber accordingly.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

After 'previous projects' insert 'and calls on the Welsh Government to conduct such a review'.

Amendment 4 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

In point 3 delete all after ‘developing’ and replace with ‘an innovation strategy which will inform the EU's Horizon 2020 programme for the next round of funding’.

Information on EU's Horizon 2020 programme can be found on the following link:
http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index_en.cfm?pg=home&video=none

6. Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)

NDM5003 Jocelyn Davies (South East Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Welcomes the ideas for pooling resources and working together to strengthen local economies as set out in 'A Greenprint for the Valleys.'
2. Calls on the Welsh Government to explore ways of developing a specific programme for revitalising communities thereby ensuring that they have a viable and sustainable economic future.

'A Greenprint for the Valleys' can be found on the following link:
<http://www.english.plaidcymru.org/greenprint-for-the-valleys/>

The following amendments have been tabled:

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be deselected]

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point 1.

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Delete point 1 and replace with:

Acknowledges that 'A Greenprint for the Valleys' recognises the poor economic situation of the South Wales Valleys.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Supports the development of a 'Valleys metro' for the Valleys Lines which will help revitalise communities in the South Wales Valleys.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that 'A Greenprint for the Valleys' is not comprehensive in its examination of how to develop the private sector in the South Wales Valleys.

Voting Time

7. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5004 Sandy Mewies (Delyn): Heritage - our past and future

Ensuring that local communities in Wales can play a part in securing their heritage now and in the future.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 19 June 2012