Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 27 June 2012

Meeting time:

13:30





Votes and Proceedings

(75)

Election of a Temporary Deputy Presiding Officer

Peter Black was elected as temporary Deputy Presiding Officer.

1. Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

The item started at 13:30.

All 15 were asked. Questions 5, 9 and 12 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services.

2. Questions to the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development

The item started at 14:17.

Questions 1 - 7, 9 - 12, 14 - 15 were asked. Question 8 was not asked. Question 13 was withdrawn.

3. Questions to the Assembly Commission

The item started at 15:01.

Questions 1 – 4 were answered by Peter Black. Question 5 was withdrawn.

4. Debate on the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee's Report on Powers Granted to Welsh Ministers in UK Laws

The item started at 15:10.

NDM5022 David Melding (South Wales Central)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee on its inquiry into the granting of powers to Welsh Ministers in UK laws, which was laid in the Table Office on Friday 23 March 2012.

Note: The responses of the First Minister, the Business Committee and the Assembly Commission to the report were laid in the Table Office on 20 June 2012.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

5. Debate on the Children and Young People Committee's Inquiry into the Implementation of the Learning & Skills (Wales) Measure 2009

The item started at 15.59.

NDM5021 Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Children and Young People Committee on the inquiry into the Implementation of the Learning and Skills (Wales) Measure 2009, which was laid in the Table Office on 8 May 2012.

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was laid on 20 June 2012.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

6. Welsh Conservatives Debate

The item started at 16:45.

Voting on the motion and amendments under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5025 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the strength of feeling against proposals to downgrade services at Withybush Hospital in Pembrokeshire and expresses concern over the engagement with clinicians and the general public;
- 2. Calls for the Welsh Government to work with the Wales Deanery and review the practices used in the retention and training of junior doctors;
- 3. Calls for the Welsh Government to work with Royal Colleges to review the applicability of clinical safety guidelines and ensure that these guidelines are tailored towards, and reflect, local conditions whilst maintaining best practice; and
- 4. Calls on the Minister for Health and Social Services to clarify the current funding position of the LHB's in Wales.

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
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| 20 | 0 | 23 | 43 |

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point 1.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
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| 23 | 0 | 20 | 43 |

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Insert at end of point 2:

'with the aim of ensuring an adequate level of staffing for all parts of Wales'

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 43 | 0 | 0 | 43 |

Amendment 2 was agreed.

Amendment 3 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point 3.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 23 | 0 | 20 | 43 |

Amendment 3 was agreed.

Amendment 4 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

In point 3 after 'local conditions' insert ', particularly in rural and peripheral areas,'

As amendment 3 was agreed, amendment 4 was deselected.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5025 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Calls for the Welsh Government to work with the Wales Deanery and review the practices used in the retention and training of junior doctors with the aim of ensuring an adequate level of staffing for all parts of Wales.
- 2. Calls on the Minister for Health and Social Services to clarify the current funding position of the LHB's in Wales.

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 43 | 0 | 0 | 43 |

The motion as amended was agreed.

Voting Time

Voting Time started at 17:41.

7. Short Debate - POSTPONED

The meeting concluded at 17:44.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 3 July 2012