

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 4 July 2012

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda (77)v3

1. Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills (45 mins)

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2. Questions to the Minister for Local Government & Communities (45 mins)

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3. Motion under section 19(5)(a) of the Public Bodies Act 2011 (30 mins)

NNDM5028

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales)
Russell George (Montgomeryshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with section 19(5)(a) of the Public Bodies Act 2011:

Resolves that the procedure set out in sections 19(6) to 19(9) of the Public Bodies Act 2011 shall apply to the The Natural Resources Body for Wales (Establishment) Order 2012.

The Public Bodies Act 2011 can be found on the following link:
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/24/contents>

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (Establishment) Order 2012 was laid before the Assembly on 30 May 2012.

4. Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)

NDM5023

Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)
Aled Roberts (North Wales)
Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West)
Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Supports lowering the voting age to 16 years in all elections and referendums held in Wales.

Supported by:

Keith Davies (Llanelli)
Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)
Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)
Vaughan Gething (Cardiff South and Penarth)
Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West)
Julie James (Swansea West)
Peter Black (South Wales West)
Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)
Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)

5. Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

NDM5030 William Graham (South Wales East):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that:

- a) rural communities face significant challenges including ageing populations, limited access to services as well as social and economic isolation;
- b) the viability of rural communities and businesses is being undermined by poor transport and communication infrastructure; and
- c) the Welsh farming industry faces considerable challenges including food security, climate change and animal health.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) give greater recognition to rural deprivation, including transport poverty and limited access to services and affordable housing;
- b) ensure that there are no further delays in rolling out the Next Generation Broadband Project;
- c) recognise the benefits of stimulating the rural economy through business rate relief and improved support for rural SMEs; and

d) work in partnership with farming unions and rural stakeholders to deliver effective Rural Development Programme funding.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete sub-point 1b and replace with:

‘transport and communication infrastructure play a key role in sustaining the viability of rural communities and businesses; and’

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new sub point at end of point 1:

‘the £56.9 million funding from the UK government to roll out next generation broadband will be a welcome boost to rural area.’

Amendment 3 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

In sub-point 2a, delete ‘give greater’ and replace with ‘continue to give’

Amendment 4 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete sub-point 2b and replace with:

‘ensure the Next Generation Broadband Project remains firmly on track to deliver the Programme for Government commitments on time;’

Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new sub point at end of point 2:

‘review the Revenue Support Grant to take a greater account of rurality.’

6. Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)

NDM5027 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Opposes the siting of Trident, or any other nuclear weapons, in Milford Haven or anywhere else in Wales; and
2. Calls on the UK Government not to proceed with the replacement of Trident and to use the resources saved to create jobs.

The following amendment has been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan):

Delete all and replace with:

Notes that the Welsh Government has no powers to determine the siting of nuclear weapons and recognises that this is a matter for the UK Government.

Voting Time

7. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5029 Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales): Rare Diseases

Exploring opportunities to address the common problems faced by people with rare diseases.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 10 July 2012