

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Wednesday, 5 December 2012**

Meeting time:  
**13:30**

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National  
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Wales



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## Agenda (101)v6

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

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### **2. Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Communities (45 mins)**

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### **Urgent Question**

**Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Further to the Minister's written statement on the Mid-Year Review of NHS Finances, will the Minister make an urgent statement on the sustainability of NHS finances in Wales.

### **3. Statement by Mick Antoniw: Introduction of a Member proposed Bill – Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill (30 mins)**

### **4. Debate on the Health and Social Care Committee's report on Prevention of VTE in hospitalised patients (60 mins)**

#### **NDM5116 Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Health and Social Care Committee on its one-day inquiry into venous thrombo embolism prevention in hospitalised patients in Wales, which was laid in the Table Office on 10 October 2012.

Note: The response of the Minister for Health and Social Services to the report was laid in the Table Office on 28 November 2012.

**Supporting documents:**

[Health and Social Care Committee's report](#)  
[Welsh Government's response](#)

**5. Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)**

**NDM5114 William Graham (South Wales East)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Believes that the First Minister's Delivery Unit is ineffective, given the continued failure of the Welsh Government to improve the lives of the people of Wales.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)**

Delete all and replace with:

Calls on the First Minister to publish an annual report outlining the Delivery Unit's progress in improving public services.

**Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new points at start of motion:

Regrets that, since the Delivery Unit was established:

a) the number of patients being treated within 26 weeks and within 36 weeks has fallen, according to the September 2011 and September 2012 figures from StatsWales;

b) the number of students that achieved 5A\*-C GCSEs in Wales was considerably lower than in England;

c) long-term youth unemployment has risen by 400%, according to August 2011 and August 2012 figures from the Office of National Statistics;

Further regrets that, despite the Delivery Unit the government is still unlikely to meet its target to eliminate fuel poverty amongst people living in social housing by 2012.

The waiting time statistics can be found on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/statistics/2012/121108sdr1942012en.pdf>

The youth unemployment figures can be found on the following link:

[http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/gor/2013265930/subreports/gor\\_ccadr\\_time\\_series/report.aspx?](http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/gor/2013265930/subreports/gor_ccadr_time_series/report.aspx?)

**6. Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)**

## **NDM5115 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Regrets the continued high level of youth unemployment;
2. Welcomes the Welsh Government's agreement to provide an additional £20m for 2013–14, and a similar indicative sum for 2014–15, to fund extra apprenticeships and training opportunities for 16–24 year olds;
3. Recognises the need to further incentivise small and medium size employers to offer apprenticeships which can offer a range of skills to young people.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

### **Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)**

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Expresses concern that the Welsh Government's spending plans do not adequately ensure permanent youth job creation.

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

### **Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Notes that it is not clear precisely which government programmes will be expanded, or new programmes created, as a result of the Welsh Government's agreement to provide an additional funding for apprenticeships and training opportunities , and therefore calls on the government to make a statement about where it intends to allocate this money as soon as possible.

### **Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point 2 and re-number accordingly:

Regrets that youth unemployment was higher in Wales (43%) than in England (39%) in 2011/12.

### **Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert at end of point 3:

‘, potentially including training grants to businesses that take on young unemployed people’

### **Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that under successive Welsh Governments, since the onset of devolution, the claimant count rate for 18–24 year olds has never been below the UK average.

#### **7. Short Debate – POSTPONED (30 mins)**

##### **NDM5113 Ken Skates (Clwyd South):**

The Nutritional Recession – The impact of rising food prices and shrinking budgets on the nutritional health of Wales

#### **Motion to suspend Standing Orders 27.7 and 12.20(i) to allow the next two items of business to be debated (5 mins)**

##### **NDM5117 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8:

Suspends Standing Order 12.20(i) and Standing Order 27.7 to allow NDM5118 and NDM5119 to be considered in Plenary on Wednesday 5 December 2012.

#### **Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate the following two items together but with separate votes:**

#### **8. Motion to approve the Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations (15 mins)**

##### **NDM5118 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2012, is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 5 December 2012.

#### **Supporting Documents:**

[The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements \(Wales\) Regulations 2012](#)  
[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

#### **9. Motion to approve the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme) (Wales) Regulations (15 mins)**

##### **NDM5119 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme)(Wales) Regulations 2012 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 5 December 2012.

**Supporting Documents:**

[The Council Tax Reduction Schemes \(Default Scheme\) \(Wales Regulations\) Regulations 2012](#)  
[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

**Voting Time**

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 8 January 2013