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Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 23 January 2013

Meeting time:

13:30

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



Agenda

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1. Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)

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2. Questions to the Counsel General (15 mins)

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3. Questions to the Assembly Commission (15 mins)

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4. Debate on the Enterprise and Business Committee's Inquiry into Apprenticeships in Wales (60 mins)

NDM5142 Nick Ramsay (Monmouth)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Enterprise and Business Committee on the inquiry into Apprenticeships in Wales, which was laid in the Table Office on 25 October 2012.

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was laid on 16 January 2013.

Supporting documents:

Enterprise and Business Committee's Report Welsh Government's response

5. Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

NDM5144 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Expresses deep concern at the potential negative impact of Welsh NHS reconfiguration proposals on patients.
- 2. Notes widespread concerns over the inconsistent way in which local health boards involve the public in NHS change.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government to clarify its guidance on public involvement in NHS service change to ensure that the views of the public cannot be disregarded when decisions about the future of NHS services are made.

The following amendment has been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add new point at end of the motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that the Welsh Ambulance Service is able to meet any additional demand that may result from reconfiguration of the Welsh NHS before any changes are implemented.

6. Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)

NDM5146 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises and celebrates the enormous contribution that the arts and creative industries make to the economy and culture of Wales.
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure the continuing success of these sectors

by:

a) reviewing the implementation of the Hargreaves report 'The Heart of Digital Wales' to ensure its policies are relevant and up to date, particularly with regard to the development of a Wales performing rights royalties system; and

b) ensuring that the Welsh Arts Council review of their artforms strategy during 2013 pays full attention to the need to increase participation in the arts, encourage young people to engage in creativity, promote artistic excellence in both Welsh and English and put Wales on the world stage.

The Hargreaves report 'The Heart of Digital Wales' can be found on the following link:

 $\frac{http://wales.gov.uk/topics/business and economy/publications/heart of digital wales/?lang=en$

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add new point at the end of the motion:

Looks forward to the publication of the report by the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's Task and Finish Group inquiry into Participation in the Arts in Wales.

Amendment 2 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add new point at the end of the motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to update this Assembly on progress made against recommendations 4, 12, 19, 22 and 23 of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's Task and Finish Group inquiry on the Future Outlook for the media in Wales.

The report of the Task and Finish Group can be found on the following link:

http://www.senedd.assemblywales.org/documents/s7672/The%20future%20outlook %20for%20the%20media%20in%20Wales%20-%20Report%20-%20May%202012.pdf

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add new point at end of the motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to improve the availability of digital infrastructure that can support the arts and creative industries by increasing access to high-speed broadband and improving access to Welsh channels through digital television.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add new point at end of the motion:

Believes that greater participation in the arts will create a sustainable base for the Creative Industries in the future and calls on the Welsh Government to develop a participation action plan that includes local government, the voluntary sector and Assembly Government Sponsored Bodies (AGSBs).

Voting Time

7. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5145 Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire):

Distinctive & Unique and in Crisis

The threats to the Welsh Lamb Industry and the need for action.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 29 January 2013

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 9 January 2013 for answer on 23 January 2013

R - Signifies the Member has declared an interest.W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

- **1. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement regarding the Welsh Government's funding contribution to the Thalidomide Trust. OAQ(4)0218(HSS)
- **2. Aled Roberts (North Wales):** Has the Minister allocated the necessary capital funding to enable Local Health Boards to carry out their proposed restructuring plans. OAQ(4)0229(HSS)**W**
- **3. Vaughan Gething (Cardiff South and Penarth):** Will the Minister make a statement on discussions she has had with the UK Government on the findings of the Dilnot Report in relation to paying for long term care for older people. OAQ(4)0222(HSS)
- **4. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on GP surgery opening times in South Wales East. OAQ(4)0217(HSS)
- **5. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** What are the Minister's department's priorities for the next six months. OAQ(4)0214(HSS)**W**
- **6. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on local emergency centres at hospitals in South Wales East. OAQ(4)0215(HSS)
- **7. Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** Will the Minister make a statement on the steps the Welsh Government is taking to stop young people from taking up smoking. OAQ(4)0224(HSS)
- **8. David Rees (Aberavon):** Will the Minister outline her health priorities for the people of Aberavon in 2013. OAQ(4)0223(HSS)
- **9. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's plans for neonatal services in North Wales. OAQ(4)0219(HSS)

- **10. Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr):** Will the Minister make a statement on cross-border collaboration between Welsh Health Boards. OAQ(4)0228(HSS)
- **11. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** Will the Minister provide an update on the Ministerial review of the Welsh Ambulance Services. OAQ(4)0220(HSS)
- **12. Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West):** What action is the Minister taking to embed the principles of co-production in the design and delivery of social services in Wales. OAQ(4)0226(HSS)
- **13. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the future of services for children with Cerebral Palsy. OAQ(4)0225(HSS)
- **14. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** What is the Welsh Government doing to promote healthy eating in Wales. OAQ(4)0212(HSS)
- **15. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth):** What is the Minister doing to help reduce waiting times in the Aneurin Bevan Health Board area. OAQ(4)0216(HSS)

To ask the Counsel General

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 16 January 2013

- 1. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Counsel General had with the legal profession. OAQ(4)0043(CGE)W
- **2. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Counsel General make a statement on his duties regarding regulations. OAQ(4)0044(CGE)**W**

To ask the Assembly Commission

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 16 January 2013

- **1. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Commission outline how it is helping staff to learn Welsh. OAQ(4)0069(AC)**W**
- **2. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** Will the Commission make a statement on the provision of food on the Assembly estate. OAQ(4)0068(AC)**W**