

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 24 April 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(126)

1. Questions to the Minister for Finance

The item started at 13.30

All 15 questions were asked. Questions 2 and 10 and 7 and 11 were grouped together for answer.

2. Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Government Business

The item started at 14.18

Questions 2 – 12 and 14 – 15 were asked. Questions 3 and 4 were grouped together for answer. Questions 1 and 13 were withdrawn

3. Questions to the Assembly Commission

No questions tabled.

Urgent Question

The item started at 14.57

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Will the Health Minister make an urgent statement about the Welsh Ambulance Service response times?

Statement by the Presiding Officer

The Presiding Officer announced that Darren Millar had won the Members' ballot to submit a proposal for legislation. In accordance with Standing Order 26.91, Darren Millar may now seek the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member proposed Holiday Caravan Park (Wales) Bill.

Motions to elect Members to committees

The item started at 15.07

NDM5217 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Mick Antoniw (Welsh Labour) as a member of the Enterprise and Business Committee in place of Ken Skates (Welsh Labour).

NDM5218 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects:

- (i) Christine Chapman (Welsh Labour) and Jenny Rathbone (Welsh Labour) as members of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee in place of Ann Jones (Welsh Labour) and Joyce Watson (Welsh Labour), and;
- (ii) Christine Chapman (Welsh Labour) as Chair of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee.

NDM5219 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects:

- (i) Ann Jones (Welsh Labour), Keith Davies (Welsh Labour) and David Rees (Welsh Labour) as members of the Children and Young People Committee in place of Christine Chapman (Welsh Labour), Jenny Rathbone (Welsh Labour) and Julie Morgan (Welsh Labour), and;
- (ii) Ann Jones (Welsh Labour) as Chair of the Children and Young People Committee.

NDM5220 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Sandy Mewies (Welsh Labour) as a member of the Public Accounts Committee in place of Gwyn Price (Welsh Labour).

NDM5221 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Julie Morgan (Welsh Labour) and Joyce Watson (Welsh Labour) as members of the Environment and Sustainability Committee in place of David Rees (Welsh Labour) and Keith Davies (Welsh Labour).

NDM5222 Rosemary Butler (Newport West):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Ken Skates (Welsh Labour) as a member of the Health and Social Care Committee in place of Mick Antoniw (Welsh Labour).

The motions were grouped for vote and agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

4. Welsh Conservatives Debate

The item started at 15.08

NDM5211 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the impact of the recent severe weather conditions on rural communities and businesses in Wales;
2. Notes the impact which poor rural transport and communication infrastructure has had on efforts to combat severe weather conditions;
3. Believes the Welsh Government's emergency response strategy must be effective in dealing with the unique challenges facing rural communities; and
4. Urges the Welsh Government to consider a hardship fund to support businesses affected by severe weather.

The motion without amendment was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

5. Welsh Conservatives Debate

The item started at 15.58

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5212 William Graham (South Wales East)

National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the potential of Ynys Môn as hub for energy and economic growth;
2. Welcomes the announcement that Hitachi will develop Horizon Nuclear Power at the Wylfa plant on Ynys Môn;
3. Urges the Welsh Government to consider the development of a clear plan to support the development of Ynys Môn as a centre for energy generation; and

4. Believes the development of nuclear energy on Ynys Môn must be complemented by further support for a robust energy mix across Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	6	5	50

The motion without amendment was agreed.

6. Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 16.58

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5213 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Deplores gender inequality and its persistent pay gap and calls on the Welsh Government to develop a long term strategy to tackle gender stereotyping.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
36	0	14	50

The motion without amendment was agreed

Voting Time

The item started at 17.57

7. Short Debate

The item started at 17.59

NDM5210 Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):

Abandoned Brothers – Assessing support for PTSD in Wales.

A debate about Armed and Emergency Service Personnel in Wales suffering with PTSD and the ways in which Wales, The Welsh Government and the Voluntary Sector can help.

The meeting concluded at 18:26

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