

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 7 May 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda (129)v4

1. Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

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2. Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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3. Statement by the Minister for Finance: Capital Allocations (30 mins) Supporting Document

[Wales Infrastructure Investment Plan](#)

4. Statement by the Minister for Finance: National Procurement Service (30 mins)

5. Debate: Public Service Reform (60 mins)

NDM5229 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Public Service Reform Agenda in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at start of motion:

Believes that public engagement is an essential part of the reform of public services and calls on the Welsh Government to develop a set of national standards for best practice in engagement between communities and public bodies.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at start of motion:

Believes that any public service reform must make the transition between health care and social care easier and calls on the Welsh Government to look at how we can better integrate those services within a democratic and accountable delivery structure.

Amendment 3 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Expects the Welsh Government to be open and accountable for civil service reform and performance in the development and delivery of public services.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the importance of effective collaboration between the independent, public and third sector in designing and delivering public services in Wales.

Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the significance of local knowledge and community involvement in developing efficient and appropriate public services.

Amendment 6 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure they effectively monitor public service delivery in Wales and provide the appropriate and timely guidance to public, private and third sectors.

6. Debate: The Professor McClelland Review of Welsh Ambulance Services (60 mins)

NDM5230 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the publication of Professor Siobhan McClelland's Review of Welsh Ambulance Services;
2. Notes the 12 recommendations proposed by Professor McClelland;
3. Recognises the need to:
 - a) agree a clinical vision for Welsh Ambulance Services;
 - b) give time for any future model of ambulance service delivery to mature.

The Professor McClelland Review of Welsh Ambulance Services can be found on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/health/publications/health/reports/review/?lang=en>

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Notes with concern that:

- a) despite holding nine reviews in six years, Wales still has the lowest response times in the UK;
- b) the all-Wales eight minute target has not been achieved for the past ten months;
- c) latest statistics show Wales' ambulances have failed to meet national response time targets for life-threatening calls in every local authority area;
- d) the 95% target for the admission, transfer or discharge of new patients in

emergency care facilities within four hours of arrival has never been met;

e) ambulances have spent almost 55,000 hours waiting outside Welsh hospitals in the last six months;

f) the Welsh Ambulance Service Trust's latest performance report shows it only achieved 56.9% of patient handovers within 15 minutes, against the national target of 95%.

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Delete sub-point 3b) and replace with:

‘b) publish a clear timetable for the delivery of improvements to the Welsh Ambulance Service.’

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new sub-point 3b) and renumber accordingly:

establish a clear timetable for the agreement and implementation of a new model of ambulance service delivery;

Amendment 4 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises that the systematic failings in unscheduled care significantly impacts on the performance of the WAST and therefore adversely effects outcomes for patients.

Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that in March 2013, only 53% of Category A calls received a response within 8 minutes, the lowest figure since December 2010 and that the Welsh Government’s 65% target for Category A calls has not been hit for ten successive months.

Amendment 6 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that there have been at least 13 reviews or audits into the delivery of services by the Welsh Ambulance Service since 2006 and regrets that the outcome of these reviews have not been fully implemented.

Amendment 7 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to take swift action to address the issues raised in the review and ensure any future model of the ambulance service is structured in the best interests of patients and staff.

Amendment 8 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure the Welsh Ambulance Service receives appropriate funding to ensure an efficient and robust ambulance service.

Amendment 9 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to develop additional targets with a greater focus on patient experience and outcomes and to publish the Welsh Ambulance Trust performance report including the monthly executive key performance scorecard.

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 8 May 2013

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 1 May 2013 for answer on 7 May 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)

The Presiding Officer has agreed to call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

To ask the First Minister

1. **Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the new Communities First clusters? OAQ(4)1034(FM)
2. **Nick Ramsay (Monmouth):** Will the First Minister outline what plans the Welsh Government has to reduce speed limits in the vicinity of schools? OAQ(4)1045(FM)
3. **Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):** What is the Welsh Government doing to support the construction industry in Wales? OAQ(4)1048(FM)
4. **Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the First Minister make a statement on improving rail passenger services across Wales? OAQ(4)1044(FM)
5. **Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** What discussions has the First Minister had with the UK Government in relation to the content of the Queen's speech? OAQ(4)1046(FM)W
6. **Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the First Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to improve transport links between west Wales and other parts of the country? OAQ(4)1033(FM)

7. William Graham (South Wales East): Will the First Minister make a statement on provision of healthcare for children in South Wales East? OAQ(4)1043(FM)

8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East): Will the First Minister make a statement on recent discussions he has had with the UK Government relating to devolution? OAQ(4)1040(FM)

9. Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Will the First Minister make a statement on arrangements for council tax support in 2015/15? OAQ(4)1031(FM)

10. Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the First Minister provide an update on the work of the Human Trafficking Prevention Co-ordinator? OAQ(4)1041(FM)W

11. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East): What guidance is the Welsh Government giving to schools in Wales to provide extra support to pupils in care so that they can achieve their full potential? OAQ(4)1037(FM)

12. Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): What lessons has the Welsh Government learnt as a result of its response to the impact of the recent adverse weather on the Welsh agriculture industry? OAQ(4)1036(FM)W

13. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the additional costs of affordable housing construction in North Wales? OAQ(4)1039(FM)

14. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon): Will the First Minister make a statement on how much energy Wales creates and uses? OAQ(4)1035(FM)W

15. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the First Minister make a statement on the progress achieved in promoting transparency and accountability in public service delivery, under the 'Programme for Government'? OAQ(4)1047(FM)

Agenda Item 2

Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 14 May and Wednesday 15 May 2013

Tuesday 21 May and Wednesday 22 May 2013

Recess: Monday 27 May 2013 – Sunday 2 June 2013

Tuesday 4 June and Wednesday 5 June 2013

Tuesday 14 May 2013

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the First Minister: Progress on Implementing "Energy Wales" (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Skill: Post 16 Planning and Funding Review: Final Report (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Finance: The Welsh Government Response to the Guilford Report Recommendations (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Jobs Growth Wales – one year in (30 mins)
- Debate: Strengthening Local Government Democracy (60 mins)

Wednesday 15 May 2013

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)
- Questions to the Counsel General (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)

Assembly Business

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

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Mark Isherwood (North Wales) (30 mins)

Tuesday 21 May 2013

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty: Welfare Reform (45 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Together for Health – Six Month Update (45 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Essential Skills in the Workplace (30 mins)

Wednesday 22 May 2013

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Finance (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Government Business (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Questions to the Assembly Commission (15 mins)
- Debate on the Queen's Speech (120 mins)
- Debate on the Finance Committee's Report Invest to Save (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Suzy Davies (South Wales West) (30 mins)

Tuesday 4 June 2013

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the First Minister: The Programme for Government Annual Report (60 mins)

- Motion to approve the General Principles of the Active Travel (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Motion to approve the Financial Resolution of the Active Travel (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

Wednesday 5 June 2013

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill (60 mins)

“In accordance with Standing Order 26.36, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.

At the conclusion of Stage 3 the Member in Charge may propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.47. If the proposition is agreed:

Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill.”

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Russell George (Montgomeryshire) (30 mins)