

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
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Wales



Agenda (133)v5

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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Urgent Questions

Urgent Question 1

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What explanation does the Minister have for the deterioration in the standards of education in Blaenau Gwent since appointing commissioners two years ago?

Urgent Question 2

Vaughan Gething (Cardiff South and Penarth) Will the Minister make a statement on the consequences for the future of GCSE & A-level qualifications in Wales following the UK Government Education Secretary Michael Gove's letter that was published yesterday?

2. Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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3. Statement by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty: Welfare Reform (45 mins)

4. Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Together for Health – Six Month Update (45 mins)

5. Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Essential Skills in the Workplace (30 mins)

6. Debate: Promoting green growth through resource efficiency (60 mins)

NDM5243 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose the National Assembly for Wales:

Recognises the value of promoting green growth as a key driver of our vision for the future of Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Acknowledges the huge potential for green growth in Wales.

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Notes the UK Government's commitment to developing the green economy.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Notes the Renewable Energy Association estimate that by 2020, some 400,000 jobs across the UK could be supported by the renewables industry, which highlights the importance of green business to economic growth.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the importance of green initiatives in supporting community regeneration and the wide ranging benefits of green community schemes.

Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Urges the Welsh Government to develop a clear, overarching strategy for green growth supported by evidence based targets, together with clear guidelines to resolve conflicts between economic, environmental and social priorities.

Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to publish a programme with measureable outcomes to improve the energy efficiency of homes in Wales.

Amendment 7 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to establish a Green Skills Construction College to make Wales a centre of excellence.

Amendment 8 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to publish a ‘routemap’ and action plan, with production targets, for each type of renewable energy.

Amendment 9 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the establishment of a Green Investment Bank by the UK Government and calls on the Welsh Government to assess the support it can offer to Welsh businesses to capitalise on the opportunities this investment creates for the Welsh renewables

supply chain.

Amendment 10 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the importance of a green skills base to the development of a strong and effective supply chain in Wales, to support green growth within the wider Welsh economy, and calls on the Welsh Government to increase the academic and vocational opportunities available in Wales to develop the skills to support green jobs.

Amendment 11 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to establish specific performance indicators to monitor the progress of green growth in Wales, for example:

1. GVA figures updated quarterly
2. Business statistics which focus on core categories within the Economic Renewal Programme
3. Workplace employment statistics for the green economy.

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 22 May 2013