

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 25 June 2013**

Meeting time:  
**13:30**

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National  
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Wales



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## Agenda (141)v4

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### **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 Economy, Science and Transport: The Independent Review of the Availability of Funding for SMEs in Wales: First Report (30 mins)**

### **4 Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Additional Learning Needs – To be issued as a written statement**

### **5 Debate: The Housing White Paper – Update on Implementation (60 mins)**

#### **NDM5271 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the considerable challenges currently facing the Welsh Government and other organisations in helping people to live in decent, affordable homes;
2. Notes progress made in the first year of implementing action set out in the

Housing White Paper and the fact that the Welsh Government is on track to meet its targets on affordable housing supply and in bringing empty homes into re-use; and

3. Acknowledges the Government's programme to provide more homes and other actions that will make a difference to people's lives.

The Housing White Paper "Homes for Wales: A White Paper for Better Lives and Communities" can be accessed on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/desh/consultation/120521whitepaperen.pdf>

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

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

In point 1 delete all after 'challenges' and replace with 'facing housing suppliers and other organisations in Wales since devolution in helping people to live in decent, affordable homes;'

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

Insert as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Expresses concern at the failure of the Welsh Government to bring forward the NewBuy Cymru scheme, which is penalising first time homebuyers in Wales and puts homebuyers and house builders at a disadvantage in Wales compared to England.

**Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Insert as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Notes the estimate by the First Minister that an additional 20,000 to 25,000 one and two bedroom properties are required to mitigate the effects of changes to housing benefit.

**Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)**

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Regrets the lack of progress with the non-legislative aspects of the Housing White Paper and the low number of new homes built in Wales;

#### **Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point 3 and renumber accordingly:

Regrets the failure of the Welsh Government to establish an integrated plan to tackle empty homes in Wales and calls on the Welsh Government to develop a national Empty Homes Strategy for Wales.

#### **Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point 3 and renumber accordingly:

Welcomes the progress made through the national accreditation scheme 'Landlord Accreditation Wales' to recognise good landlords and improve the supply of good quality accommodation and calls on the Welsh Government to prioritise the licensing of letting agents in light of the 9% increase in complaints about letting agents from landlords and tenants in 2012.

#### **Amendment 7 – William Graham (South Wales East)**

In point 3 delete all after 'the' and replace with 'Welsh Government's need to introduce a Whole Market Programme to provide more homes and other actions that will make a difference to people's lives.'

#### **Amendment 8 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to establish a Welsh Housing Survey to collect information and evidence on the profile of households and housing stock in Wales, to help support the development and monitoring of Welsh Government housing policies.

#### **Amendment 9 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that first time buyers can access appropriate schemes designed to help them afford homes.

## **6 Debate: Primary Care and the Inverse Care Law (60 mins)**

### **NDM5272 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Recognises the vital role of primary care in shaping and delivering health services in Wales and in addressing health inequalities.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the Welsh Government's recent announcement on the introduction of a moratorium on the development of new primary care schemes.

#### **Amendment 2 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the proposal from the Royal College of GPs for GP led teams of medical professionals to provide around the clock care for some patients with severe chronic conditions.

#### **Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that an effective social care service makes an important contribution to ensuring people can manage chronic conditions in the community and regrets the continuing artificial barriers between Health and Social Care.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the importance of doctor recruitment and retention to the provision of primary care in rural areas and calls on the Welsh Government to monitor and publish the number of doctors recruited through the Work for Wales campaign.

## **Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add new point at end of motion:

Expresses concern at the lack of NHS dentists in Wales accepting new patients and calls on the Welsh Government to undertake an assessment of the number of people unable to access an NHS dentist in their area, to determine where localised problems exist.

## **Voting Time**

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 26 June 2013