Meeting date: Wednesday, 17 July 2013

Meeting time: 13:30



National Assembly for Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(148)

1 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

The item started at 13.30

The first 9 questions were asked. Questions 1 and 2 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Social Services.

2 Questions to the Counsel General

The item started at 14.21

Both questions were asked.

3 Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty

The item started at 14.25

The first 12 questions were asked. Questions 2, 6, 7, 10 and 12 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Tackling Poverty.

Presiding Officer Statement

The Presiding Officer announced that Bethan Jenkins had won the Members' ballot to submit a proposal for legislation. In accordance with Standing Order 26.91, Bethan Jenkins may now seek the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member proposed Financial Literacy Bill.

4 Debate on the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee's Report on the Inquiry into Law Making and the Church in Wales

The item started at 15.19

NDM5295 David Melding (South Wales Central)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee on its inquiry into Law-making and the Church in Wales, which was laid in the Table Office on 13 June 2013.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

5 Motion to approve the Assembly Commission's Official Languages Scheme

The item started at 15.55

NDM5297 Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with paragraph 8(11)(d) of Schedule 2 of the Government of Wales Act 2006:

Approves the Assembly Commission's Official Languages Scheme, laid before the National Assembly for Wales on 10 July 2013.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

6 Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 16.30

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5298 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes with concern that 48.9% of Wales' pupils leave school without 5 GCSEs at A^*-C including English/Welsh and mathematics.

2. Notes with concern that the attainment gap between pupils from disadvantaged and more advantaged backgrounds grows through the key stages, reaching 33% in key stage 4.

3. Believes policies to address surplus places should be re-evaluated to support high standards as a priority.

4. Recognises the importance of ensuring that pupils leave school with relevant qualifications and calls upon the Welsh Government to prioritise the establishment of Qualifications Wales as an independent organisation to regulate qualifications in the first instance.

5. Recognises the importance of closing the attainment gap between pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds and pupils from more advantaged backgrounds and calls upon the Welsh Government to ensure that the pupil deprivation grant is allocated towards policies that address this.

6. Calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward its comprehensive proposals to enact the recommendations in the Hill report.

7. Welcomes The Party of Wales' agreement with the Welsh Government to create 5,650 additional apprenticeship opportunities, providing young people with valuable opportunities to develop their skills and obtain employment.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	0	17	51

The motion without amendment was agreed.

7 Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Agricultural Sector (Wales) Bill

The item started at 17.35

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.

The Amendments have been grouped for the purposes of debate and the groupings will be debated as follows:

1. The Panel

34, 63, 16, 64, 17, 18, 65, 66, 67, 27, 28, 68, 29, 32, 33, 69

- 2. Agricultural Wages Order
- 4, 5, 19, 6, 50, 7, 20, 8, 9, 46, 10, 21, 22, 2, 1, 11A, 11, 12, 23, 13, 15
- 3. Enforcement and Offences

51, 52, 53, 54, 35, 57, 30

4. Holiday entitlement and enforcement

47, 48, 56, 49

5. Information and records

58, 59, 60, 36

6. Review and duration of Act

37, 38, 39, 40, 24, 41, 42, 43

- 7. Orders and Regulations
- 3, 25, 31, 26, 14
- 8. Definition of Agriculture and Agricultural Worker

44, 45, 61

9. Restrictions on the Panel and Welsh Ministers

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Voting was taken in the order set out in the Marshalled List of Amendments.

A vote was taken on Amendment 34:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	8	26	50

Amendment 34 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 63:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	33	50

Amendment 63 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 4 was agreed.

As amendment 4 was agreed, amendments 16 and 64 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 17:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	8	26	51

Amendment 17 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 18:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	8	26	51

Amendment 18 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 65:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 65 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 66:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 66 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 67:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
12	0	39	51

Amendment 67 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 27:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	1	26	51

Amendment 27 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 28:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	8	26	51

Amendment 28 was not agreed.

As amendment 28 was not agreed, amendments 32 and 33 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 68:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 68 was not agreed.

As amendment 68 was not agreed, amendment 69 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	13	51

Amendment 5 was agreed.

As amendment 5 was agreed, amendment 19 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 6:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	1	11	51

Amendment 6 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 50:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 50 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 7:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 7 was agreed.

As amendment 7 was agreed, amendment 20 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 8:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 8 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 9:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 9 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 46:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	8	26	51

Amendment 46 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 10:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 10 was agreed.

As amendment 10 was agreed, amendments 21, 22 and 2 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	38	51

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 11A:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
12	0	39	51

Amendment 11A was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 11:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 11 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 51:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	33	50

Amendment 51 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 52:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 52 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 53:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 53 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 54:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 54 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 35:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	33	50

Amendment 35 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 47:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 47 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 48:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	25	49

Amendment 48 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 56:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 56 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 49:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 49 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 57:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 57 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 58:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	6	26	49

Amendment 58 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 59:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	6	26	49

Amendment 59 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 60:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	6	26	48

Amendment 60 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 36:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	26	49

Amendment 36 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 12:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	12	50

Amendment 12 was agreed.

Amendment 23 was not moved.

A vote was taken on Amendment 13:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	9	48

Amendment 13 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 29:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	7	26	50

Amendment 29 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 37:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
15	2	34	51

Amendment 37 was not agreed.

As amendment 37 was not agreed, amendment 39 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 38:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 38 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 40:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 40 was not agreed.

As amendment 40 was not agreed, amendment 43 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 24:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 24 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 41:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 41 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 42:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
12	0	39	51

Amendment 42 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 30:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	0	26	51

Amendment 30 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	0	26	51

Amendment 3 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 25:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 25 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 31:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 31 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 26:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	34	51

Amendment 26 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 14:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 14 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 15:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	12	51

Amendment 15 was agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 44:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	8	26	50

Amendment 44 was not agreed.

As amendment 44 was not agreed, amendment 45 fell.

A vote was taken on Amendment 32:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	8	26	50

Amendment 32 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 61:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	8	26	50

Amendment 61 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on Amendment 62:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	8	26	51

Amendment 62 was not agreed.

All sections and schedules of the Bill were deemed agreed, concluding Stage 3 proceedings.

8 Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Agricultural Sector (Wales) Bill

The item started at 19.27

At the conclusion of Stage 3 the Minister 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 Agricultural Sector (Wales) Bill.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	0	17	51

The motion was agreed.

Voting Time

The item started at 19.41

The meeting concluded at 19:41

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 24 September 2013