

## Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 12 November 2013**

Meeting time:  
**13:30**

Cynulliad  
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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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### Agenda (161)v5

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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.

[View Questions](#)

#### **2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)**

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#### **3 Statement by the First Minister: The Review of Neonatal Services in North Wales (30 mins)**

#### **4 Statement by the First Minister: Y Gynhadledd Fawr – next steps (30 mins)**

#### **5 Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Preparations for Winter Weather (30 mins)**

Supporting Document

[Winter weather advice](#)

#### **6 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Review of the Availability of Funding for SMEs: Second Report (30 mins)**

#### **7 Statement by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty: Continuity and Change – Refreshing the Relationship between Welsh Government and the**

### **Third Sector in Wales (30 mins)**

#### **8 Motion to approve the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Regulations 2013 (15 mins)**

NDM5349 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Regulations 2013 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 14 October 2013.

#### **Supporting Documents**

[The Food Hygiene Rating \(Wales\) Regulations 2013](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Report](#)

#### **9 Motion to approve the Family Absence for Members of Local Authorities (Wales) Regulations 2013 (15 mins)**

NDM5350 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Family Absence for Member of Local Authorities (Wales) Regulations 2013 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 15 October 2013

#### **Supporting Documents**

[The Family Absence for Member of Local Authorities \(Wales\) Regulations 2013](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

#### **10 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Local Audit and Accountability Bill (15 mins)**

NDM5259 Alun Davies (Blaenau Gwent)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions in the Local Audit and Accountability Bill relating to audit arrangements for Internal Drainage Boards (IDBs) whose areas fall partly within Wales, in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National

Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

### **Supporting Documents**

A [Legislative Consent Memorandum](#) has been laid in Table Office on 30 May 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(i).

A copy of the Bill can be found here:

[Bill documents — Local Audit and Accountability Bill \[HL\] 2013–14 — UK Parliament](#)  
[Public Accounts Committee: Report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Local Audit and Accountability Bill](#)

### **11 Debate: NHS and Social Service Plans for Winter Preparedness (60 mins)**

NDM5348 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the work of the Welsh NHS and its partners in preparing for the coming winter.

The following amendments have been tabled:

#### **Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the postponement of orthopaedic operations in the Hywel Dda area.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that planning for winter pressures should be a routine matter and should not lead to deterioration of services.

#### **Amendment 3 – William Graham (South Wales East)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls upon the Welsh Government to:

- a) publish an annual National Winter Preparedness Plan for the Welsh NHS; and
- b) agree that such plans be subjected to a post implementation evaluation to determine their effectiveness.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets Hywel Dda Local Health Board's proposed plans to postpone all elective

orthopaedic surgery over the winter.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to publish each Local Health Board's winter preparation plan.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that 2,600 operations were postponed last year due to increased winter pressures and calls on the Welsh Government to work with Local Health Boards to avoid any delays or cancelled operations due to winter pressures in the future.

**Amendment 7 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that there are 2,713 fewer hospital beds in Wales than in 2003 and calls on the Welsh Government to increase the number of beds available to help meet the challenge of winter demand.

**Voting Time**

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

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 7 November 2013 for answer on 12 November 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. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on health services in west Wales? OAQ(4)1315(FM)
2. Mark Isherwood (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on healthcare provision in North Wales? OAQ(4)1326(FM)
3. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East): What representations did the First Minister make at the recent Joint Ministerial Committee meeting? OAQ(4)1325(FM)
4. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister make a statement regarding the plans proposed by Hywel Dda Health Board to delay some orthopaedic surgery this coming winter? OAQ(4)1323(FM)
5. William Graham (South Wales East): Will the First Minister outline Welsh Government actions to ensure the production of Jammie Dodgers remains in Wales? OAQ(4)1328(FM)
6. Sandy Mewies (Delyn): Will the First Minister make a statement on how new borrowing powers for the Welsh Government could lead to improvements to the A55? OAQ(4)1331(FM)

7. Leighton Andrews (Rhondda): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Employer Support Grant for former Remploy workers? OAQ(4)1320(FM)

8. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the First Minister make a statement on progress towards achieving equal pay in Wales? OAQ(4)1319(FM)

9. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): Will the First Minister make a statement on NHS cancer waiting times in Wales? OAQ(4)1324(FM)

10. Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh food industry? OAQ(4)1322(FM)

11. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): What discussions has the First Minister had in relation to Wind Energy proposals in South Wales West? OAQ(4)1321(FM)

12. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the value of public procurement to the Welsh economy? OAQ(4)1333(FM)W

13. David Rees (Aberavon): What discussions has the First Minister had with the Ministry of Justice in the last six months? OAQ(4)1332(FM)

14. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the provision of housing in North Wales? OAQ(4)1330(FM)

15. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the First Minister make a statement on how the Welsh Government is supporting Credit Unions? OAQ(4)1317(FM)

## Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 19 November and Wednesday 20 November 2013

Tuesday 26 November and Wednesday 27 November 2013

Tuesday 3 December and Wednesday 4 December 2013

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Tuesday 19 November 2013

## Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration: Introduction of the Housing (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Update on City Regions (30 mins)
- The Welsh Development Agency Act 1975 (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2013 (15 mins)
- Debate on the Draft Budget 2014–15 (120 mins)
- Debate on the Children's Commissioner for Wales' Annual Report 2012–13 (60 mins)

Wednesday 20 November 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

- Motion under Standing Order 10.5 to appoint an acting Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (5 mins)
- Motion to approve the Assembly Commission's Budget 2014/15 (30 mins)

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- 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.

- Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill (5 mins)
- Short Debate – Keith Davies (Llanelli) (30 mins)

**Tuesday 26 November 2013**

#### **Government Business**

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: The Marine and Fisheries Strategic Action Plan (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Progress on Delivering the Right to be Safe Strategy (30 mins)

Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate the following two items together but with separate votes:

- The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme) (Wales) Regulations 2013 (15 mins)
- The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013 (15 mins)
- The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (Modification of Enactments and Other Provisions) Order 2013 (15 mins)

Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate the following two items together but with separate votes:

- LCM on The Care Bill (15 mins)
- Supplementary LCM on The Care Bill (15 mins)
- Supplementary LCM on the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Bill in respect of the ASBO exception (15 mins)



- Debate: The benefits to Wales of the UK's continued membership of the European Union (60 mins)

**Wednesday 27 November 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)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (120 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Gwyn Price (Islwyn) (30 mins)
- Short Debate – Julie James (Swansea West) (30 mins) – Re-scheduled from 25 September

**Tuesday 3 December 2013**

#### **Government Business**

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Culture and Sport (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration: Responses to the "Renting Homes" White Paper (30 mins)
- Debate on the General Principles of the Education (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Motion to agree the financial resolution in respect of the Education (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (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 Minister may propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.47.

- Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Bill (5 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the NHS Finance (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 Minister may propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.47.

- Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the NHS Finance (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

**Wednesday 4 December 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**

- 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 – Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales) (30 mins)