

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 26 November 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(165)

1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

The first 10 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after Question 2.

Urgent Question

The item started at 14.16

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)

Will the Minister make a statement on the intention to establish a doctor-led emergency unit at Prince Philip Hospital in Llanelli following his letter to the chair of the Llanelli Labour Party dated 21 November 2013.

2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.23

Motion to elect a Member to a committee

The item started at 14.37

NDM5375 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Jocelyn Davies (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee in place of Lindsay Whittle (Plaid Cymru).

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

3 Statement by the Minister for Finance: The UK Government's Full Response to the Silk Commission's Report on Financial Reform

The item started at 14.37

4 Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Hill Review: Future Delivery of Education Services in Wales

The item started at 15.20

5 Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: The Marine and Fisheries Strategic Action Plan

The item started at 15.59

6 Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Progress on Delivering the Right to be Safe Strategy

The item started at 16.39

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

7 The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme) (Wales) Regulations 2013

The item started at 17.17

It was agreed under Standing Order 12.24 that the following two items would be debated together but with separate votes.

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

NDM5364 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

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

Approves that the draft The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Default Scheme) (Wales) Regulations 2013 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 4 November 2013.

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
46	10	0	56

The motion was agreed.

8 The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013

The item started at 17.17

NDM5365 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

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

Approves that the draft The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 4 November 2013.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

9 The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (Modification of Enactments and Other Provisions) Order 2013

The item started at 17.44

NDM5366 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

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

Approves that the draft The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (Modification of Enactments and other Provisions) Order 2013 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 4 November 2013.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

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

10 Legislative Consent Motion on The Care Bill

The item started at 17.48

It was agreed under Standing Order 12.24 that the following two items would be debated together but with separate votes.

NDM5247 Gwenda Thomas (Neath)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions of the Care Bill, relating to UK reciprocal arrangements for cross border placements of adults, arrangements to ensure continuity of care for adults in the event of provider failure and to require Welsh Ministers to co-operate with the Health Research Authority, in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

11 Supplementary Legislative Consent Motion on The Care Bill

The item started at 17.48

NDM5331 Gwenda Thomas (Neath)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that in addition to the provisions referred to in motion NNDM5247, those further provisions of the Care Bill, relating to UK reciprocal arrangements for cross border placements of adults, and mental health after-care for people in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

A Legislative Consent Memorandum has been laid in Table Office on 9 October 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(i).

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

12 Supplementary Legislative Consent Motion on the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Bill in respect of the ASBO exception

The item started at 18.03

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

NDM5342 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provision in the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Bill, amending the anti-social behaviour orders exception in paragraph 12, Schedule 7 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, which modifies the legislative competence of the Assembly, should be made by the UK Parliament.

A Legislative Consent Memorandum has been laid in Table Office on 18 October 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(i).

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
1	0	55	56

The motion was not agreed.

13 Debate: The benefits to Wales of the UK's continued membership of the European Union

The item started at 18.16

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

NDM5367 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Recognises the benefits to Wales of the UK's continued membership of the EU.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Recognises a renegotiation of our current relationship with the EU is required so that Wales and the UK can benefit from a more economically focused European Union.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	43	56

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Notes that 160,000 Welsh jobs depend on the UK's continued membership of the EU; that Wales is a net beneficiary of EU membership of £144 million per year; and that there are over 10,000 Welsh companies which trade with other EU countries per year, demonstrating the importance of access to the single market and the EU's free trade agreements with third parties for jobs and the economy in Wales.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
49	1	0	50

Amendment 2 was agreed.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Welcomes the EU's role in protecting our environment as a world leader in combating climate change and cross-border pollution, and the importance of the key collective commitments within the 20-20-20 targets to improve energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and raise the share of EU energy consumption produced from renewable resources.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
49	2	0	51

Amendment 3 was agreed.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point at start of motion:

Welcomes Wales' cooperation with Europol and Eurojust, and ability to utilise the European Arrest Warrant as a tool, in order to protect Welsh citizens from crime.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	3	0	51

Amendment 4 was agreed.

Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert at end of the motion:

which includes making Wales a more prosperous, sustainable and secure place.

A vote was taken on Amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
49	1	0	50

Amendment 5 was agreed.

Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that in the event of a referendum on the UK's continued membership of the European Union the all-Wales result should be recorded separately.

A vote was taken on Amendment 6:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
45	0	7	52

Amendment 6 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5367 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Welcomes Wales' cooperation with Europol and Eurojust, and ability to utilise the European Arrest Warrant as a tool, in order to protect Welsh citizens from crime.

Welcomes the EU's role in protecting our environment as a world leader in combating climate change and cross-border pollution, and the importance of the key collective commitments within the 20-20-20 targets to improve energy efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and raise the share of EU energy consumption produced from renewable resources.

Notes that 160,000 Welsh jobs depend on the UK's continued membership of the EU; that Wales is a net beneficiary of EU membership of £144 million per year; and that there are over 10,000 Welsh companies which trade with other EU countries per year, demonstrating the importance of access to the single market and the EU's free trade agreements with third parties for jobs and the economy in Wales.

Recognises the benefits to Wales of the UK's continued membership of the EU which includes making Wales a more prosperous, sustainable and secure place.

Believes that in the event of a referendum on the UK's continued membership of the European Union the all-Wales result should be recorded separately.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
44	5	3	52

The motion as amended was agreed.

Voting Time

The item started at 19.15

The meeting concluded at 19:20

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 27 November 2013