

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 10 December 2013

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda

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Tributes to Nelson Mandela

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 Education and Skills: PISA 2012 (30 mins)

4 Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Recent Flooding in North Wales (30 mins)

5 Legislative Consent Motion on the Water Bill (15 mins)

NDM5303 Alun Davies (Blaenau Gwent)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions of the Water Bill as introduced in the House of Commons on 27 June 2013, 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 18 September 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(i).

A copy of the Bill can be found here:

[Bill documents - Water Bill \[HC\] 2013-14 - UK Parliament](#)

Supporting Document

[Legislative Consent Memorandum](#)

[Environment and Sustainability Committee: Report on the Water Bill](#)

6 Debate on the Final Budget 2014-15 (60 mins)

NDM5382 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 20.25:

Approves the Annual Budget for the financial year 2014-2015 laid in the Table Office by the Minister for Finance on 3 December 2013.

Footnote:

In accordance with the relevant provisions contained in the Government of Wales Act 2006 and Standing Order 20.28, the Annual Budget comprises the following information:

1. the written statement required under section 125(3) of the Government of Wales Act;
2. the resources agreed by the Treasury for the Welsh block budget for the financial year covered by the motion;
3. a reconciliation between the resources allocated to the Welsh block budget by the Treasury and the resources to be authorised for use in the motion;
4. a reconciliation between the estimated amounts to be paid into the Welsh Consolidated Fund by the Secretary of State and the amounts to be authorised for payment out of the Fund in the motion; and
5. a reconciliation between the resources to be authorised under section 125(1)(a) and (b) of the Act and the amounts to be authorised for payment out of the Welsh Consolidated Fund under section 125(1)(c).

The following additional information has been made available to Members:

- an Explanatory Note on changes between Draft Budget proposals and the Annual Budget.

Supporting Document

[The Annual Budget](#)

[Report of the Finance Committee's Scrutiny of Welsh Government Draft Budget 2014-15](#)

7 Debate on the Sustainable Development Annual Report (60 mins)

NDM5381 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the progress made on promoting sustainable development in 2012–13, as set out in the Welsh Government's Annual Report of the Sustainable Development Scheme, which was laid before the National Assembly for Wales on 3 December 2013.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert as new point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Notes with concern the comments made in the Welsh Government's annual report by the Sustainable Futures Commissioner regarding the Welsh Government's understanding of sustainable development and that there are still "systemic weaknesses in current governance structures for sustainable development".

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Delete "the progress made on promoting sustainable development in 2012–13, as set out in".

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the central role that education plays in developing a sustainable future for Wales and welcomes the Estyn thematic review of Education for Sustainable Development and Global Citizenship to increase its focus and identify improvements.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the reduction in the public sector procurement of local food, that the existing 'Food for Wales, Food from Wales' strategy was not fit for purpose and calls on the Welsh Government to introduce a comprehensive labelling scheme for Welsh food and drink.

'Food for Wales, Food from Wales – A Food Strategy for Wales' is available at:

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/drah/publications/101207foodforwalesfoodfromwalesen.pdf>

Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to give greater priority to evidence-gathering from those with practical experience when formulating sustainable development policies and involving them in delivery partnerships.

Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to report on how policies within the Programme for Government are linked to the Sustainable Development Indicators for Wales.

Amendment 7 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Acknowledges the contribution made by the Sustainable Futures Commissioner in the commentary of the report.

Amendment 8 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Recognises the continued concerns from the Sustainable Futures Commissioner regarding aspects of the structure and content of the report.

Amendment 9 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Calls for a strong and effective future generations Bill to properly address the points raised by the Sustainable Futures Commissioner and for the Minister to engage with all parties and wider civic society in preparation of this Bill.

Supporting Document

[The Welsh Government's Annual Report of the Sustainable Development Scheme](#)

8 Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Control of Horses (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.

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

1. Microchipping

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2. Disposal of impounded horses

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3. Costs incurred by third parties

9,10

4. Appointed person for disputes

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5. Guidance

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Supporting Documents

[Control of Horses \(Wales\) Bill](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Marshalled List of Amendments](#)

[Groupings of Amendments](#)

9 Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Control of Horses (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

At the conclusion of Stage 3 the Minister may propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.47.

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 11 December 2013

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 5 December 2013 for answer on 10 December 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. **Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** Will the Welsh Government's review of the Individual Patient Funding Review process extend to applications for all drugs which have not yet been approved by NICE or the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group? OAQ(4)1396(FM)

2. **Byron Davies (South Wales West):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the development of bus services in Wales?
OAQ(4)1399(FM)

3. **Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the future of education in Wales? OAQ(4)1388(FM)

4. **Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd):** How is the Welsh Government ensuring that the heritage of the Welsh language is celebrated? OAQ(4)1398(FM)

5. **Keith Davies (Llanelli):** Will the First Minister provide an update on the Welsh Government's work with the National Eisteddfod?
OAQ(4)1402(FM)W

6. **Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the avoidance of 'never events' in hospitals?
OAQ(4)1395(FM)

7. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government performance targets? OAQ(4)1407(FM)

8. David Rees (Aberavon): Will the First Minister make a statement on the delivery of services by Wales's fire authorities? OAQ(4)1394(FM)

9. Aled Roberts (North Wales): What outcome reports does the First Minister receive in order to assess the staging of publicly-funded major events in Wales? OAQ(4)1403(FM)W

10. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement regarding the implications of the UK Government's Autumn Statement? OAQ(4)1401(FM)W

11. Mike Hedges (Swansea East): Will the First Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to tackle illegal money lending in the run up to Christmas? OAQ(4)1390(FM)

12. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central): What are the implications for Wales of the UK Government's Autumn Statement? OAQ(4)1406(FM)

13. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Planning White Paper? OAQ(4)1405(FM)W

14. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon): Will the First Minister make a statement on the development of a Welsh Government strategy on the Welsh language? OAQ(4)1393(FM)W

15. Sandy Mewies (Delyn): Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government support for ensuring equality when addressing housing need? OAQ(4)1404(FM)

Business Statement and Announcement

Recess: Monday 16 December 2013 – Sunday 12 January 2014

Tuesday 14 January and Wednesday 15 January 2014

Tuesday 21 January and Wednesday 22 January 2014

Tuesday 28 January and Wednesday 29 January 2014

Tuesday 14 January 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Culture and Sport: Historic Environment Services in Wales (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Implementation of a new Common Agricultural Policy (30 mins)
- Supplementary LCM on the Children and Families Bill in respect of an amendment in relation to section 98(1) of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (15 mins)
- The Public Audit (Wales) Act (Consequential Amendments) (No.2 Wales) Order 2013 (15 mins)
- The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)
- Debate: The 2014–15 Local Government Revenue & Capital Settlements (60 mins)
- Debate: The Annual Report on Equality 2012–13 (60 mins)

Wednesday 15 January 2014

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

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (120 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)

Tuesday 21 January 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Hywel Dda Service Change Plans (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Local Government Performance – Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration: Improving the Energy Performance of Buildings in Wales (30 mins)
- The Legislative Reform (Payments by Parish Councils, Community Councils and Charter Trustees) Order 2013 (15 mins)
- Debate on Ensuring Wider Access to our Heritage and Culture (60 mins)

Wednesday 22 January 2014

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)
- Debate on the Enterprise and Business Committee's Report on the Inquiry into Youth Entrepreneurship (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)

Tuesday 28 January 2014

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 Finance: Progress on Improving Public Procurement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Independent Review into the Resilience of Farming (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Update on Transport Policy (30 mins)

Wednesday 29 January 2014

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 on the Environment and Sustainability Committee's Report on the Inquiry into energy policy and planning in Wales – Follow up report (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Liberal Democrats (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)