

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 21 January 2014

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda (173)v3

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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Urgent Questions

Urgent Question 1

Janet Finch Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister make a statement on the implications for local authorities and public service providers in Wales of the recommendations proposed by the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery?

Urgent Question 2

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the suspension of non-urgent elective surgery in the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board area?

2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

[View Business Statement and Announcement](#)

3 Motions to elect Members to committees (5 mins)

NDM5408 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Alun Ffred Jones (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Finance Committee in place of Simon Thomas (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5409 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Alun Ffred Jones (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Public Accounts Committee in place of Jocelyn Davies (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5410 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Enterprise and Business Committee in place of Alun Ffred Jones (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5411 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 Committee for the Scrutiny of the First Minister in place of Elin Jones (Plaid Cymru).

4 Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Hywel Dda Service Change Plans (30 mins)

5 Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Local Government Performance – Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council – postponed

**6 Statement by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration: Improving the Energy Performance of Buildings in Wales (30 mins)
Supporting Documents**

[Welsh Government Response to the Consultation on Part L of the Building](#)

[Regulations](#)

[Written Statement of July 2013 – Stimulating Home Building in Wales](#)

[Written Statement of September 2013 – Proposed Changes to Part L of the Building Regulations](#)

7 The Legislative Reform (Payments by Parish Councils, Community Councils and Charter Trustees) Order 2013 (15 mins)

NDM5359 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales agrees, in accordance with section 11(1) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006, and Standing Order 30A.10, that the Secretary of State makes the Legislative Reform (Payments by Parish Councils, Community Councils and Charter Trustees) Order 2013, in accordance with the draft laid in Table Office on 12 November 2013.

The Statutory Instrument Consent Memorandum was laid in Table Office on 12 November 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 30A.2.

Supporting Documents

[The Legislative Reform \(Payments by Parish Councils, Community Councils and Charter Trustees\) Order 2013](#)

[The Statutory Instrument Consent Memorandum](#)

[Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Report](#)

8 Supplementary Legislative Consent Motion on the Children and Families Bill in relation to the regulation of retail packaging of tobacco products, the regulation of tobacco products themselves and the creation of associated offences (45 mins)

NDM5389 Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions in the Children and Families Bill relating to the regulation of retail packaging of tobacco products, the regulation of tobacco products themselves and the creation of associated offences 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 17 December 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(iii).

A copy of the Bill can be found here:

[Bill documents — Children and Families Bill \[HL\] 2012–13 to 2013–14 — UK Parliament](#)

Supporting Documents

[Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum](#)

[Transcript of the Health and Social Care Committee – 16 January 2014](#)

9 Supplementary Legislative Consent Motion on the Children and Families Bill in relation to section 38 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1963 (child performances) (30 mins)

NDM5390 Huw Lewis (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provisions in the Children and Families Bill, relating to the repeal of section 38 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1963, in so far as it falls within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

A Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum has been laid in Table Office on 20 December 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(iii).

A copy of the Bill can be found here:

[Bill documents — Children and Families Bill \[HL\] 2012–13 to 2013–14 — UK Parliament](#)

Supporting Document

[Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum](#)

10 Debate on Ensuring Wider Access to our Heritage and Culture (60 mins)

NDM5401 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the importance of widening access to heritage and culture for all, encouraging people from all walks of life to take part and ensuring that the barriers to participation are removed.
2. Notes the work carried out by our heritage and culture sector to improve access and to ensure everyone in Wales can engage in cultural activity, or access our great heritage sites and have a rewarding experience.
3. Notes the Welsh Government will continue the work of strengthening this

approach by developing effective partnership working across departments and with the wider heritage and cultural sector in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the meaningful consultation “The Future of Our Past” and welcomes the influence of those responses on the Minister’s decision regarding the future of the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historic Monuments for Wales .

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure consistent monitoring and reporting processes for all measures to widen engagement and participation in heritage and culture, sufficient to provide robust evaluation.

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) ensure that expertise is maintained in our heritage institutions so that interpretation of our past is not lost as a consequence of staff redundancies.
- b) introduce heritage apprenticeships as a means of ensuring that the understanding of our heritage is passed on to future generations.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Commends the work of the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical

Monuments of Wales and calls on the Welsh Government to ensure long-term security for its staff.

Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to provide support for the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales to investigate obtaining charitable status.

Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to work with museums, galleries and other collections of art and heritage to ensure that items which are not on display in Wales can be loaned to other facilities.

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 22 January 2014

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 16 January 2014 for answer on 21 January 2014

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. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the implications of the Williams Commission recommendations on public services in North Wales? OAQ(4)1437(FM)W

2. David Rees (Aberavon): What discussions has the First Minister had with UK Government Ministers on energy pricing? OAQ(4)1440(FM)

3. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the First Minister make a statement on his priorities for the Welsh NHS in 2014? OAQ(4)1429(FM)

4. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): What actions will the Welsh Government be taking to support the Welsh high street in 2014? OAQ(4)1434(FM)

5. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East): What evidence do you have that the Welsh Government's approach to reducing smoking in cars carrying children is having any positive impact? OAQ(4)1430(FM)

6. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What plans does the First Minister have to re-establish colo-rectal surgery services at Bronglais Hospital? OAQ(4)1444(FM)W

7. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): Will the First Minister make a

statement on the New Work Connections initiative? OAQ(4)1432(FM)W

8. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the first Minister provide an update on the progress of Enterprise Zones? OAQ(4)1431(FM)

9. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the First Minister provide an update on proposals to host the Commonwealth Games in Wales?
OAQ(4)1436(FM)

10. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government action to promote heritage in Wales?
OAQ(4)1443(FM)W

11. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the First Minister make a statement on the need to conduct a thorough inquiry into the Welsh NHS? OAQ(4)1433(FM)

12. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): What plans does the Welsh Government have to improve transport links in south Wales?
OAQ(4)1441(FM)

13. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley): What discussions has the Welsh Government had with the UK Government over the future of HMRC services based in Wales? OAQ(4)1435(FM)

14. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on health services in west Wales? OAQ(4)1428(FM)

15. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central): What progress is being made to design out human trafficking in Wales? OAQ(4)1442(FM)

Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 28 January 2014 & Wednesday 29 January 2014

Tuesday 4 February 2014 & Wednesday 5 February 2014

Tuesday 11 February 2014 & Wednesday 12 February 2014

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)
- Motion under Standing Order 26.36 to vary the order of consideration of Stage 3 amendments to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Bill (5 mins)
- Debate: The Report of the Williams Commission on Public Service Delivery and Governance (60 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 – Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central) (30 mins)

Tuesday 4 February 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (300 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.

Wednesday 5 February 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources and Housing (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Housing and Regeneration (45 mins)
- Questions to the Counsel General (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Debate on the Petitions Committee's Report on Academi Heddwch Cymru / Wales Peace Institute (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Darren Millar (Clwyd West) (30 mins)

Tuesday 11 February 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: The Welsh Co-operative and Mutuals Commission Report (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Tackling Poverty: Delivering the Programme for Government: Update on Flying Start expansion (30 mins)
- Debate: The Substance Misuse Annual Report (60 mins)
- Debate: Motion to agree the Welsh Government Memorandum on the Legislative Consent Process (30 mins)
- Debate: The Draft Wales Bill (60 mins)

Wednesday 12 February 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)

- Debate on the Finance Committee's Report on Enterprise Zones (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Peter Black (South Wales West) (30 mins)