

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 28 January 2014

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
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National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda

(175)v4

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 Questions to the Minister for Culture and Sport (45 mins)

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3 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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4 Statement by the Minister for Finance: Progress on Improving Public Procurement – postponed

5 Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Independent Review into the Resilience of Farming (30 mins)

6 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Update on Transport Policy (30 mins)

7 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)
NDM5414 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 26.36:

Agrees to dispose of sections and schedules to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Bill at Stage 3 in the following order:

- a)sections 2–76
- b)schedule 1
- c)section 77 –133
- d)schedule 2
- e)sections 134–169
- f)schedule 3
- g)sections 170 – 183
- h)section 1
- i)Long title

8 Debate: The Report of the Williams Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery (60 mins)
NDM5412 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:
Notes the Report of the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery.

The Report can be accessed on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/improvingservices/public-service-governance-and-delivery/report/?lang=en>

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Insert at start of motion and renumber accordingly:

1. Calls upon the Welsh Government to indicate a timeframe to respond to the recommendations in the Report of the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery, and

2. If minded to implement the recommendations in the Report of the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery, calls on the Welsh Government to define:

a) the function and structure of any new local authority areas;

b) a transparent system of monitoring and evaluating service delivery in those areas;

c) the anticipated number of electors per councillor in those areas.

Amendment 2 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the evidence presented in the Commission report on the need to reduce complexity in public services and affirms that any changes to public service delivery should improve outcomes for our citizens.

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the report's recommendation to begin the process of integrating health and social care, and regrets that the merger of these services was not considered fully.

Amendment 4 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that if a reduction in the number of local authorities is agreed, then a reduction in the overall number of councillors should take place.

Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that voting reform for council elections was not part of the Williams Commission's remit but believes that the implementation of STV would be the most appropriate method of electing a reduced number of councillors.

Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that voting reform was not part of the Williams Commission's remit and believes that any reorganisation of local government should increase accountability through the introduction of STV for council elections, as recommended by the Sunderland Commission, and as currently happens in Scotland and Northern Ireland

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 29 January 2014