

## Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 28 January 2014**

Meeting time:  
**13:30**

Cynulliad  
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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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## Agenda

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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.

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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

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 23 January 2014 for answer on 28 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. **Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the progress of discussions about reforming the Barnett formula? OAQ(4)1445(FM)W
2. **Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the First Minister make a statement regarding the provision of mental health services in Powys? OAQ(4)1452(FM)
3. **William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the duty of Local Health Boards to communicate with the public? OAQ(4)1451(FM)
4. **Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West):** Will the First Minister make a statement on asbestos in schools? OAQ(4)1446(FM)
5. **Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** Will the First Minister provide an update on the review of the Individual Patient Funding Requests process? OAQ(4)1447(FM)
6. **Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy):** Will the First Minister make a statement on orthopaedic services in north Wales? OAQ(4)1456(FM)
7. **Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** Will the First Minister outline the Welsh Government's position on UK membership of the European Union? OAQ(4)1453(FM)
8. **Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What is the Welsh Government doing to increase the presence of international organisations in Wales? OAQ(4)1454(FM)
9. **Byron Davies (South Wales West):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the economic competitiveness of Wales? OAQ(4)1448(FM)  
WITHDRAWN

10. Aled Roberts (North Wales): What action is the Welsh Government taking to address asbestos in schools in Wales? OAQ(4)1457(FM)W

11. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the First Minister provide an update on Welsh Government action to support the economy in Wales? OAQ(4)1458(FM)W

12. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on the trunk road network in Powys? OAQ(4)1450(FM)

13. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on the missed urgent suspected cancer waiting time targets? OAQ(4)1455(FM)

14. Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales): What plans does the Welsh Government have to mark Safer Internet Day? OAQ(4)1460(FM)

15. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Planning Bill? OAQ(4)1459(FM)W

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 21 January 2014 for answer on 28 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)

### To ask the Minister for Culture and Sport

1. **Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** What plans does the Welsh Government have to commemorate the Miners' strike? OAQ(4)0104(CS)
2. **Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** What steps is the Minister taking to promote sport in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0115(CS)
3. **Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr):** What discussions has the Minister had with local government leaders regarding the future of public libraries? OAQ(4)0111(CS)
4. **Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd):** What assessment has the Minister made of access to leisure facilities across Wales? OAQ(4)0108(CS)
5. **Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr):** Will the Minister make a statement on his national strategy and policy for sport, physical activity and active recreation in Wales? OAQ(4)0112(CS)
6. **Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** Will the Minister make a statement on how the Welsh Government is encouraging participation in grassroots sport? OAQ(4)0110(CS)
7. **Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd):** Will the Minister make a statement on encouraging community ownership of sport in Wales? OAQ(4)0109(CS)
8. **Aled Roberts (North Wales):** What discussions has the Minister had with local authorities in relation to the continuation of leisure facilities across Wales? OAQ(4)0118(CS)W
9. **Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the Minister make a statement on the number of modern artificial sports pitches in Wales, such as 3G and 4G? OAQ(4)0105(CS)
10. **Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on promoting Welsh religious heritage? OAQ(4)0103(CS)

11. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): Will the Minister make a statement on his priorities for the promotion of sport in 2014? OAQ(4)0116(CS)

12. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the benefits of the Wales Coastal Path? OAQ(4)0113(CS)

13. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister provide an update on the uptake of the National Free Swimming Initiative in the Vale of Clwyd? OAQ(4)0107(CS)

14. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on the future of elite swimming in Swansea? OAQ(4)0102(CS)

15. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central): What preparations have been made in advance of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 coming into force later this year? OAQ(4)0114(CS)



## Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 4 February 2014 & Wednesday 5 February 2014

Tuesday 11 February 2014 & Wednesday 12 February 2014

Tuesday 18 February 2014 & Wednesday 19 February 2014

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Tuesday 4 February 2014

## Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Motion to suspend Standing Order 12.20(i) to enable the next item of business to be debated (5 mins)
- Supplementary LCM on the Children and Families Bill in relation to the purchase of tobacco etc on behalf of children, and prohibition of sale of nicotine containing products (e-cigarettes etc) to persons under 18 and the creation of associated offences (30 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (300 mins)

If the Assembly agrees the motion under Standing Order 26.36 the amendments will be disposed of in the order that the sections and schedules to which they relate, are set out in the motion. If the Assembly does not agree the motion, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.

Wednesday 5 February 2014

## Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources and Food (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)
- Debate: The Draft Wales Bill (60 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (300 mins)

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**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)

**Tuesday 18 February 2014**

### **Government Business**

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Update on the Review of Council Tax Support (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Bovine TB Eradication Programme update (30 mins)
- Debate: The Police Settlement 2014–15 (60 mins)
- Debate: Motion to agree the Welsh Government Memorandum on the Legislative Consent Process (30 mins)
- Debate: The future of our past – new directions for the historic environment in Wales (60 mins)

**Wednesday 19 February 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 Future of the Wales and Borders Rail Franchise (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Liberal Democrats (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East) (30 mins)