

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Wednesday, 14 May 2014**

Meeting time:  
**13.30**

Cynulliad  
Cenedlaethol  
Cymru  
National  
Assembly for  
Wales



## Votes and Proceedings

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### **1 Questions to the Minister for Finance**

The item started at 13.30

All 15 questions were asked. Question 7 and 10 were grouped together for answer.

### **2 Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Government Business**

The item started at 14.11

All 15 questions were asked. Question 4 and 9 were grouped together for answer.

### **3 Questions to the Assembly Commission**

The item started at 14.49

The question was asked.

### **4 Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv)**

The item started at 14.52

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

## NNDM5502

**Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)**

**Darren Millar (Clwyd West)**

**Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the proposal within the Welsh Government's consultation on proposals for a Public Health Bill to ban the use of electronic cigarettes in enclosed public places and places of work in Wales.
2. Notes that an estimated 2.1 million adults in the UK currently use electronic cigarettes.
3. Notes that public health guidance from the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence 'Tobacco: harm-reduction approaches to smoking' supports the use of licenced nicotine containing products to aid people in cutting down or quitting smoking.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward the evidence behind the proposals on electronic cigarettes, to provide clarity on the justification for these proposals within the Public Health Bill.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	22	3	49

**The motion was agreed.**

## **5 Welsh Conservatives Debate**

The item started at 15.30

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM5504 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that a mixed-use high street and appropriate night-time economy is key to ensuring the survival of the Welsh high-street;
2. Notes the link between tourism, heritage and regeneration;
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that there is a joined up approach to regeneration between local authorities, business improvement districts and development projects.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
45	0	5	50

**The motion without amendment was agreed.**

## **6 Plaid Cymru Debate**

The item started at 16.28

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

### **NDM5505 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the UK Government's intention to develop the HS2 high-speed rail network in England.
2. Recognises that the development of HS2 is predicted to have an overall negative impact on the economy of Wales.
3. Regrets that, to date, it has not been confirmed that Wales will receive any further additional resource through the Barnett formula as a result of UK Government expenditure on HS2.
4. Notes the critical importance of transport infrastructure investment for the future prospects of the Welsh economy.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to secure full Barnett consequentials, or any other fair financial settlement, from the development of HS2.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
9	0	41	50

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

**Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

In point 2, delete all after ‘Recognises’ and replace with:

‘the opportunities that HS2 represents in strengthening the business case for electrification of the north Wales line.’

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
41	0	9	50

**Amendment 1 was agreed.**

**Amendment 2 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Delete point 3 and replace with:

Welcomes the significant investment in the electrification of the Great Western Main Line.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
41	0	9	50

**Amendment 2 was agreed.**

**Amendment 3 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Delete points 4 and 5 and replace with:

Calls on the Welsh Government to honour its agreement with the UK Government to work in partnership to deliver electrification of the south Wales lines.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	0	34	50

**Amendment 3 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point 5 and renumber accordingly:

Welcomes the increase in the UK’s rail capacity from the development of HS2 which will enable more freight movement to be achieved by rail across the UK.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
41	9	0	50

**Amendment 4 was agreed.**

**A vote was taken on the motion as amended:**

**NDM5505 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the UK Government’s intention to develop the HS2 high-speed rail network in England.
2. Recognises the opportunities that HS2 represents in strengthening the business case for electrification of the north Wales line..
3. Welcomes the significant investment in the electrification of the Great Western Main Line.
4. Notes the critical importance of transport infrastructure investment for the future prospects of the Welsh economy.
5. Welcomes the increase in the UK’s rail capacity from the development of HS2 which will enable more freight movement to be achieved by rail across the UK.
6. Calls on the Welsh Government to secure full Barnett consequentials, or any other fair financial settlement, from the development of HS2.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
31	0	19	50

**The motion as amended was agreed.**

### **Voting Time**

The item started at 17.26

### **7 Short Debate**

The item started at 17.30

### **NDM5503 William Powell (Mid and West Wales)**

Wales' National Parks: Returning to their roots to plan for a stronger future

Revisiting the motivation for designating the three Welsh National Parks will enable us to assess their relevance to twenty first century Wales. Balancing the local interest and national significance will be critical to their future.

The meeting concluded at 17.49

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 20 May 2014**