Plenary

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 3 June 2014

Meeting time:

13.30



Votes and Proceedings

(201)

1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

The first 9 questions were asked. Question 15 was withdrawn. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after Question 2.

2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.20

3 Statement by the First Minister: The Programme for Government Annual Report

The item started at 14.35

4 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Update on Welsh Science

The item started at 15.39

5 Debate: Improving Primary and Community Care

The item started at 16.15

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

NDM5515 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the actions taken by the Welsh Government to improve and further integrate primary, community and social care in Wales.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the additional funding agreed by the Welsh Liberal Democrats, Plaid Cymru and the Welsh Government for the Intermediate Care Fund in the 2014/15 budget.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
37	0	11	48

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the Welsh Government voted against amendments to the Social Services and Well-being Bill that would have ended the regular practice of 15 minute care slots and calls on the Welsh Government to take action to end this practice.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	35	48

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the concerns of the Royal College of GPs regarding the need for additional investment in primary care services as highlighted by their Put Patients First: Back General Practice campaign.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	0	48

Amendment 3 was agreed.

Amendment 4 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls upon the Welsh Government to improve primary care workforce planning arrangements and take urgent action to address GP recruitment challenges across Wales.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	0	48

Amendment 4 was agreed.

Amendment 5 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the Welsh Government's real terms NHS budget cuts will make it more difficult to achieve improvements and further integration of primary and community and social care in Wales.

A vote was taken on Amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
10	9	29	48

Amendment 5 was not agreed.

Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the increasing numbers of GPs nearing retirement age, particularly in our most deprived communities, and regrets that no clear plan to replace them has been adopted by the Welsh Government.

A vote was taken on Amendment 6:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	25	48

Amendment 6 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5515 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes the actions taken by the Welsh Government to improve and further integrate primary, community and social care in Wales.
- 2.Welcomes the additional funding agreed by the Welsh Liberal Democrats, Plaid Cymru and the Welsh Government for the Intermediate Care Fund in the 2014/15 budget.
- 3. Notes the concerns of the Royal College of GPs regarding the need for additional investment in primary care services as highlighted by their Put Patients First: Back General Practice campaign.
- 4. Calls upon the Welsh Government to improve primary care workforce planning arrangements and take urgent action to address GP recruitment challenges across Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	10	48

The motion as amended was agreed.

6 Debate: Governance of National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty in Wales

The item started at 17.03

NDM5516 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the current and potential value of Wales'designated landscapes to the environment, economy, health, well-being and quality of life of the people of Wales.
- 2. Notes the forthcoming review of governance arrangements for designated landscapes in Wales.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Celebrates the contribution of Wales' three National Parks to our heritage and supports the role they continue to play in fostering Wales' unique identity.

Amendment 1 was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

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

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Believes that increased democratic accountability would lead to the betterment of National Park governance and enhance the relationship between park authorities and the towns and communities which fall within their boundaries.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	25	48

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the recommendations relating to National Parks in the report published by the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery and believes that a comprehensive package of reform needs to be implemented as soon as possible.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	34	48

Amendment 3 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5516 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Celebrates the contribution of Wales' three National Parks to our heritage and supports the role they continue to play in fostering Wales' unique identity.
- 2. Recognises the current and potential value of Wales'designated landscapes to the environment, economy, health, well-being and quality of life of the people of Wales.
- 3. Notes the forthcoming review of governance arrangements for designated landscapes in Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	0	48

The motion as amended was agreed.

Voting Time

The item started at 17.43

The meeting concluded at 17.47

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 4 June 2014