

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Wednesday, 10 December 2014**

Meeting time:  
**13.30**

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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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## Agenda

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### **1 Questions to the Minister for Finance and Government Business (45 mins)**

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### **2 Questions to the Minister for Public Services (45 mins)**

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### **3 Debate on the Health and Social Care Committee's report on its inquiry into progress made to date on implementing the Welsh Government's Cancer Delivery Plan (60 mins)**

**NDM5648 David Rees (Aberavon)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report by the Health and Social Care Committee into progress made to

date on implementing the Welsh Government's Cancer Delivery Plan, which was laid in the Table Office on 16 October 2014.

Note: The response of the Minister for Health and Social Services was laid on 3 December 2014.

## **Supporting Documents**

[Health and Social Care Committee's report](#)

[Welsh Government's Response](#)

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

**NNDM5636**

**Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)**

**Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)**

**Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)**

**Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon)**

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Supports the principles of the Assisted Dying Bill.

The Assisted Dying Bill is available at:

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2014-15/assisteddying.html>

**5 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)**

**NDM5654 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that under the current Programme for Government the Welsh Government has failed in its key objectives to deliver for the people of Wales;

2. Regrets that the Welsh Government failed to publish a complete timetable for Key Performance Indicators at the beginning of this Assembly; and

3. Calls on the First Minister to mark his 5th anniversary in office by publishing a timetable for meeting his Government's targets on:

- a) NHS performance;
- b) Welsh educational performance against international standards such as PISA; and
- c) improvement in economic performance across Wales.

The Welsh Government's Programme for Government is available at:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/programmeforgov/?lang=en>

**The following amendment has been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Insert as new point 3 and renumber accordingly:

Calls on the Welsh Government to work with the Office of National Statistics and the Office of Budget Responsibility to ensure that Wales has a full set of up-to-date Key Performance Indicators for the economy.

**6 Voting Time**

**7 Short Debate (30 mins)**

**NDM5647 William Powell (Mid and West Wales)**

Securing the future of Welsh farming

What Wales can learn from EU partners to ensure that the next generation of farmers are able to access land, build their businesses, and maximise the benefits of European development funds.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 13 January 2015

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 3 December 2014 for answer on 10 December 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 Finance and Government Business

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- 1. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** What assessment has the Minister made of ensuring effectiveness of spend across the Welsh Government? OAQ(4)0486(FIN)
- 2. John Griffiths (Newport East):** Will the Minister make a statement on progress in financing infrastructure development in Wales? OAQ(4)0493(FIN)
- 3. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What discussions has the Minister had with her counterpart in the Scottish Government regarding funding for the devolved nations? OAQ(4)0490(FIN)
- 4. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** What priorities were considered by the Welsh Government when allocating funding to the Economy, Science and Transport portfolio in relation to Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)0497(FIN)W
- 5. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** Will the Minister provide an update on activities since the initial Joint Exchequer Committee meeting in October? OAQ(4)0491(FIN)
- 6. Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** What discussions has the Minister had regarding the overall budget allocation to the Education and Skills portfolio for 2015/16? OAQ(4)0487(FIN)
- 7. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on budget consequential arising from the UK Chancellor's autumn statement? OAQ(4)0494(FIN)
- 8. Mark Isherwood (North Wales):** What factors were considered by the Minister when allocating funding to the Economy, Science and Transport portfolio in the final budget? OAQ(4)0488(FIN)
- 9. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** What discussions has the Minister had with the UK Government on the reasons for not publishing full spending and revenue figures for Wales, as recommended by the Silk Commission? OAQ(4)0499(FIN)W

**10. Gwenda Thomas (Neath):** Will the Minister make a statement on any budget consequential arising from last week's autumn statement? OAQ(4)0498(FIN)

**11. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the recent Barnett consequential arising from the UK Government's autumn statement? OAQ(4)0489(FIN)

**12. William Graham (South Wales East):** Will the Minister outline the discussions she has held with cabinet colleagues concerning the impact on 'Value Wales' of potential local authority mergers? OAQ(4)0495(FIN)

**13. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd):** Will the Minister make a statement on the implications for Wales of the UK Government's autumn statement? OAQ(4)0485(FIN)

**14. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on infrastructure investment plans for west Wales? OAQ(4)0484(FIN)

**15. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on Barnett consequential to Wales following the UK Government's autumn statement? OAQ(4)0496(FIN)W

## **To ask the Minister for Public Services**

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**1. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister provide an update on what discussions he has had with regards to a potential merger of Powys County Council and Powys Teaching Health Board? OAQ(4)0512(PS)

**2. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the delivery of local public services in west Wales? OAQ(4)0497(PS)

**3. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** What is the Welsh Government doing to tackle the increase in violence against women over the Christmas period? OAQ(4)0505(PS)

**4. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** What is the Welsh Government doing to promote public engagement in local government? OAQ(4)0513(PS)

**5. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the Minister provide an update on the implementation of the recommendations of the Commission on Public Service Governance and Delivery in relation to local authority services? OAQ(4)0508(PS)W

**6. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on any discussions he has had with the Fire Brigades Union regarding pension arrangements? OAQ(4)0506(PS)

**7. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the responsibilities of local authority councillors? OAQ(4)0502(PS)

**8. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** What discussions has the Minister had in relation to the devolution of policing? OAQ(4)0507(PS)W

**9. David Rees (Aberavon):** What is the Welsh Government doing to reduce the use of zero-hours contracts in the public sector? OAQ(4)0499(PS)

**10. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on council mergers? OAQ(4)0501(PS)

**11. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on the protection of cemeteries in Wales? OAQ(4)0496(PS)

**12. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on local authority budgets in west Wales? OAQ(4)0498(PS)

**13. Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd):** What progress has the Minister made in implementing Sir Paul Williams's recommendations since taking up his role? OAQ(4)0503(PS)W

**14. Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):** What progress has been made on the voluntary merger of local authorities in Wales? OAQ(4)0509(PS)

**15. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth):** Will the Minister provide an update on his priorities for improving collaboration between local authorities? OAQ(4)0510(PS)