# Plenary

Meeting date: Wednesday, 21 January 2015

Meeting time: 13.30



National Assembly for **Wales** 



# Votes and Proceedings

1 Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources

The item started at 13.30

Questions 1 – 6 and 8 – 11 were asked. Question 7 was withdrawn. Questions 4 and 10 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Farming and Food.

The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after Question 2.

# 2 Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty

The item started at 14.16

The first 8 questions were asked.

The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after Question 2.

#### 3 Debate on the Enterprise and Business Committee's report on Tourism

The item started at 15.01

### NDM5670 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Enterprise and Business Committee on its Inquiry into Tourism, which was laid in the Table Office on 20 November 2014.

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was laid on 14 January 2015.

The Motion was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

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

The item started at 16.07

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

#### NNDM5639 Mark Isherwood (North Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Welcomes the achievement of the Welsh Government's autistic spectrum disorder strategic action plan.

2. Notes that more needs to be done to meet the needs of children and adults with autism in Wales.

3. Believes that placing specific duties on local authorities and health boards would lead to greater clarity on the care and support that people with autism can expect.

4. Calls upon the Welsh Government to introduce an Autism Act for Wales. The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
29	21	0	50

The Motion was agreed.

# 5 Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 17.06

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5671 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales

1. Notes:

a) the importance of the farming industry to the economy, environment and communities of Wales;

b) the crisis in the dairy industry that has stemmed from a reduction in the milk prices that are paid to farmers and instability in the dairy chain;

c) the uncertainty regarding the basic payments that has resulted from repealing the Common Agricultural Policy Basic Payment Scheme (Provisional Payment Region Classification) (Wales) Regulations 2014 following a judicial challenge;

d) the vote in the European Parliament to give member states the power to authorise GM crops to member states, and the fact that the Welsh Government will be responsible for taking the decision in Wales.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) work with the dairy chain and the UK Government to take specific action to ensure the viable sustainability of milk producers;

b) ensure that there are sufficient resources and an achievable timescale to ensure that the basic payment is paid on 1 December 2015; and

c) calls on the Welsh Government to restate its intention to keep Wales GM-free.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
33	0	17	50

The motion without amendment was agreed.

### 6 Voting Time

The item started at 18.18

# 7 Short Debate

The item started at 18.19

#### NDM5669 Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales)

Giving the Circuit of Wales the red flag - outlining the concerns around the Circuit of Wales project.

The meeting concluded at 18.39

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 27 January 2015