

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 25 March 2015

Meeting time:
13.30

Cynulliad
Cenedlaethol
Cymru
National
Assembly for
Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(257)

1 Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources

The item started at 13.30

The first 10 questions were asked. Question 3 and 7 were grouped together for answer. Question 6 was answered by the Deputy Minister for Farming and Food. The Presiding Officer invited spokespeople to ask questions to the Deputy Minister after Question 2.

2 Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty

The item started at 14.16

Questions 1 – 4 and 6 – 10 were asked. Question 5 was withdrawn. The Presiding Officer invited spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after Question 2.

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

The item started at 15.01

NNDM5713

Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the economic contribution of the Welsh steel industry and the thousands of jobs it supports.
2. Regrets that overseas imports flooding the market have created an un-even playing field.
3. Calls for the Welsh Government to adopt the Charter for British Sustainable Steel, which will see all Government procurement of carbon steel rebar meeting the BES 6001 responsible sourcing standard.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

4 Welsh Conservatives Debate

The item started at 15.56

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5735 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the importance and potential of creative industries to our cultural life and the Welsh economy.
2. Regrets the lack of clarity from the Welsh Government about:
 - (a) the future of the Creative Industries Panel; and
 - (b) the next steps in achieving the priorities that have been set out for the sector in the Sectors Delivery Plan.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
 - a) update the Assembly on any progress in this area following the Hargreaves Report;
 - b) outline any new research that has been commissioned in relation to its strategy for the creative industries sector; and

c) explain how targets for the Pinewood Studio investment and the Media Investment Budget as a whole have been set, and detail how successful these investments have been against key performance indicators.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
18	0	28	46

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Welcomes the importance of developments such as Bay Studios in Swansea and the S4C development in Carmarthen to the local economies.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
47	0	0	47

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new sub-point at end of motion:

work with broadcasters and networks such as BBC, C4, ITV and S4C in order to increase investment opportunities in Wales.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
47	0	0	47

Amendment 2 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5735 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the importance and potential of creative industries to our cultural life and the Welsh economy.

2. Welcomes the importance of developments such as Bay Studios in Swansea and the S4C development in Carmarthen to the local economies.
3. Regrets the lack of clarity from the Welsh Government about:
- (a) the future of the Creative Industries Panel; and
 - (b) the next steps in achieving the priorities that have been set out for the sector in the Sectors Delivery Plan.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
- a) update the Assembly on any progress in this area following the Hargreaves Report;
 - b) outline any new research that has been commissioned in relation to its strategy for the creative industries sector;
 - c) explain how targets for the Pinewood Studio investment and the Media Investment Budget as a whole have been set, and detail how successful these investments have been against key performance indicators; and
 - d) work with broadcasters and networks such as BBC, C4, ITV and S4C in order to increase investment opportunities in Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	24	47

The motion as amended was not agreed.

5 Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 16.48

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5733 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Opposes any relocation of the UK's nuclear weapons system to Wales.
2. Calls on the Welsh Government to make such representations to the UK Government.
3. Opposes the renewal or replacement of the current Trident system by the UK Government.
4. Supports international efforts for world-wide nuclear disarmament.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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9	0	38	47
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The motion without amendment not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

Notes that the Welsh Government has no powers to determine the siting of nuclear weapons and recognises that this is a matter for the UK Government.

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be de-selected]

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	0	13	47

Amendment 1 was agreed

As amendment 1 was agreed, amendment 2 was de-selected

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5733 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes that the Welsh Government has no powers to determine the siting of nuclear weapons and recognises that this is a matter for the UK Government.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	9	47

The motion as amended was agreed.

6 Voting Time

The item started at 17.42

7 Short Debate

The item started at 17.46

NDM5734 Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Keeping green lanes green: working to discourage off-roading in north Wales

This debate will cover the impact the new and popular pastime of 'green laning' is having on the countryside of rural north Wales.

The meeting concluded at 18.03

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 21 April 2015