Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 10 June 2015

Meeting time:

13.30

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



Agenda

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1 Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister after Question 2.

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3 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins) NDM5780 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes Welsh Conservative plans to give council taxpayers improved understanding of how their council tax is spent.
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to work with councils to improve the accountability of council tax spend.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to improve transparency in local government spend across Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Notes that council tax represents only about 14 per cent of councils' expenditure in Wales.

Amendment 2 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to produce an equitable local taxation system that is fair, affordable and which reduces the burden on those least able to pay.

4 Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins) NDM5781 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Calls on the Welsh Government to take effective action to promote women's full economic participation.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the introduction of shared parental leave that came into force in April 2015, which will support men taking a more active role in parenthood, and support women's return to full economic participation following childbirth.

Amendment 2 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the need to close the gender pay gap to ensure that women have access to quality, well-paid and flexible employment.

Amendment 3 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the benefit of affordable, high-quality childcare in supporting women back to the workplace.

Amendment 4 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Adds as new point at end of motion:

Supports calls for Wales to become a living wage nation to tackle the gender pay gap.

5 Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate (60 mins) NDM5779 Aled Roberts (North Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Believes that the current system for ensuring the quality and safety of healthcare services is not fit for purpose and that Healthcare Inspectorate Wales does not fulfil the need for independent inspection of the health system in Wales.
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to establish a more robust quality assurance system that includes:
- a) scrapping Health Inspectorate Wales and establishing a new inspectorate that is fully independent of the Welsh Government;
- b) appointing a chief inspector for hospitals and healthcare;
- c) introducing clinically-led and peer-reviewed inspections with significant patient

input;

d) supporting staff and patients to use mechanisms for whistleblowing by encouraging a stronger culture of openness and transparency; and

e) reforming the complaints procedure to ensure greater independence and restore the trust of patients and their families.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Insert new sub-point at end of point 2:

f) considering a full merger of health and social care inspectorates.

Amendment 2 - Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to increase transparency in the inspection and regulation of healthcare providers in Wales by commissioning a full and independent inquiry into the Welsh NHS.

6 Voting time

7 Short Debate (30 mins)
NDM5782 Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Gastroenterology - improving awareness and treatment in Wales

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 16 June 2015