

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 8 July 2015

Meeting time:
13.30

Cynulliad
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National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda

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1 Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (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)

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

NNDM5799

Mike Hedges (Swansea East)

Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon)

Peter Black (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that as long as the Barnett formula continues then expenditure on developments that only benefit England, such as HS2, should produce the full Barnett consequential for Wales; and
2. Further believes that, when the UK Government and Welsh Government are in dispute over whether expenditure should produce a Barnett consequential for Wales, there is a need for an independent body to arbitrate.

Supported by:

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)

Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)

4 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

NDM5812 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes Welsh Conservative proposals to boost support for first-time buyers; and
2. Recognises the need to help first-time buyers onto the property ladder by working with the whole market to develop a range of initiatives.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point 1 and replace with:

Notes the difficulties facing first time buyers in current economic circumstances.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for an innovative new rent-to-own model of housing to enable tenants to build up a stake in the ownership of their home through their rent.

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the role of social housing in providing low cost affordable housing, and that it is inappropriate to enact home-buying policies that would deplete the social housing stock.

5 Voting Time

6 Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5811 Mark Isherwood (North Wales)

The employment barriers that face people with hearing loss in Wales.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 14 July 2015

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 1 July 2015 for answer on 8 July 2015

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 Communities and Tackling Poverty

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- 1. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** What plans does the Minister have to review the effectiveness of measures to tackle poverty in Wales? OAQ(4)0352(CTP)
- 2. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the UK Government's welfare reforms on people living in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0367(CTP)
- 3. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** What is the Welsh Government doing to promote third sector organisations working in the health and care sectors? OAQ(4)0357(CTP)W
- 4. Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** What steps is the Welsh Government taking to ensure that local authorities that have not signed up to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child still pay attention to it? OAQ(4)0353(CTP)
- 5. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** Will the Minister provide an update on any progress made regarding issues affecting leaseholders in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0366(CTP)
- 6. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the construction of adaptable social housing in Wales? OAQ(4)0358(CTP)
- 7. Mark Isherwood (North Wales):** How the Welsh Government combating poverty in Wales? OAQ(4)0355(CTP)
- 8. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the tackling poverty action plan in relation to mid Wales? OAQ(4)0360(CTP)
- 9. John Griffiths (Newport East):** Will the Minister make a statement on relative levels of poverty in the most and least deprived wards in Newport East? OAQ(4)0363(CTP)

10. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of childcare in Montgomeryshire? OAQ(4)0359(CTP)

11. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on the future of Flying Start? OAQ(4)0350(CTP)

12. Janet Howarth (North Wales): Will the Minister outline her priorities for tackling homelessness in North Wales? OAQ(4)0361(CTP)

13. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What plans does the Minister have to improve engagement with Gypsy and Traveller communities? OAQ(4)0351(CTP)

14. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon): Will the Minister make a statement on the increase in the use of credit unions during the current Assembly? OAQ(4)0354(CTP)W

15. Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister provide an update on the Lift programme? OAQ(4)0365(CTP)

To ask the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

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1. Altaf Hussain (South Wales West): How does the Welsh Government plan to capitalise on the electrification of the Great Western Main Line to Swansea? OAQ(4)0583(EST)

2. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): Will the Minister update the Assembly on any recent talks held with Tata Steel? OAQ(4)0582(EST)

3. Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the Pont Briwet redevelopment project? OAQ(4)0592(EST)

4. William Graham (South Wales East): What considerations has the Minister given to the impact for Wales of the Airport Commission's final report? OAQ(4)0586(EST)

5. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): What discussions has the Welsh Government had with the National Grid on the impact that erecting new pylons will have on tourism? OAQ(4)0597(EST)W

6. Elin Jones (Ceredigion): What are the Welsh Government's priorities for developing public transport in Ceredigion? OAQ(4)0589(EST)W

7. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): Will the Minister provide an update on the progress in implementing the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013? OAQ(4)0595(EST)

- 8. Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy):** Will the Minister make a statement on support for small businesses across Wales?
O AQ(4)0596(EST)
- 9. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** What action is the Minister taking in relation to the current industrial dispute between National Museum Wales management and the PCS union? O AQ(4)0599(EST)
- 10. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** What is the Welsh Government doing to ensure that supply chain contracts come to businesses in Wales as part of the Swansea Bay tidal lagoon development? O AQ(4)0587(EST)W
- 11. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the Minister outline her priorities for improving public transport services in the Cynon Valley?
O AQ(4)0588(EST)
- 12. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):** What support is being provided to Welsh bus operators to reduce their carbon emissions?
O AQ(4)0584(EST)
- 13. Aled Roberts (North Wales):** What impact will the UK Government’s decision to delay improvements to the rail network have on railway plans for North Wales? O AQ(4)0594(EST)W
- 14. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** What assessment has the Minister made of the contribution of brown signage to tourism promotion in Wales? O AQ(4)0585(EST)
- 15. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on the ultrafast connectivity voucher scheme? O AQ(4)0590(EST)W