

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 14 October 2015

Meeting time: 13.30

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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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Urgent Question

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the First Minister make a statement on his decision to dismiss the chair of the All-Wales European Programme Monitoring Committee 2014–2020? EAQ(4)2513(FM)



3 Debate on the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's report on its Inquiry into Poverty in Wales – Poverty and Inequality

(60 mins)

NDM5842 Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee into Poverty in Wales: poverty and inequality, which was laid in the Table Office on 18 June 2015.

Note: The response of the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty to the report was laid in the Table Office on 7 October 2015.

Supporting Documents

[Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's Report](#)

[Welsh Government's response](#)

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

(60 mins)

NDM5832

Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd) R

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr)

Peter Black (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Takes pride in the good relations that have been established in Wales between employers, trades unions and workers in both the public and private sector; and

2. Believes that:

a) the UK Government's Trade Union Bill is an unnecessary attack on the democratic rights of working people and will undermine the good and constructive industrial relations that have been established in Wales since 1999;

b) the Bill risks contravening the Human Rights Act 1998 and International Labour Organisation's Conventions 87, 98 and 151; and

c) the Bill intrudes in areas that are the responsibility of the Welsh Government and that it should not be applied to Wales without the consent of the National Assembly of Wales.

[The Trade Union Bill](#)

[The Human Rights Act 1998](#)

[The International Labour Organisation's Conventions 87, 98 and 151](#)

Supported by:

Alun Davies (Blaenau Gwent)

Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West)

Mike Hedges (Swansea East)

Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central)

Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)

David Rees (Aberavon)

Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd)
Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)
Aled Roberts (North Wales)
Gwenda Thomas (Neath)
William Powell (Mid and West Wales)
Jeff Cuthbert (Caerphilly)
Lynne Neagle (Torfaen)
Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales)
Keith Davies (Llanelli)
Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd)
Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales)
Sandy Mewies (Delyn)

5 Welsh Conservatives Debate

(60 mins)

NDM5843 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Regrets the failure of the Welsh Government to provide adequate support to meet the specific needs of Wales's rural communities.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the recent round of bank closures across rural Wales.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to hold an urgent round table meeting with major retail banks to encourage support for a community banking model and ensure a sustainable local banking presence in rural communities

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Urges the Welsh Government to make a significant part payment to as many farmers as possible at the earliest opportunity within the Basic Payment Scheme payment window.

Amendment 4 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for a scheme under the Rural Development Programme which offers more accessible, small scale funding to improve the resilience and efficiency of Welsh farms.

Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for the early scrapping of the six day standstill rule.

6 Voting Time

7 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM5844 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Protecting patients in Pembrokeshire – why we need essential services at
Withybush Hospital

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 20 October 2015

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 7 October 2015 for answer on 14 October 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 Finance and Government Business

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1. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Does the Minister have plans to allocate additional funding to the health and social services portfolio?

OAQ(4)0619(FIN)W

2. John Griffiths (Newport East): Will the Minister make a statement on the implications of the UK Government's decision to publish its spending review in late November? OAQ(4)0615(FIN)

3. Gwyn Price (Islwyn): Will the Minister make a statement on how the Welsh Government can maximise the effect of procurement policy?

OAQ(4)0611(FIN)

4. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister make a statement on major infrastructure investment in west Wales?

OAQ(4)0606(FIN)

5. Mark Isherwood (North Wales): What additional funding will the Minister allocate to the Minister for Health and Social Services to support substance misuse services? OAQ(4)0616(FIN)

6. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): Will the Minister provide an update on her discussions regarding a possible city deal in Wales?

OAQ(4)0614(FIN)

7. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): Will the Minister make a statement on collaboration between Wales and Ireland in relation to European programmes? OAQ(4)0610(FIN)W

8. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister make a statement on funding allocated to the health and social services portfolio in the fourth Assembly? OAQ(4)0608(FIN)

9. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the Minister make a statement on the task group established to progress the recent Wales Trade Union Congress procurement proposal? OAQ(4)0617(FIN)

10. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister provide an update on progress towards implementing a Barnett floor? OAQ(4)0613(FIN)

11. Altaf Hussain (South Wales West): Will the Minister outline how the Welsh Government will consult on the 2016–17 budget? OAQ(4)0612(FIN)

12. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): What discussions has the Minister held regarding the forthcoming UK Government comprehensive spending review? OAQ(4)0618(FIN)

13. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's access to borrowing to fund capital expenditure? OAQ(4)0607(FIN)

14. Gwyn Price (Islwyn): Will the Minister make a statement on how UK Government cuts have affected the Welsh budget? OAQ(4)0609(FIN)

15. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What action is the Minister taking to ensure that value for money is achieved across all Welsh Government departments? OAQ(4)0605(FIN)

To ask the Minister for Public Services

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1. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the devolution of responsibilities to local authorities? OAQ(4)0627(PS)

2. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley): What consideration has the Minister given to the future of local government finance? OAQ(4)0626(PS)

3. Aled Roberts (North Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister had with local authorities in North Wales regarding community safety? OAQ(4)0622(PS)W

4. Elin Jones (Ceredigion): What discussions has the Minister had with the UK Government regarding the impact of changes to criminal legal aid contracts on services in rural Wales? OAQ(4)0623(PS)W

5. William Graham (South Wales East): Has the Minister met with representatives of the fire service to discuss the increasing incidence of deliberate fires in South Wales East? OAQ(4)0621(PS)

6. David Rees (Aberavon): What impact will the UK Government's decision to publish its spending review so late have on local government in Wales? OAQ(4)0629(PS)

7. Altaf Hussain (South Wales West): Will the Minister outline how the Welsh Government ensures that local authorities deliver improvements to public services? OAQ(4)0620(PS)

8. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central): What impact will the UK Government's Trade Union Bill have on the public sector workforce in Wales? OAQ(4)0619(PS)

9. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister make a statement on the public services portfolio's budget priorities? OAQ(4)0617(PS)

10. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister make a statement on funding for local authorities in north Wales? OAQ(4)0613(PS)

11. William Graham (South Wales East): How does the Minister ensure full accountability in local government? OAQ(4)0624(PS)

12. Janet Haworth (North Wales): Will the Minister provide an update on the setting-up of public service boards? OAQ(4)0625(PS)

13. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What guidance does the Welsh Government provide to local authorities in relation to the commemoration of the sacrifice of servicemen and women on memorials? OAQ(4)0618(PS)

14. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement on factors which impact on local authorities' ability to provide basic services? OAQ(4)0630(PS)

15. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister make a statement on support for the armed forces in Wales? OAQ(4)0615(PS)