

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 18 November 2015

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Minister for Finance and Government Business

The item started at 13.30

The first 14 questions were asked. The Deputy Presiding Officer invited Party Spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after Question 2.

2 Questions to the Minister for Public Services

The item started at 14.15

The first 13 questions were asked. The Deputy Presiding Officer invited Party Spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after Question 2.

Urgent Question

The item started at 15.01

Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central) Will the First Minister make a statement on his understanding of the current situation at Celsa Steel in Cardiff following the explosion this morning?

3 Motions to elect Members to committees

The item started at 15.09

NDM5879 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)



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Wales

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects:

(i) Lindsay Whittle (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee in place of Jocelyn Davies (Plaid Cymru);

(ii) Bethan Jenkins (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee in place of Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5880 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Children, Young People and Education Committee in place of Bethan Jenkins (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5886 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3, elects John Griffiths (Labour) as an alternate member of the Standards of Conduct Committee in place of Ann Jones (Labour).

The motions were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

4 Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 15.09

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5877 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Opposes the renewal or replacement of the current Trident system by the UK Government; and
2. Supports international efforts for world-wide nuclear disarmament.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	35	49

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

Supports international efforts for world-wide nuclear disarmament, but recognises that this is a matter for the UK Government.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	0	24	49

Amendment 1 was agreed.

As Amendment 1 was agreed, amendments 2 and 3 were de-selected

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5877 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Supports international efforts for world-wide nuclear disarmament, but recognises that this is a matter for the UK Government.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	10	1	49

The motion as amended was agreed.

5 Welsh Conservatives Debate

The item started at 16.07

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5875 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the negative impact that delayed transfers of care can have on the Welsh NHS and an individual's quality of life;
2. Recognises the importance of ensuring that people in Wales have the necessary support to enable them to remain in their own home for as long as possible; and
3. Believes that introducing the option of a 'stay at home' assessment in Wales for all people upon retirement age could provide a key early intervention measure which could prevent hospitalisation and delayed transfers of care upon leaving hospital.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
10	0	39	49

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Delete point 3

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
39	0	10	49

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure immediate steps are taken to ensure that bed capacity in the Welsh NHS is maximised, in particular during winter months.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	0	25	49

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM5875 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the negative impact that delayed transfers of care can have on the Welsh NHS and an individual's quality of life; and
2. Recognises the importance of ensuring that people in Wales have the necessary support to enable them to remain in their own home for as long as possible.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
49	0	0	49

The motion as amended was agreed.

6 Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate

The item started at 17.04

NDM5878 Aled Roberts (North Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that over 170,000 people in Wales are employed directly and indirectly in tourism and related sectors;
2. Notes that 44 per cent of people employed within the tourism sector are under 30 years old, and therefore measures to support this sector could play a key role in reducing the youth unemployment rate in Wales;
3. Believes that a reduction in VAT on tourism would encourage more domestic and international visitors, provide a significant boost to local businesses and lead to increased investment, jobs and economic growth.
4. Notes that 25 other EU Member States already take advantage of an EU dispensation for a lower VAT rate on tourist attractions and accommodation; and

5. Calls on the Welsh Government to make representations to the UK Government to lower the VAT on tourism from 20 per cent to 5 per cent, to help us compete with other European countries and send a strong message that Wales is open to tourists and open for business.

The motion without amendment was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Voting Time

The item started at 17.53

8 Short Debate

The item started at 17.56

NDM5876 Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)

War on food waste: End the waste of good food in Wales

The meeting concluded at 18.16

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 24 November 2015