

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

(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 Education and Skills

(45 mins)

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3 Debate on the Petition Committee's report on its review of Public Petitions

(60 mins)

NDM5981 William Powell (Mid and West Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Petitions Committee on the 'Review of Public Petitions Arrangements', which was laid in the Table Office on 2 February 2016.

Supporting Documents



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[Petitions Committee's Report](#)

[Letter from the Presiding Officer to the Chair](#)

4 Welsh Conservatives Debate

(60 mins)

NDM5983 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Regrets that a number of hospitals in Wales have been closed or subject to a loss of services in recent years; and
2. Calls on the future Welsh Government to guarantee that there will be no hospital closures during the fifth Assembly.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion.

Believes that the next Welsh Government should instigate and deliver a plan for a substantial increase in the number of doctors so that services can be delivered locally.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the 2014 Mid Wales Healthcare Study which called for a 'reinvigoration of community hospital and community based services' and calls for the next Welsh Government to provide more health services in communities across Wales.

['Mid Wales Healthcare Study'](#)

5 Plaid Cymru Debate

(60 mins)

NDM5984 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

1. Regrets that Wales has one of the lowest survival rates for cancer in the UK and EU;
2. Notes waiting times for diagnostic tests are unacceptably high and considerably higher than England and Scotland;
3. Regrets the inequality of access to cancer drugs and treatments for patients across Wales; and
4. Calls on the next Welsh Government to:
 - a) substantially improve performance on diagnostic waiting times, so that 95 per cent of people suspected of having cancer by a GP can receive a diagnosis or the all clear within 28 days of referral for testing;
 - b) introduce a new treatments fund to ensure a national approach to access to treatments to ensure access to treatments based on clinical need not where a patient lives or whether they meet exceptionality criteria; and
 - c) ensure all cancer patients have access to a key worker, with the regular collection and publication of data to demonstrate performance against this target.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert at end of point 3:

'and between Wales and other parts of the UK.'

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

In point 4b), replace 'introduce a new treatments fund' with 'extend the health technologies fund to new medicines'.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales):

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 4:

'develop an all-Wales individual patient funding requests panel to avoid the existing postcode lotteries for cancer treatments in Wales.'

Amendment 4 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 4:

'establish a national mobile cancer treatment service to prevent long round trip journeys for patients accessing clinics and chemotherapy treatment'.

Amendment 5 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 4:

'establish an annual public education campaign to raise awareness of the causes and symptoms of cancer'.

Amendment 6 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 4:

'provide a follow-up appointment guarantee so that all patients are seen within a maximum of six months of the conclusion of their initial cancer treatment episode, and further calls for data to be collected and published regularly to monitor performance against the guarantee.'

Amendment 7 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 4:

'appoint a cancer patient's champion to hold the Welsh Government and local health boards to account for the delivery of national and local cancer delivery plans.'

6 Voting Time

7 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM5982 Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)

Good food for all: Achieving the Food For Life catering mark in Welsh schools

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 8 March 2016