Agenda - Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr - Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 14 September 2016

Meeting time: 13.30

16(v3)

1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs

(45mins)

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

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2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children (45mins)

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

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3 Motion to alter the remit of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

(5mins)

NDM6083 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 16.3:



Agrees to alter the remit of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee, so that its remit is as follows:

- (a) to examine the implications for Wales of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union and to ensure Welsh interests are safeguarded during the withdrawal process, in any new relationship with the European Union and in the intra-UK post-withdrawal arrangements for relevant policy, finance and legislation;
- (b) to coordinate activity across Assembly committees in relation to point (a) above.
- (c) to carry out the functions of the responsible committee under Standing Orders 21.8 to 21.11, with a consequential change to the remit of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee;
- (d) to consider any other matter, including legislation, referred to it by the Business Committee.

Supporting Documents

Business Committee report

4 Motion to Elect Members to Committees

(5 mins)

NDM6091 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3 and 17.13(ii), elects Michelle Brown (UKIP Cymru) as a Member of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee.

5 Plaid Cymru Debate

(60mins)

NDM6085 Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Calls on the Welsh Government to prioritise:

- (a) protecting Wales from the immediate fallout of Brexit; and
- (b) closing the prosperity gap between Wales and the rest of the United Kingdom by:
- (i) creating a Wales development agency for the 21st century which will sell Wales, our products and ideas to the world in order to grow Welsh businesses and boost our exports;
- (ii) establishing a national infrastructure commission for Wales to plan, fund and deliver our nation's transport, telecommunications, energy and green infrastructure; and
- (iii) increasing levels of procurement for businesses based in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Delete sub-point (a) and replace with:

'working proactively with the UK Government and other devolved governments ahead of the triggering of article 50 and the subsequent negotiations.'

Amendment 2. Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete sub-point (b)(i) and replace with:

'selling Wales, our products and ideas to the world in order to grow Welsh businesses and boost our exports:'

6 Welsh Conservative Debate

(60mins)

NDM6084 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes that the retention of the frontline workforce is a major challenge facing the NHS in Wales.
- 2. Believes that the Welsh Government must outline its response to recent increases in the number of vacancies for doctors in the Welsh NHS.
- 3. Recognises, with concern, that stress-related illnesses are increasingly responsible for ambulance service staff being absent from work, and the impact this could have on the longer-term recruitment and retention of staff.
- 4. Calls on the Welsh Government to implement a clear, comprehensive strategy which outlines how the Welsh Government will prioritise frontline staff recruitment and retention and tackle issues pertaining to low staff morale during the course of the fifth Assembly.

The following amendment has been tabled:

Amendment 1. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that a recruitment and retention strategy must include a commitment to increase the number of Welsh-domiciled students studying in Welsh medical schools.

7 United Kingdom Independence Party Debate

(60mins)

NDM6087 Neil Hamilton (Mid and West Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that Brexit gives Wales a great opportunity to boost trade, industry and employment.

- 2. Welcomes the freedom Brexit provides to create a tailor-made policy for Welsh agriculture and fishing.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government to work closely in a positive frame of mind to capitalise on these opportunities and to involve all parties in the Assembly in its negotiations with the UK Government to maximise the potential benefits for Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Delete all and replace with:

'Recognises the outcome of the referendum on 23 June and calls on the Welsh Government to engage positively with the UK and other devolved governments in securing the best possible outcome for Wales during the forthcoming negotiations.'

If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will fall.

Amendment 2. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):

Delete all and replace with:

- 1. Notes that Wales has a trade surplus with the EU and that maintaining full membership of the single market is essential for Welsh businesses.
- 2. Regrets the insecurity the agriculture industry faces as a result of Brexit.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government to enhance support for the higher education sector, particularly in research and development.
- 4. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure a four countries approach to Brexit negotiations in order to ensure Welsh national interests are upheld during EU withdrawal.

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate

(30mins)

Short Debate

NDM6086 Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)

Will the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 be sufficient to deal with rogue landlords?

'Housing (Wales) Act 2014'

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 20 September 2016