

# Agenda – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 19 October 2016

Meeting time: 13.30

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### 1 The 50th Anniversary of the Aberfan Disaster

(10 mins)

### 2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government

(45 mins)

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

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### 3 Questions to the Assembly Commission

(10 mins)

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### 4 Statement by the Chair of the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee on the Committee's Forward Work Programme including Refugees, Asylum Seekers and Unaccompanied Children

(30 mins)



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Wales

## Motions to elect Members to Committees

### NDM6124 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3 and 17.13(ii), elects Dai Lloyd (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee.

### NDM6125 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#):

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3 and 17.13(ii), elects;

1. Llyr Gruffydd (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Standards of Conduct Committee, and
2. Adam Price (Plaid Cymru) as an alternate member of the Standards of Conduct Committee.

## 5 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

### NDM6121 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the importance of good local government in contributing towards the local economy, health service and educational outcomes.
2. Regrets that too many public services have been "poor and patchy" and characterised by a "poverty of ambition", as described by the Williams Commission.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
  - (a) increase accountability of local government through electoral reform and lowering the voting age to 16;
  - (b) examine the way in which local government finance can be reformed to ensure a fairer and more sustainable system;

- (c) introduce a nationally decided set of pay scales, terms and conditions to control senior and chief officer pay through a national framework; and
- (d) establish regional combined authorities as part of the Welsh Government's local government reform for improved regional cooperation between existing local authorities.

['Williams Commission Report'](#)

The following amendments were tabled:

**Amendment 1. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#):**

Delete point 3 and replace with:

Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- (a) examine the way in which local government is financed, to ensure that rural authorities receive fair funding equivalent to all communities across Wales; and
- (b) increase transparency in local authority senior staff budgeting to ensure that executive officer pay is sustainable and cost effective for council tax payers, and not to the detriment of the delivery of local services.

*[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be de-selected]*

**Amendment 2. [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#):**

Delete point 3 and replace with:

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- (a) increase accountability of local government through electoral arrangements and lowering the voting age to 16;
- (b) examine the way in which local government finance can be reformed to ensure a fairer and more sustainable system;
- (c) continue to examine the case for a nationally decided set of pay scales, terms and conditions to control senior and chief officer pay through a national framework; and
- (d) establish regional arrangements as part of the Welsh Government's local government reform for improved regional cooperation between existing local authorities.

## 6 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6120

[Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

[Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Resolves to establish a youth parliament for Wales.

## 7 Debate on the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee's report on its inquiry on the UK Government's Wales Bill

(60 mins)

NDM6119 [Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee on its inquiry on the UK Government's Wales Bill, [laid](#) in the Table Office on 6 October 2016.

## 8 Voting time

## 9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

**NDM6118 [Neil McEvoy \(South Wales Central\)](#)**

Bringing lobbying in Wales out into the open.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 1 November 2016