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Agenda - Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr - Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 19 October 2016

Meeting time: 13.30

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The 50th Anniversary of the Aberfan Disaster 1 (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.

View Questions

3 Questions to the Assembly Commission

(10 mins)

View Questions

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

(30 mins)



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, <u>laid</u> 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

Agenda Item 2

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 12 October 2016 for answer on 19 October 2016

R - Signifies the Member has declared an interest.
W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.
(Self-identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

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

To ask the <u>Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local</u> Government

- 1. <u>Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):</u> Will the Minister make a statement on recent local authority capital expenditure? OAQ(5)0042(FLG)
- **2. Eluned Morgan (Mid and West Wales):** What assessment has the Minister made of the impact that the £66 billion HM Treasury deficit resulting from Brexit will have on Wales? OAQ(5)0049(FLG)
- 3. <u>Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):</u> Following his statement on 11 October, will the Minister confirm what funding will be available for the remaining European structural fund programmes from 2014 to 2020? OAQ(5)0034(FLG)**W**
- 4. Rhianon Passmore (Islwyn): Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of European structural funding in Islwyn? OAQ(5)0047(FLG)
- **5.** Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government plans for local government funding in this financial year? OAQ(5)0044(FLG)
- **6.** <u>Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney):</u> Will the Minister make a statement on the real living wage in the Welsh public sector? OAQ(5)0037(FLG)
- 7. <u>Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):</u> What assessment has the Minister made of the impact of proposed local government reform on the delivery of public services? OAQ(5)0041(FLG)
- **8. John Griffiths (Newport East):** Will the Minister make a statement on progress in implementing the Well Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015? OAQ(5)0043(FLG)

- **9.** <u>Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):</u> Will the Minister provide an update on the progression of collaborative working across local authorities? OAQ(5)0040(FLG)
- **10.** Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to engage with local authorities in South Wales Central? OAQ(5)0048(FLG)
- 11. <u>Huw Irranca-Davies (Ogmore)</u>: Will the Minister make a statement on his role in chairing the external advisory panel on EU withdrawal? (OAQ(5)0036(FLG)
- 12. <u>Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney):</u> Will the Minister make a statement on the trade union bill? OAQ(5)0038(FLG)
- 13. <u>Sian Gwenllian (Arfon):</u> Will the Minister make a statement on workforce plans for the Welsh Revenue Authority? OAQ(5)0033(FLG)**W**
- **14. Jeremy Miles (Neath):** Will the Minister provide an update on the development of a Welsh Treasury? OAQ(5)0039(FLG)
- **15.** <u>Hefin David (Caerphilly):</u> Will the Minister provide an update on reform to non-domestic rates in Wales? OAQ(5)0035(FLG)

To ask the <u>Assembly Commission</u>

- 1. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What provision has the Commission made for electric vehicles at the Assembly? OAQ(5)0001(AC)W
- **2.** Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): What plans does the Commission have to develop a youth parliament for Wales? OAQ(5)0002(AC)