

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 7 February 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

Questions 1–8 were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after question 2.

Urgent Question 1

The item started at 14.17

To the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure:

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Cabinet Secretary update members on steps being taken by the Welsh Government to safeguard the future of the Ford factory in Bridgend?

Urgent Question 2

The item started at 14.30

To the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure:

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Cabinet Secretary inform Members whether he intends to grant the University of Wales Trinity St David's



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application for between £4 – 6million to fund the development of S4C's new headquarters in Carmarthen?

2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.48

3 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well-being and Sport: The Heart Conditions Delivery Plan

The item started at 15.10

4 Statement by the Minister for Skills and Science: Small Business Research Initiative – Postponed

5 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children: Working Together for Safer Communities

The item started at 15.48

6 Debate: "Securing Wales' Future": Transition from the European Union to a new relationship with Europe

The item started at 16.22

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

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

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

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2. Recognises the result of the referendum about the UK's membership of the European Union.
3. Welcomes the publication of the White Paper, Securing Wales' Future.
4. Endorses the priorities it identifies and the approach it describes.
5. Believes the UK Government should fully respect Wales' priorities, as set out in the White Paper, in the overall UK negotiating position and supports continuing efforts by the Welsh Government through the Joint Ministerial Committee to convince the UK Government of the merits of this approach.
6. Notes the UK Government's intention to seek to trigger Article 50 by the end of March.
7. Reaffirms the critical importance of the Sewel Convention, and believes that this should require the UK Government to consult and seek the approval of the devolved administrations on its negotiating position both before and during negotiations, and on any final agreements with the European Union.
8. Demands that any final deal must be developed with the best interests of the Welsh economy and society at heart, and not designed around narrow political interests.

The following amendments were tabled:

1. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):

Delete all and replace with:

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3. Notes the publication of the Welsh Government's White Paper.

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5. Recognises the Joint Ministerial Committee meeting held in Cardiff and welcomes the Prime Minister's continued commitment to engage with the devolved administrations and secure the right deal for Wales and the United Kingdom.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	38	55

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

2. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Opposes the triggering of Article 50 without assurances from the UK Government that Wales's participation in the European Single Market will be maintained, given the importance to Wales of single market participation.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
10	0	46	56

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion:

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38	0	18	56

The motion was agreed.

7 Voting Time

The item started at 18.35

The meeting concluded at 18.37

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 8 February 2017