Agenda - Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr - Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 8 February 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

(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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Urgent Question

To the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure:

Adam Price (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Will the Cabinet Secretary confirm whether he now intends to support the Circuit of Wales development following reports that the Heads of the Valleys Development Company have secured the private funding required for its construction?

Questions to the Assembly Commission 2

(0 mins)

No questions tabled.



3 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

4 Debate on Members' Legislative Proposals

(30 mins)

NDM6222 Suzy Davies (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes a proposal for a Bill on life saving skills.
- 2. Notes that the purpose of the Bill would be to:
- a) create statutory rights for people to receive age appropriate life-saving skills education and training at various life stages
- b) create statutory responsibilities to ensure:
- i) that life-saving skills training is provided;
- ii) provision of defibrillators in appropriate locations;
- iii) provision of life-saving skills trained individuals in key positions in public services (as an upgrade to an identified first aid person); and
- iv) that basic first aid materials are available to the public in public buildings not just the staff.
- c) create remedies and enforcement regarding the above.
- Debate on the Children, Young People and Education Committee's report on its inquiry into Youth Work

(60 mins)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Children, Young People and Education Committee 'What type of youth service does Wales want? Report of the inquiry into Youth Work' which was laid in the Table Office on 15 December 2016.

Supporting document:

Welsh Government response

6 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6229 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the vital contribution that further education and vocational skills make to the Welsh economy, especially in our most disadvantaged communities
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to commit to a three-year funding cycle for further education colleges at a fair level, to enable more sustainable planning and safeguard the skills needed to make local economies resilient.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government to invest a significant proportion of the savings it expects to make as a result of changes to higher education student support into the further education sector, including into higher level skills delivered in a further education setting and Welsh language provision.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the significant contribution made by Further and Higher Education institutions to supporting economic opportunity and notes the important leadership role they play in some of the most disadvantaged communities of Wales.
- 2. Notes the Welsh Government's commitment to parity of esteem between vocational and academic routes through education.
- 3. Recognises the importance of high quality, full and part-time opportunities for post-16 learning in both languages which can support learners of all ages and serve the economy of Wales.
- 4. Welcomes the additional £30m of funding provided for Further and Higher Education in the 2017–18 Welsh Government budget.
- 5. Notes the work done by the Welsh Government working in partnership with stakeholders across Wales through the Diamond and Hazelkorn Reviews to provide a stable basis for the funding, regulation and governance of post-16 education in Wales.
- 6. Calls for an end to the UK Government's damaging policy of austerity which has negatively impacted all public services across the UK, including higher and further education.

2017-18 Welsh Government Budget
The Diamond Review
Hazelkorn Review

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

Amendment 2. Rhun ap lorwerth (Ynys Môn):

Add as new point after point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Believes there should be parity of esteem between vocational and academic pathways, and that the Welsh Government should work to promote equity between them.

Amendment 3. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to work in the spirit of Hazelkorn to eliminate much of the unhelpful competition that has emerged in post-16 education in recent years, and to develop clearer and more flexible post-16 learning pathways.

7 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6232 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes the UK Government's industrial strategy and the impact it will have on Wales.
- 2. Recognises the inter-governmental work to develop the North Wales Growth Deal.
- 3. Believes that city regions can play a valuable role in delivering economic improvements to communities across Wales.
- 4. Calls on the Welsh Government to work with key stakeholders to drive economic growth in all parts of Wales.

<u> 'Building our Industrial Strategy - UK Government Green Paper January 2017'</u>

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Rhun ap lorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Delete all and replace with:

- 1. Notes the need to strengthen the performance of the north Wales economy.
- 2. Recognises the importance of infrastructure investment to promote the economy of north Wales.
- 3. Believes that any UK Government Industrial Strategy must address historic under investment in Wales' infrastructure.

- 4. Calls for a sustained programme of improvements to the A55 corridor, and calls on the Welsh Government to continue to support the electrification of the North Wales Coast Line.
- 5. Calls upon the Welsh Government to publish its Economic Strategy for Wales which will set out how north Wales can develop into an economic powerhouse in its own right whilst also cooperating with the northern powerhouse in England and promote cross-border economic activity.

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

Amendment 2. Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes the publication of the UK Government's Industrial Strategy Green Paper.
- 2. Notes the UK Government's intention to develop a more active industrial policy, but regrets their failure to support the steel industry across Wales and the UK over the last twelve months.
- 3. Notes the Welsh Government's plan to publish a cross-cutting strategy to support economic growth later in the spring.
- 4. Recognises the intergovernmental work that has been undertaken by the Welsh Government and the UK Government on the Cardiff and Swansea City Deals as well as the North Wales Growth Deal.
- 5. Notes Welsh Government's intention to work constructively with the UK Government on areas of shared interest for the benefit of businesses and the economy of all parts of Wales.
- 6. Calls on the UK Government to engage meaningfully and in a spirit of equal partnership on cross border industrial issues, fully respecting the devolution settlement.

8 Voting time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6231 Lynne Neagle (Torfaen)

Developing emotional resilience in our children and young people

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 14 February 2017