

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

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Wednesday, 8 February 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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### 1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

The item started at 13.30

The first 9 questions were asked. Questions 1, 5 and 9 were answered by the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after Question 2.

### Urgent Question

The item started at 14.21

#### 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?



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## 2 Questions to the Assembly Commission

No questions tabled.

## 3 90 Second Statements

The item started at 14.31

Darren Millar made a statement marking the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of William Williams, Pantycelyn.

Mike Hedges made a statement on Swansea City supporters trust giving football fans a voice.

Janet Finch Saunders made a statement marking the 65 Years Reign of our Queen.

Dai Lloyd made a statement noting 300 years since the birth of hymn-writer William Williams, Pantycelyn on Saturday.

## 4 Debate on Members' Legislative Proposals

The item started at 14.38

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

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.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
33	17	3	53

The motion was agreed.

## 5 Debate on the Children, Young People and Education Committee's report on its inquiry into Youth Work

The item started at 15.04

NDM6230 [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#)

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.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 6 Welsh Conservatives debate

The item started at 15.55

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

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.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
18	0	35	53

**The motion without amendment was not agreed.**

**The following amendments were 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.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	0	26	54

**Amendment 1 was agreed.**

As amendment 1 was agreed, amendment 2 was de-selected

**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.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	0	19	54

**Amendment 3 was agreed.**

**A vote was taken on the motion as amended:**

**NDM6229 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

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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.

7. 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.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
37	0	17	54

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 7 Welsh Conservatives debate

The item started at 16.59

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**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.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

**Amendment 1. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

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.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
9	0	45	54

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

**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.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	0	26	54

**Amendment 2 was agreed.**

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

**NDM6232 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

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.

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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.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	0	25	53

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 8 Voting time

The item started at 18.04

## 9 Short Debate

The item started at 18.09

NDM6231 [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#)

Developing emotional resilience in our children and young people.

The meeting concluded at 18.34

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