

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Presiding Officer's office, 4th floor – Tŷ

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Meeting date: 17 January 2017

Meeting time: 08.30 – 08.43

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Elin Jones AM (Chair) Jane Hutt AM Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Paul Davies AM David J Rowlands AM
Committee Staff:	Siân Wilkins (Clerk)
Others in attendance	Ann Jones AM, Deputy Presiding Officer Christopher Warner, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service Helen Carey, Welsh Government

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes for the meeting were agreed by the Committee for publication.



3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This Week's Business

On Tuesday, Voting Time would be after the final item of business. On Wednesday, Business Committee agreed that Voting Time would take place before the Short Debate.

3.2 Three Week Timetable of Government Business

Business Committee noted the 3 Week Timetable of Government Business.

3.3 Three Week Timetable of Assembly Business

Business Committee determined the organisation of Assembly business and agreed to schedule the following items of business:

Wednesday 25 January 2017 –

- Statement by the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee: Future inquiries and engagement work (30 mins)

Wednesday 8 February 2017 –

- Debate on Members' Legislative Proposals (30 mins)
- Debate on the Children, Young People and Education Committee's report on its inquiry into Youth Work (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (120 mins)

Member Bills

The Llywydd reminded Business Managers of the timetable for the upcoming Member Bills ballot:

- Deadline for tabling pre-ballot proposals for Member Bills – 4pm Friday 20 January
- Date of ballot (and announcement in Plenary) – 25 January

Members' Legislative Proposals

The Llywydd reminded Business Managers of the timetable for the upcoming debate on Members' Legislative Proposals:

- Deadline for tabling motions – 5pm 26 January
- Business Managers to select motion for debate – 31 January
- Debate on Members' Legislative Proposals – 8 February

3.4 Individual Member Debate: Selection of Motion

Business Committee selected 3 motions for debate: the first on 25 January, the second on 15 February, and the third on a date to be confirmed following half term.

Wednesday 25 January 2016

- **NNDM6191**

Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)

Dai Lloyd (South Wales West)

Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Mark Isherwood (North Wales)

Hefin David (Caerphilly)

Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Calls on the UK Government to hold a full public inquiry into the contaminated blood tragedy of the 1970s and 1980s.
2. Notes that 70 people in Wales have died from HIV and Hepatitis C acquired when they received contaminated blood or blood products and others are still living with these diseases.
3. Acknowledges that bereaved relatives are living with the consequences of this tragedy.

4. Notes that, in March 2015, the UK Government apologised to people infected by contaminated blood treatment and further notes that the affected families have never received full answers about how this was allowed to happen and are still campaigning for justice.

Wednesday 15 February 2017

○ **NNDM6204**

Hannah Blythyn (Delyn)

Jeremy Miles (Neath)

Suzy Davies (South Wales West)

Adam Price (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that February is LGBT History Month, an annual opportunity to promote diversity and equality across Wales.
2. Further notes the contribution that LGBT plus people have made to our communities and country.
3. Recognises the role played by Welsh LGBT icons and straight allies in Wales as illustrated in this month's LGBT icons and allies exhibition in the Senedd.
4. Welcomes the progress made in the past few decades on LGBT rights and acceptance.
5. Believes that vigilance is needed to ensure that LGBT plus rights are protected.
6. Takes the lead in continuing to progress equality and challenging discrimination and division, ensuring Wales is a welcoming nation for LGBT plus people.

Following half term (date to be confirmed)

- **NNDM6210**
Lee Waters
Jeremy Miles
Vikki Howells
Hefin David

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that approximately 40 per cent of the workforce is employed in the 'Foundational Economy' supplying essential goods and services such as: infrastructures; utilities; food processing, retailing and distribution; and health, education and care.
2. Recognises that these sectors are often more resilient to external economic shocks and have considerable potential to generate greater local value from the provision of localised goods and services.
3. Regrets that many of the sectors within the Foundation Economy are marked by low paid and insecure jobs
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to develop a strategy to maximise the impact of the 'Foundational Economy' across Wales as part of its work on developing a new economic strategy, including measures to improve employment conditions in those sectors.

4 Legislation

4.1 Revised Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Wales Bill

Business Committee considered a paper from the government regarding a Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum and Revised Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Wales Bill.

Due to the Plenary debate taking place today, Business Managers agreed not to refer the SLCM or the revised SLCM to a committee for scrutiny.

5 The Assembly Timetable

5.1 Recess Dates

Business Managers confirmed recess dates for Easter, Whitsun and Summer 2017 and agreed provisional recess dates for October half term and Christmas 2017.

Recess	Dates
Easter Recess (3 weeks)	Mon 10 April 2017 – Sun 30 April 2017
Whitsun Half Term (1 week)	Mon 29 May 2017 – Sun 4 June 2017
Summer Recess (8 weeks)	Mon 24 July 2017 – Sun 17 Sept 2017
<i>October Half Term (1 week)</i>	<i>Mon 30 Oct 2017 – Sun 5 Nov 2017</i>
<i>Christmas Recess (3 weeks)</i>	<i>Mon 18 Dec 2017 – Sun 7 Jan 2018</i>