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Agenda - Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr - Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 5 April 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural **Affairs**

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer has received notification, under Standing Order 12.58, that the Leader of the House will answer questions on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs.

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Cabinet Secretary after Question 3.

View Questions

2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children (45 mins)

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

View Questions

3 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)



4 Motion to amend Standing Order 12 in relation to Topical Questions

(5 mins)

NDM6287 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 33.2:

- 1. Considers the Report of the Business Committee 'Amending Standing Orders: Standing Order 12 Topical Questions and Urgent Questions' <u>laid</u> in the Table Office on 29 March 2017.
- 2. Approves the proposal to revise Standing Orders 11 and 12, as set out in Annex B of the Report of the Business Committee.

5 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal (30 mins)

NDM6227 Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes a proposal for a Bill on waste reduction.
- 2. Notes that the purpose of the Bill would be to reduce waste through placing requirements on food producers and retailers in respect of packaging.
- 6 Statement by the Chair of the Finance Committee on Ministerial Appointments: Pre-Appointment Hearings by Assembly Committees

(30 mins)

Supporting Document:

Finance Committee report

7 Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv)
(60 mins)

NDM6260

Lee Waters (Llanelli)

Jeremy Miles (Neath)

Hefin David (Caerphilly)

Vikki Howells (Cynon Valley)

David Melding (South Wales Central)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes that the commonly-termed 'fourth industrial revolution' presents both challenges and opportunities to Wales' economy.
- 2. Notes that an estimated 700,000 jobs are at risk in Wales over the next two decades as a result of automation.
- 3. Believes that Wales has existing expertise that offers competitive advantage in emerging growth industries.
- 4. Recognises that, to capitalise on these emerging industries, we need to focus on rapid, agile approaches which adapt easily to changed circumstances.
- 5. Calls on the Welsh Government to revisit the Innovation Wales Strategy with a view to ensuring it reflects the scale and scope of the disruption we face, and commits to a strategic review of opportunities in emerging, high-growth sectors, where Wales has the potential to establish early market dominance as part of its work on developing a new economic strategy.

'Innovation Wales Strategy'

8 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

NDM6268 Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes the importance of forward skills planning to meet the future needs of the construction industry to deliver infrastructure projects in Wales and beyond.
- 2. Believes that reform of public sector procurement in Wales is needed to take full advantage of the social, economic and environmental potential of the purchasing power of the Welsh public sector.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government:
- a) to bring forward a procurement bill to make it mandatory for public sector bodies to follow Welsh Government policy on procurement, to maximise the social and economic impact of construction;
- b) establish a national framework for public sector procurement in Wales to ensure the ambitions set out in the Wales Procurement Policy Statement are delivered;
- c) to increase levels of capital infrastructure spending to boost the economy in Wales, providing a much needed boost for the construction sector;
- d) consider the case for establishing a national construction college for Wales to develop high quality skills in the construction industry.

'Wales Procurement Policy Statement'

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. <u>Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan):</u>

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

2. Notes the work of the Welsh Government in developing the Wales Procurement Policy Statement which has lowered barriers to procurement for small and medium sized enterprises right across Wales.

- 3. Recognises the need to grow capability within the Welsh public sector to maximise the impact of procurement spend within the Welsh economy.
- 4. Notes the intention of the Welsh Government to develop a new programme for procurement to help enable the Welsh public sector to make intelligent use of policy and legislation across Wales.
- 5. Recognises the Welsh Government's capital investment plans and the significant procurement opportunities presented by the South Wales and North East Wales metros; the 21st Century schools programme; the M4 relief road; building 20,000 affordable homes; improvements to Wales' transport network and other major infrastructure projects."

Amendment 2. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to implement measures that will enable Welsh companies, in particular small and medium sized businesses, to access public sector contracts.

9 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6286 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the important role played by local authorities in delivering significant public services across Wales.
- 2. Notes that strong and effective local government should see power put back into the hands of local people and their communities.
- 3. Acknowledges the important role played by small businesses in driving the Welsh economy and believes local authorities should work closely with the business community to encourage greater collaboration, innovation and entrepreneurship.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Add as new point after point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Notes the importance of sharing best practice across local authorities in Wales in order to deliver better public service outcomes for constituents.

Amendment 2. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to introduce proportional representation for local elections to strengthen the accountability of local government and to improve local public services.

10 Voting time

11 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6285 Mike Hedges (Swansea East)

The Swansea Bay City Region

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 2 May 2017

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 29 March 2017 for answer on 5 April 2017

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 the Environment and Rural</u> Affairs

- Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the well-being of exotic animals in Wales?
 OAQ(5)0128(ERA)W
- 2. <u>Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):</u> What is the Welsh Government doing to help promote the production of healthier food? OAQ(5)0122(ERA)
- 3. <u>Mark Isherwood (North Wales):</u> How is the Welsh Government helping people in fuel poverty in North Wales? OAQ(5)0124(ERA)
- **4.** Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the Welsh Government's priorities for developing the agricultural sector in Wales? OAQ(5)0127(ERA)
- 5. <u>Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales)</u>: What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary held with Severn Trent regarding water services in Wales? OAQ(5)0125(ERA)W
- **6. Michelle Brown (North Wales):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's position regarding the export of live animals for slaughter? OAQ(5)0130(ERA)
- 7. <u>Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):</u> What contingencies are in place to deal with the potential of there being no replacement of EU farming subsidies from the UK government after Brexit? OAQ(5)0126(ERA)
- **8.** Gareth Bennett (South Wales Central): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement about the environmental impact of illegal off-road motorcycling in Wales? OAQ(5)0129(ERA)
- **9.** Rhun ap lorwerth (Ynys Môn): What steps is the Welsh Government taking to reduce carbon emissions? OAQ(5)0123(ERA)**W**
- **10.** <u>Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the licensing of pet shops in Wales? OAQ(5)0131(ERA) **WITHDRAWN**

- **11.** Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on how the Welsh Government is helping to improve the local environment in South Wales East? OAQ(5)0132(ERA)
- **12.** Leanne Wood (Rhondda): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline what the Welsh Government is doing to secure a future for farming in Wales? OAQ(5)0133(ERA)
- **13.** <u>Vikki Howells (Cynon Valley):</u> What are the Welsh Government's priorities for improving recycling rates? OAQ(5)0120(ERA)
- **14.** Lee Waters (Llanelli): What progress has the Welsh Government made in developing a national strategy on precision agriculture? OAQ(5)0119(ERA)
- **15.** <u>Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the licensing system for breeding and selling animals? OAQ(5)0121(ERA)

To ask the <u>Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children</u>

- 1. Rhun ap lorwerth (Ynys Môn): What support can the Welsh Government offer to ensure that deaf people received the relevant adaptations to their homes? OAQ(5)0130(CC)W
- 2. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): What support is the Welsh Government providing to the voluntary sector in Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire? OAQ(5)0138(CC) WITHDRAWN
- 3. <u>Jayne Bryant (Newport West):</u> What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of Universal Credit in Wales? OAQ(5)0133(CC)
- **4.** <u>Dai Lloyd (South Wales West):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Welsh Government plans for regeneration in South Wales West? OAQ(5)0137(CC)
- **5. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** What support is available for Gypsy and Traveller communities in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(5)0135(ERA)**W**
- **6.** <u>Mike Hedges (Swansea East):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the building of new homes for rent by Welsh councils? OAQ(5)0128(CC)
- 7. <u>Darren Millar (Clwyd West):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's commitment to extend entitlements to free childcare? OAQ(5)0129(CC)

- **8.** <u>Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):</u> What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with counterparts in Northern Ireland and Scotland in relation to children's rights and entitlements? OAQ(5)0136(CC)
- **9.** Hefin David (Caerphilly): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on transitional arrangements for Communities First? OAQ(5)0134(CC)
- **10.** Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline progress in relation to improving data collection for the Welsh Government's communities programmes? OAQ(5)0131(CC)
- 11. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the Welsh Government's plans for regeneration in Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire? OAQ(5)0139(CC) WITHDRAWN
- **12.** Mark Isherwood (North Wales): How is the Welsh Government supporting armed forces veterans in Wales? OAQ(5)0127(CC)
- **13.** <u>David Rees (Aberavon):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary provide details of discussions the Welsh Government has had with the Ministry of Justice regarding the siting of a new prison in Baglan? OAQ(5)0132(CC)
- **14.** Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): What is the Welsh Government doing to support voluntary organisations across Wales? OAQ(5)0125(CC)