

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 10 May 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 4, 5, 6 and 8 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.

### 2 Questions to the Counsel General

The item started at 14.18

The 6 questions were asked.

### 3 Topical Questions

The item started at 14.40

To the [Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs](#)

[Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the European Court of Justice's ruling on the breach of clean water rules in Wales, including at Burry Inlet near Llanelli?

To the [Cabinet Secretary for Education](#)



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## [Llyr Gruffydd \(North Wales\)](#)

What is the Welsh Government's assessment of the effect of possible redundancies at Aberystwyth University?

## **4 90 Second Statements**

The item started at 14.59

Jayne Bryant made a statement celebrating nurses close to International Nurses Day on 12 May.

Huw Irranca-Davies made a statement on Ramblers Cymru and the Big Welsh Walk.

## **5 Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv)**

The item started at 15.03

**NDM6288**

[Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#)

[Steffan Lewis \(South Wales East\)](#)

[Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#)

[Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that policing is a devolved matter in Scotland and in Northern Ireland.
2. Calls for the devolution of policing to Wales.
3. Believes that specialist policing matters such as counter-terrorism are best co-ordinated at a UK level.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## **6 Plaid Cymru debate**

The item started at 15.43

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM6303 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Supports the principle of the Welsh National Health Service being kept in public hands.
2. Is concerned about the budgetary and cross-border implications for health services in Wales in light of the creeping privatisation of the National Health Service in England.
3. Believes that any future UK trade deals must be subject to the consent of this Assembly, where those deals affect devolved policy areas such as health.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
33	4	11	48

**The motion without amendment was agreed.**

## **7 Welsh Conservatives debate**

The item started at 16.34

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM6302 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that Wales and the United Kingdom require strong and stable leadership to continue the country's economic prosperity.
2. Regrets the First Minister's public endorsement of a proposal to borrow an extra £500 billion which would endanger the future of the Welsh economy.

3. Recognises the need for policies to be fully-costed to ensure Wales and the UK's economic progress is not put at risk.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	1	33	48

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

**The following amendments were tabled:**

**Amendment 1. [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)**

Delete all and replace with:

1. Notes that Wales and its economy will best be served by a UK Government that commits to investing fairly and sustainably in all parts of the country.
2. Regrets that as a result of current UK Government spending plans the Welsh Government's revenue budget will be £1bn lower in real terms at the end of this decade than at the start and capital budgets will have been reduced by £200m.
3. Regrets the UK Government plans to cut an additional £3.5bn from its budget which could reduce Wales' funding by a further £175m in 2019–20.
4. Notes the record of the Welsh Government in driving economic growth, with almost 150,000 jobs supported in the last Assembly term.
5. Welcomes the Welsh Government's £7bn, four-year capital investment plans to support public infrastructure.
6. Notes the Welsh Government's ambitious programme for government which sets out costed plans for:
  - a) an additional £100m of investment in Welsh schools;
  - b) a minimum of 100,000 all age apprenticeships;
  - c) a small business tax cut;
  - d) an £80m treatment fund;
  - e) a doubling of the residential care capital limit;
  - f) 30 hours of free childcare for working parents of three and four year olds, 48 weeks of the year.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
26	0	22	48

Amendment 1 was agreed.

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

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6302 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

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  - c) a small business tax cut;
  - d) an £80m treatment fund;
  - e) a doubling of the residential care capital limit;

f) 30 hours of free childcare for working parents of three and four year olds, 48 weeks of the year.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	0	22	47

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 8 Voting time

The item started at 17.28

## 9 Short Debate

The item started at 17.31

**NDM6300 [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#)**

Rebuilding lives through community sport

The meeting concluded at 17.50

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 16 May 2017**