Agenda - Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr - Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 5 July 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government

(45 mins)

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

View Questions

2 Questions to the Assembly Commission

(10 mins)

View Questions

Topical Questions 3

(20 mins)

To the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well-being and Sport:

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): What consideration has the Cabinet Secretary given to prioritising all heart attacks in the most urgent eight minute ambulance response category, in light of the statement he issued on 29 June which said that a patient's chance of surviving an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest decreases by an estimated 10 per cent every minute? WITHDRAWN



To the First Minister:

<u>Steffan Lewis (South Wales East):</u> What assessment has the First Minister made of the UK Government's policy paper 'Safeguarding the position of EU citizens in the UK and UK nationals in the EU', published last week?

To the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure:

<u>Dai Lloyd (South Wales West):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on support for 'Y Cymro' given current uncertainty around its long-term future?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Motions to elect Members to committees

(5 mins)

NDM6361 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3, elects Gareth Bennett (United Kingdom Independence Party) as a member of the Standards of Conduct Committee in place of David J Rowlands (United Kingdom Independence Party).

NDM6364 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3, elects Mark Reckless (Welsh Conservatives) as a member of the Children, Young People and Education Committee in place of Mohammad Asghar (Welsh Conservatives).

6 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal

(30 mins)

NDM6349 Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Notes a proposal for a bill to support young carers in Wales.
- 2. Notes that the purpose of this bill would be to:
- a) Provide statutory guidance for schools and local authorities in Wales to provide appropriate support and flexibility for young carers to undertake their care responsibilities during and after school hours;
- b) provide guidance for schools to work with young carers to provide flexible pathways to ensure continued participation in education;
- c) allow young carers to collect prescriptions on behalf of those in their care, via a Young Carers Card or other mechanism; and
- d) ensure that the Welsh Government work with appropriate organisations to introduce respite and support services for young carers in every local authority area in Wales.

7 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6354 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Recognises the importance of regeneration schemes in enhancing the future prosperity of communities across Wales.
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to outline how it proposes to increase investor confidence for regeneration projects.

3. Regrets the Welsh Government's handling of the Circuit of Wales project and believes this could have a negative impact on potential investment for future regeneration projects in Wales.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1. Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

- 1. Recognises the importance of regeneration schemes that work in partnership with interventions such as infrastructure development, the creation of good quality jobs as well as skills and employability in enhancing the future prosperity of communities across Wales.
- 2. Welcomes the establishment of the Ministerial Taskforce for the South Wales Valleys with its aim of ensuring effective regeneration across the region alongside strong, connective infrastructure; improved access to good quality jobs and skills development.
- 3. Notes the Welsh Government's intention to invest £100m over ten years in a new Automotive Technology Business Park in Ebbw Vale to stimulate economic growth across the Heads of the Valleys.
- 4. Notes the work of the Welsh Government and other stakeholders in driving forward the North Wales Growth Deal to support economic growth on a cross-border basis.

Amendment 2. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to meet with all relevant parties in order to explore potential solutions to the issues referred to in its statement on the Circuit of Wales of the 27 June 2017 to increase future investor confidence.

Amendment 3. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to commit to establishing a full independent inquiry into the Welsh Government's handling of the Circuit of Wales project.

8 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

NDM6356 Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

- 1. Notes the Welsh Government's aim of publishing a strategy in order to reach a million Welsh speakers by 2050.
- 2. Notes the Plaid Cymru report 'Reaching the Million' which outlines clearly some of the main strategic priorities for growing the number of Welsh speakers in Wales to a million by 2050.
- 3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
- a) plan for substantial growth, and normalising, Welsh medium education and child care:
- b) ensure that language considerations are intrinsic in economic planning as part of maintaining the current maintenance regimes and the need for this to be reflected in the Welsh Government's proposed economic strategy;
- c) strengthen the role of the Welsh language Commissioner to regulate and promote the rights of Welsh speakers and extend the Welsh language standards to the private sector including the telecommunications sector, banks and supermarkets;
- d) establish a new arms-length agency to promote the Welsh language within education, communities and the economy.

'Reaching the Million'

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1. Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Notes the Welsh Government's intention to publish a White Paper for consultation this summer on provision for a new Welsh Language Bill.

Recognises the action being taken already to promote and facilitate the use of Welsh across communities and workplaces, in formal and informal settings.

Welcomes the establishment of a planning board to advise on a national programme to promote the use of the Welsh language.

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be de-selected]

Amendment 2. Neil Hamilton (Mid and West Wales)

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Believes that flying in the face of local public opinion will limit the chances of success of the Welsh Government's strategy of reaching a million Welsh speakers by 2050.

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that:

- a) any changes to existing key stages 1 to 5 education and childcare provision involves genuine local consultation whereby:
- i) all respondents supply their names, addresses and postcodes; and
- ii) each individual named in any submitted petition is recorded as a discrete observation unit; and
- b) the opinions of third parties, agents and commissioners, including those purporting to offer expert advice on Welsh language provision, are not given priority over the wishes of local residents and parents.

[If amendment 2 is agreed, amendments 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be de-selected]

Amendment 3. <u>Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)</u>

Delete 3(b) and replace with:

consider how best to promote the acquisition and use of Welsh language skills as an intrinsic part of its economic strategy.

Amendment 4. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Delete 3(c) and replace with:

review the role of the Welsh Language Commissioner and ensure that the Commissioner is accountable to the National Assembly for Wales.

Amendment 5. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Insert as new sub-point after 3(c) and renumber accordingly:

reflect on the purpose and effectiveness of Welsh language standards prior to any proposal to extend their application into the private sector.

Amendment 6. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Delete 3(d) and replace with:

adopt a new model, outside government, to promote the Welsh language within education, communities and the economy.

9 Voting time

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6355 Neil Hamilton (Mid and West Wales)

Hate crime - is it on the rise in Wales?

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 11 July 2017

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 28 June 2017 for answer on 5 July 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)

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To ask the <u>Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local</u> Government

- 1. <u>Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the use of fixed penalty notices by local authorities in Wales? OAQ(5)0148(FLG)
- 2. <u>Hannah Blythyn (Delyn):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the progress of the north Wales growth deal? OAQ(5)0154(FLG)
- 3. <u>Mark Isherwood (North Wales)</u>: What were the Cabinet Secretary's priorities when allocating money to the communities and children main expenditure group in the 2017-18 final budget? OAQ(5)0145(FLG)
- **4.** <u>David J Rowlands (South Wales East):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the savings anticipated as a result of the Welsh Government's new model for local government? OAQ(5)0147(FLG)
- 5. <u>Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the payment of the foundation living wage by local authorities in Wales? OAQ(5)0155(FLG)
- **6.** <u>Jeremy Miles (Neath):</u> What steps are being taken by the Welsh Government to assess the future resilience of devolved public services in light of the UK Government's continuing policy of austerity? OAQ(5)0151(FLG)
- 7. Mark Reckless (South Wales East): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the budget allocated to the economy and infrastructure portfolio in relation to the Circuit of Wales? OAQ(5)0152(FLG)
- 8. <u>Mike Hedges (Swansea East):</u> Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Welsh Government plans for tax devolution? OAQ(5)0146(FLG)
- 9. <u>Hefin David (Caerphilly)</u>: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's plans for scrutiny in local government? OAQ(5)0149(FLG)
- **10.** Sian Gwenllian (Arfon): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on local government reform? OAQ(5)0157(FLG)**W**

- **11.** Eluned Morgan (Mid and West Wales): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary held with the Welsh Local Government Association regarding the delivery of local services? OAQ(5)0156(FLG)
- **12.** Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the allocation of funding to the education portfolio? OAQ(5)0153(FLG)
- **13.** Neil McEvoy (South Wales Central): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's local tax policies? OAQ(5)0150(FLG)
- **14.** Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the future of the Barnett formula following the agreement between the UK Government and the DUP? OAQ(5)0158(FLG)W

To ask the **Assembly Commission**

- 1. <u>Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):</u> What progress is the Assembly making in growing food on its estate? OAQ(5)008(AC)R
- 2. <u>Huw Irranca-Davies (Ogmore)</u>: Will the Commission examine the merits of establishing a Presiding Officer placement scheme to improve the accessibility of paid internships with Assembly Members? OAQ(5)009(AC)