

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

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Wednesday, 20 September 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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

The item started at 13.30

The first 10 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after Question 2.

### 2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children

The item started at 14.19

The first 10 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after Question 2.

### 3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.05

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure

1. [David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#): What discussions has the Welsh Government had regarding the impact on the Welsh steel sector of the joint venture between Tata Steel and ThyssenKrupp AG?



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

2. [Bethan Jenkins \(South Wales West\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the lessons that have been learnt from the Kris Wade scandal at the ABMU Health Board?

3. [Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the All-Wales Medicines Strategy Group's decision not to make Avastin, a potentially life-prolonging cancer drug, routinely available on the Welsh NHS?

To ask the First Minister (answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government)

4. [Adam Price \(Carmarthen East and Dinefwr\)](#): In light of events in Catalonia, what discussions has the First Minister had with the UK Government as part of the UK-EU Brexit negotiations regarding the rights of sub-state governments to act autonomously without being restricted by the state government?

#### 4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.46

Dawn Bowden made a statement on the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Merthyr Tydfil FC v Atalanta.

Llyr Gruffydd made a statement commemorating the Gresford Disaster of 22 September 1934.

#### 5 Debate on the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee's report on medical recruitment

The item started at 15.49

NDM6502 [Dai Lloyd \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee on the inquiry into medical recruitment.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 6 Welsh Conservatives debate

The item started at 16.44

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM6505 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the Welsh Government's White Paper – Services Fit for the Future – which seeks to abolish Community Health Councils in Wales.
2. Recognises the important role Community Health Councils have played in delivering independent public service accountability and providing a strong voice for patients in Wales.
3. Believes that the White Paper proposals will weaken the voice of patients and communities and reduce scrutiny of the Welsh Government and Health Boards.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
  - a) extend the consultation period on the White Paper, following its failure to properly engage with Community Health Councils, patients and the Welsh public; and
  - b) work more constructively with Community Health Councils on future proposals for a new people's voice body.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	0	37	53

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

**The following amendments were tabled:**

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

Delete all after 'Services Fit for the Future' and add, 'which sets out a range of proposals to strengthen quality and governance in health and care services in Wales'.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	0	25	53

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that a single national community health council in Scotland was regarded as not sufficiently independent of government by the Scottish Parliament's Health and Sport Committee.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
53	0	0	53

Amendment 2 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6505 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the Welsh Government's White Paper – Services Fit for the Future –which sets out a range of proposals to strengthen quality and governance in health and care services in Wales.
2. Notes that a single national community health council in Scotland was regarded as not sufficiently independent of government by the Scottish Parliament's Health and Sport Committee.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	0	25	53

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 7 Plaid Cymru debate

The item started at 17.45

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

### NDM6506 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Calls on the Welsh Government to oppose the construction of a super-prison in Port Talbot.

2. Further calls on the Welsh Government:

a) not to sell or release any Welsh Government land for the purpose of construction of the proposed super-prison;

b) to develop the local economy through supporting businesses in the industrial park; and

c) to make representations to the UK Government in support of alternatives to large prisons.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
9	3	41	53

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendment was tabled:

### Amendment 1. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

1. Welcomes the UK Government's £1.3 billion investment to modernise and upgrade the prison estate across Wales and England, creating hundreds of modern prison places and replacing old and overcrowded establishments with new, fit-for-purpose buildings.
2. Recognises the Welsh Government's role in promoting and earmarking the proposed site at Port Talbot for a new super prison in south Wales.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to conduct a full and thorough consultation with local residents and businesses on the likely impact of developing a new prison in Port Talbot.
4. Believes a full exploration of alternative sites should be undertaken by the Welsh Government with a proposed list made public.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	36	53

**Amendment 1 was not agreed.**

**As the Assembly did not agree the motion without amendment, and did not agree the amendment tabled to the motion, the motion was therefore not agreed.**

## **8 Voting Time**

The item started at 18.39

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## **9 Short Debate**

The item started at 18.42

**NDM6501 [Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)**

Primary care provision in the Llanharan area.

The meeting concluded at 19.09

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 26 September 2017**