

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – The Senedd

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 19 June 2018

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after question 2.

2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.20

3 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services: The Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan

The item started at 14.58

4 Statement by the Leader of the House and Chief Whip: Refugee Week – Wales, a Nation of Sanctuary

The item started at 15.38

5 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs: Companion Animal Welfare

The item started at 16.29



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**6 Statement by the Minister for Children, Older People and Social Care:
The Best Start in Life: Making Early Years Count – WITHDRAWN**

7 The Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (Wales) Regulations 2018

The item started at 17.11

NDM6742 [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Approves that the draft The Environmental Protection (Microbeads) (Wales) Regulations 2018 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 18 May 2018.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

**8 Debate: Stage 4 of the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol)
(Wales) Bill**

The item started at 17.23

In accordance with Standing Order 26.67, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services made a statement that he had it in command from Her Majesty the Queen and the Duke of Cornwall to acquaint the Assembly that, having been informed of the purport of the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill, both have given their consent to the Bill.

In accordance with Standing Order 26.50C a recorded vote must be taken on Stage 4 motions therefore voting on this motion was deferred to voting time.

NDM6746 [Vaughan Gething \(Cardiff South and Penarth\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 26.47:

Approves the [Public Health \(Minimum Price for Alcohol\) \(Wales\) Bill](#).

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
45	0	5	50

The motion was agreed.

9 Debate: The Second Anniversary of the EU Referendum

The item started at 17.43

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

NDM6741 [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that it will be the second anniversary of the EU Referendum on 23 June 2018.
2. Reaffirms its support for the approach to EU transition put forward in the White Paper, Securing Wales Future, published by the Welsh Government and Plaid Cymru in January 2017 and believes this still provides the best basis for securing a satisfactory outcome to the Brexit negotiations.

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Recognises that the UK Government is delivering on the decision made in the EU referendum to leave the EU and that its position in negotiations with the EU should not be undermined.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	38	51

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 – [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#)

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Recognises that it is the decided will of the people that the United Kingdom leaves the European Union.

Calls upon politicians opposed to the United Kingdom leaving the EU to respect the wishes of Welsh and British voters and stop trying to undermine the Brexit process.

Calls upon the Welsh Government to work with the UK Government to secure the best deal for Wales and the UK, outside the EU, the single market and the customs union.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	0	35	51

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the Welsh Government's decision to grant consent for the UK Government to restrict the National Assembly for Wales's legislative competence, despite stating clearly in 'Securing Wales' Future' that "any attempt to do so will be firmly resisted".

A vote was taken on amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
8	3	40	51

Amendment 3 was not agreed.

Amendment 4 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that a majority of Welsh Labour MPs abstained on a vote on continued single market participation via EEA membership, in contradiction to 'Securing Wales' Future' which states, "We cannot support an EU exit agreement that would leave the UK without continued Single Market participation".

A vote was taken on amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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8	0	43	51
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Amendment 4 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion:

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For	Abstain	Against	Total
36	0	15	51

The motion was agreed.

10 Voting Time

The item started at 18.43

The meeting concluded at 18.45

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 20 June 2018