

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 21 November 2018

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. Question 3 and 5 were answered by the Minister for Welsh Language and Lifelong learning. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary and Minister after question 2.

2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services

The item started at 14.19

The first 8 questions were asked. Q7 answered by the Minister for Children, Older People and Social Care. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary and Minister after question 2.

3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.11

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport

Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with Cardiff Airport in light of reports that the airline Flybe is to be sold?

Rhun Ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on train services following Transport for Wales's public apology for shortcomings in services?



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4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.38

Sian Gwenllian made a statement on United Nations Annual Campaign – 16 days of activism to fight against gender-based violence.

Mick Antoniw made a statement on 85th anniversary of the Ukrainian Holodomor.

Dai Lloyd made a statement on Launching the Wales Vision Strategy (as Chair of the Cross Party Group),

Motion to elect a Member to the Assembly Commission (5 mins)

The item started at 15.43

NDM6876 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 7.9, appoints Sian Gwenllian (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Assembly Commission in place of Adam Price (Plaid Cymru).

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

Motion to elect a Member to a committee (5 mins)

The item started at 15.43

NDM6877 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.3 and 17.13(ii), elects Helen Mary Jones (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

5 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Further Education Funding

The item started at 15.44

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

NDM6862

[Bethan Sayed \(South Wales West\)](#)

[Mohammad Asghar \(South Wales East\)](#)

[Helen Mary Jones \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

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

[Suzy Davies \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Regrets that funding for further education has been under significant pressure in recent years as a result of funding cuts.
2. Notes that the further education sector has been placed under extra demand, in part due to the Welsh Government's policies relating to lifelong learning, skills and employability, which have been clarified in the recent employability plan updated by written statement in September 2018.
3. Expresses concern that staff in further education institutions are considering strike action over insufficient pay and concerns over heavy workloads.
4. Proposes that there be no further reduction in the amount of funding received by the further education sector and that its position as key to productivity, skills, training and employability in the Welsh economy be recognised.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
22	3	21	46

The motion was agreed.

6 Debate on the Standards of Conduct Committee report: Creating the Right Culture

The item started at 16.31

NDM6870 [Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Standards of Conduct Committee, 'Creating the Right Culture', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 13 September 2018.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Debate on Petition P-05-828 Presumption in Favour of Rural Schools

The item started at 17.11

NDM6871 [David J. Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the petition, 'P-05-828 Presumption in favour of rural schools', which received 5,125 signatures.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

8 Voting Time

The item started at 17.49

9 Short Debate

The item started at 17.50

NDM6872 [Rhianon Passmore \(Islwyn\)](#)

Transport for Wales: the vehicle to transform rail services in Islwyn.

The meeting concluded at 18.02

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 27 November 2018