

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 13 February 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

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### 1 Questions to the Minister for Economy and Transport

The item started at 13.30xx

The first 9 questions were asked. Questions 2 and 7 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister and Deputy after question 2.

### 2 Questions to the Counsel General and Brexit Minister (in respect of his Brexit Minister responsibilities)

The item started at 14.21

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

### 3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.10

[To ask the Minister for Housing and Local Government]

[Jenny Rathbone \(Cardiff Central\)](#) Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of accommodation for people leaving Cardiff Prison in light of the latest report from the Independent Monitoring Board?



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## 4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.20

**Jack Sargeant** made a statement wishing the Nomads (his local football team) good luck ahead of their Semi Final game in the Irn Bru Cup (the only Welsh team in competition) and extending best wishes to Newport ahead of their match against Man City.

**Suzy Davies** made a statement on Defibruary – a campaign organised by Welsh Ambulance Service Trust for February each year to encourage people and organisations to consider installing a Defibrillator, raising money for one, and publicising the availability of defibs around Wales that the public can access in an emergency.

### Motions to elect Members to Committees (5 mins)

The item started at 15.23

#### NDM6971 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Orders 17.3 and 17.13(ii), elects Delyth Jewell (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee;

#### NDM6972 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Delyth Jewell (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee in place of Dai Lloyd (Plaid Cymru).

The motions were agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 5 Statement by the Llywydd: Introduction of a Commission-proposed Bill – Senedd and Elections (Wales) Bill

The item started at 15.23

## **6 Debate on the Public Accounts Committee report: Natural Resources Wales' Annual Report and Account 2017–18**

The item started at 16.14

**NDM6965 [Nick Ramsay \(Monmouth\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Report of the Public Accounts Committee's – Scrutiny of Annual Report and Accounts 2017–18 – which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 26 November 2018.

Notes: The Welsh Government's response to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 11 January 2019.

**The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.**

## **7 Plaid Cymru debate – Welsh Independent Living Grant**

The item started at 17.02

**NDM6967 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Calls on the Welsh Government to retain the Welsh Independent Living Grant in full.

**The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.**

## **8 United Kingdom Independence Party debate – Prisons and Prisoners**

The item started at 17.47

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM6966 [Gareth Bennett \(South Wales Central\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that prisons should be places of reform and rehabilitation, and that imprisonment is a punishment for those found guilty of a crime.

2. Resolves that prisoners should not be given the right to vote in Welsh elections.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	1	34	48

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that prisons should be places of reform and rehabilitation.
2. Supports the principle of voting rights for prisoners at Welsh elections, but awaits the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee's report.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
33	0	15	48

Amendment 1 was agreed.

As amendment 1 was agreed, amendments 2 and 3 were de-selected

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6966 [Gareth Bennett \(South Wales Central\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that prisons should be places of reform and rehabilitation.
2. Supports the principle of voting rights for prisoners at Welsh elections, but awaits the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee's report.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	4	10	48

The motion as amended was agreed.

## Point of Order

The item started at 18.35

Jane Hutt AM raised a Point of Order under Standing Order 12.37 stating that she voiced an objection to NDM6967 (Plaid Cymru debate – Welsh Independent Living Grant) being agreed without amendment, and asked that the Llywydd to clarify the status of that motion.

The Llywydd responded stating that neither she nor the Clerks heard the objection and that the motion without amendment had already been declared as agreed under Standing Order 12.36. However the Llywydd noted the Member's objection and confirmed the Government's viewpoint is now a matter for the record.

## 9 Voting Time

The item started at 18.36

## 10 Short Debate

The item started at 18.39

**NDM6962 [Dai Lloyd \(South Wales West\)](#)**

Air quality legislation fit for modern challenges.

The meeting concluded at 19.03

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 19 February 2019**