

# Agenda – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 8 May 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

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

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call party spokespeople to ask questions without notice after Question 2.

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

(45 mins)

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### 3 Topical Questions

No Topical Questions were accepted.

### 4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

### Committee Membership (5 mins)

NDM7049 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)



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Wales

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.3, removes Gareth Bennett (United Kingdom Independence Party) as a Member of the Standards of Conduct Committee.

## 5 Welsh Conservatives debate – Esports

(60 mins)

### NDM7044 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the growing impact that the esports industry is having on local economies around the world, such as the 2017 tournaments in Valencia and Cologne which attracted between 15,000 – 40,000 attendees.
2. Notes that the UK Government's Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport are undertaking an inquiry to explore the potential for esports in the UK, among other technology trends.
3. Welcomes the recommendations of the UK Government commissioned Bazalgette Review into the Creative Industries, which outlines recommendations for how the esports sector can underpin the UK's future economic growth, by:
  - a) raising the status of esports with government sponsored competitions, national teams, and media coverage; and
  - b) increasing the UK Government's investment by an extra £23.7 million over five years to extend the highly successful and innovative UK Games Fund and Transfuser development programmes.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
  - a) examine the potential economic benefits of the esports industry in Wales;
  - b) consult with suitable stakeholders to organise and host an international esports competition in Wales;
  - c) report on progress to the Assembly no later than 1 October 2019.

[UK Government – Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport – Independent Review of the Creative Industries – 22 September 2017](#)

The following amendment was tabled:

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

Delete point 4 and replace with:

Notes the significant investments made by the Welsh Government and its partners in recent years that has helped establish a thriving Creative Industries sector in Wales.

Notes the Welsh Government's intention to take a cross government approach to grow the esports industry in Wales, acknowledging that the Creative Industries Sector is a driving force for its continued success.

Calls on the UK Government to ensure that additional funding for creative industries is made available to Wales and other devolved administrations to exploit new opportunities in the creative economy.

## **6 Plaid Cymru debate – Health Boards**

(60 mins)

### **NDM7046 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the publication of the Review of Maternity Services at Cwm Taf Health Board report on 30 April 2019.

2. Notes that major concerns about quality of care and governance of health boards has also been highlighted in the following reports:

a) Trusted to Care: An independent Review of the Princess of Wales Hospital and Neath Port Talbot Hospital at Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board, 2014;

b) Donna Ockenden External Investigation into concerns raised regarding the care and treatment of patients at Tawel Fan ward, 2014; and

c) Donna Ockenden Review of the Governance Arrangements relating to the care of patients on Tawel Fan ward, 2018.

3. No longer has confidence in the current Minister for Health and Social Services in the Welsh Government to address the systemic failings raised in these, and other reports.

[Review of Maternity Services at Cwm Taf Health Board. 2019](#)

[Trusted to Care: An independent Review of the Princess of Wales Hospital and Neath Port Talbot Hospital at Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board. 2014](#)

[Donna Ockenden External Investigation into concerns raised regarding the care and treatment of patients at Tawel Fan ward. 2014](#)

[Donna Ockenden Review of the Governance Arrangements relating to the care of patients on Tawel Fan ward. 2018](#)

**The following amendment was tabled:**

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

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Accepts the recommendations of the report and recognises the distress and trauma caused to families;

Notes the actions being taken to secure immediate and sustained improvement in maternity services in the former Cwm Taf Health Board; and

Notes the actions being taken to identify and address any wider governance issues within Cwm Taf Morgannwg Health Board and across the Welsh NHS.

## **7 Plaid Cymru debate – TATA Steel and ThyssenKrupp Merger – Withdrawn**

(0 mins)

**NDM7047 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that TATA Steel and ThyssenKrupp announced that they propose to sell the Trostre steel plant in Llanelli as part of a proposed merger of both companies.

2. Further notes that trade unions representing workers at the TATA plants in Wales have said that they are now unconvinced that the merger is the best option for TATA Steel Europe and have expressed concerns that the joint venture is not a partnership of equals, and believe that future strategic decisions may prioritise the interests of the ThyssenKrupp operations over those of TATA Steel Europe.
3. Notes that the European Commission has extended the deadline of its review of the planned joint venture deal until 17 June.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to object the merger as currently proposed and to make representations on that basis to the European Union Commission, the UK Government and the Board of TATA Steel Europe.

## **8 United Kingdom Independence Party debate – Home Working**

(60 mins)

**NDM7045 [Gareth Bennett \(South Wales Central\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that National Work Wise Week takes place from Sunday 12 May to Saturday 18 May 2019.
2. Believes that home working provides more flexibility for family responsibilities, and also has wider benefits, such as less traffic and pollution, more accessible work for disabled people, and keeping premises costs down for businesses.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that all public bodies in Wales have a duty to include home working in job design and recruitment.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to develop a specific strategy for home working within the successor project to Superfast Cymru, to ensure that people who wish to work from home are not impeded by a lack of broadband access.

**The following amendments were tabled:**

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

In point 4, delete:

“to develop a specific strategy for home working within the successor project to Superfast Cymru,”

## **Amendment 2 – [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that Professor Sharon Clarke and Dr Lyn Holdsworth of Manchester Business School have stated that flexible workers, and particularly home workers, face “the potential for occupational stress to be increased as a result of work intensification, conflicts with co-workers, and disrupted information flow” and acknowledges the need for these issues to be factored into future policy making.

[Professor Sharon Clarke and Dr Lyn Holdsworth, Flexibility in the Workplace: Implications of flexible work arrangements for individuals, teams and organisations, 2017](#)

## **9 Voting Time**

## **10 Short Debate**

(30 mins)

### **NDM7040 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

The battle for better broadband

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 14 May 2019