

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

**Y Siambr – Senedd**

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 10 July 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

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

The item started at 13.30

Questions 1–5, 8 and 9 were asked. Questions 6 and 7 were withdrawn. Questions 2 and 9 were answered by the Deputy Minister. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after question 2.

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

The item started at 14.19

The first 8 questions were asked.

### 3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.05

**To be answered by the Counsel General and Brexit Minister.**

**Alun Davies (Blaenau Gwent):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the devolution review announced last week by the Prime Minister?

### 4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.21



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**Leanne Wood** made a statement on – Rhondda actor Glyn Houston.

**Vikki Howells** made a statement on – Aberdare Park Celebrates 150 Years (In July 1869, Aberdare Park opened its gates to the public and was one of the first public parks in industrialised Wales and offered a much loved recreation ground to workers from the nearby communities. It has hosted the National Eisteddfod, with an iconic gorsedd circle providing an important local landmark in commemoration of the event. Current attractions include Aberdare Park National Road Races, a singular event in the motorbiking community. This Saturday, an event will be held to wish the park a very happy 150th birthday).

**Rhun ap Iorwerth** made a statement celebrating Tecwyn Roberts from Landdaniel, Ynys Môn, who was a leading member of the NASA team when Apollo 11 landed on the moon on 20 July 1969.

## **5 Motion to annul the School Performance and Absence Targets (Wales) (Amendments) Regulations 2019**

The item started at 15.26

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

**NDM7106 [Suzy Davies \(South Wales West\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 27.2:

Agrees that The School Performance and Absence Targets (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2019, [laid](#) before the Assembly on 6 June 2019, be annulled.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
5	19	27	51

The motion was not agreed.

## 6 Debate on the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee report – Film and major television production in Wales

The item started at 15.53.

NDM7116 [Bethan Sayed \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee on the Inquiry into Film and Major Television Production in Wales [laid](#) in Table Office on 16 May 2019.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 7 Debate on the General Principles of the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Bill

The item started at 16.30.

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

NDM7115 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 26.11:

Agrees to the general principles of the Senedd and Elections (Wales) Bill.

The [Senedd and Elections \(Wales\) Bill](#) and [Explanatory Memorandum](#) were laid before the Assembly on 12 February 2019.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
42	0	9	51

The motion was agreed.

## 8 Plaid Cymru debate – Assembly Reform

The item started at 17.41

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM7118 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Calls for an increase in the number of Assembly Members.
2. Calls for immediate action in order to increase the number of Assembly Members in time for the start of the Sixth Assembly.
3. Calls for reform of the Assembly electoral system, and the introduction of the single transferable vote system for electing Members in time for the next Assembly elections in 2021.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
11	0	40	51

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

The following amendments were tabled:

**Amendment 1 – [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#)**

Delete all and replace with;

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the report of the Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform.
2. Believes that there is no appetite amongst the voting public to increase the number of politicians in Wales at this time, and that efforts should focus instead on:
  - a) enacting the proposals of the 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies for election to the House of Commons;
  - b) speeding up local government electoral reform in Wales.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
4	0	47	51

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

**Amendment 2 – [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)**

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the publication of A Parliament that Works for Wales and its recommendations.
2. Agrees that an increase in the number of Assembly Members is needed.
3. Calls for further cross-party work to take these matters forward.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
27	0	24	51

Amendment 2 was agreed.

As amendment 2 was agreed, amendment 3 was de-selected

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

**NDM7118 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the publication of A Parliament that Works for Wales and its recommendations.
2. Agrees that an increase in the number of Assembly Members is needed.
3. Calls for further cross-party work to take these matters forward.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	0	15	50

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 9 Voting Time

The item started at 18.56

## 10 Short Debate

The item started at 19.00

NDM7117 [Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

Caring for our carers: Securing the recognition, respite and support our carers deserve.

The meeting concluded at 19.24

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 16 July 2019**