Meeting date: Wednesday, 12 October 2011

Meeting time: 13:30



National Assembly for **Wales**



Votes and Proceedings

1. Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills

All 15 questions were asked. Question 4, 9 and 12 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Skills. Question 14 was withdrawn.

14.20

2. Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Communities

The first 13 questions were asked. Questions 1 and 7 were withdrawn.

15.01

3. Statement by the First Minister: The Welsh Government's Approach to Economic Stimulus

15.21

4. Motion to elect Trustees of the Members' Pension Scheme

NDM4820 Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, acting under Standing Order No. 1.7, elects David Melding AM, Mike Hedges AM, Peter Black AM and Jocelyn Davies AM as Trustees of the National Assembly for Wales Members' pension scheme in place of Rosemary Butler AM, John Griffiths AM, Lord German and Lord Wigley.

The Motion was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

15.22

5. Welsh Conservatives Debate

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM4821 William Graham (South Wales East)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) Establish a 'National Cancer Plan'; and

b) Appoint an independent cancer co-ordinator to oversee the implementation of that 'National Cancer Plan' and to raise awareness of cancer, coordinate services and champion preventative measures.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	38	55

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Insert at start of point 1:

'Notes the unanimous endorsement of the Assembly on 5 October 2011 for drawing up and implementing a National Cancer Plan and therefore'.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
40	0	13	53

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point b) and replace with:

Review what support is needed at an all Wales level to support NHS Wales in tackling cancer.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	17	55

Amendment 2 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM4821 William Graham (South Wales East)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the unanimous endorsement of the Assembly on 5 October 2011 for drawing up and implementing a National Cancer Plan and therefore calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) Establish a 'National Cancer Plan'; and

b) Review what support is needed at an all Wales level to support NHS Wales in tackling cancer.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
55	0	0	55

The motion as amended was agreed.

16.21 6. Plaid Cymru Debate

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM4822 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Regrets the 41% cut in the Welsh Government's capital budget and its adverse impact on the construction sector; and

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to stimulate the economy by:

a) Creating an infrastructure investment fund;

b) Making use of Local Authority borrowing powers;

c) Taking action to help increase the percentage of Welsh based companies winning public procurement tenders; and

d) Looking for innovative ways of raising capital for infrastructure projects other than PFI.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
43	0	12	55

The motion without amendment was agreed.

17.20

7. Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM4824 Peter Black (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) Establish a comprehensive person-centred Cancer Plan to:

i) set clear targets on making the best available treatment available to everybody in Wales regardless of the type of cancer they have or where they live;

ii) develop clear plans for detecting cancer earlier in Wales.

iii) ensure holistic support is provided for those living with cancer and their families from the moment they suspect they have cancer, during and beyond treatment as well as at the end of life;

b) Establish a Cancer Drugs Fund; and

c) Develop a plan to support cancer survivors.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	38	55

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Insert at start of point 1:

'Notes the unanimous endorsement of the Assembly on 5 October 2011 for drawing up and implementing a National Cancer Plan and therefore'.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
42	0	12	54

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete points b.) and c.) and replace with:

ensure people have equity of access, promptly, to safe and effective cancer treatment.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	17	55

Amendment 2 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM4824 Peter Black (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the unanimous endorsement of the Assembly on 5 October 2011 for drawing up and implementing a National Cancer Plan and therefore calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) Establish a comprehensive person-centred Cancer Plan to:

i) set clear targets on making the best available treatment available to everybody in Wales regardless of the type of cancer they have or where they live;

ii) develop clear plans for detecting cancer earlier in Wales.

iii) ensure holistic support is provided for those living with cancer and their families from the moment they suspect they have cancer, during and beyond treatment as well as at the end of life; and

b) ensure people have equity of access, promptly, to safe and effective cancer treatment.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
55	0	0	55

The motion as amended was agreed.

18.05 Voting Time

18.09 8. Short Debate NDM4823 Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):

Small Businesses, Big Impact

The meeting concluded at 18.29.

The Assembly will sit again at Plenary at 13:30 on Tuesday, 18 October 2011