

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 22 January 2020

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Minister for Economy and Transport

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. Questions 1 and 2 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 14.27

Questions 1–6, 8 and 10 were asked. Questions 1, 4 and 5 were grouped together for answer. Question 7 and 9 were not asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister after question 2.

3 LCM on the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill

The item started at 15.11

NDM7231 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provisions in the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity)



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Bill in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

A Legislative Consent Memorandum has been laid in Table Office on 14 January 2020 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

[Direct Payments to Farmers \(Legislative Continuity\) Bill 2019–20](#)

[Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee Report](#)

[Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Report](#)

4 Topical Questions

No topical questions were accepted

5 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.21

Elin Jones made a statement on Celebrating 60 years of Aberystwyth's Sain talking newspaper – the oldest in Britain.

6 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Suicide Bereavement Support

The item started at 15.23

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

NDM7211 [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises that losing someone to suicide is a uniquely devastating loss for families, friends and whole communities.
2. Notes the limited support available in Wales to support those bereaved by suicide.

3. Notes that losing someone to suicide is a major risk factor for dying by suicide and that support for those bereaved is a vital part of suicide prevention.

4. Calls on the Welsh Government to urgently ensure there is support for those bereaved by suicide available across Wales as part of a comprehensive postvention pathway for Wales. In doing so, the Welsh Government must ensure that improvements to services and the new pathway are co-produced by those with lived experience of suicide bereavement.

Co-Submitters

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

[David Melding \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Supporters

[Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#)

[David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#)

[Jack Sargeant \(Alyn and Deeside\)](#)

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

[Joyce Watson \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Mark Isherwood \(North Wales\)](#)

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	12	0	47

The motion was agreed.

7 Debate on the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee report: Mental Health in Policing and Police Custody

The item started at 16.11

NDM7233 [Dai Lloyd \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee: Mental health in policing and police custody, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 30 October 2019.

Note: The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 10 December 2019.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

8 Debate on the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee report: Changes to freedom of movement after Brexit – implications for Wales

The item started at 16.40

NDM7237 [David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee on its Inquiry into changes to freedom of movement after Brexit – the implications for Wales, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 8 November 2019.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

9 Conservative Party Debate – Workforce Skills Post-Brexit

The item started at 17.35

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM7234 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the importance of further education provision in developing the skills of the Welsh workforce to meet the demands of the Welsh economy post-Brexit.
 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to invest in the people of Wales by:
 - a) increasing funding into further education;
 - b) expanding the number of degree apprenticeships in Wales;
 - c) creating an adult learning allowance to help people enhance and develop their skills;
- and

d) developing an Institute of Technology in north Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	34	47

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

In point 2, insert as new sub-point after sub-point (b) and re-number accordingly:

'increasing support networks for apprentices via formal partnership arrangements with further education colleges;'

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	27	47

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

In point 2, delete sub-point 2(d) and replace with:

'working with FEIs, universities and employers to ensure that provision meets the evolving technology needs of the economy.'

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	1	12	47

Amendment 2 was agreed.

Amendment 3 – [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to recognise the importance of Erasmus+ in attracting people to Wales to meet the demands of the Welsh economy via the further education and higher education sectors and commit to opposing any attempt by the UK Government to exit the programme in 2021.

A vote was taken on amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
34	13	0	47

Amendment 3 was agreed.

Amendment 4 – [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to create better conditions for developing the skills of the Welsh workforce by increasing the first year minimum wage for an apprentice to the standard, national minimum wage, relevant to the person's age group.

A vote was taken on amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
9	8	30	47

Amendment 4 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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 - c) creating an adult learning allowance to help people enhance and develop their skills;and
 - d) working with FEIs, universities and employers to ensure that provision meets the evolving technology needs of the economy.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to recognise the importance of Erasmus+ in attracting people to Wales to meet the demands of the Welsh economy via the further

education and higher education sectors and commit to opposing any attempt by the UK Government to exit the programme in 2021.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	9	0	47

The motion as amended was agreed.

10 Voting Time

The item started at 18.26

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11 Short Debate

The item started at 18.29

NDM7235 [Hefin David \(Caerphilly\)](#)

The case for anchor towns: Their role in building a fairer economy.

The meeting concluded at 18.59

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 28 January 2020