Meeting date: Tuesday, 21 February 2012

Meeting time: 13:30



National Assembly for **Wales**



Votes and Proceedings

1. Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

Question 5 was not asked. Question 7 was withdrawn. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after Question 2.

2. Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.16

3. Statement by the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House: The Benefits of Public Procurement for the Economy and Local Communities

The item started at 14.37

4. Statement by the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development: Environment Strategy Annual Report 2010-11

The item started at 15.20

5. Debate on Approaches to Regeneration

The item started at 15.56

NDM4915 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Government's intention to review its approaches to regeneration in line with the whole Government agenda of tackling poverty and supporting economic growth.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that Communities First, one of its key programmes for community regeneration, demonstrates improved performance by ensuring the programme has clear, relevant and measurable targets to tackle poverty and that funding is directed towards meeting these targets.

Amendment 1 was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

Amendment 2 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that regeneration projects are focussed on democratically accountable local priorities by increasing the role that local councils play in the whole process.

Amendment 2 was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

Amendment 3 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that vibrant town centres can play an important role in regenerating a community's economy.

Amendment 3 was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

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

Amendment 4 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises that the Welsh Government's micromanagement of its regeneration agenda is not working and that sustainable regeneration will require the Third and Independent sectors to become real partners in strategy and delivery.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	7	29	52

Amendment 4 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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Believes that vibrant town centres can play an important role in regenerating a community's economy.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
40	0	12	52
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The motion as amended was agreed.

6. Debate on The Police Settlement

The item started at 16.54

NDM4916 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, under Section 84H of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, approves the Local Government Finance Report (No. 2) 2012–13 (Final Settlement – Police Authorities), which was laid in the Table Office on 14th February 2012.

Voting on the motion under this item was deferred until Voting Time. The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
40	0	12	52

The motion was agreed.

Voting Time Voting Time started at 17.35

The meeting concluded at 17:36

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30 on Wednesday, 22 February 2012