

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 4 March 2014

Meeting time:
13.30

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National
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Wales



Agenda

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1 Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Minister for Culture and Sport (45 mins)

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3 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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4 Statement by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration: Increasing the Housing Supply (30 mins)

Supporting Documents

[Delivering More Homes for Wales – Report of the Housing Supply Task Force](#)

[Draft Planning \(Wales\) Bill and Positive planning: proposals to reform the planning system in Wales](#)

[TAN23 Economic Development](#)

5 Statement by the Deputy Minister for Tackling Poverty: Delivering the Programme for Government – Update on Flying Start Expansion (30 mins)

Supporting Documents

[Ipsos Mori – Flying Start qualitative research with high need families](#)

[Flying Start, Summary Statistics 2012–13 – Revised](#)

6 Debate: The Estyn Annual Report 2012–13 (60 mins)

NDM5442 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the annual report for 2012–13 of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales.

A copy of the report was laid in table office on 29 January 2014 and is available on the following link: <http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-business-fourth-assembly-laid-docs.htm?act=dis&id=253343&ds=2/2014>

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that standards of education in Wales have not improved in the main and that:

- a) the proportion of secondary schools branded ‘unsatisfactory’ increased from 14% to 23%;
- b) excellent schools remain in a small minority; and
- c) two thirds of secondary schools and half of primary schools are in need of follow-up inspections.

Amendment 2 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that the Welsh Government must do more to boost the morale of teachers in Welsh schools.

Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes Estyn's recommendation that tackling the impacts of poverty should be central to whole-school planning and that all staff must understand the role they have to play, and calls on the Welsh Government to outline the steps it is taking to embed awareness of the Pupil Deprivation Grant amongst all staff in schools to ensure the most effective use of this funding to mitigate the impact of poverty in schools.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets Estyn's findings that 'mainstream schools do not always provide Pupil Referral Units with good quality or timely information about pupils' learning needs' and calls on the Welsh Government to develop more individualised monitoring mechanisms in order to achieve a 'clear picture of pupils' abilities, needs and prior progress'.

Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets Estyn's finding that 'Fewer than half of secondary schools are good or better and the proportion that is unsatisfactory has increased from one in seven to one in four'.

Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes excellent leaders and teachers are the key to raising standards in schools.

Amendment 7 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that standards are raised more sustainably when schools collaborate rather than compete.

7 Debate: International Women's Day (60 mins)

NDM5443 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Celebrates International Women's Day 2014 in recognition of the role played by women in the economic, political, social and cultural life of Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the achievements of Wales' sportswomen and how they serve as positive role models for young women and men.

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the 'A Woman's Place' report from Chwarae Teg which showed that a majority of employers think that further governmental action, in particular help with childcare, would help achieve equality between men and women in the workplace and calls on the Welsh Government to outline the steps it will take to expand the provision of affordable and quality childcare in Wales.

'A Woman's Place' can be found at <http://chwaraeteg.com/a-womans-place/>

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 5 March 2014

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 27 February 2014 for answer on 4 March 2014 2014

R – Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W – Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

The Presiding Officer has agreed to call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

To ask the First Minister

- 1. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd):** What discussions has the Welsh Government had with Ministers in the Wales Office regarding the recent flooding? OAQ(4)1523(FM)
- 2. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the First Minister make a statement on what actions the Welsh Government is taking to improve the economy of the Cynon Valley? OAQ(4)1526(FM)
- 3. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh unemployment levels? OAQ(4)1524(FM)
- 4. Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr):** Will the First Minister make a statement on waiting times for patients who have had a mastectomy to receive test results following surgery? OAQ(4)1521(FM)
- 5. Aled Roberts (North Wales):** Will the First Minister provide an update on Welsh in Education Strategic Plans? OAQ(4)1532(FM)W
- 6. Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government action to support the economy in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)1533(FM)
- 7. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on his priorities for the energy sector in Wales for 2014/15? OAQ(4)1517(FM)
- 8. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the economic growth commitments included in the Programme for Government? OAQ(4)1519(FM)
- 9. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth):** Will the First Minister outline what support is being offered to local authorities to safeguard the future of

community centres? OAQ(4)1522(FM)

10. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the First Minister provide an update on the funding available for coastal defences in Wales? OAQ(4)1531(FM)

11. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd): Will the First Minister make a statement on areas of growth within the Welsh economy?
OAQ(4)1529(FM)

12. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): Will the First Minister make a statement on the 2014/15 county council budgets? OAQ(4)1527(FM)W

13. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's efforts to tackle the problems caused by so called "legal highs" in Wales? OAQ(4)1520(FM)

14. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's planning arrangements for civil emergencies in Wales? OAQ(4)1530(FM)

15. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's efforts to respond to the outcomes of the Cynhadledd Fawr on the Welsh language? OAQ(4)1528(FM)W

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 25 February 2014 for answer on 4 March 2014

R – Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W – Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Culture and Sport

1. **Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**: What discussions has the Minister had regarding developing sports facilities in Mid Wales? OAQ(4)0131(CS)W

2. **Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales)**: Will the Minister make a statement on the implementation of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013? OAQ(4)0126(CS)

3. **Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)**: Will the Minister make a statement on grass roots football in Brecon and Radnorshire? OAQ(4)0124(CS)

4. **William Powell (Mid and West Wales)**: Will the Minister make a statement on his priorities for Welsh National Parks in 2014/15? OAQ(4)0123(CS)

5. **Lynne Neagle (Torfaen)**: What are the Minister's priorities for promoting sporting opportunities in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0135(CS)

6. **Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)**: What measures is the Welsh Government taking to increase the number of women taking part in sporting activities? OAQ(4)0119(CS)

7. **Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)**: Will the Minister make a statement on national standards for libraries? OAQ(4)0125(CS)W

8. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on what actions the Welsh Government is taking to increase sporting participation in Carmarthenshire? OAQ(4)0127(CS)W

9. Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister outline what the Welsh Government is doing to maintain library standards in Wales?
OAQ(4)0129(CS)W

10. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): What discussions has the Minister had with leaders of Welsh local authorities about the impact of budget cuts on cultural facilities? OAQ(4)0133(CS)

11. Byron Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister outline Welsh Government policies to support public museums in South Wales West?
OAQ(4)0134(CS)

12. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North): What discussions has the Minister had with Cardiff Council in relation to Cardiff being the 2014 European Capital of Sport? OAQ(4)0132(CS)

13. Mike Hedges (Swansea East): Will the Minister provide an update on the action plan for chapels being carried out by CADW?
OAQ(4)0130(CS)

14. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): What steps is the Minister taking to promote the use of museums and galleries by children and young people in Wales? OAQ(4)0128(CS)

15. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister outline his priorities for young people in sport in Pembrokeshire? OAQ(4)0122(CS)

Agenda Item 3

Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 11 March 2014 & Wednesday 12 March 2014

Tuesday 18 March 2014 & Wednesday 19 March 2014

Tuesday 25 March 2014 & Wednesday 26 March 2014

Tuesday 11 March 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Modernising Welsh Agriculture: Online Systems for Farmers (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Finance: Progress on Improving Public Procurement (30 mins)
- Debate: The Second Supplementary Budget 2013-14 (30 mins)
- Motion under Standing Order 26.36 to vary the order of consideration of Report Stage amendments to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Bill (5 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Education (Wales) Bill (120 mins)

In accordance with Standing Order 26.36, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.

Wednesday 12 March 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources and Food (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Housing and Regeneration (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Liberal Democrats (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales) (30 mins)

Tuesday 18 March 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Debate: The Report of the Expert Group on Diversity in Local Government (60 mins)
- Debate: The Legislative Programme (60 mins)
- Report Stage debate for the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Bill (150 mins)

If the Assembly agrees the motion under Standing Order 26.36 the amendments will be disposed of in the order that the sections and schedules to which they relate, are set out in the motion. If the Assembly does not agree the motion, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.

Wednesday 19 March 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)
- Questions to the Counsel General (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Statement by Darren Millar: Introduction of a Member proposed Bill – Holiday Caravan Sites (Wales) Bill (30 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (120 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire) (30 mins)

Tuesday 25 March 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the First Minister: Policy Statement on the Welsh Language (30 mins)
- The Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Detection of Fraud) (Wales) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)
- The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)
- Debate: Delivery of Fire and Rescue Services in Wales (60 mins)
- Debate: Tackling Housing Related Anti-Social Behaviour (60 mins)
- Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Education (Wales) Bill (15 mins)

Wednesday 26 March 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Finance (45 mins)
- Questions to the Local Government and Government Business (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Questions to the Assembly Commission (15 mins)
- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Julie James (Swansea West) (30 mins)