

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 25 March 2014

Meeting time:
13.30

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National
Assembly for
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.

[View Questions](#)

2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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3 Statement by the First Minister: Policy Statement on the Welsh Language – Response to Reports on Mentrau Iaith and Welsh Speaking Communities (30 mins)

Supporting Documents

[A Review of the Work of the Mentrau Iaith, Language Action Plans and Aman Tawe Language Promotion Scheme](#)

[Increasing the number of communities where Welsh is the main language – Report of the Task and Finish Group](#)

[A living language: a language for living – Welsh language strategy 2012 to 2017](#)

[Report of the Welsh Language and Economic Development Task and Finish Group](#)

4 The Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Detection of Fraud) (Wales) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)

NDM5473 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Prevention of Social Housing Fraud (Detection of Fraud) (Wales) Regulations 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 7 January 2014.

Supporting Documents

[The Prevention of Social Housing Fraud \(Detection of Fraud\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2014](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

5 The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)

NDM5472 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5

Approves that the draft The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 4 March 2014.

Supporting Documents

[The Council Tax Reduction Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2014](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

6 Debate: Delivery of Fire and Rescue Services in Wales (60 mins)

NDM5474 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Welsh Government's work with Fire and Rescue Services in Wales to deliver safer communities for citizens.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes with concern the rise in attacks on fire and rescue crews and the impact this has on delivering safer communities.

Amendment 2 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for a robust joint evaluation of fire safety interventions by the Welsh Government, Fire and Rescue Services and the third sector.

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the essential work undertaken by fire fighters – on whom Welsh communities rely for much more than fire fighting.

Amendment 4 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes there should be a national approach to fire and rescue service in which strategic operational decisions are made on the basis of service need.

Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward proposals to examine the structure of Fire and Rescue Services in Wales.

Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to work closely with Fire and Rescue Authorities to ensure proper provision, particularly in rural areas.

7 Debate: Tackling Housing Related Anti-Social Behaviour (60 mins)

NDM5475 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the negative impact that housing related anti-social behaviour can have on people and on their health and well-being;
2. Notes the findings of the Welsh Government's research "Wales Anti-Social behaviour: Policy and Practice Review" as a foundation for further action; and
3. Calls on relevant public and third sector organisations to work together more effectively to address housing related anti-social behaviour.

The "Wales Anti-Social Behaviour: Policy and Practice Review" is available on the following link: <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/housing-and-regeneration/publications/how-social-landlords-tackle-anti-social-behaviour/?lang=en>

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert as new point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Believes that anti-social behaviour policies and procedures are most effective when focused on early intervention, prevention, and cooperation between agencies.

Amendment 2 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

In point 2, after ‘findings’ insert ‘and key recommendations’.

Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Delete point 3 and replace with:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that relevant public and third sector organisations work together more effectively to address housing related anti-social behaviour.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the extensive overlap between areas such as housing, anti-social behaviour, community safety and policing, and believes that housing related anti-social behaviour could be more effectively tackled if all these areas were to be devolved.

8 Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Education (Wales) Bill (15 mins)

Stage 4 Standing Order 26.47 motion to approve the Education (Wales) Bill

Supporting Document

[Education \(Wales\) Bill, as amended at Stage 3](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 26 March 2014

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 20 March 2014 for answer on 25 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)

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. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What action has the Welsh Government taken to promote Cardiff as a business destination for financial services? OAQ(4)1578(FM)

2. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East): What action will the Welsh Government be taking now that the report on public attitudes to smoking in cars carrying children clearly indicates support for a ban to be imposed? OAQ(4)1575(FM)

3. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on how the Welsh planning system delivers equitable solutions for Welsh constituents? OAQ(4)1583(FM)

WITHDRAWN

4. Byron Davies (South Wales West): Will the First Minister make a statement on the future of the Welsh bus network? OAQ(4)1586(FM)

5. Sandy Mewies (Delyn): Will the First Minister provide an update on how the Welsh Government intends to raise standards for tenants in the private rented sector? OAQ(4)1580(FM)

6. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the First Minister make a statement on parental preference when choosing schools in the Welsh education system? OAQ(4)1577(FM)

7. William Powell (Mid and West Wales): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's commitment to animal micro chipping? OAQ(4)1576(FM)

8. David Rees (Aberavon): Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government support for small businesses in Aberavon? OAQ(4)1582(FM)

9. Mike Hedges (Swansea East): Will the First Minister provide an update on the services provided by Cardiff Airport? OAQ(4)1571(FM)

10. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): What consideration will the Welsh Government be giving to noise pollution in the forthcoming Planning Bill? OAQ(4)1572(FM)

11. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What discussions has the First Minister had regarding the proposed Welsh language standards? OAQ(4)1584(FM)W

12. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's policy on NHS Continuing Healthcare? OAQ(4)1581(FM)

13. Mark Isherwood (North Wales): What are the implications of the UK Government's 2014 Budget Statement for Wales? OAQ(4)1579(FM)

14. Julie James (Swansea West): Will the First Minister outline the Welsh Government's plans for developing tourism infrastructure in south Wales? OAQ(4)1573(FM)

15. Gwyn Price (Islwyn): Will the First Minister make a statement on how Islwyn benefits from continued membership of the European Union? OAQ(4)1574(FM)

Agenda Item 2

Business Statement and Announcement

Tuesday 1 April 2014 and Wednesday 2 April 2014

Recess: Monday 7 April 2014 – Sunday 27 April 2014

Tuesday 29 April 2014 and Wednesday 30 April 2014

Tuesday 6 May 2014 and Wednesday 7 May 2014

Tuesday 1 April 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Culture and Sport (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: The Welsh Government's Review into English GCSE January 2014 Results (45 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Progress towards Delivering Growth, an Action Plan for the Food and Drink Industry in Wales (30 mins)
- The Public Bodies (Abolition of the Committee on Valuation) Order 2014 (15 mins)
- Motion to agree the general principles of the Housing (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Motion to agree the financial resolution in respect of the Housing (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

Wednesday 2 April 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (45 mins)

Assembly Business

- Motion to amend Schedule 1 of the National Assembly for Wales (Remuneration) Measure (2010) (5 mins)

- Motion under Standing Order 10.5 to appoint the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (15 mins)
- Debate on the Environment and Sustainability Committee's Report on its Inquiry into Invasive Non Native Species (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Liberal Democrats (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Aled Roberts (North Wales) (30 mins)

Tuesday 29 April 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Welsh and UK Government Alignment of Employment Support (30 mins)
- Debate: The approval of the draft 'Children's Rights Scheme 2014' under the Rights of Children and Young Persons (Wales) Measure 2011 (60 mins)
- Debate: The Wales Rural Development Programme 2014–2020 (60 mins)
- Debate: The Second Report of the Silk Commission on Devolution in Wales (60 mins)

Wednesday 30 April 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 (120 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)

Tuesday 6 May 2014

Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Culture and Sport: Baroness Kay Andrews' Report on Culture and Poverty (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Local Government and Government Business: Update on Chapter 7 of the Programme for Government "Safer Communities for All" (30 mins)

Wednesday 7 May 2014

Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)
- Questions to the Counsel General (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 (30 mins)