Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 14 January 2014

Meeting time:
13:30

Agenda

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

Urgent Question
William Graham (South Wales East) Will the Minister make a statement concerning the co-ordination of the emergency services with other government departments, agencies and voluntary services in tackling the adverse weather conditions and flooding?

2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

View Business Statement and Announcement

3 Statement by the Counsel General: The Referral of the Recovery of Medical Costs for Asbestos Diseases (Wales) Bill to the Supreme Court (30 mins)

4 Statement by the Minister for Culture and Sport: Historic Environment Services in Wales (30 mins)

5 Statement by the Minister for Natural Resources and Food: Implementation of a new Common Agricultural Policy (30 mins)
6 Supplementary Legislative Consent Motion on the Children and Families Bill in respect of an amendment in relation to section 98(1) of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (30 mins)

NDM5383 Gwenda Thomas (Neath)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions in the Children and Families Bill, relating to amendments to section 98(1) of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 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 3 December 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2(iii).

A copy of the Bill can be found here:


Supporting Document
Legislative Consent Memorandum
Legal Advice Note

7 The Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2014 (15 mins)

NDM5395 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

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

Approves that the draft The Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 26 November 2013.

Supporting Documents
The Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2014
Explanatory Memorandum

8 The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)

NDM5392 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 (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 9 December 2013.

Supporting Documents
The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014
Explanatory Memorandum
Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Report

Motion to suspend Standing Order 11.16 to allow the next item of business to be debated (5 mins)
NDM5400 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

That the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8:

Suspends that part of Standing Order 11.16 that requires the weekly announcement under Standing Order 11.11 to constitute the timetable for business in Plenary for the following week, to allow the motion under item 9 to be considered in Plenary on Tuesday 14 January 2014.

9 The Non–Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2014 (15 mins)
NDMD5396 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

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

Approves that the draft The Non–Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 6 January 2014.

Supporting Documents
The Non–Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2014
Explanatory Memorandum
Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee
10 Debate: The 2014–15 Local Government Revenue & Capital Settlements (60 mins)

NDM5393 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Section 84H of the Local Government Finance Act 1988:

Approves the Local Government Finance Report (No. 1) 2014–2015 (Final Settlement – Councils), which was laid in the Table Office on 7 January 2014.

Supporting Document
The Local Government Finance Report (No. 1) 2014–2015 (Final Settlement – Councils)


NDM5394 Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the progress made on promoting equality and inclusion in 2012–13, as set out in the Welsh Government’s Annual Report on Equality, which was laid before the National Assembly for Wales on 13 December 2013.

Supporting Document
The Welsh Government’s Annual Report on Equality

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to encourage the development of domestic abuse workplace policies for public sector employees.

Amendment 2 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Believes that victims of sex crimes should have the right to be informed when their attacker is released from custody, including the conditions of their release, and that this right should be included in the forthcoming Ending Violence Against Women and Domestic Abuse Bill.

Amendment 3 – William Graham (South Wales East)
Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Recognises the need to ensure that support services for victims of sexual violence are of a consistent standard and are available throughout Wales.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at the end of the motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to consider introducing an Access to Elected Office for Disabled People Fund such as that introduced by the UK Government.

Voting Time

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Wednesday, 15 January 2014