

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 14 October 2014**

Meeting time:  
**13.30**

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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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## 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 Education and Skills (45 mins)**

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

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### **3 Questions to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (45 mins)**

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

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### **4 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)**

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**5 Statement by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty: Town Centre Regeneration (30 mins)**

**6 The Town and Country Planning (Determination of Procedure) (Wales) Order 2014 (15 mins)**

**NDM5598 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

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

Approves that the draft The Town and Country Planning (Determination of Procedure) (Wales) Order 2014 is made in accordance with the draft laid in the Table Office on 22 September 2014.

#### **Supporting Documents**

[The Town and Country Planning \(Determination of Procedure\) \(Wales\) Order 2014 Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Report of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee](#) – *no reporting points*

**7 Debate on the General Principles of the Higher Education (Wales) Bill (60 mins)**

**NDM5597 Huw Lewis (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 26.11:

Agrees to the general principles of the Higher Education (Wales) Bill

The Higher Education (Wales) Bill and Explanatory Memorandum were laid before the Assembly on 19 May 2014;

The report of Children, Young People and Education Committee on the Higher Education (Wales) Bill was laid before the Assembly on 3 October 2014.

#### **Supporting Documents**

[Higher Education \(Wales\) Bill](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Children, Young People and Education Committee Report](#)  
[Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Report](#)

**8 Motion to agree the financial resolution in respect of the Higher Education (Wales) Bill (5 mins)**

**NDM5596 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, for the purposes of any provisions resulting from the Higher Education (Wales) Bill, agrees to any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Standing Order 26.69, arising in consequence of the Bill.

**9 Debate: The Equality and Human Rights Commission Wales Annual Report 2013–14 (60 mins)**

**NDM5595 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose the National Assembly of Wales:

Notes the Equality and Human Rights Commission Wales Annual Review 'Protecting and Promoting Equality and Human Rights'.

A copy of the report can be accessed using the attached link:

<http://www.equalityhumanrights.com/publication/protecting-and-promoting-equality-and-human-rights-wales>

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the Modern Slavery Bill introduced in the House of Commons on 10 June 2014 which proposes bringing in tougher penalties for human traffickers and which aims to enhance protection for victims.

**Amendment 2 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the fact that forcing someone to marry against their will is now a criminal offence.

**Amendment 3 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure each school has a trained member of staff with the expertise to recognise children who show signs of having witnessed domestic abuse.

**Amendment 4 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Requests the Welsh Government to take action to stop the practice of Female Genital Mutilation.

**Amendment 5 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that little progress has been made in getting women into positions of power and influence in Wales in the last ten years.

**Amendment 6 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that continuing to be a signatory to the European Convention of Human Rights is in the interests of Wales.

**Amendment 7 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the fundamental role that the Human Rights Act & the European

Convention on Human Rights play in protecting and promoting equality and human rights in Wales.

## **10 Voting Time**

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 21 October 2014