

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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## 1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

The first 9 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the Leader of the House and Chief Whip after question 2.

### Urgent Question 1

The item started at 14.18

#### To the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children:

**Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the potential health impacts of the Ffos y Fran opencast coalmine,



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following the announcement last week by the UN special rapporteur on hazardous substances and waste?

## **Urgent Question 2**

The item started at 14.27

### **To the Minister for Life–Long Learning and Welsh Language:**

**Lee Waters (Llanelli):** Will the Minister make a statement on the failure to appoint a Welsh representative on the BBC board?

## **Urgent Question 3**

The item started at 14.39

### **To the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure:**

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the long–term future of the subsidised north–south air link in light of news that Citywing has gone into liquidation?

## **Urgent Question 4**

The item started at 14.52

### **To the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well–Being and Sport:**

**Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the data security breach affecting NHS staff using radiation dose meters?

## **2 Business Statement and Announcement**

The item started at 15.11

## **3 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children: The Abolition of the Right to Buy and Associated Rights (Wales) Bill**

The item started at 15.30

## **4 Statement by the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language: Welsh in Education Strategic Plans – the way forward**

The item started at 16.14

## **5 Legislative Consent Motion on the Digital Economy Bill**

The item started at 16.56

**NDM6254** [Mark Drakeford \(Cardiff West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provisions in the Digital Economy Bill, relating to data sharing in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## **6 Debate: Municipal Waste and Recycling**

The item started at 17.15

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

NDM6255 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Agrees that Wales is a world leader in municipal waste recycling and supports the intention for:

a) further initiatives to achieve the best overall sustainable development outcomes and the objectives of Taking Wales Forward

b) Wales to become the best recycling nation in the world.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1. [David Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#)

Delete sub-point a)

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
40	0	46	50

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add at end of sub-point a):

'such as a deposit return scheme for plastic, glass and cans and a ban on polystyrene packaging.'

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	14	3	52

Amendment 2 was agreed.

**Amendment 3. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

Insert as new sub-point at end of motion:

'sustainable development outcomes to be achieved through a more circular economy based on the innovative use of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.'

A vote was taken on amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
51	0	1	52

**Amendment 3 was agreed.**

**Amendment 4. [David Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#)**

Add as new points at end of motion:

Notes with concern that recycling rates vary considerably across local authority areas in Wales, partly owing to differences in waste collection and recycling schemes used in each local authority area;

Regrets that there were 36,000 reported incidents of illegal fly tipping in Wales in 2015/2016, costing local authorities over £2.1 million in clearance costs;

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that local authorities collect residual household waste no less frequently than fortnightly, to protect public health, and deter fly-tipping.

A vote was taken on amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	0	36	52

**Amendment 4 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 5. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

In order for Wales to become the best recycling nation in the world, local authorities need to adopt best practice to increase recycling rates, learning from authorities such as Ceredigion where 68.1 per cent of municipal waste was recycled in 2015/16.

A vote was taken on amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	0	28	52

**Amendment 5 was not agreed.**

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

**NDM6255 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Agrees that Wales is a world leader in municipal waste recycling and supports the intention for:

- a) further initiatives to achieve the best overall sustainable development outcomes and the objectives of Taking Wales Forward such as a deposit return scheme for plastic, glass and cans and a ban on polystyrene packaging
- b) Wales to become the best recycling nation in the world
- c) sustainable development outcomes to be achieved through a more circular economy based on the innovative use of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
51	0	0	51

**The motion as amended was agreed.**

## **7 Voting Time**

The item started at 18.20

## **Votes Summary**

The meeting concluded at 18.23

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 15 March 2017**