

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Meeting time: 13.30

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### 1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. Questions 1, 3 and 8 were answered by the Minister for Culture, Tourism and Sport. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

### 2 Questions to the Counsel General

The item started at 14.20

All 9 questions were asked.

### 3 Topical Questions

No Topical Questions were accepted.

### 4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 14.52

Jane Hutt made a statement marking the centenary of partial women's suffrage (6 February), and paying tribute to women featured in the Barry Women's Trail.

Rhun ap Iorwerth made a statement on Bowel Cancer, and the rugby match between the Assembly and the House of Commons which will be raising money for Bowel Cancer UK (10 February).



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Dai Lloyd made a statement on World Cancer Day (4 February).

## **5 Assembly Commission Motion: Consultation on Assembly Reform**

The item started at 14.58

**NDM6646 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the report of the Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform.
2. Approves the Assembly Commission's decision to consult on the Panel's proposals and other electoral, franchise and internal reforms made possible by the Wales Act 2017.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## **6 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal – An inclusive play Bill**

The item started at 15.37

**NDM6537 [Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes a proposal for an inclusive play Bill.
2. Notes that the purpose of this Bill would be to improve inclusive play opportunities by placing a duty on local authorities so that they must provide play equipment that meet the needs of children with disabilities.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## **7 Plaid Cymru debate – The proposed M4 relief road**

The item started at 16.02

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

**NDM6647 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Resolves that the Welsh Government should not commit to financing the proposed M4 relief road without a meaningful vote on a substantive motion in the Assembly following the conclusion of the current public inquiry.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
26	0	28	54

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendment was tabled:

Amendment 1. [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Recognises that a public inquiry by independent inspectors into the M4 corridor around Newport project is still underway and nothing should be done to prejudice the outcome of the inquiry, the inspectors' report or the statutory process.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	11	15	54

Amendment 1 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6647 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Recognises that a public inquiry by independent inspectors into the M4 corridor around Newport project is still underway and nothing should be done to prejudice the outcome of the inquiry, the inspectors' report or the statutory process.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
28	11	14	53

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 8 United Kingdom Independence Party debate – Assembly Electoral Reform

The item started at 17.04

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM6645 [Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform's report entitled 'A Parliament that works for Wales'.

2. Believes that:

a) currently, there should be no increase in the number of the Assembly's elected members; and

b) the electorate must demonstrate their consent to any future increase in the number of elected members by way of a referendum.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
6	0	48	54

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendment was tabled:

Amendment 1. [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

Delete all after point 1.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	6	54

Amendment 1 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6645 [Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Expert Panel on Assembly Electoral Reform's report entitled 'A Parliament that works for Wales'.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	6	

The motion as amended was agreed.

## 9 Voting Time

The item started at 17.30

## 10 Short Debate

The item started at 17.34

NDM6648 [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#)

The role of community hospitals in 21st century healthcare

The meeting concluded at 17.55

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 13 February 2018**