

Plenary

Meeting date:
Wednesday, 24 October 2012

Meeting time:
13:30

Cynulliad
Cenedlaethol
Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(91)

1. Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

The item started at 13.30

Questions 1 – 11 were asked. Question 12 was transferred for written answer.
Questions 3 and 8 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services.

2. Questions to the Counsel General

The item started at 14.17

Questions 2 and 3 were asked. Question 1 was withdrawn.

3. Statement by the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House: Joint Statement with the UK Government on Funding Reform

The item started at 14:24

4. Questions to the Assembly Commission

The item started at 15:09

All 3 questions were asked.

Procedural Motion

Lynne Neagle moved a procedural motion in accordance with Standing Order 12.32 to postpone the short debate.

5. Motion to amend Standing Order 18 in relation to Membership of the Public Accounts Committee

The item started at 15:18

NDM5072 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly, in accordance with Standing Order 33.2:

1. Considers the Report of the Business Committee 'Proposed amendments to Standing Order 18 in relation to Membership of the Public Accounts Committee' laid in the Table Office on 17 October 2012; and
2. Approves the proposal to revise Standing Order 18, as set out in Annex B of the Report of the Business Committee.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

6. Motions to elect Members to committees

The item started at 15:19

NDM5076 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Lindsay Whittle (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee in place of Bethan Jenkins (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5077 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Jocelyn Davies (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Public Accounts Committee in place of Lindsay Whittle (Plaid Cymru).

NDM5078 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Elin Jones (Plaid Cymru) as a member of the Petitions Committee in place of Bethan Jenkins (Plaid Cymru).

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7. Debate seeking the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member Proposed Bill on a Chewing Gum Levy (Darren Millar)

The item started at 15:19

Voting on the motion was deferred until Voting Time.

A vote was taken on the motion:

NDM5046 Darren Millar (Clwyd West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 26.91:

Agrees that Darren Millar may introduce a Bill to give effect to the pre-ballot information tabled on 13 October 2011 under Standing Order 26.90.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	30	47

The motion was not agreed.

8. Debate on the Finance Committee's report 'Borrowing Powers and Innovative Approaches to Capital Funding'

The item started at 16.06

NDM5073 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Finance Committee's report on Borrowing Powers and Innovative Approaches to Capital Funding which was laid in the Table Office on 3 July 2012.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was laid in the Table Office on 17 October 2012.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

9. Plaid Cymru Debate

The item started at 16:54

Voting on the motion was deferred until Voting Time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM5074 Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the Welsh Government's ecosystem approach to natural resource management in Wales.
2. Recognises the value of the ecosystem approach to businesses and communities as well as its benefits to biodiversity.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
 - a) ensure that the ecosystem approach is used across the Welsh Government; and
 - b) promote the value of the ecosystem approach to the Welsh public and to businesses in Wales.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
32	0	16	48

The motion without amendment was agreed.

Voting Time

Voting Time started at 17:45

10. Short Debate

NDM5075 Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):

The Perfect Storm

The Short Debate was postponed by procedural motion earlier in the day's proceedings.

The meeting concluded at 17:48

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 6 November 2012