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Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 13 March 2013

Meeting time:

13:30

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru

National Assembly for **Wales**



Agenda

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1. Questions to the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (45 mins)

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2. Questions to the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (45 mins)

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Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate the following two items together but with separate votes:

3. Debate on the Standards Committee's report under Standing Order 22.9 (Report 01-13) (15 mins)

NDM5186 Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Considers the Report of the Standards of Conduct Committee Report 01–13 laid before the Assembly on 6 March 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 22.9; and
- 2. Endorses the recommendation in the report that a breach has been found and that Bethan Jenkins AM should be censured.

Supporting documents:

Standards Committee's report (01-13)

4. Debate on the Standards Committee's report under Standing Order 22.9 (Report 02-13) (15 mins)

NDM5187 Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Considers the Report of the Standards of Conduct Committee Report 02–13 laid before the Assembly on 6 March 2013 in accordance with Standing Order 22.9; and
- 2. Endorses the recommendations in the report.

Supporting documents:

Standards Committee's report (02-13)

5. Stage 1 Debate on the Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill (60 mins)

NDM5184 Peter Black (South Wales West)

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

Agrees to the general principles of the Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill.

The Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill and Explanatory Memorandum were laid before the Assembly on 24 October 2012

The report of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee on the Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill was laid before the Assembly on 21 February 2013.

Supporting documents:

Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill Explanatory Memorandum

Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's report Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee's report

6. Financial Resolution on the Regulated Mobile Home Sites (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

NDM5185 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

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

7. Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)

NDM5181 Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West)

The National Assembly for Wales:

Resolves to support the principle of pre-confirmation hearings for major public appointments in Wales.

Supported by:

Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West)

Suzy Davies (South Wales West)

William Powell (Mid and West Wales)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire)

Mark Isherwood (North Wales)

David Rees (Aberavon)

Vaughan Gething (Cardiff South and Penarth)

Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd)

Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)

David Melding (South Wales Central)

Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales)

Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East)

8. Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate (60 mins)

NDM5188 Aled Roberts (North Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Expresses concern that patients in Wales are not able to access the newest and most innovative medicines and treatments available to their counterparts across the UK:
- 2. Welcomes the creation of a Welsh Health Technology Fund but regrets the lack of investment in new, innovative technologies from the £5million allocation for the financial year 2012-2013;
- 3. Notes that the pharmaceutical industry invested £4.4billion in UK research and development in 2009 which is more than any other industry sector and believes that NHS Wales needs an environment that is receptive to innovation in order to compete effectively for clinical trials at a global level;
- 4. Believes that spending on modern medicines should be viewed as an investment rather than a cost and therefore regrets that in 2011 new medicines used in primary care accounted for only 0.5% of total NHS expenditure in Wales; and
- 5. Notes that Wales is forecast to gain savings of around £186million between 2011–2015 due to Loss of Exclusivity (LOE) and calls on the Welsh Government to invest some of this money into the Health Technology Fund, to support engagement with the All Wales Medicines Strategy Group (AWMSG) and National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) so that more patients in Wales can benefit from the latest medicines and treatments.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East)

In point 1, after 'in Wales' insert ', especially those with rare diseases,'.

Amendment 2 - William Graham (South Wales East)

In point 2, delete all after 'regrets' and replace with:

a) the lack of investment in new, innovative technologies from the £5 million allocation for the financial year 2012-2013;

b) that the Fund does not address the poor accessibility of modern cancer treatments for Welsh patients when compared to other parts of the UK.

Amendment 3 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that the Welsh Health Technology Fund extends access to modern cancer treatments for patients in Wales.

Amendment 4 - William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that the Welsh Government's record-breaking real terms cuts to the Welsh NHS budget have the potential to jeopardise the access to innovative medicines and treatments for patients.

Voting Time

9. Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5183 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):

Hywel Dda Health Board's plans for Pembrokeshire - safe and sustainable services?

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 19 March 2013

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 6 March 2013 for answer on 13 March 2013

R - Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House

- 1. William Graham (South Wales East): Will the Minister outline her consideration of social impact bonds and how they could apply to Wales. OAQ(4)0230(FIN)
- 2. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister provide an update on the Welsh Government's 'Invest to Save' programme. OAQ(4)0226(FIN)
- 3. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): What consideration did the Minister give to Welsh Local Health Boards when allocating funding to the Health and Social Services portfolio. OAQ(4)0231(FIN)
- 4. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What action will the Welsh Government take during 2013 to tackle homophobic bullying in Wales. OAQ(4)0218(FIN)
- 5. Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister provide an update on the implementation of the Framework for Action on Independent Living. OAQ(4)0224(FIN)
- 6. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister provide an update on the overall budget settlement for the Health and Social Services portfolio. OAQ(4)0222(FIN)
- 7. Aled Roberts (North Wales): What consideration does the Minister give to the potential costs of new legislation when drawing up the

- 8. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): What consideration did the Minister give to the future capital needs of the NHS when allocating the overall budget for the Health and Social Services portfolio. OAQ(4)0236(FIN)
- 9. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister had concerning the overall financial allocation to the Environment and Sustainable Development portfolio. OAQ(4)0234(FIN)
- 10. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the overall funding allocated to the Health and Social Services portfolio. OAQ(4)0221(FIN)
- 11. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central): What action is the Welsh Government taking to ensure that disabled job seekers are not discriminated against by prospective employers. OAQ(4)0227(FIN)
- 12. Mike Hedges (Swansea East): Will the Minister make a statement on progress regarding the creation of a Welsh Treasury. OAQ(4)0220(FIN)
- 13. David Rees (Aberavon): Will the Minister make a statement on the progress of the Review into Maximising the Impact of Welsh Government Procurement Policy. OAQ(4)0232(FIN)
- 14. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on monies allocated to Health and Social Services under the supplementary budget. OAQ(4)0225(FIN)
- 15. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): What assessment has the Minister made of the effectiveness of the Welsh Procurement Policy Statement in ensuring public sector contracts are accessible to all.

 OAQ(4)0228(FIN)

To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science

- 1. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What action will the Welsh Government take during 2013 to support small and medium sized enterprises in Wales. OAQ(4)0234(BET)
- 2. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister provide an update on the support the Welsh Government can offer to companies looking to head quarter their business in the Vale of Clwyd. OAQ(4)0241(BET)
- 3. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's support for independent businesses in the Pontypridd constituency. OAQ(4)0245(BET)
- 4. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): What steps is the Minister taking to improve mobile phone signal in rural areas. OAQ(4)0248(BET)
- 5. Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister outline the conditions relating to Option 8 within Glastir. OAQ(4)0242(BET)W
- 6. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): What steps is the Welsh Government taking to support small to medium sized enterprises in North Wales. OAQ(4)0246(BET)
- 7. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister provide an update on the latest unemployment figures in Wales. OAQ(4)0239(BET)
- **8. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** What steps has the Minister taken to introduce 4G in Wales. OAQ(4)0238(BET)W
- 9. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister provide an update on her plans for business rates in Wales. OAQ(4)0237(BET)
- 10. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister provide an update on the progress of Sêr Cymru. OAQ(4)0240(BET)

- 11. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the contribution of small businesses to the prosperity of towns in Wales. OAQ(4)0244(BET)W
- 12. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government support for small businesses. OAQ(4)0243(BET)W
- 13. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement on the success of the Welsh Government's commitment to creating jobs and sustainable economic growth since the start of the Fourth Assembly, as outlined in the Programme for Government. OAQ(4)0247(BET)
- 14. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on the review of business rates in Wales. OAQ(4)0236(BET)
- 15. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister make a statement on support for businesses in Welsh market towns. OAQ(4)0235(BET)