

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Wednesday, 30 April 2014**

Meeting time:  
**13.30**

Cynulliad  
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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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## Agenda

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### 1 Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources and Food (45 mins)

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### 2 Questions to the Minister for Housing and Regeneration (45 mins)

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### 3 Questions to the Counsel General (0 mins)

### 4 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

**NDM5493 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the recommendations of the recent Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee report into Wales' role in the EU decision-making process.
2. Further notes that European Structural Funding is awarded to regions with a GDP of less than 75% of the European Union average and regrets that West Wales and the

Valleys has qualified for a third round of funding.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that EU-funded schemes are more comprehensively, and more regularly, updated through WEFO.
4. Regrets the dramatic failure of high-profile projects including Genesis 2 Cymru.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that the funding for the 2014–2020 period is utilised effectively to ensure that Wales does not qualify for a fourth round.

The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee report into Wales' role in the EU decision-making process is available at:

<http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-business-fourth-assembly-laid-docs/cr-ld9674-e.pdf>

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Insert as new point 3 and renumber accordingly:

Recognises the importance of the UK's continued membership of the European Union to make Wales a more prosperous, sustainable and secure place.

**Amendment 2 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that UK withdrawal from the European Union would end Wales' role in the EU decision making process and be detrimental to the economy.

**Amendment 3 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) work at European level to strengthen the role of the Committee of the Regions;  
and

b) seek a greater voice for Wales in the European institutions

### **5 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)**

**NDM5494 Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the positive economic and social impact the pub has on local communities.
2. Further notes the impressive work being done by schemes such as Pub is the Hub, across Wales and England, in ensuring pubs can become more community focused.
3. Recognises the case studies by campaign groups, such as Pub is the Hub and the Campaign for Real Ale, as important studies to learn from.
4. Regrets the recent Campaign for Real Ale statistics that suggest three pubs are closing a week in Wales.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to work more effectively with the pub industry in Wales to ensure the continued success of Welsh pubs.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

#### **Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to create a community enterprise fund for community buyouts of pubs facing closure.

#### **Amendment 2 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to explore the potential of supporting community

pubs through the use of business rate relief powers.

### **Amendment 3 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to change the planning system so that no pub can be demolished or undergo a change of use without planning permission.

### **Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to create a separate use class for community pubs.

### **6 Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)**

**NDM5495 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that the youth unemployment rate stands at 21.3% – the highest level of all the four UK nations;
2. Regrets that long-term youth unemployment has quadrupled since the current Welsh Government took office;
3. Recognises the value of young people to the Welsh economy; and
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to take immediate steps to enhance the economic prospects of young people.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

### **Amendment 1 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

In point 3, after ‘economy’ insert ‘and regrets that only 60% of employed, full-time, first-degree graduates from Welsh HEIs remained in Wales for employment six months after graduation’.

*[The Presiding Officer has not selected amendment 2 for debate]*

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

Delete point 3 and re-insert as new point 1 and renumber accordingly.

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

In point 4 delete ‘take immediate steps’ and replace with ‘work jointly with the UK Government’.

**Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to collect improved data in order to inform evidence-based policies to better match training opportunities and graduates in Wales.

**Voting Time**

**7 Short Debate (30 mins)**

**NDM5488 Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley)**

200,000 silent children?

Considering the needs of children affected by parental imprisonment.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 6 May 2014

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