

Plenary

Meeting date:
Tuesday, 3 February 2015

Meeting time:
13.30

Cynulliad
Cenedlaethol
Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Votes and Proceedings

(244)

1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

The first 7 questions were asked.

The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after Question 2.

2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.17

3 Statement by the Minister for Public Services on the Local Government White Paper

The item started at 14.40

4 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Business Rates

The item started at 15.25

5 Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Raising the Ambitions and Educational Attainment of Children who are Looked After in Wales

The item started at 15.50

6 Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Update on joint working with the Department for Work and Pensions

The item started at 16.33

7 Legislative Consent Motion on the Medical Innovation Bill

The item started at 17.05

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

NDM5680 Mark Drakeford (Cardiff West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provisions in the Medical Innovation Bill, relating to treatment and alleviation of disease, illness, injury, disability and mental disorder; provision of health services; clinical governance and standards of health care in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The result was as follows:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 0 | 0 | 54 | 54 |

The Motion was not agreed.

8 Debate: The Review of Independent Living Adaptations

The item started at 17.24

NDM5682 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Acknowledges the importance of adaptations services and how they help people to continue living independently in their own home for as long as possible.
2. Notes the findings of the Review of Independent Living Adaptations, which was published on 23rd January 2015.
3. Supports action by the Welsh Government to enhance the help available to people in need of adapted housing.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Delete Point 3 and replace with:

Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) ensure that local authorities work with social landlords to produce a customer charter setting out commitments in relation to adaptation services;
- b) work with local authorities and social housing providers to set out delivery time standards and ensure that they are met by all local authorities;
- c) audit adaptation services to identify best practice and its implementation; and
- d) put in place mechanisms to monitor customer satisfaction and longer-term outcomes.

Amendment 1 was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

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

Amendment 2 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes means testing for adaptations is inequitable and outdated.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 11 | 11 | 32 | 54 |

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)

Add new point at the end of the motion:

Notes the key recommendations of the Leonard Cheshire Disability Home Truths campaign and No Place Like Home Report.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 54 | 0 | 0 | 54 |

Amendment 3 was agreed.

Amendment 4 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to require local authorities to exempt minor adaptations from means testing, as recommended in the review.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 54 | 0 | 0 | 54 |

Amendment 4 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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2. Notes the findings of the Review of Independent Living Adaptations, which was published on 23rd January 2015.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) ensure that local authorities work with social landlords to produce a customer charter setting out commitments in relation to adaptation services;
- b) work with local authorities and social housing providers to set out delivery time standards and ensure that they are met by all local authorities;
- c) audit adaptation services to identify best practice and its implementation; and
- d) put in place mechanisms to monitor customer satisfaction and longer-term outcomes.

4. Notes the key recommendations of the Leonard Cheshire Disability Home Truths campaign and No Place Like Home Report.

5. Calls on the Welsh Government to require local authorities to exempt minor adaptations from means testing, as recommended in the review.

| For | Abstain | Against | Total |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|
| 54 | 0 | 0 | 54 |

The motion as amended was agreed.

9 Voting Time

The item started at 18.06

The meeting concluded at 18.08

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 4 February 2015