

Plenary

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 15 January 2014

Meeting time:

13:30

Cynulliad
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Cymru

National
Assembly for
Wales



Agenda

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1 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)

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2 Questions to the Counsel General (10 mins)

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3 Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)

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4 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)

NDM5397 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales

1. Notes recent Welsh international rugby successes and the importance of rugby to the culture and economy of Wales.
2. Notes the current discussions between the WRU and Regional Rugby Wales regarding the future of Welsh rugby and recognises the importance of developing and maintaining a strong grassroots and regional structure to enable the sport to develop and thrive throughout Wales.
3. Believes that a strong platform for Welsh rugby requires national and regional

bodies and clubs to work together constructively to create a strong financial footing for the future well-being of the sport and hopes for a timely resolution to current negotiations.

5 Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)
NDM5398 William Graham (South Wales East)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Believes that Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and England are stronger together as part of a United Kingdom.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

Delete all and replace with:

1. Believes that the relationships between the nations of Britain will be strengthened by respecting the right of the peoples of Britain to determine their individual national futures.
2. Further believes that a new social and economic settlement of equal partners would best provide an enduring and fair context for cooperation in these islands.

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be de-selected]

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Insert at end of motion:

‘with greater powers devolved to each of the constituent nations’

Amendment 3 – Lesley Griffiths (Wrexham)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes what devolution has done to enhance democracy in Scotland and Wales

and its contribution to the peace process in Northern Ireland.

6 Plaid Cymru Debate (60 mins)

NDM5399 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Calls on the Welsh Government to develop and implement a new national NHS workforce plan for the next decade and to significantly increase the medical workforce in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Delete ‘and to significantly increase the medical workforce in Wales’ and replace with ‘to address recruitment challenges in the Welsh health service’

Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to outline how it intends to use the additional £180 million allocated to the Welsh health service for 2014–15 following the recommendations of the Francis Report, to respond to workforce issues within the Welsh NHS.

The Francis Report is available at:

<http://www.midstaffspublicinquiry.com/report>

Amendment 3 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that Welsh Government recruitment campaigns, such as Work for Wales, have done little to alleviate the shortage of clinicians in some disciplines.

Amendment 4 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that uncertainty over the future of services in some Welsh hospitals has been detrimental to the recruitment of staff.

Amendment 5 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the high spend on locum and agency staff across health boards in Wales as a result of workforce challenges.

Amendment 6 – William Graham (South Wales East)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises the necessity of a properly resourced NHS and the importance of investment in training and permanent posts.

Voting Time

7 Short Debate (30 mins)

NDM5391 Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): Why trade unionism still matters in Wales

Exploring how trade unions have evolved in Wales as they continue to represent their members' interests and concerns, particularly in the current austerity climate.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13:30, Tuesday, 21 January 2014