

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 2 December 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 First Minister (45 mins)**

The Presiding Officer will call the Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

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### **2 Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)**

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### **3 Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Introduction of the Qualifications Wales Bill (60 mins)**

### **4 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: Science in Wales – Inspiring the next generation (30 mins)**

### **5 Debate: The Impact of Procurement Policy in Wales (60 mins)** **NDM5640 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly:

1. Notes:

a) the impact that has been made on public procurement since the launch of the Wales Procurement Policy Statement in December 2012;

b) that the Wales Procurement Policy Statement will be reviewed to take advantage of the imminent changes in EU and UK procurement legislation.

The Wales Procurement Policy Statement can be accessed on the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/cabinet/cabinetstatements/2012/welshprocurement/?lang=en>

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Recognises:

a) the positive impact that increasing the proportion of public sector tenders being awarded to Welsh companies can have on the economy and the labour market;

b) Value Wales's calculation that every 1% increase in the proportion of public sector tenders being awarded to Welsh companies will create 2,000 new jobs.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to take advantage of the changes in EU procurement rules and aim to award at least 75% of public sector tenders to Welsh companies.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to legislate to make it mandatory for public sector organisations to follow Welsh Government procurement policy.

**Amendment 4 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that the Welsh Government needs to provide regular updates on the adoption of the Wales Procurement Policy Statement by local authorities; and the contracts awarded by them.

**Amendment 5 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the low proportion of contracts going to firms who have headquarters in Wales.

**Amendment 6 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for the Welsh Government to require public bodies to assess the make-up of the local economy before deciding how public procurement contracts should be bundled.

**6 Debate: Substance Misuse Strategy Annual Report 2014 (60 mins)**

**NDM5641 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the progress that has been made in delivering the substance misuse strategy 'Working Together to reduce Harm' as detailed in the 2014 annual report.

The substance misuse strategy annual report 2014 can be found at the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/people-and-communities/safety/substancemisuse/publications/strategy0818/?lang=en>

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 ensure that public service employers support employees with substance misuse problems through early intervention and support to maintain employment.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Congratulates the pioneers of addiction therapy and recovery-based approaches in Wales.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets Welsh Government delays in delivering Tier 4 Residential Rehabilitation and Inpatient Detoxification Services on a long term sustainable basis in Wales.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes the publication of the Home Office's report 'Drugs: International Comparators' and believes that drug users would be best helped by treating substance misuse primarily as a health matter rather than criminal matter.

This report is available at:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/368489/DrugsInternationalComparators.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/368489/DrugsInternationalComparators.pdf)

## **7 Voting Time**

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 3 December 2014

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 27 November 2014 for answer on 2 December 2014

R – Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W – Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

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### To ask the First Minister

**1. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the implications for Wales of the recommendations of the Smith commission report? OAQ(4)2001(FM)W

**2. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the First Minister make a statement on links between Wales and China? OAQ(4)1995(FM)

**3. David Rees (Aberavon):** Will the First Minister make a statement on inward investment in Wales? OAQ(4)2003(FM)

**4. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** What action is the Welsh Government taking to secure rail investment in north Wales? OAQ(4)1989(FM)

**5. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):** What is the Welsh Government doing to increase the supply of affordable housing? OAQ(4)1996(FM)

**6. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** What action will the Welsh Government take to promote children's rights in Wales in the next twelve months? OAQ(4)1991(FM)

**7. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the feasibility of reopening the railway line from Gaerwen to Amlwch? OAQ(4)2002(FM)W

**8. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the increase in renewable energy production in Wales? OAQ(4)1998(FM)W

**9. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's strategy to promote the organic sector in Wales? OAQ(4)1993(FM)

**10. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the impact of the economic recession on personal relationships? OAQ(4)2000(FM)

**11. Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** What recent steps has the Welsh Government taken to support small businesses in Islwyn? OAQ(4)2004(FM)

**12. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the First Minister make a statement on public toilet availability in Wales? OAQ(4)1988(FM)

**13. Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd):** When does the Welsh Government plan to publish an update to the National Transport Plan? OAQ(4)1992(FM)W

**14. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** What is the Welsh Government doing to help mitigate the effects of the UK Government's welfare reforms? OAQ(4)1997(FM)

**15. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the First Minister make a statement on changes to the blue badge scheme? OAQ(4)1990(FM)

# Agenda Item 2

## Business Statement and Announcement

Plenary agendas are published a week in advance of a meeting, and can be found on the [Plenary meetings page](#)

Tuesday 9th December 2014 and Wednesday 10th December 2014

Christmas Recess: Monday 15th December 2014–Sunday 11th January 2015

Tuesday 13th January 2015 & Wednesday 14th January 2015

Tuesday 20th January 2015 & Wednesday 21st January 2015

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Tuesday 9 December 2014

## Government Business

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism: The Welsh Government Response to the Report of the Expert Review of Libraries (30 mins)
- The Animal Welfare (Breeding of Dogs) (Wales) Regulations 2014 (30 mins)
- The Keeping and Introduction of Fish (Wales) Regulations 2014 (15 mins)
- LCM on the Modern Slavery Bill – provisions relating to child trafficking advocates, guidance about identifying and supporting victims and presumption of age (15 mins)
- LCM on the Serious Crime Bill (15 mins)
- Debate: The Final Budget 2015–16 (60 mins)
- Debate on the General Principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Bill (60 mins)

- Motion to agree the financial resolution in respect of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

**Wednesday 10 December 2014**

### **Government Business**

- Questions to the Minister for Finance and Government Business (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Public Services (45 mins)

### **Assembly Business**

- Debate on the Health and Social Care Committee's report on its inquiry into progress made to date on implementing the Welsh Government's Cancer Delivery Plan (60 mins)
- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)

**NNDM5636**

**Simon Thomas**

**Julie Morgan**

**Mick Antoniw**

**Alun Ffred Jones**

**Angela Burns**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Supports the principles of the Assisted Dying Bill.

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)

- Short Debate – William Powell (Mid and West Wales) (30 mins)

**Tuesday 13 January 2015**

### **Government Business**

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Motion under Standing Order 26.36 to vary the order of consideration of Stage 3 amendments to the Higher Education (Wales) Bill (5 mins)
- LCM on the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Bill – amendment in relation to Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum – Memorandum No. 2) (15 mins)
- LCM on the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Bill – public sector exit payments (Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum – Memorandum No. 3) (15 mins)
- LCM on the Deregulation Bill – amendment in relation to British Fishing Boats Act 1983, Fisheries Act 1868 and Fisheries Act 1891 (Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum – Memorandum No. 5) (15 mins)
- Debate: The Local Government Settlement 2015–16 (60 mins)
- Debate: Together for Mental Health Annual Report 2013–14 (60 mins)

**Wednesday 14 January 2015**

### **Government Business**

- Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills (45 mins)

- Questions to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (45 mins)

### **Assembly Business**

- Debate on the Public Accounts Committee Report on Senior Management Pay (60 mins)
- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)

**Tuesday 20 January 2015**

### **Government Business**

- First Minister's Oral Assembly Questions (45 mins)
- Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism: Our Past and Its Future (30 mins)
- The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Amendment) Order 2015 (15 mins)
- Stage 3 Standing Order 26.44 debate on the Higher Education (Wales) Bill (150 mins)

*If the Assembly agrees the motion under Standing Order 26.36 the amendments will be disposed of in the order that the sections and schedules to which they relate, are set out in the motion. If the Assembly does not agree the motion, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.*

**Wednesday 21 January 2015**

**Government Business**

- Questions to the Minister for Natural Resources (45 mins)
- Questions to the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (45 mins)

**Assembly Business**

- Debate on the Enterprise and Business Committee's report on Tourism (60 mins)
- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)