

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Tuesday, 16 June 2015**

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 First Minister: The Programme for Government Annual Report (60 mins)**

### **4 Stage 3 Debate on the Qualifications Wales Bill (180 mins)**

In accordance with Standing Order 26.36, amendments will be disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arise in the Bill.

The amendments have been grouped for the purposes of debate and the groupings will be debated as follows:

#### **1. Transparency and strengthening of provisions**

36, 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 29

## **2: Principal aims of Qualifications Wales**

2, 45

## **3: Drafting and textual matters**

3, 37, 20, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 1

## **4: Recognition of Awarding Bodies**

4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

## **5: Awarding of approved qualifications**

12, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 23, 35

## **6: Commercial activities and charging fees**

41, 42, 26, 43

## **7: Apprenticeships: Issuing Authorities**

46, 44

## **8: Subordinate legislation**

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## **9: Consequential amendments to other legislation**

38, 39, 40

## **Supporting Documents**

[Qualifications Wales Bill](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Marshalled List of Amendments](#)

[Grouping of Amendments](#)

## **5 Stage 4 Debate on the Qualifications Wales Bill (15 mins)**

At the conclusion of Stage 3 the Minister may with the agreement of the Presiding Officer propose that the Bill be passed in accordance with Standing Order 26.48.

Stage 4 Standing Order 26.48 motion to approve the Qualifications Wales Bill.

## **Supporting Documents**

[Qualifications Wales Bill](#)  
[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

## **6 Voting Time**

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 17 June 2015

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 11 June 2015 for answer on 16 June 2015

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. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** What steps are being taken by the First Minister to ensure that patients in South Wales Central receive high standards of care? OAQ(4)2340(FM)

**2. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the state of rheumatology services at hospitals in Pembrokeshire? OAQ(4)2338(FM)

**3. Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** What is the Welsh Government doing to ensure the best opportunities for energy supply chains in Wales? OAQ(4)2331(FM)

**4. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the First Minister make a statement on household recycling rates in Wales? OAQ(4)2332(FM)

**5. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** What discussions has the First Minister held with the UK Government regarding the reform of the Barnett Formula? OAQ(4)2329(FM)

**6. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the provision of hospital beds in Ynys Môn? OAQ(4)2345(FM)W

**7. Mark Isherwood (North Wales):** Will the First Minister provide an update on provision for children with speech and language impairment in Wales? OAQ(4)2330(FM)

**8. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the importance of the Rural Development Plan 2014–2020? OAQ(4)2339(FM)

**9. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East):** How is the Welsh Government going to offset the impact of the recent financial settlement from the UK Government? OAQ(4)2334(FM)

**10. Mohammed Asghar (South Wales East):** What action will the Welsh Government take to tackle the problem of illegal drugs in schools in 2015? OAQ(4)2328(FM)

**11. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** What discussions has the First Minister had regarding the future of Pantycelyn halls of residence in Aberystwyth University? OAQ(4)2335(FM)W

**12. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the First Minister make a further statement on the latest situation within Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board? OAQ(4)2337(FM)W

**13. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy):** Will the First Minister make a statement on the recent special measures placed on Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board? OAQ(4)2336(FM)

**14. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the First Minister make a statement on Welsh Government action to protect our cultural heritage? OAQ(4)2343(FM)

**15. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):** What discussions has the First Minister had regarding the risks and opportunities for Wales provided by the BBC Charter Agreement? OAQ(4)2344(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 23rd June 2015 & Wednesday 24th June 2015

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 & Wednesday 1st July 2015

Tuesday 7th July 2015 & Wednesday 8th July 2015

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Tuesday 23 June 2015

### Government Business

- Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Finance and Government Business: Budget Tour 2015 – Investing in the Wales We Want (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Finance and Government Business: Wales Infrastructure Investment Plan for Wales Annual Report 2015 (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport: An Update on Ports (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Health: Investment in Delivery Plans (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Public Services: Actions being taken to combat the risks of Grass Fires in Wales (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Welsh Government response to *Teaching Tomorrow's Teachers* – options for the future of Initial Teacher Education in Wales (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty: European Structural Fund operations to tackle poverty (30 mins)

Wednesday 24 June 2015

### Government Business

- Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services (45 mins)
- Questions to the Counsel General (45 mins)

### **Assembly Business**

- Questions to the Assembly Commission (15 mins)
- Debate on the Queen's Speech (120 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Liberal Democrats (60 mins)
- Short Debate – William Powell (Mid and West Wales) (30 mins)

### **Tuesday 30 June 2015**

#### **Government Business**

- Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Farming and Food: Towards Sustainable Growth: an Action Plan for the Food and Drink Industry 2014–2020 – an Update (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Public Services: Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Act – one year since introduction (30 mins)
- The Adult Protection and Support Orders (Authorised Officer) (Wales) Regulations 2015 (15 mins)
- The Safeguarding Boards (Functions and Procedures) (Wales) Regulations 2015 (15 mins)
- The Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications and Site Visits) (Wales) Regulations 2015 (15 mins)
- Debate on the Welsh Ministers' Report on the compliance with the duty under section 1 of the Rights of Children and Young Persons (Wales) Measure 2011 (60 mins)

### **Wednesday 1 July 2015**

#### **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 Public Accounts Committee Annual Report (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Mohammad Asghar (South Wales Central) (30 mins)

### **Tuesday 7 July**

- Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)
- Business Statement & Announcement (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Skills and Technology: Superfast Broadband (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Skills: Introduction of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate the following together but with separate votes:
  - The Higher Education (Fee and Access Plans) (Wales) Regulations (5 mins)
  - The Higher Education (Amounts) (Wales) Regulations (5 mins)
  - The Higher Education (Designation of providers of Higher Education) (Wales) Regulations (5 mins)
- Debate on the General Principles of the Renting Homes (Wales) Bill (60 mins)
- Debate on the Financial resolution of the Renting Homes (Wales) Bill (5 mins)

### **Wednesday 8 July**

#### **Government Business**

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

## **Assembly Business**

- Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Debate on the Annual Compliance Report on the Assembly Commission's Official Languages Scheme (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Short Debate – Mark Isherwood (North Wales) (30 mins)