

# Plenary

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Meeting date:  
**Wednesday, 24 June 2015**

Meeting time:  
**13.30**

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National  
Assembly for  
Wales



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## Agenda

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

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

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### **2 Questions to the Counsel General (0 mins)**

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### **3 Questions to the Assembly Commission (0 mins)**

No questions tabled.

### **4 Debate on the Queen's Speech (120 mins)**

**NDM5792 Rosemary Butler (Newport West)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the content of the UK Government's legislative programme 2015/2016.

The UK Government's legislative programme:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/queens-speech-2015>

**Supporting documents:**

[Secretary of State's Written Statement](#)

[Queen's Speech Bills Handout provided by the Wales Office, June 2015](#)

[Research Service Paper](#)

[Letter from the Minister for Finance and Government Business](#)

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the proposed Wales Bill does not implement in full the recommendations of the cross-party Silk Commission and calls on the UK Government to implement the full recommendations without hesitation.

**Amendment 2 – Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes with concern the return of the Investigatory Powers Bill, a new form of the so-called 'Snooper's Charter' which was regularly blocked by Liberal Democrats during the UK Coalition Government, and opposes the UK Government having powers to monitor individuals' communications data.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the UK Government's proposed Wales Bill falls short of offering comparable powers as those available to, or on offer to Scotland.

**Amendment 4 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the UK Government's intention to bring forward proposals to abolish the Human Rights Act 1998.

**Amendment 5 – Elin Jones (Ceredigion)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the UK Government's rejection of a double-majority clause in the EU Referendum Bill and the decision to block 16 and 17-year-olds from voting in that referendum.

**5 Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate (60 mins)**

**NDM5790 Aled Roberts (North Wales)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the value of distinctive Welsh-language broadcasting and the important contribution of S4C in safeguarding our Welsh language and enriching the culture of Wales;
2. Opposes any further cuts in S4C funding by the UK Government Department for Culture, Media and Sport, which could threaten the future of this channel; and
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to make representations to the UK Government on the importance of maintaining the editorial, managerial and operational independence of S4C and the need for a sustainable funding basis to protect the future of Welsh-language broadcasting.

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire)**

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Opposes any cuts to S4C funding by the UK Government's Department for Culture, Media and Sport, during the current UK Parliament.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Welcomes measures that increase the accountability of S4C, as well as other Welsh public service broadcasters, to the National Assembly and the commitment to strengthen that accountability by the UK Government, as set out in the St David's Day 'Powers for a Purpose' document.

Powers for a Purpose: Towards a Lasting Devolution Settlement for Wales can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/powers-for-a-purpose-towards-a-lasting-devolution-settlement-for-wales>

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls for the devolution of full responsibility and funding for S4C.

## **6 Voting Time**

### **7 Short Debate – Postponed (0 mins)**

#### **NDM5793 William Powell (Mid and West Wales)**

The Dyfed–Powys police helicopter: why the X99 provides vital support to public safety in Mid and West Wales.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 30 June 2015

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 17 June 2015 for answer on 24 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)

### To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

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

**1. John Griffiths (Newport East):** Will the Minister make a statement on community healthcare in Wales? OAQ(4)0619(HSS)

**2. Mark Isherwood (North Wales):** How is the Welsh Government improving the regulation of social care inspection in Wales? OAQ(4)0605(HSS)

**3. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** Will the Minister provide an update on what percentage of eligible people have been vaccinated against shingles? OAQ(4)0615(HSS)W

**4. David Rees (Aberavon):** What action is being taken to reduce waiting times for mental health assessment and treatment in Wales? OAQ(4)0618(HSS)

**5. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on ambulance response times in South Wales West? OAQ(4)0609(HSS)

**6. Altaf Hussein (South Wales West):** Will the Minister outline Welsh Government plans to improve primary care services in Wales? OAQ(4)0616(HSS)

**7. Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd):** What progress has been made in merging health and care budgets since 2011? OAQ(4)0610(HSS)W

**8. Janet Haworth (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on work practices for health-care professionals in Wales? OAQ(4)0614(HSS)

**9. Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd):** Will the Minister provide an update on the effectiveness of policies aimed at making NHS services accessible for people with disabilities? OAQ(4)0613(HSS)

**10. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on health board governance in Wales? OAQ(4)0608(HSS)

**11. Leanne Wood (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister provide an update on the progress of Together for Health: the South Wales Programme? OAQ(4)0606(HSS)

**12. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the estates strategy at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board? OAQ(4)0611(HSS)W

**13. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on pressures faced by the care sector? OAQ(4)0612(HSS)W

**14. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on vaccination programmes in Wales? OAQ(4)0607(HSS)

**15. John Griffiths (Newport East):** Will the Minister make a statement on the public health benefits of joint working between the health and sports sectors?  
OAQ(4)0620(HSS)

## **To ask the Counsel General**

**1. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd):** What discussions has the Counsel General held with members of the legal profession in relation to sections 70 to 76 of the March 2014 Wales Bill command paper relating to creating new fiscal responsibilities?  
OAQ(4)0080(CG)

## **To ask the Assembly Commission**

No questions tabled.