

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 22 March 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

60(v4)

1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

(45 mins)

In accordance with Standing Order 12.58 the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language will answer questions on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for Education.

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Counsel General

(30 mins)

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Urgent Question

To the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children:



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Wales

David Rees (Aberavon): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary held with the UK Government regarding the decision to build a prison in Port Talbot?
EAQ(5)0124(CC)

3 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

4 Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv)

(60 mins)

NDM6259

[Jeremy Miles \(Neath\)](#)

[Lee Waters \(Llanelli\)](#)

[Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

[Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that Wales benefits from a long coast line and the second highest tidal reach in the world.
2. Further notes that economic activity related to the sea is already valued at around £2.1bn in Wales, supporting tens of thousands of jobs.
3. Believes that a strategic commitment to the blue economy will enable Wales to turn our seas into one of our biggest economic assets.
4. Further believes that Wales can be a leader in marine renewable energy, tourism and sport, fishing, food and aquaculture, and marine manufacturing and engineering.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward an ambitious Marine Plan to support the sustainable development of the blue economy and to make it a central plank of its new economic strategy.

5 Debate on the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee report on the implications for Wales of leaving the European Union

(60 mins)

NDM6267 [David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee on its Inquiry into the implications for Wales of leaving the European Union, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 27 January 2017

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was [laid](#) on 15 March 2017.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.23 (iii), the amendment tabled to this motion has not been selected.

6 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

NDM6268 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the importance of forward skills planning to meet the future needs of the construction industry to deliver infrastructure projects in Wales and beyond.
2. Believes that reform of public sector procurement in Wales is needed to take full advantage of the social, economic and environmental potential of the purchasing power of the Welsh public sector.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government:

- a) to bring forward a procurement bill to make it mandatory for public sector bodies to follow Welsh Government policy on procurement, to maximise the social and economic impact of construction;
- b) establish a national framework for public sector procurement in Wales to ensure the ambitions set out in the Wales Procurement Policy Statement are delivered;
- c) to increase levels of capital infrastructure spending to boost the economy in Wales, providing a much needed boost for the construction sector;
- d) consider the case for establishing a national construction college for Wales to develop high quality skills in the construction industry.

['Wales Procurement Policy Statement'](#)

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\):](#)

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

- 2. Notes the work of the Welsh Government in developing the Wales Procurement Policy Statement which has lowered barriers to procurement for small and medium sized enterprises right across Wales.
- 3. Recognises the need to grow capability within the Welsh public sector to maximise the impact of procurement spend within the Welsh economy.
- 4. Notes the intention of the Welsh Government to develop a new programme for procurement to help enable the Welsh public sector to make intelligent use of policy and legislation across Wales.
- 5. Recognises the Welsh Government's capital investment plans and the significant procurement opportunities presented by the South Wales and North East Wales metros; the 21st Century schools programme; the M4 relief road; building 20,000 affordable homes; improvements to Wales' transport network and other major infrastructure projects."

Amendment 2. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to implement measures that will enable Welsh companies, in particular small and medium sized businesses, to access public sector contracts.

7 Voting time

8 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6266 [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#)

Credit Unions: A key contribution to tackling financial exclusion

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 28 March 2017