# **Votes and Proceedings – Plenary**

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Meeting date: http://senedd.tv/en/5364

Wednesday, 14 November 2018

Meeting time: 13.30

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#### Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance 1

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

#### 2 Questions to the Leader of the House and Chief Whip

The item started at 14.22

The first 7 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

#### 3 Questions to the Assembly Commission

The item started at 15.09

All 3 questions were asked.

#### 4 **Topical Questions**

No topical questions were accepted.

#### 5 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.21

Vikki Howells made a statement on Social Enterprise Day 2018 (15 November 2018)



National Wales

**Jack Sargeant**: made a statement celebrating the life of one of Shottons' bravest residents - Harry Weale VC

## Motion to elect a Member to the Assembly Commission

The item started at 15.23

## NDM6869 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 7.9, appoints David Rowlands (United Kingdom Independence Party) as a member of the Assembly Commission

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## Motion to elect a Member to a committee

The item started at 15.23

### NDM6868 Elin Jones (Ceredigion)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects David Rowlands (United Kingdom Independence Party) in place of Michelle Brown (United Kingdom Independence Party) as alternate member of the Standards of Conduct Committee.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 6 Motion to approve the Assembly Commission's Budget 2019-20

The item started at 15.25

### NDM6861 - Suzy Davies (South Wales West)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales in accordance with Standing Order 20.16:

Agrees the budget of the Assembly Commission for 2019–20, as specified in Table 1 of the "National Assembly for Wales Assembly Commission Budget 2019–20", <u>laid</u> before the Assembly on 7 November 2018 and that it be incorporated in the Annual Budget Motion under Standing Order 20.26 (ii).

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

# 7 Debate on the Finance Committee report on its Inquiry into Preparations for Replacing EU Funding for Wales

The item started at 15.42

NDM6864 - Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Finance Committee, 'Preparations for Replacing EU Funding for Wales', which was laid in the Table Office on 25 September 2018.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

## 8 United Kingdom Independence Party debate - Animal Welfare

The item started at 16.40

Voting on the motion and amendments under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM6863 - Gareth Bennett (South Wales Central)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Believes that Wales should be a world leader in animal welfare.
- 2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
- a) make CCTV surveillance mandatory in all Welsh slaughterhouses; and
- b) ban the practice of slaughtering livestock without stunning in all Welsh slaughterhouses.
- 3. Calls on the UK Government to ban live animal exports for the purposes of rearing and slaughter.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
3	0	49	52

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

### The following amendments were tabled:

### Amendment 1 Darren Millar (Clwyd West)

After point 1, delete all and replace with:

Welcomes the positive work undertaken by the UK Government to ensure the UK has some of the highest animal welfare standards in the world.

Notes the recent consultation undertaken by the UK Government on aspects of animal welfare in transport so the regulatory regime reflects scientific and veterinary knowledge once the UK leaves the European Union.

Welcomes the decisions taken by the UK Government to raise the maximum sentences for animal cruelty to five years and to introduce mandatory CCTV in abattoirs in England.

Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) make CCTV surveillance mandatory in all Welsh slaughterhouses;
- b) explore the introduction of Lucy's Law and a ban on the sale of puppies by pet shops and all commercial third party dealers in Wales; and
- c) increase support for small and medium-sized abattoirs to ensure farmers are able to process stock as locally as possible.

If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2 and 3 will be de-selected

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	1	38	52

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 - Julie James (Swansea West)

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Notes action taken by the Welsh Government on:

- a) introducing a food business grant for small and medium slaughterhouses for the installation of CCTV and other business improvements;
- b) including robust animal health and welfare standards in work to define the Sustainable Brand Values (SBV) for the agri-food industry.
- c) ensuring any review of food labelling legislation relating to animal welfare must be evidenced based.

Notes that no non-stun slaughter is practiced currently in Wales.

Notes the Welsh Government's preference is for animals to be slaughtered as close as practicable to their point of production.

If amendment 2 is agreed, amendment 3 will be de-selected

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
48	0	4	52

Amendment 2 was agreed.

As amendment 2 was agreed, amendment 3 was de-selected

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM6863 - Gareth Bennett (South Wales Central)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Believes that Wales should be a world leader in animal welfare.
- 2. Notes action taken by the Welsh Government on:
- a) introducing a food business grant for small and medium slaughterhouses for the installation of CCTV and other business improvements;
- b) including robust animal health and welfare standards in work to define the Sustainable Brand Values (SBV) for the agri-food industry.
- c) ensuring any review of food labelling legislation relating to animal welfare must be evidenced based.

- 3. Notes that no non-stun slaughter is practiced currently in Wales.
- 4. Notes the Welsh Government's preference is for animals to be slaughtered as close as practicable to their point of production.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
49	0	3	52

The motion as amended was agreed.

## **Presiding Officer Statement**

The item started at 17.17

The Presiding Officer announced that Darren Millar may seek the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member Bill on an Older People's Rights Bill.

## 9 Voting Time

The item started at 17.18

## 10 Short Debate

No topic tabled.

The meeting concluded at 17.20

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 20 November 2018