

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

**Y Siambr – Senedd**

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 12 February 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

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### Presiding Officer Statement

The Llywydd welcomed Delyth Jewell, the new Member for the South Wales East region, and invited her to say a few words.

#### 1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.33

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after question 2.

#### 2 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.24

#### 3 Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Unscheduled Care Winter Delivery

The item started at 14.53

#### 4 The Developments of National Significance (Specified Criteria, Fees and Fees for Deemed Applications) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2019

The item started at 15.36



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

**NDM6963 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales; in accordance with Standing Order 27.5:

1. Approves that the draft The Developments of National Significance (Specified Criteria, Fees and Fees for Deemed Applications) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 21 January 2019.

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	2	9	46

**The motion was agreed.**

## **5 Debate: The Police Settlement 2019–20**

The item started at 15.39

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

**NDM6960 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, under Section 84H of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, approves the Local Government Finance Report (No. 2) 2019–20 (Final Settlement – Police and Crime Commissioners), which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 24 January 2019.

**A vote was taken on the motion**

[Insert motion]

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	1	8	47

**The motion was agreed.**

## 6 Debate: The Substance Misuse Annual Report

The item started at 15.57

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

**NDM6961** – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the progress being made in tackling the harms associated with substance misuse, as highlighted in the Welsh Government's Substance Misuse Annual Report and Forward Look (November 2018).

**The following amendments were tabled:**

**Amendment 1** – [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new points at end of motion:

Regrets the increase in deaths related to drug misuse and alcohol-specific deaths in Wales.

Calls on the Welsh Government to address the need for tier 4 residential drug and alcohol rehabilitation in Wales.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	27	47

**Amendment 1 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 2** – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the Healthcare Inspectorate Wales report 'Review of substance misuse services in Wales' and calls on the Welsh Government to address the discrepancies between the official statistics on waiting times, and the variable experiences of people highlighted in this report.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	27	47

**Amendment 2 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 3 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the long waits for counselling and relapse prevention services highlighted in the Healthcare Inspectorate Wales report.

A vote was taken on amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
20	0	27	47

**Amendment 3 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 4 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that the criminalisation of some substance misuse adds to the harm caused by such use, increases the stigma and prevents the full recovery of addicts and instead believes that tackling substance misuse should be regarded as a health matter, with harm reduction being the primary objective.

A vote was taken on amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	12	0	47

**Amendment 4 was agreed.**

**A vote was taken on the motion as amended:**

**NDM6961 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the progress being made in tackling the harms associated with substance misuse, as highlighted in the Welsh Government's Substance Misuse Annual Report and Forward Look (November 2018).

Believes that the criminalisation of some substance misuse adds to the harm caused by such use, increases the stigma and prevents the full recovery of addicts and instead believes that tackling substance misuse should be regarded as a health matter, with harm reduction being the primary objective.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
36	2	9	47

The motion as amended was agreed.

## **7 Voting Time**

The item started at 16.38

The meeting concluded at 16.41

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 13 February 2019**