

# Third Assembly Plenary Meeting

## Votes and Proceedings (225)

Date: Wednesday, 3 November 2010

Time: 13.30

### Item 1: Questions to the Counsel General (30 mins)

The question was answered.

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13.31

### Item 2: Questions to the Minister for Social Justice and Local Government (30 mins)

The first 8 questions were answered.

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14.13

### Item 3: Questions to the Minister for Children, Education and Lifelong Learning (30 mins)

The first 10 questions were answered.

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14.58

### Item 4: Debate on the Rural Development Sub-committee's report on the Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy (60 mins)

**NDM4569 Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Report of the Rural Development Sub-committee on the Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy laid in the Table Office on 20 July 2010

*Note: The response of the Minister for Rural Affairs was laid in the Table Office on 27 October 2010*

**The motion was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 7.35**

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15.43

### Item 5: Debate on the Public Sector Ombudsman for Wales' Annual Report (30 mins)

**NDM4570 Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 7.61(vii):

Notes the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales' Annual Report 2009/10, which was laid in the Table Office on 22 June 2010.

**The motion was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 7.35**

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## **16.05**

### **Item 6: Welsh Conservatives Debate (60 mins)**

#### **NDM4571 Nick Ramsay (Monmouth)**

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Welcomes the steps taken by the UK Government to rectify the budget deficit and restore sound public finances;
2. Recognises the challenges of unemployment arising from the recession and supports the approach of the UK Government in prioritising areas of spending that fuel economic growth;
3. Welcomes the replacement of benefits and tax credits systems with one universal credit scheme; and
4. Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to establish an independent body to review all Assembly Government expenditure.

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

<b>For</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>45</b>

**The motion without amendment was not agreed.**

The following amendments have been tabled:

#### **Amendment 1 - Peter Black (South Wales West)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the unwillingness of the Welsh Assembly Government to respond to budget pressures by investigating waste and inefficiency in its own budget

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

<b>For</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Total</b>
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**Amendment 1 was not agreed.**

**Amendment 2 - Peter Black (South Wales West)**

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to adopt a constructive approach in its responses to decisions by the UK government to rectify the deficit, avoiding opposition for opposition's sake.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
15	0	30	15

**Amendment 2 was not agreed.**

**As the Assembly did not agree the motion without amendment, and did not agree the amendments tabled to the motion, the motion was therefore not agreed.**

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**17.13  
Voting Time**

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**17.15  
Item 7: Short Debate postponed from 13 October 2010 (30 mins)**

**NDM4550 Jonathan Morgan (Cardiff North):**

Cardiff's Local Development Plan: Democracy in Action?

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**17.39  
Procedural Motion**

Nick Ramsay moved a procedural motion in accordance with Standing Order 7.26 to postpone the Short Debate.

**The motion was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.**

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**Item 8: Short Debate (30 mins) - This item was postponed**

**NDM4568 Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales):**

Protecting Rural Health Services

The short debate was postponed by procedural motion.

**The meeting concluded at 17.40.**

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**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30 on Tuesday, 9 November 2010.**

**Chamber Secretariat**