

Third Assembly Plenary Meeting

Votes and Proceedings (245)

Date: Wednesday, 9 February 2011

Time: 13.30

13.30

Item 1: Questions to the Minister for Budget

The first 9 questions were answered. Question 3 was transferred for written answer.

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14.17

Item 2: Questions to the Minister for Heritage

The first 10 questions were answered. Questions 6 and 9 were withdrawn.

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15.06

Urgent Question

Jenny Randerson (Cardiff Central): Will the Minister make a statement on the education reforms he announced last week?

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15.25

Item 3: Questions to the Assembly Commission

The question was answered.

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15.28

Item 4: Debate on the Enterprise and Learning Committee's report on the Role of Social Enterprises in the Welsh Economy

NDM4659 Gareth Jones (Aberconwy)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Enterprise and Learning Committee's report on the Role of social enterprises in the Welsh economy which was laid in the Table Office on 18 November 2010.

Note: The response of the Minister for Economy and Transport which was laid in the Table Office on 2 February 2011.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

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16.20

Item 5: Welsh Conservatives Debate

NDM4658 Nick Ramsay (Monmouthshire)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the progress made under the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan for Wales;
2. Expresses concern however that many people with autism and their parents/carers are still not getting the support they need, as illustrated in the NASC report *The Life We Choose*;
3. Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to review the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan in order to address the concerns raised in *The Life We Choose*.

A copy of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan can be found at:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/childrenyoungpeople/publications/autisticspectrumdisorderplan/?lang=en>

*A copy of *The Life We Choose* can be found at:*

<http://www.autism.org.uk/en-gb/about-autism/autism-library/magazines-articles-and-reports/reports/our-reports/the-life-we-choose.aspx>

Voting on the motion and amendment under this item was deferred until voting time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
17	0	31	48*

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete point 3 and replace with:

3. Notes that funding of over £2 million has been agreed for 2011-12 to take forward actions in the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan for Wales; and
4. Notes that the Welsh Assembly Government is currently undertaking its own evaluation of the progress made on the Autism Spectrum Strategic Action Plan during its first two years, that this evaluation will identify areas that need to be expanded on or improved on and that the findings of the NASC

Report The Life We Choose will be considered in drawing up the evaluation report.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	11	49*

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that much of the support that people with autism and their parents/carers need is funded through the Welsh Assembly Government's education, local government and social justice budgets, and that further cuts to these budgets would severely limit the ability to fund autism support.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	11	49*

Amendment 2 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the progress made under the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan for Wales;
2. Expresses concern however that many people with autism and their parents/carers are still not getting the support they need, as illustrated in the NASC report The Life We Choose;
3. Notes that funding of over £2 million has been agreed for 2011-12 to take forward actions in the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan for Wales; and
4. Notes that the Welsh Assembly Government is currently undertaking its own evaluation of the progress made on the Autism Spectrum Strategic Action Plan during its first two years, that this evaluation will identify areas that need to be expanded on or improved on and that the findings of the NASC Report The Life We Choose will be considered in drawing up the evaluation report.
5. Notes that much of the support that people with autism and their parents/carers need is funded through the Welsh Assembly Government's education, local government and social justice budgets, and that further cuts to these budgets would severely limit the ability to fund autism support.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	11	0	49*

The motion as amended was agreed.

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17.22

Item 6: Welsh Liberal Democrats Debate

NDM4656 Peter Black (South Wales West)

The National Assembly for Wales:

1. Welcomes the decision of the UK government to provide financial support to people in England infected with hepatitis C after receiving contaminated blood transfusions.
2. Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to provide similar financial support for people in Wales who are similarly affected.

Voting on the motion and amendment under this item was deferred until voting time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
16	0	33	49*

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendment was tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

The National Assembly for Wales

1. Notes the decision of the UK government to provide financial support to people in England infected with hepatitis C after receiving contaminated blood transfusions.
2. Notes that the Welsh Assembly Government is currently considering the UK Department of Health's "Review of the Support Available to Individuals Infected with Hepatitis C and/or HIV by NHS supplied Blood Transfusions or Blood Products and their Dependants" and is consulting with interested parties.

A copy of the UK Department of Health's "Review of the Support Available to Individuals Infected with Hepatitis C and/or HIV by NHS supplied Blood Transfusions or Blood Products and their Dependants" is available via the following link:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_123363

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
32	0	17	49*

Amendment 1 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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The National Assembly for Wales

1. Notes the decision of the UK government to provide financial support to people in England infected with hepatitis C after receiving contaminated blood transfusions.

2. Notes that the Welsh Assembly Government is currently considering the UK Department of Health's "Review of the Support Available to Individuals Infected with Hepatitis C and/or HIV by NHS supplied Blood Transfusions or Blood Products and their Dependants" and is consulting with interested parties.

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For	Abstain	Against	Total
32	6	11	49*

The motion as amended was agreed.

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18.05

Voting Time

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18.08

Item 7: Short Debate

NDM4657 Eleanor Burnham (North Wales):

A Picture of Health? LHBs and Effective Service Delivery

The meeting concluded at 18.29.

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The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30 on Tuesday, 15 February 2011.

Chamber Secretariat

*** *Jane Davidson's votes were not registered due to a technical fault.***