Third Assembly Plenary Meeting

Votes and Proceedings (219)

Date: Wednesday, 6 October 2010

Time: 13.30

Item 1: Questions to the Minister for Rural Affairs

The first 10 questions were answered. Question 3 was withdrawn. Question 7 was not asked.

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14.26

Item 2: Questions to the Minister for Environment, Sustainability and Housing

The first 10 questions were answered. Question 2,5,6 and 8 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Housing and Regeneration. Question 9 was withdrawn.

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15.22

Item 3: Stage 3 Standing Order 23.57 Debate on the Proposed Playing Fields (Community Involvement in Disposal Decisions) (Wales) Measure

In accordance with Standing Order 23.49, amendments were disposed of in the order which the sections and schedules to which they relate, arose in the proposed Measure.

The Amendments were grouped for the purposes of the debate and the groupings were debated as follows:

1. Making of regulations by the Welsh Ministers

5, 11, 6, 12, 13, 7, 8, 14, 9, 10

2. Technical

1, 2, 3

3. Procedure for regulations

4

Voting was taken in the order set out in the Marshalled List of Amendments:

A vote was taken on amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
7	0	34	41

Amendment 5 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 11:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
7	0	34	41

Amendment 11 was not agreed.

As amendment 5 was not agreed, amendment 6 fell.

A vote was taken on amendment 12:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
7	0	34	41

Amendment 12 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 13:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
7	0	34	41

Amendment 13 was not agreed.

As amendment 11 was not agreed, amendments 7 and 8 fell.

Amendment 1 was agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

A vote was taken on amendment 14:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
7	0	34	41

Amendment 14 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 9:

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For	Abstain	Against	Total	
7	0	34	41	

Amendment 9 was not agreed.

As amendment 12 was not agreed, amendment 10 fell.

Amendments 2 and 3 were agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

A vote was taken on amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
12	0	29	41

Amendment 4 was not agreed.

All sections and schedules of the proposed Measure were deemed agreed, concluding Stage 3 proceedings.

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15.49

Item 4: Stage 4 Standing Order 23.58 motion to approve the Proposed Playing Fields (Community Involvement in Disposal Decisions) (Wales) Measure

The Member in charge proposed that the proposed Measure be passed in accordance with Standing Order 23.58

A vote was taken on the motion:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
38	0	5	43

The motion was passed.

The Measure as passed will be available at the following link:

http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-legislation/bus-leg-measures/bus-legislation-meas-pf.htm

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16.02

Item 5: Debate on the Children and Young People Committee's report - Arrangements for the Placement of Children into Care in Wales

NDM4545 Helen Mary Jones (Llanelli)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Children and Young People Committee "Arrangements for Placement of Children into Care" which was laid in the Table Office on 24 May 2010.

Note: the response of the Deputy Minister for Social Services to the report was laid in the Table Office on 29 September 2010.

The motion was agreed, in	accordance wit	h Standing Order	7.35.

16.49

Item 6: Welsh Conservatives Debate

NDM4547 Nick Ramsay (Monmouthshire)

The National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Believes that the Economic Renewal Programme needs to set a clear direction for business support services to small businesses.
- 2. Notes the confusion and disengagement of the SME sector which has followed the publication of the Economic Renewal Programme.
- 3. Calls upon the WAG to publish its intentions for business support services as soon as possible and to consult with the SME sector on the suitability of its plans.

The Economic Renewal Programme can be accessed at the following link:

http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/businessandeconomy/help/economicrenewal/programmepapers/anewdirection/?skip=1&lang=en

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	29	43

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 - Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

Delete all and replace with:

The National Assembly for Wales:

- 1. Welcomes the policy adopted in *Economic Renewal: a new direction*, which sets out the role the Assembly Government can play in providing the best conditions for all businesses to grow and flourish.
- 2. Acknowledges that this policy direction provides a fairer and better deal for SMEs, by channelling the Assembly Government's resources into issues that constrain the competitiveness of all businesses.
- 3. Welcomes the Assembly Government's extensive engagement in the development of *Economic Renewal: a new direction* and notes the continued

commitment to ongoing engagement with the SME sector in delivering the policy.

The Economic Renewal: A New Direction document can be accessed via the following link:

http://wales.gov.uk/topics/businessandeconomy/help/economicrenewal/programmepapers/anewdirection/?lang=en

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
29	0	14	43

Amendment 1 was agreed.

Amendment 2 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to engage with businesses to ensure a smooth and continuous transition to all new aspects of the Economic Renewal Programme, not just its main provisions.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	29	43

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

NDM4547

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- 2. Acknowledges that this policy direction provides a fairer and better deal for SMEs, by channelling the Assembly Government's resources into issues that constrain the competitiveness of all businesses.
- 3. Welcomes the Assembly Government's extensive engagement in the development of *Economic Renewal:* a new direction and notes the continued commitment to ongoing engagement with the SME sector in delivering the policy.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
29	0	14	43

The motion as amended was agreed.

17.45 Voting Time
17.47 Item 7: Short Debate
NDM4546 Jeff Cuthbert (Caerphilly):
Respecting our Armed Forces
The meeting concluded at 18.11
The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30 on Tuesday, 12

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30 on Tuesday, 12 October 2010.

Chamber Secretariat