

Third Assembly Plenary Meeting

Votes and Proceedings (238)

Date: Tuesday, 18 January 2011

Time: 1.30pm

William Graham was nominated as Temporary Deputy Presiding Officer for the duration of the meeting.

13.30

Item 1: Questions to the First Minister (45 mins)

The first 14 questions were answered. Questions 1 and 7 were withdrawn. Question 13 was not asked.

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14.15

Point of Order - Kirsty Williams

Kirsty Williams sought clarification on the requirement for the First Minister to answer supplementary questions posed by Members. This followed an earlier alleged failure to respond to Veronica German AM's contribution. The Deputy Presiding Officer welcomed the First Minister's undertaking to refer to the Record and write to the Member in response to any question he had missed.

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14.17

Item 2: Business Statement and Announcement (30 mins)

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14.49

Item 3: Debate on the Draft Budget (120 mins)

NDM4629 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 27.6:

Notes the draft budget for the financial year 2011-2012 laid in the Table Office by the Minister for Business and Budget on 17 November 2010.

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

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 - Nick Ramsay (Monmouthshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to redraft this budget, and reallocate funds in order to protect Health and Social Services in real terms over the next three years.

A vote was taken on Amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
9	0	42	51

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 divert funding from low priority areas to pay for the introduction of a Pupil Premium.

A vote was taken on Amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to divert funding from low priority areas to pay for the establishment of an Innovation Fund to stimulate economic innovation and develop the knowledge economy.

A vote was taken on Amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	36	50

Amendment 3 was not agreed.

Amendment 4 - Peter Black (South Wales West)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to immediately investigate claims of ineffective spending in the NHS and to divert funding from those areas where spending has not been used effectively and invest it in patient care.

A vote was taken on Amendment 4:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 4 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion:

NDM4629 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 27.6:

Notes the draft budget for the financial year 2011-2012 laid in the Table Office by the Minister for Business and Budget on 17 November 2010.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
37	5	9	51

The motion was agreed.

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16.36

Item 4: Stage 3 Standing Order 23.57 debate on the Proposed Rights of Children and Young Persons (Wales) Measure (60 mins)

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

The Amendments have been grouped for the purposes of debate and the groupings will be debated as follows:

1. Young People

7, 5, 13, 12, 14

2. Children's scheme

8, 9, 10, 1

3. Technical amendments

2, 3, 4

4. Reporting

11

5. Procedure for making Subordinate Legislation

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6. Redress

15

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

A vote was taken on amendment 7:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
15	0	34	49

Amendment 7 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 8:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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14	0	37	51
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Amendment 8 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 9:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
15	1	35	51

Amendment 9 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

A vote was taken on amendment 10:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 10 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 11:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 11 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 5:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 5 was not agreed.

As amendment 5 was not agreed, amendments 13, 12 and 14 fell.

Amendment 3 was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

Amendment 4 was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 7.35.

A vote was taken on amendment 6:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 6 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on amendment 15:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
14	0	37	51

Amendment 15 was not agreed.

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

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17.55

Item 5: Stage 4 Standing Order 23.58 motion to approve the Proposed Rights of Children and Young Persons (Wales) Measure (5 mins)

At the conclusion of Stage 3 the Minister may propose that the proposed Measure be passed in accordance with Standing Order 23.58.

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

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

<http://www.assemblywales.org/bus-home/bus-legislation/bus-leg-measures/business-legislation-measures-rightsofchildren.htm>

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18.01

Voting Time

The meeting concluded at 18.02

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The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 1.30pm on Wednesday, 19 January 2011

Chamber Secretariat