

Second Assembly Plenary Meeting (211)

Votes and proceedings for Wednesday, 21st June 2006

The meeting commenced at 2.00pm

[Detailed voting results are available here](#)

Item 1 - Questions to Brian Gibbons, Minister for Health and Social Services

The First 11 questions were answered. Questions 1+10 were grouped together for answer and Question 3 was withdrawn.

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2.40pm

Item 2 - Questions to Alun Pugh, Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport

The first 10 questions were answered.

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Item 3 - Questions to the House Committee – No questions were tabled

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3.12pm

Item 4 - Motion to approve The Higher Education Act 2004 (Commencement No . 2 and Transitional Provision) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2006

NDM3102 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Higher Education Act 2004 (Commencement No.2 and Transitional Provision) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2006 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 6 June 2006.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 49; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 49

The principle of the order was agreed

NDM3103 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 June 2006 in relation to the draft The Higher Education Act 2004 (Commencement No.2 and Transitional Provision) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2006; and

2. Approves that the draft The Higher Education Act 2004 (Commencement No.2 and Transitional Provision) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2006 is made in accordance with:

- a) the draft laid in the Table Office on 6 June 2006; and
- b) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 6 June 2006.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 48; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 48

The Order was approved

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3.14pm

Item 5 - Motion to approve The Firefighters` Pension (Wales) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2006

NDM3104 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Considers the principle of The Firefighters' Pension (Wales) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2006 a copy of which was laid in Table Office on 16 May 2006.

A vote was taken on the principle of the Order

For 49; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 49

The principle of the order was agreed

NDM3105 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Considers the report of the Legislation Committee laid in the Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 June 2006 in relation to the draft The Firefighters' Pension (Wales) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2006; and

2. Approves that the draft The Firefighters' Pension (Wales) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2006 is made in accordance with:

- a) the draft laid in the Table Office on 16 May 2006;
- b) the Memorandum of Corrections laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 13 June 2006; and
- c) the Regulatory Appraisal laid in the Table Office on 22 May 2006.

A vote was taken on the Order

For 51; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 51

The Order was approved

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3.16pm

Item 6 - Debate on the Annual Report of the Sustainable Development Scheme

NDM3106 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Sustainable Development Annual Report 2006, which was laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 14 June 2006.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the increase in the amount of waste not recycled or composted per person in Wales.

A vote was taken:

Amendment 1

For 23; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 1 was not agreed

Amendment 2. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add at end of motion:

Instructs the Assembly Government to develop a green jobs strategy in order to do more to assist and promote green businesses and industries.

Amendment 2

For 22; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 50

Amendment 2 was not agreed

Amendment 3. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Assembly Government to publish an annual indicator in the sustainable development report, that clearly measures economic growth against carbon dioxide emissions.

Amendment 3

For 23; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 3 was not agreed

Amendment 4. Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales)

Add new point at end of motion:

Regrets the increases in CO2 emissions in Wales, and calls on the Welsh Assembly Government to redraft planning guidance to increase the diversity of renewable energy supply.

Amendment 4

For 14; Abstain 9; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 4 was not agreed

Amendment 5. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Condemns the Assembly Government's continued failure to clearly demonstrate in the Sustainable Development Scheme Annual Reports how Wales is achieving a more sustainable way of living.

Amendment 5

For 23; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 5 was not agreed

Amendment 6. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the failure to link the Sustainable Development Scheme Annual Report to the First Minister's annual reports as stated in Sustainable Development Action Plan 2004 -07.

Amendment 6

For 51; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 51

Amendment 6 was agreed

Amendment 7. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that the continued lack of powers over building regulations limits Wales' sustainable development aims and calls for the devolution of these powers.

Amendment 7

For 14; Abstain 8; Against 28; Total 50

Amendment 7 was not agreed

Amendment 8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Expresses concern at the rise in CO2 emissions from Welsh sources and calls on WAG to develop year on year targets for reductions in carbon emissions.

Amendment 8

For 23; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 8 was not agreed

Amendment 9. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the fact that this is the final Sustainable Development Scheme Annual report of the Assembly term and looks forward to future independent assessments of the Assembly Government’s record in achieving its sustainable development aims.

Amendment 9

For 23; Abstain 0; Against 28; Total 51

Amendment 9 was not agreed

The motion, as amended

NDM3106 Jane Hutt (Vale of Glamorgan)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Sustainable Development Annual Report 2006, which was laid in Table Office and e-mailed to Assembly Members on 14 June 2006.

Notes the failure to link the Sustainable Development Scheme Annual Report to the First Minister’s annual reports as stated in Sustainable Development Action Plan 2004 -07.

For 51; Abstain 0; Against 0; Total 51

The motion, as amended, was agreed

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4.08pm

Item 7 - Short debate -

Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire): Supermarkets - Jolly Green Giants or Incredible Hulks? – postponed from 24 May 2006

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4.33pm

Item 8 - Short Debate -

NDM3107 Helen Mary Jones (Mid and West Wales): Designed for Disaster – Hospital reconfiguration in Mid and West Wales.

The meeting concluded 5.00pm

**The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at
2.00pm on Tuesday, 27th June 2006**

E P Silk

Clerk to the Assembly