

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd/Zoom

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 8 December 2020

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting will be held in a hybrid format, with some Members in the Senedd Chamber and others joining by video-conference.

Having consulted with the Business Committee, the Llywydd has determined that in accordance with Standing Order 34.14A–D, Members will be able to vote from any location by electronic means.

The Llywydd also gives notice, in accordance with Standing Order 34.15, that the public have been excluded from attending this Plenary meeting, as is required to protect public health. The meeting will continue to be broadcast live and the record of proceedings will be published as usual.

1 Questions to the First Minister

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the First Minister after Question 2.

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2 Business Statement and Announcement

(15 mins)

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3 Statement by the Minister for Economy, Transport and North Wales: Burns Recommendations – Next Steps

(45 mins)

4 Statement by the Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport: Update on the Valleys Taskforce

(30 mins)

5 The Non-Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2020 – Postponed

(0 mins)

NDM7499 [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5:

1. Approves The Non-Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2020 [laid](#) in the Table Office on 12 November 2020.

Supporting Documents

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Report of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee](#)

6 The Plant Health (Forestry) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020

(15 mins)

NDM7498 [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5:

1. Approves that the draft Plant Health (Forestry) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 are made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 17 November 2020.

Supporting Documents

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[Report of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee](#)

7 Legislative Consent Motion on the United Kingdom Internal Market Bill

(45 mins)

NDM7497 [Jeremy Miles \(Neath\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6, agrees that provisions in the United Kingdom Internal Market Bill, in so far as they fall within the legislative competence of the Senedd, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

A Legislative Consent Memorandum was [laid](#) in Table Office on 25 September 2020 in accordance with Standing Order 29.2.

[United Kingdom Internal Market Bill 2019–21](#)

Supporting Documents

[Report of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee](#)

[Report of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee](#)

[Report of the Finance Committee](#)

[Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum](#)

Motion to suspend Standing Orders

(5 mins)

NDM7500 [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8:
Suspends Standing Orders 12.20(i), 12.22(i) and that part of Standing Order 11.16 that requires the weekly announcement under Standing Order 11.11 to constitute the timetable for business in Plenary for the following week, to allow NNDM7501 to be considered in Plenary on Tuesday, 8 December 2020.

Procedural Motion

(5 mins)

A procedural motion under Standing Order 12.32 to postpone the next item until Wednesday, 9 December 2020

8 Debate: New Coronavirus Restrictions

(60 mins)

NDM7501 [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes:

- a) the increase in the seven-day rolling incidence rate of coronavirus cases across Wales;
- b) the statement by the First Minister on 1 December which set out new national measures to protect public health and reduce the spread of coronavirus; and
- c) the £340m package of business support to be made available through the Economic Resilience Fund to support businesses affected by the new national measures.

The following amendments were tabled:

In accordance with Standing Order 12.23 (iii), amendment 1 tabled to the motion was not selected.

Amendment 2 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Does not believe that a Wales-wide approach is proportionate given that COVID-19 is circulating at different rates in different parts of the country.

Amendment 3 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that there is insufficient evidence to demonstrate that the Welsh Government's current restrictions on the sale of alcohol in public houses, cafes and restaurants are proportionate.

Amendment 4 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Believes that the financial support available to businesses affected by the restrictions is insufficient, especially when firms have spent vast sums on ensuring their premises are COVID secure for staff and customers.

Amendment 5 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls upon the Welsh Government to publish the evidence on which it based its decision to close indoor entertainment venues.

Amendment 6 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Further calls upon the Welsh Government to make sufficient financial support available to businesses in a timely manner.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.23 (iii), amendments 7, 8 and 9 tabled to the motion were not selected.

Amendment 10 [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets:

- a) that the Welsh Government has pursued a course of action based on very limited evidence of the situation in Wales;
- b) that the restrictions will have a very limited impact upon infection rates in Wales;
- c) that these restrictions will have a lasting impact on jobs and livelihoods and will cause lasting damage to the hospitality sector in Wales.

Amendment 11 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Agrees that, whilst hospitality venues can remain open, they should not be subject to a complete ban on the sale of alcohol as currently set out in regulations which came into force on 4 December.

Amendment 12 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Agrees that the cut-off time on the sale of alcohol in supermarkets and off-licences should be consistent with the cut-off time imposed on hospitality venues.

Amendment 13 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Agrees that hospitality venues should be allowed to stay open until 8pm.

Amendment 14 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to outline:

a) the specific objectives it hopes the new national restrictions outlined in the First Minister's statement to the Senedd on 1 December will achieve; and

b) what the threshold will be for relaxing those measures.

Amendment 15 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Agrees that the latest Welsh Government technical advisory cell advice, together with all data supporting the policy decisions taken, should be published alongside or prior to any announcement on further national coronavirus restrictions.

Amendment 16 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Agrees that the Welsh Government should adopt a presumption in favour of holding a meaningful vote in the Senedd to precede the coming into effect of any further national coronavirus restrictions of the magnitude outlined in the First Minister's statement to the Senedd on 1 December.

Amendment 17 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to afford the opportunity for opposition parties to make reasonable requests for independent modelling by the technical advisory cell on alternative proposals in relation to matters such as the closure of the hospitality sector and other non-pharmaceutical interventions.

9 Debate: The Equality and Human Rights Annual Review 2019–20 – Postponed

(0 mins)

NDM7496 [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the Equality and Human Rights Commission Wales Committee Impact Report 2019–20.

[Wales Impact Report 2019–20](#)

10 Voting Time

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 9 December 2020