

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 15 September 2021

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.

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.

1 Questions to the Minister for Finance and Local Government

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

No Topical Questions were accepted.



4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Welsh Conservatives Debate – Access to defibrillators

(60 mins)

NDM7771 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes that only 1 in 10 people survive an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.
2. Further notes that for every minute a patient does not have access to a defibrillator or cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), their chances of survival drops by 10 per cent.
3. Recognises that a network of defibrillators will save lives.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to provide grant funding or loans to enable community halls, sports grounds and independent shops to buy and install a defibrillator.

The following amendment has been tabled:

Amendment 1 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

Delete point 4 and replace with new points:

4. Recognises the £2.5 million funding provided by Welsh Government to Save a Life Cymru to improve awareness and access to CPR and defibrillation.
5. Notes the Welsh Government commits to extending this support by £500k this year to further increase the number of defibrillators in community settings across Wales.

6 Plaid Cymru Debate – Universal Credit

(60 mins)

NDM7772 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Opposes the UK Government's proposal to scrap the £20 uplift in universal credit, which has been a vital helpline for families in Wales during the pandemic.
2. Recognises that a higher proportion of families in Wales will be affected by the cut to universal credit than the UK average according to the Bevan Foundation.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
 - a) pursue the devolution of welfare in order to tackle poverty in Wales.
 - b) publish a robust and meaningful plan to tackle poverty that contains clear performance targets and indications to measure progress.
 - c) maintain flexibility around the discretionary assistance fund in order to mitigate the impact of any universal credit reduction on people in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Delete point 1 and replace with:

Welcomes the UK Government's decision to provide an extra £20 per week in universal credit to support those on low incomes during the coronavirus pandemic and recognises that this temporary measure has already been extended from 12 to 18 months.

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

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Regrets that poverty levels in Wales are higher than in other parts of the UK due to the failure of successive Welsh Governments.

Amendment 3. [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

Delete point 3 and replace with:

3. Notes the income maximisation work done by the Welsh Government to support families on low incomes.

4. Urges the Welsh Government to:

a) continue to explore the case for the devolution of the administration of welfare;
and

b) maintain the current flexibility around the discretionary assistance fund to mitigate the impact of any universal credit reduction and the ending of furlough on people in Wales.

[If amendment 3 is agreed, amendments 4 and 5 will be de-selected]

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

Delete sub-point 3(a) and replace with:

a) work with the UK Government to tackle poverty in Wales, by maximising the opportunities presented by funding opportunities and regional growth deals across Wales;

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

Delete everything after 'fund' in sub-point 3(c).

7 Voting Time

8 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM7770 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

We will remember them: why we must protect Wales's war memorials

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 21 September 2021

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 08/09/2021 for answer on 15/09/2021

The Presiding Officer will call party spokespeople to ask questions without notice after Question 2.

MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Samuel Kurtz *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

1 OQ56836 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the use of fixed penalty notices by local authorities?

Jane Dodds *Mid and West Wales*

2 OQ56819 (e) Member declared an interest

Will the Minister make a statement on budget allocations to the health and social services portfolio in relation to the provision of children's services?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

3 OQ56802 (e)

What consideration will the Welsh Government give to the impact on Wales of possible additional NHS and social care funding in England when allocating funding to the health and social services portfolio?

Alun Davies *Blaenau Gwent*

4 OQ56829 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the budget allocated to delivering strategic and economic development planning in south-east Wales?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

5 OQ56832 (e)

What assessment of the tax implications for Wales has the Minister made of the UK Government's freeports policy?

Mabon ap Gwynfor *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

6 OQ56810 (w)

Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the land transaction tax?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

7 OQ56813 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on the Welsh Government's income tax policy?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

8 OQ56822 (w)

Will the Minister explain the purpose of the current consultation on local taxes for second homes and self-catering accommodation?

Hefin David *Caerphilly*

9 OQ56833 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement about local government boundary reforms?

Mark Isherwood *North Wales*

10 OQ56800 (e)

How does the Welsh Government ensure the accountability of local government officers to elected councillors?

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

11 OQ56812 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on future funding being provided to Powys County Council?

Rhys ab Owen *South Wales Central*

12 OQ56821 (w)

What discussions has the Welsh Government had on improving electoral arrangements to make it easier for people to participate in local government elections?

MINISTER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS AND NORTH WALES, AND TREFNYDD

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

1 OQ56805 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on Welsh Government actions to improve animal welfare in Wales over the course of this Senedd term?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

2 OQ56831 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the environmental impact of intensive poultry units in Mid and West Wales?

Samuel Kurtz *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

3 OQ56814 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to regulate dog breeding in Wales?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

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OQ56817 (w)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Climate Change regarding repairing roads in north Wales that were affected by flooding this year?

Sioned Williams *South Wales West*

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OQ56815 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact of pet theft on animal welfare in Wales?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

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OQ56823 (w)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Economy regarding the current responsibility of the Welsh Government in developing Bryn Cegin business park in Bangor?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

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OQ56801 (e)

How will the Welsh Government ensure a sustainable future for small and medium-scale family-run mixed arable and livestock farming in the south Wales valleys?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

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OQ56808 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support farmers in Pembrokeshire?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

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OQ56824 (e)

What measures will the Minister propose to strengthen the protection of animals in Wales during the current Senedd term?

Sarah Murphy *Bridgend*

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OQ56835 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting innovation in the farming industry in South Wales West?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

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OQ56820 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to mitigate agricultural pollution in Wales?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

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OQ56806 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing about the impact of Welsh Government policies on farmers' mental health?