

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 3 November 2021

Meeting time: 13.30

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

1 Questions to the Minister for Economy

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister and the Deputy Minister for Arts and Sport after question 2.

2 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

The item started at 14.19

The first 8 questions were asked. Questions 2 and 5 were answered by the Deputy Minister for Social Services. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Minister and the Deputy Minister for Social Services after question 2.

3 Statement by the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: The Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill

The item started at 15.07

4 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.42

Answered by the Deputy Minister for Climate Change

[Mabon ap Gwynfor \(Dwyfor Meirionnydd\)](#): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's decision to cancel the Llanbedr bypass in Gwynedd?

In accordance with Standing Order 12.18, at 15.52 the meeting was suspended by the Presiding Officer.

5 90 Second Statements

The item started at 16.03

Tom Giffard made a statement on the International Day Against Violence and Bullying at School, including Cyberbullying.

Elin Jones made a statement on the 60th anniversary of the Books Council of Wales.

Peter Fox made a statement on the RSPCA's 'Bang Out of Order' campaign and the impact of fireworks on the welfare of animals.

Jayne Bryant made a statement to mark 35 years of Childline.

6 Debate on petition P-05-912 Supporting Families with Sudden and Unexpected Death in Children and Young Adults

The item started at 16.10

NDM7814 [Jack Sargeant \(Alyn and Deeside\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the petition 'P-05-912 Supporting Families with Sudden and Unexpected Death in Children and Young Adults' which received 5,682 signatures.

[P-05-912 Supporting Families with Sudden and Unexpected Death in Children and Young Adults](#)

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Welsh Conservatives debate – A green recovery

The item started at 16.59

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM7815 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the Welsh Government’s intention to promote a green recovery during the sixth Welsh Parliamentary term.
2. Further notes the UK Government’s 10–point plan for a green industrial revolution.
3. Welcomes the appointment of a Minister and Deputy Minister for Climate Change.
4. In order to help a green recovery, calls on the Welsh Government to:
 - a) work with the UK Government and set out a plan to deliver thousands of green collar jobs for a greener economy;
 - b) urgently bring forward key pledges such as a clean air Bill, banning of single use plastics for non–medical use, and a deposit–return scheme;
 - c) create an independent office for environmental protection and climate change for Wales, which will hold the Welsh Government and public bodies to account in tackling climate change;
 - d) provide further investment into marine and offshore wind energy; and
 - e) update existing legislation and planning rules to set long–term targets and milestones for nature recovery as well as mandating biodiversity net gains on new development.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
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13	0	37	50
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The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Delete point 4 and add new points:

Regrets the year-on-year fall in cash terms of capital funding available as a result of the failure of the UK Government's spending review to address the urgency of the climate and nature emergency, reducing the Welsh Government capital budget by 11 per cent in real terms by 2024-25 compared to this year.

Calls on the Welsh Government:

- a) to produce a net zero skills action plan that promotes fair work in support of a just transition;
- b) to bring forward a clean air Bill to establish an air quality target setting framework, which will take account of World Health Organisation guidelines;
- c) to establish an environmental oversight body for Wales and introduce statutory targets to address the nature crisis in Wales;

Calls on the UK Government:

- a) to recognise Wales's ambition to ban single-use plastics by making regulations excluding them from the scope of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020;
- b) to amend the Coal Industry Act 1994 to enable the implementation of Welsh Government policy to avoid the extraction of fossil fuels;
- c) to replace, in full, funding previously received from the European Union to enable investment in the development of the marine energy industry in Wales;
- d) to support rail electrification of the entire North Wales mainline and South Wales mainline as a significant step towards a net zero public transport system.

[United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020](#)

[Coal Industry Act 1994](#)

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
26	0	24	50

Amendment 1 was agreed.

As amendment 1 was agreed, amendment 2 was de-selected.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the Welsh Government's intention to promote a green recovery during the sixth Welsh Parliamentary term.
2. Further notes the UK Government's 10-point plan for a green industrial revolution.
3. Welcomes the appointment of a Minister and Deputy Minister for Climate Change.
4. Regrets the year-on-year fall in cash terms of capital funding available as a result of the failure of the UK Government's spending review to address the urgency of the climate and nature emergency, reducing the Welsh Government capital budget by 11 per cent in real terms by 2024-25 compared to this year.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government:
 - a) to produce a net zero skills action plan that promotes fair work in support of a just transition;
 - b) to bring forward a clean air Bill to establish an air quality target setting framework, which will take account of World Health Organisation guidelines;
 - c) to establish an environmental oversight body for Wales and introduce statutory targets to address the nature crisis in Wales;

6. Calls on the UK Government:

a) to recognise Wales's ambition to ban single-use plastics by making regulations excluding them from the scope of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020;

b) to amend the Coal Industry Act 1994 to enable the implementation of Welsh Government policy to avoid the extraction of fossil fuels;

c) to replace, in full, funding previously received from the European Union to enable investment in the development of the marine energy industry in Wales;

d) to support rail electrification of the entire North Wales mainline and South Wales mainline as a significant step towards a net zero public transport system.

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For	Abstain	Against	Total
37	0	13	50

The motion as amended was agreed.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.18, at 17.54 proceedings were suspended to allow a technical break before voting time.

8 Voting Time

The item started at 18.00

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9 Short Debate

The item started at 18.02

NDM7812 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

'Listen to us. Support us.': the need to ensure access for young people to mental health support

The meeting concluded at 18.28

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 9 November 2021