

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 16 February 2022

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 Economy

(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 Health and Social Services

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To be answered by the Deputy Minister for Climate Change:

Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister make a statement on the decision to scrap the A55 roundabouts removal project?



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4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Local Government elections

(60 mins)

NDM7881 [Rhys ab Owen \(South Wales Central\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes:

a) the Local Government and Elections Wales Act 2021 extends the voting franchise to 16 and 17 year olds and foreign citizens legally resident in Wales, ensures a duty to encourage local people to participate in local government, and enables councils to scrap the first-past-the-post system to elect councillors;

b) a more proportional system is used in local elections in Scotland, reducing the number of uncontested seats, and ensuring that all votes count.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to work closely with new councils elected in May 2022 to ensure that a more representative method and a uniform national system is used to elect councillors across Wales by 2027.

Co-submitters

[Llyr Gruffydd](#)

[Jane Dodds](#)

Supporters

[Cefin Campbell](#)

[Heledd Fychan](#)

[Luke Fletcher](#)

[Mabon ap Gwynfor](#)

[Peredur Owen Griffiths](#)

[Rhun ap Iorwerth](#)

[Siân Gwenllïan](#)

[Sioned Williams](#)

6 Debate on petition P-05-949 Save Cowbridge Intermediate School for Girls from demolition

(30 mins)

NDM7924 [Jack Sargeant \(Alyn and Deeside\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the petition, 'P-05-949 Save Cowbridge Old Girls' School from Demolition', which received 5,522 signatures.

[P-05-949 Save Cowbridge Old Girls' School from Demolition](#)

7 Welsh Conservatives debate – Local Government funding

(60 mins)

NDM7923 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Thanks councillors, local authorities and their staff across Wales for their role during the coronavirus pandemic.
2. Believes that Welsh local authorities must be adequately funded to enable them to deliver the high quality public services to which they aspire.
3. Regrets that the current local government funding formula is not fit for purpose.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to commission an external independent review of the funding of local government in Wales to ensure it delivers fair funding for all parts of the country.

The following amendment has been tabled:

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

Delete points 3 and 4 and replace with:

Notes the proposed local government settlement increase for 2022-23 of 9.4 per cent announced on 16 December 2021, which will continue to support authorities to deliver high quality services.

Recognises that local government and the Welsh Government continue to jointly review and develop the funding formula so that it continues to be fair, fit for purpose and offers authorities both stability and responsiveness.

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM7914 [Laura Anne Jones \(South Wales East\)](#)

Regenerating town and city centres in Wales: more of the same will simply not work

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 1 March 2022

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 09/02/2022 for answer on 16/02/2022

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

MINISTER FOR ECONOMY

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

- 1** **OQ57667 (w)**
Will the Minister provide an update on business development plans at Bryn Cegin Park, Bangor?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

- 2** **OQ57664 (e)**
What assessment has the Welsh Government made of how much money will come to Wales through the shared prosperity fund in the next financial year?

Sioned Williams *South Wales West*

- 3** **OQ57644 (w)**
What steps is the Minister taking to ensure that the Welsh Government's economic policy includes a strategy to tackle the cost-of-living crisis?

Ken Skates *Clwyd South*

- 4** **OQ57632 (e)**
How is the Welsh Government helping young people into employment?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

- 5** **OQ57659 (e)**
What action is the Welsh Government taking to support business start-ups in Cynon Valley?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

- 6** **OQ57634 (e)**
What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact of a tourism tax on the economy of North Wales?

Jane Dodds *Mid and West Wales*

- 7** **OQ57672 (e)**
Will the Minister make a statement on the support available to small businesses in Mid and West Wales?

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

8

OQ57665 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on the financial support provided to businesses during the last set of COVID-19 restrictions?

Heledd Fychan *South Wales Central*

9

OQ57648 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to support the development of the green economy in South Wales Central?

Adam Price *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

10

OQ57646 (e)

What medium to long-term financial support can hospitality businesses in Carmarthen East and Dinefwr expect from the Welsh Government over the next 18 months?

Gareth Davies *Vale of Clwyd*

11

OQ57657 (e)

How does the Welsh Government plan to work with the UK Government in order to maximise the benefits of the shared prosperity fund for the residents of the Vale of Clwyd?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

12

OQ57653 (e)

What is Welsh Government doing to support city centre economies to adapt to remote working practices?

MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

1

OQ57660 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to improve access to specialist medical care in the community?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

2

OQ57631 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the future delivery of services in the Hywel Dda University Health Board area?

Tom Giffard *South Wales West*

3

OQ57652 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of ambulance services in South Wales West?

Peter Fox *Monmouth*

4

OQ57663 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the hospital discharge services requirements?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

5

OQ57641 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on Welsh Government plans to improve health provision in mid Wales?

Mabon ap Gwynfor *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

6

OQ57656 (w)

What assessment has the Minister made of the findings of the Royal College of Physicians' report on vascular services in North Wales?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

7

OQ57633 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to promote excellence in the Welsh NHS?

Alun Davies *Blaenau Gwent*

8

OQ57671 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on patient access to urgent dental services in the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board area?

Luke Fletcher *South Wales West*

9

OQ57669 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on funding for mental health services in South Wales West?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

10

OQ57668 (e)

What is the Welsh Government's latest assessment of availability of NHS dental services in Wales?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

11

OQ57640 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the progress of the North Wales medical school in Bangor?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

12

OQ57649 (e)

Will the Minister give an update on the development of the clinical community pharmacy service in Wales?