

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 14 June 2023

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.

1 Questions to the Minister for Finance and Local Government (45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call party spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister 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)

To be answered by the Minister for Economy

[Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#): Will the Minister make a statement in response to the announcement that Tuffnells parcel firm has gone into administration?



[Luke Fletcher \(South Wales West\)](#): What is the Welsh Government doing to improve economic outcomes in Wales, following the publication of the June ONS statistics which show a pattern of decline in Welsh employment rates and economic activity?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Warm this Winter campaign

(60 mins)

NDM8275 [Hefin David \(Caerphilly\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes that Wales and the rest of the United Kingdom are in the grips of multiple crises, namely the cost-of-living crisis, energy crisis, and the climate and nature emergencies, and that the Warm this Winter campaign recognises that these crises are connected and intertwined, and that they have shared causes and shared solutions.
2. Notes that the Warm this Winter campaign in Wales is calling for emergency support for the most vulnerable.
3. Notes that the Welsh Government has put investment in place to support vulnerable households last winter, that they have announced a new public energy company for Wales, and additional energy efficiency schemes for our homes, but that more needs to be done.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to work to implement solutions for a genuine pathway out of the cost-of-living crisis, by recognising that there are key steps to addressing energy security and the climate crisis – like a rapid scale up of energy efficiency and rolling out community energy all over Wales.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to raise concerns with the UK Government on the cost of energy, and the need to ensure that there are UK support schemes in place to ensure that people are warm this winter, and every winter to come.

Co-submitters

[Jane Dodds \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

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

Supporters

[Alun Davies \(Blaenau Gwent\)](#)

[Carolyn Thomas \(North Wales\)](#)

[Delyth Jewell \(South Wales East\)](#)

[Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

[Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)

[Jenny Rathbone \(Cardiff Central\)](#)

[John Griffiths \(Newport East\)](#)

[Joyce Watson \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#)

[Rhianon Passmore \(Islwyn\)](#)

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

[Sioned Williams \(South Wales West\)](#)

[Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#)

6 Debate on Children, Young People and Education Committee report – Mental Health support in Higher Education

(60 mins)

NDM8292 [Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Children, Young People and Education Committee ‘Mental Health support in Higher Education’ which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 29 March 2023.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 7 June 2023.

7 Welsh Conservatives Debate – Additional learning needs

(60 mins)

NDM8294 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes that:

- a) the number of children and young people receiving additional learning (ALN) needs support has decreased since the introduction of additional learning needs reforms last year;
- b) delays and challenges in the rollout of ALN reforms are causing a postcode lottery in access to ALN support for learners across Wales; and
- c) research by the National Association of Head Teachers Cymru found that 94 per cent of school leaders reported that funding to cover all aspects of the new ALN legislation is not sufficient.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) undertake an urgent review of the implementation of ALN reforms;
- b) take urgent action to ensure that children with ALN are identified and provided with access to support sooner; and
- c) provide additional financial support directly to Welsh schools to ensure that learners with ALN are able to access the support they need.

['A Failure to Invest: The state of Welsh school funding' – NAHT Cymru](#)

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Delete point 1 and replace with:

Notes that:

Estyn finds that ALN implementation is making steady progress and changes are generally welcomed.

research finds that the Curriculum for Wales and ALN code are promoting a focus on equity and inclusivity for all learners.

the ALN implementation period has been extended to ensure that families receive the best support possible, and implementation funding increased to help plan for meeting individual learner need.

[Additional learning needs reform – Estyn](#)

[Research with schools on the early implementation of Curriculum for Wales: Wave 1 report](#)

If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be de-selected.

Amendment 2 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Insert at end of sub-point 1(b):

with a particular shortage of Welsh-language provision.

Amendment 3 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Insert as new sub-point at end of point 2:

take immediate action to alleviate concerns from Welsh-medium providers regarding the availability of Welsh language resources to support ALN work, and ensure all resources are published bilingually

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM8289 [Delyth Jewell \(South Wales East\)](#)

Cancer inequalities in Wales

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 20 June 2023

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 07/06/2023 for answer on 14/06/2023

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MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Joel James *South Wales Central*

1 OQ59633 (e)

What assessment has the Minister made of the number of NHS employees who have accessed training through Academi Wales?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

2 OQ59634 (w)

Will the Minister provide an update on empty buildings owned by the Welsh Government in Caernarfon?

Rhys ab Owen *South Wales Central*

3 OQ59646 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with local authorities in South Wales Central regarding their use of borrowing powers to fund capital projects?

Luke Fletcher *South Wales West*

4 OQ59662 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Social Justice regarding the need for additional allocation of finances for local authorities to support vulnerable residents?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

5 OQ59652 (e)

What is the Welsh Government's current assessment of progress on joint working between local authorities?

Jenny Rathbone *Cardiff Central*

6 OQ59647 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the effectiveness of public service boards?

Mike Hedges *Swansea East*

7 OQ59628 (e)

Will the Welsh Government provide an update on the invest-to-save programme?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

8 OQ59656 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to facilitate the sharing of best practice and information between councils?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

9 OQ59631 (e)

How does the Minister ensure that local authorities engage and communicate with residents?

Samuel Kurtz *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

10 OQ59661 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Economy about making additional resources available to local authorities to fully capitalise on the opportunities provided by free ports?

Adam Price *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

11 OQ59651 (e)

What discussions has the Welsh Government had with the UK Government regarding additional funding to local authorities for capital investment?

Rhianon Passmore *Islwyn*

12 OQ59664 (e)

Will the Welsh Government provide an update on the status of the Welsh Treasury?

MINISTER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS AND NORTH WALES, AND TREFNYDD

Rhys ab Owen *South Wales Central*

1 OQ59645 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to protect and manage wildlife in the Vale of Glamorgan?

Sam Rowlands *North Wales*

2 OQ59655 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to promote food and drink from North Wales?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

3 OQ59657 (e)

What support is the Welsh Government offering to agricultural shows in South Wales East?

Altaf Hussain *South Wales West*

4 OQ59648 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to protect and enhance wildlife along watercourses in South Wales West?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

5 OQ59659 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact on Wales of the UK Government's decision not to proceed with the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

6 OQ59637 (e)

How is the Minister helping agricultural businesses to diversify?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

7 OQ59663 (e)

Will the Minister respond to Audit Wales's recent report on unspent allocated rural development programme funding?

Mike Hedges *Swansea East*

8 OQ59629 (e)

What is the Welsh Government's policy on the keeping of primates as pets?

Peter Fox *Monmouth*

9 OQ59660 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement regarding the future of food sustainability in Wales?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

10 OQ59653 (e)

Will the Minister confirm what the next steps are for introducing compulsory CCTV in slaughterhouses?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

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OQ59635 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on the prohibition on harvesting razor clams in Llanfairfechan?

Tom Giffard *South Wales West*

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OQ59650 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Economy about tourism in rural communities?