

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 5 March 2024

Meeting time: 13.00

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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 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

(30 mins)

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3 Debate: Welsh Rates of Income Tax 2024–25

(15 mins)

NDM8501 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with section 116D of the Government of Wales Act 2006, agrees the Welsh rate resolution for the 2024–25 Welsh rates of income tax as follows:

a) the Welsh rate for the purpose of calculating the basic rate of income tax is 10p in the pound;



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b) the Welsh rate for the purpose of calculating the higher rate of income tax is 10p in the pound; and

c) the Welsh rate for the purpose of calculating the additional rate of income tax is 10p in the pound.

4 Debate: The Final Budget 2024–25

(60 mins)

NDM8499 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 20.25, approves the Annual Budget for the financial year 2024–25 [laid](#) in the Table Office by the First Minister on 27 February 2024.

Supporting Documents

[The Welsh Government's response to the Finance Committee's report](#)

5 Debate: The Local Government Settlement 2024–25

(60 mins)

NDM8500 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Section 84H of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, approves the Local Government Finance Report (No. 1) 2024–25 (Final Settlement – Councils), which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 27 February 2024.

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets the substantial increases in council tax due to underfunding by the Welsh Government.

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government, before the next local government settlement, to:

a) commission an independent review of the Welsh local government funding formula;

b) work with local authorities to use their useable reserves to keep council tax as low as possible; and

c) require any local authority proposing a council tax rise of over 5 per cent to hold a local referendum and obtain a yes vote before implementing the proposed rise.

6 Voting Time

At the conclusion of Plenary the Committee of the Whole Senedd will convene to consider the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill.

[Committee of the Whole Senedd](#)

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 6 March 2024