

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 24 April 2024

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 Cabinet Secretary for North Wales and Transport (45 mins)

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

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2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Culture and Social Justice (45 mins)

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3 Questions to the Senedd Commission (10 mins)

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4 Topical Questions (20 mins)

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care



[Mabon ap Gwynfor \(Dwyfor Meirionnydd\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the final outcome of the Emergency Medical Retrieval and Transfer Service review into the future provision of air ambulance services in Wales?

5 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

6 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal – A Bill to strengthen food security

(30 mins)

NDM8504 [Janet Finch-Saunders \(Aberconwy\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes a proposal for a Bill that would make provisions for targets to strengthen food security in Wales.
2. Notes that the purpose of the Bill would be to create a duty for the Welsh Government to set targets to improve food security in Wales.

7 Debate on the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee report – Report on performance of Dŵr Cymru

(30 mins)

NDM8544 [Llyr Gruffydd \(North Wales\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee report, 'Report on performance of Dŵr Cymru', [laid](#) on 8 February 2024.

Notes: The response from the Welsh Government to the report was laid in the Table Office on 17 April 2024. [Ofwat](#) and [Natural Resources Wales](#) responded on 20 March 2024 and [Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water](#) responded on 28 March 2024.

Emergency Question

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Education

[Adam Price \(Carmarthen East and Dinefwr\)](#): Will the Government state what information it can share regarding the serious incident in Ysgol Dyffryn Aman today?

8 Welsh Conservatives Debate – Education

(60 mins)

NDM8545 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the Major Challenges for Education in Wales report published by the Institution for Fiscal Studies which highlighted that:

- a) PISA scores declined more in Wales than in most other countries in 2022;
- b) post-16 educational outcomes in Wales are the worst in the UK;
- c) pupils in Wales were performing only as well as disadvantaged children in England;
- d) the explanation for lower educational performance in Wales is likely to reflect Welsh Government policy and approach; and
- e) the new curriculum for Wales and Welsh Government reforms run the risk of widening inequalities, increasing teacher workload, and limiting future education opportunities.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) commission an independent review into the current educational reforms being brought forward;
- b) prioritise children's education by getting 5,000 more teachers back into classrooms;
- c) ensure those with additional learning needs are provided with the right support sooner; and
- d) roll-out the introduction of free schools and academies.

[Major Challenges for Education in Wales report published by the Institute for Fiscal Studies](#)

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Welcomes the First Minister's commitment to sustained improvement in educational attainment as a top priority for the Welsh Government.
2. Supports the Welsh Government's rollout of the Curriculum for Wales and implementation of the Additional Learning Needs (Wales) Act.
3. Expresses thanks to the education workforce for their continued hard work throughout the year.
4. Notes that, despite the UK Government's mismanagement of our public finances, the Welsh Government has protected the funding available to schools through the local government settlement and grant funding.

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

Amendment 2 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Delete sub-point 2(d)

9 Voting Time

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM8540 [Peter Fox \(Monmouth\)](#)

Primary care and the preventative agenda.

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 30 April 2024

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 17/04/2024 for answer on 24/04/2024

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CABINET SECRETARY FOR NORTH WALES AND TRANSPORT

Altaf Hussain *South Wales West*

1 OQ60978 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary outline his priorities for transport for children and young people?

Adam Price *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

2 OQ60971 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the proposed changes to the Heart of Wales line timetable?

Rhianon Passmore *Islwyn*

3 OQ60979 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's progress in implementing the recommendations of the South East Wales Transport Commission?

Sam Rowlands *North Wales*

4 OQ60967 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on his plans for improving transport in North Wales?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

5 OQ60969 (e)

What is the Cabinet Secretary's assessment of progress in implementing active travel policies in Wales?

Tom Giffard *South Wales West*

6 OQ60975 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's priorities for public transport?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

7 OQ60973 (e)

What plans does the Welsh Government have for the future of bus services in valleys communities?

Peredur Owen Griffiths *South Wales East*

8 OQ60952 (e)

How is the Government improving the accessibility of public transport in South Wales East?

Cefin Campbell *Mid and West Wales*

9 OQ60947 (e)

What is the Welsh Government's vision for transport in rural Mid and West Wales?

Jane Dodds *Mid and West Wales*

10 OQ60968 (e)

What consideration is the Welsh Government giving to rural communities as part of the forthcoming bus bill?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

11 OQ60945 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the delivery of the South Wales Metro?

Buffy Williams *Rhondda*

12 OQ60938 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on how residents in Rhondda have benefited from Welsh Government investment in bus services?

CABINET SECRETARY FOR CULTURE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Jane Dodds *Mid and West Wales*

1 OQ60985 (e)

What measures is the Welsh Government taking to set targets for the reduction of child poverty?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

2 OQ60944 (e)

How is the Welsh Government working to mitigate the impact of child poverty in Cynon Valley?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

3 OQ60977 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the future of the National Museum Cardiff?

Joel James *South Wales Central*

4 OQ60954 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the potential closure of the National Museum Cardiff?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

5 OQ60948 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the future of the National Library of Wales?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

6 OQ60981 (e)

What urgent steps has the Welsh Government taken to ensure that Amgueddfa Cymru does not have to close any of its sites?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

7 OQ60966 (e)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Cabinet Secretary for North Wales and Transport about ensuring equality of access to public transport for disabled people?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

8 OQ60983 (w)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on plans for the Museum of North Wales?

Mabon ap Gwynfor *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

9 OQ60976 (e)

What is the Government's vision for promoting the cultural heritage of Wales?

Hefin David *Caerphilly*

10 OQ60965 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the implementation of the Welsh Government's LGBTQ+ Action Plan?

Peredur Owen Griffiths *South Wales East*

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OQ60972 (e)

How is the Government assisting Welsh citizens who are supporting family members fleeing conflict in Gaza?

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

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OQ60935 (e)

What support does the Welsh Government provide to the horseracing industry in Wales?

SENEDD COMMISSION

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

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OQ60937 (e)

What steps is the Commission taking to support Members and staff to be more physically active in the workplace?