

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 26 March 2025

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 Housing and Local Government

(45 mins)

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

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2 Questions to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs

(45 mins)

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3 Motion to suspend Standing Orders

(5 mins)

NNDM8871 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that Senedd Cymru, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8:

Suspends Standing Order 12.20(i) and that part of Standing Order 11.16 that requires the weekly announcement under Standing Order 11.11 to constitute the



timetable for business in Plenary for the following week, to allow NNDM8872 to be considered in Plenary on Wednesday 26 March.

4 The financial resolution in respect of the Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Bill

(5 mins)

NNDM8872 [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

To propose that Senedd Cymru, in accordance with Standing Order 26.72, for the purposes of any provisions resulting from the Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Bill, agrees to any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Standing Order 26.69 arising in consequence of the Bill.

5 Topical Questions

(0 mins)

No Topical Questions have been accepted

6 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

7 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal – a Bill on littering and fly-tipping

(30 mins)

NDM8799 [Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes a proposal for a Bill on tackling littering and fly-tipping in Wales.
2. Notes that the purpose of the Bill would be to:
 - a) strengthen and reform the law on fly-tipping in Wales in respect of:
 - i) financial and non-financial penalties (such as driving licence or vehicle confiscation);
 - ii) the cap on fixed penalty notices;
 - iii) enforcement activity; and
 - iv) standardising local authority data capture and reporting methodologies.

- b) strengthen and reform the law on littering in Wales in respect of:
- i) identifying littering as anti-social behaviour;
 - ii) financial and non-financial penalties (such as the provision of 'litter awareness courses' for offenders); and
 - iii) the litter reduction responsibilities of retailers and other suppliers.
- c) to introduce processes that make it easier for households to dispose of waste.

Co-Submitters

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

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

Supporters

[Lee Waters \(Llanelli\)](#)

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

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

8 Debate on the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee report – A decade of cuts: Impact of funding reductions for culture and sport

(60 mins)

NDM8865 [Delyth Jewell \(South Wales East\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee: 'A decade of cuts: Impact of funding reductions for culture and sport' which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 9 January 2025.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 19 March 2025.

9 Welsh Conservatives debate – Wales Covid-19 Inquiry Special Purpose Committee oaths and affirmations

(60 mins)

NDM8864 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Believes that the Senedd's Standing Orders should provide the Wales Covid-19 Inquiry Special Purpose Committee with a discretionary power enabling it to require witnesses to take an oath or make an affirmation when giving evidence.

10 Voting time

Votes Summary

11 Short debate

(30 mins)

NDM8855 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Thinking differently: the Women's Institute campaign to support autistic and ADHD women and girls

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 1 April 2025

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 19/03/2025 for answer on 26/03/2025

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

CABINET SECRETARY FOR HOUSING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Carolyn Thomas *North Wales*

1 OQ62503 (e)

What consideration has the Cabinet Secretary given to making refuge accommodation exempt from requirements under the Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016?

Vaughan Gething *Cardiff South and Penarth*

2 OQ62506 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's proposals for reforming leasehold in Wales, following the UK Government's recent announcement of commonhold reform?

Mike Hedges *Swansea East*

3 OQ62489 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on social housing development plans for Swansea?

Rhys ab Owen *South Wales Central*

4 OQ62497 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support leaseholders who are unable to sell their homes and subject to increasing leaseholder costs?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

5 OQ62501 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on how housing associations allocate housing in Aberconwy?

Alun Davies *Blaenau Gwent*

6 OQ62530 (e)

How does the Welsh Government monitor the delivery of the Welsh housing quality standard?

Mabon ap Gwynfor *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

7 OQ62515 (w)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning about amending TAN 6 to facilitate converting agricultural buildings into homes?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

8 OQ62521 (e)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs about the Welsh Government support provided to local authorities to help with the identification of contaminated post-industrial sites near homes?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

9 OQ62512 (e)

What consideration has the Welsh Government given to making changes to the the length of terms of office in local government?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

10 OQ62528 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to incentivise the development of affordable housing?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

11 OQ62513 (e)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with local authorities about improving the financial efficiencies of councils?

Hannah Blythyn *Delyn*

12 OQ62518 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support the regeneration of town centres?

DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER AND CABINET SECRETARY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND RURAL AFFAIRS

Lesley Griffiths *Wrexham*

1 OQ62523 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the impact the banning of XL bully dogs has had on the welfare of dogs in Wales?

Buffy Williams *Rhondda*

2 OQ62527 (e)

How does the Welsh Government's budget ensure the Cabinet Secretary can continue to work towards the aim of reaching net zero?

Julie Morgan *Cardiff North*

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OQ62510 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support the creation of community gardens?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

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OQ62514 (w)

What consideration has the Cabinet Secretary given to the impact of UK Government changes to the agricultural inheritance tax on the sustainability of rural communities?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

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OQ62529 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to improve river health in south Wales?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

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OQ62522 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's work to improve coal-tip safety?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

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OQ62508 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to combat incidents of littering in South Wales East?

Carolyn Thomas *North Wales*

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OQ62505 (e)

How is the Welsh Government pursuing nature-based solutions as part of its flood strategy?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

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OQ62491 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to improve water quality in Preseli Pembrokeshire?

Hannah Blythyn *Delyn*

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OQ62519 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support flood alleviation across Delyn?

Sioned Williams *South Wales West*

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OQ62511 (e)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with stakeholders about the potential of the Welsh hemp sector?

Joel James *South Wales Central*

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OQ62507 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the levels of illegal fishing in Wales?

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Adam Price	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Altaf Hussain	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Alun Davies	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Andrew Davies	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Buffy Williams	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Carolyn Thomas	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Cefin Campbell	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Darren Millar	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
David Rees	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Anghymwys i bleidleisio/Not eligible to vote*
Dawn Bowden	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Delyth Jewell	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Elin Jones	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	Anghymwys i bleidleisio/Not eligible to vote*
Eluned Morgan	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Gareth Davies	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Hannah Blythyn	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Hefin David	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Heledd Fychan	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Huw Irranca-Davies	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Jack Sargeant	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
James Evans	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Jane Dodds	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru / Welsh Liberal Democrats	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Jane Hutt	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Janet Finch-Saunders	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Jayne Bryant	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Jenny Rathbone	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Jeremy Miles	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Joel James	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
John Griffiths	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Joyce Watson	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Julie James	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
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Ken Skates	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Laura Anne Jones	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Lee Waters	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Lesley Griffiths	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
Llyr Gruffydd	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Llywydd	Llywydd / Presiding Officer	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Luke Fletcher	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Lynne Neagle	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Mabon ap Gwynfor	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Mark Drakeford	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Mark Isherwood	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Mick Antoniw	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	O Blaid / For
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Natasha Asghar	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Paul Davies	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Peredur Owen Griffiths	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	O Blaid / For
Peter Fox	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Rebecca Evans	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Rhianon Passmore	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Rhun Ap Iorwerth	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Rhys Ab Owen	Rhys ab Owen - Annibynnol / Rhys ab Owen - Independent	O Blaid / For
Russell George	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
Sam Rowlands	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	O Blaid / For
Samuel Kurtz	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig / Welsh Conservative Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Sarah Murphy	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain
Sian Gwenllian	Plaid Cymru / Plaid Cymru	Heb bleidleisio / Did not vote
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Vikki Howells	Llafur Cymru / Welsh Labour Party	Ymatal / Abstain

O blaid / For:	33
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Ymatal / Abstain:	13
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Yn erbyn / Against:	0
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Cyfanswm / Total:	46
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*Yn unol â Rheol Sefydlog 6.20, mewn cyfarfodydd llawn, dim ond wrth ddefnyddio pleidlais fwrw y caniateir i'r Llywydd neu'r Dirprwy bleidleisio.

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Eitem 9. Dadl y Ceidwadwyr Cymreig - Llwon neu gadarnhad Pwyllgor Diben Arbennig Ymchwiliad Covid-19 Cymru
Item 9. Welsh Conservatives debate - Wales Covid-19 Inquiry Special Purpose Committee oaths and affirmations

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O blaid / For:	23
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Ymatal / Abstain:	0
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Yn erbyn / Against:	24
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Cyfanswm / Total:	47
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