

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Siambr Hywel – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date:

Tuesday, 15 July 2025

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting was held in a hybrid format, with some Members in Siambr Hywel, Tŷ Hywel and others joining by video-conference.

Presiding Officer statement

At 13.30, the Llywydd notified the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 26.75, that the Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Act 2025 was given Royal Assent on 10 July.

1 Questions to the First Minister

The item started at 13.30

Questions 1 to 6 and 8 to 9 were asked. Question 7 was withdrawn. The Presiding Officer invited party leaders to ask questions to the First Minister after question 2.

2 Questions to the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery

The item started at 14.23

All 5 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Counsel General after question 2.

3 Business Statement and Announcement

The item started at 14.58



4 Statement by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: The Sustainable Farming Scheme

The item started at 15.23

5 Statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care: Maternity Services and Escalation and Intervention Arrangements in NHS Wales

The item started at 16.30

Proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate items 6–7 together but with separate votes:

The proposal under Standing Order 12.24 to debate items 6–7 together but with separate votes was agreed.

6 The Infrastructure Consent (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The item started at 17.11

NDM8955 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5, approves that the draft The Infrastructure Consent (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2025 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 17 June 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 The Infrastructure Consent (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2025

The item started at 17.11

NDM8956 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5, approves that the draft The Infrastructure Consent (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2025 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 17 June 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

8 The Welsh Elections Financial Assistance Scheme (Disabled Candidates) Regulations 2025

The item started at 17.22

NDM8957 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5, approves that the draft The Welsh Elections Financial Assistance Scheme (Disabled Candidates) Regulations 2025 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 24 June 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

9 Motion to suspend Standing Orders

The item started at 17.28

NDM8965 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that Senedd Cymru, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8: Suspends Standing Order 27.7, 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 NNDM8964 to be considered in Plenary on Tuesday 15 July.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

10 The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2025

The item started at 17.28

NNDM8964 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 27.5, approves that the draft The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (Wales) (Amendment)

Regulations 2025 is made in accordance with the draft [laid](#) in the Table Office on 14 July 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

11 Legislative Consent Motion: The Employment Rights Bill

The item started at 17.32

Voting on the motion under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

NDM8958 [Jack Sargeant \(Alyn and Deeside\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 29.6 agrees that provisions in the Employment Rights Bill in so far as they have regard to devolved matters, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

Footnote:

A Legislative Consent Memorandum and Supplementary Legislative Consent Memoranda were laid in Table Office on [5 December 2024](#), [19 December 2024](#), [1 April 2025](#) and [8 July 2025](#), in accordance with Standing Order 29.2.

A copy of the Bill can be found on the UK Parliament website:

<https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/3737>

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
27	10	13	50

The motion was agreed.

12 Legislative Consent Motion: The Mental Health Bill – postponed until 16 September

This item has been postponed until 16 September

13 The Disused Mine and Quarry Tips (Wales) Bill: Signification of His Majesty and The Duke of Cornwall's Consent

The item started at 17.56

14 Stage 4 of The Disused Mine and Quarry Tips (Wales) Bill

The item started at 17.56

In accordance with Standing Order 26.50C, voting on the motion under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

NDM8963 [Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd in accordance with Standing Order 26.47:

Approves the Disused Mine and Quarry Tips (Wales) Bill.

[Disused Mine and Quarry Tips \(Wales\) Bill \(as amended at Stage 3\)](#)

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
50	0	0	50

The motion was agreed.

15 Debate: Delivering the Government's Priorities and Legislative Programme

The item started at 18.08

Voting on the motion and amendments under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

NDM8959 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 11.21 (ii):

Notes:

a) the progress made on delivering the Government's priorities:

- i. better health;
 - ii. more jobs;
 - iii. better transport; and
 - iv. more homes.
- b) progress on the Legislative Programme.

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The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

Regrets that the Welsh Government has failed to meet its priorities by:

- a) missing successive 2 year NHS waiting lists targets;
- b) letting Wales linger at the bottom of gross average salary tables;
- c) failing to secure the £4 billion of HS2 rail consequentials;
- d) not heeding warnings that it won't meet the social homes target; and
- e) u-turning on commitments made in its legislative programme.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
10	0	40	50

Amendment 1 was not agreed.

Amendment 2 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

In sub-point a), before 'progress' insert 'lack of'.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	27	50

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

Amendment 3 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

In sub-point b), before 'progress' insert 'lack of'.

A vote was taken on amendment 3:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
23	0	27	50

Amendment 3 was not agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 11.21 (ii):

Notes:

a) the progress made on delivering the Government's priorities:

i. better health;

ii. more jobs;

iii. better transport; and

iv. more homes.

b) progress on the Legislative Programme.

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For	Abstain	Against	Total
26	0	24	50

The motion as amended was agreed.

16 Voting time

The item started at 18.51

The meeting concluded at 18.55

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Wednesday, 16 July 2025