

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Siambr Hywel – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 24 September 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 referred to Voting Time during the previous day's Plenary meeting and made a statement on voting in virtual and hybrid proceedings.

1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip

The item started at 14.26

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3 Questions to the Senedd Commission

The item started at 15.17

The 2 questions were asked.



4 Topical Questions

No Topical Questions have been accepted

5 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.21

Rhys ab Owen made a statement on His Honour Philip Richards and his contribution to the Welsh language and the justice system in Wales.

6 Debate on petition: P-06-1494 Welsh Government to protect funding in education from WG and Local Authority cuts

The item started at 15.24

NDM8982 [Carolyn Thomas \(North Wales\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the petition '[P-06-1494 Welsh Government to protect funding in education from WG and Local Authority cuts](#)' which received 11,040 signatures.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Debate on the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee report: AI and the Welsh Economy: Can Welsh androids dream of electric sheep?

The item started at 15.50

NDM8983 [Andrew R.T. Davies \(South Wales Central\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd notes:

The report of the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee, 'AI and the Welsh Economy: Can Welsh androids dream of electric sheep?', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 20 May 2025, and on which the Welsh Government [laid](#) its response on 16 September 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36

8 Debate on the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee report: Annual scrutiny: National Infrastructure Commission for Wales 2024

The item started at 16.20

NDM8986 [Llyr Gruffydd \(North Wales\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee report: Annual scrutiny: National Infrastructure Commission for Wales 2024, [laid](#) on 24 April 2025.

Note: The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 16 September 2025. The National Infrastructure Commission for Wales [responded](#) on 8 May 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

9 Welsh Conservatives Debate – The NHS

The item started at 16.40

Llyr Gruffydd raised a point of order concerning comments made by Janet Finch–Saunders during her contribution to the debate. The Member indicated that she would review the Record of Proceedings.

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM8984 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Reaffirms that the Welsh NHS should always remain free at the point of delivery, publicly funded, and not replaced by an insurance–based system.
2. Regrets that, since the 2021 Senedd election and the Welsh Government’s Co–operation Agreement with Plaid Cymru:
 - a) over 38,000 Welsh people have died while waiting for NHS treatment; and

b) total patient pathways have increased by around a third.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to prevent more needless deaths by:

a) declaring a health emergency to direct the resources and apparatus of the Welsh Government at cutting NHS waiting lists;

b) guaranteeing one year maximum waits for treatment;

c) introducing a seven-day GP appointment wait guarantee;

d) carrying out a comprehensive Welsh NHS recruitment and retention plan;

e) building more surgical hubs and expanding rapid diagnostic centres;

f) restoring patient choice in where they can access healthcare; and

g) launching a cancer action plan.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
15	0	34	49

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Welcomes the additional £120 million funding to eliminate all two-year waits and reduce the overall size of the waiting list by the end of March 2026.

Welcomes action to prevent more cancer deaths by launching a national targeted lung cancer screening programme in Wales and increasing access to bowel cancer screening.

Notes:

a) long waits of more than two years for treatment are now 88.6 per cent lower than their peak in March 2022; and

b) the average waiting time for treatment is just over 21 weeks.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	0	24	49

Amendment 1 was agreed.

As amendment 1 was agreed, amendment 2 was de-selected.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

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Welcomes the additional £120 million funding to eliminate all two-year waits and reduce the overall size of the waiting list by the end of March 2026.

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Notes:

a) long waits of more than two years for treatment are now 88.6 per cent lower than their peak in March 2022; and

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The motion as amended was not agreed.

As the Senedd did not agree the motion without amendment, and did not agree the amendments tabled to the motion, the motion was therefore not agreed.

10 Voting Time

The item started at 17.47

11 Short Debate

The item started at 17.51

NDM8966 [Mark Isherwood \(North Wales\)](#)

Securing Welsh hospice care for the future

Votes Summary

The meeting concluded at 18.17

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 30 September 2025