

## Agenda – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Siambwr Hywel – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 5 November 2025

Meeting time: 13.30

### 309 (v3)

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This meeting will be held in a hybrid format, with some Members in Siambwr Hywel, Ty Hywel and others joining by video-conference.

#### 1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning

(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 Health and Social Care

(45 mins)

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#### 3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

**To ask the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs**

[Peredur Owen Griffiths \(South Wales East\)](#): What is the Government doing to improve community safety in the wake of a fatal dog attack in Monmouthshire?

**To ask the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs**



[Adam Price \(Carmarthen East and Dinefwr\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the widespread flooding in Carmarthenshire last night, and outline how the Welsh Government intends to provide support and future preventative measures to affected communities?

#### **4 90 Second Statements**

(5 mins)

#### **5 Motion to amend Standing Orders – Changes resulting from the Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Act 2025**

(5 mins)

##### **NDM9033 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 33.2:

1. Considers the report of the Business Committee ‘Amending Standing Orders: Changes resulting from the Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Act 2025’ [laid](#) in the Table Office on 29 October.
2. Approves the proposal to amend Standing Orders, as set out in Annex B of the Report of the Business Committee.
3. Notes that these changes will come into effect on 1 January 2026.

#### **6 Motion to amend Standing Orders – Standing Order 17: voting in a Committee of the Whole Senedd and responsibility for meeting access**

(5 mins)

##### **NDM9032 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 33.2:

1. Considers the report of the Business Committee, ‘Amending Standing Orders: Standing Order 17: voting in a Committee of the Whole Senedd and responsibility for meeting access’, [laid](#) in the Table Office on 29 October 2025.
2. Approves the proposal to amend Standing Order 17, as set out in Annex 2 of the Business Committee’s report.

#### **Motion to elect a Member to a committee**

(5 mins)

**NNDM9037 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Sam Rowlands (Welsh Conservatives) in place of Paul Davies (Welsh Conservatives) as a member of the Member Accountability Bill Committee.

**7 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal – a Bill to ban the use of single use plastic on fruits and vegetables**

(30 mins)

**NDM8985 [Rhys ab Owen \(South Wales Central\)](#)**

To propose that Senedd:

1. Notes a proposal for a Bill to ban the use of single use plastic on fresh produce for fruits and vegetables that have been proven to receive no or negligible benefit in elongating shelf life when packaged in plastic.
2. Notes that the purpose of this Bill would be to:
  - a) reduce the amount of unnecessary single use plastic across Welsh supply chains, protecting the environment and human health;
  - b) reduce food waste and reduce the burden on household finances by allowing consumers to buy only what they need based on weight.
3. Notes that the Bill would apply only when purchasing fruit and vegetables in quantities below 1.5kg.

**8 Debate on the cross-Committee report on the UK-EU implementation review of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement**

(60 mins)

**NDM9034 [Delyth Jewell \(South Wales East\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the cross-committee report of the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee; the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee; the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee; and the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee: 'UK-EU implementation review of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement' which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 10 September 2025.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 29 October 2025.

## **9 Plaid Cymru Debate – a national care service for Wales**

(60 mins)

### **NDM9031 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the programme to establish a national care service for Wales, initiated by Plaid Cymru as part of the co-operation agreement.
2. Regrets that progress on this programme of work has been protracted under the Welsh Labour Government's direction.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to accelerate progress on reforming the social care system by:
  - a) appointing a pan-Wales director with strategic oversight of out-of-hospital care arrangements;
  - b) developing pooled budgets for out-of-hospital care arrangements;
  - c) placing regional partnership boards on a statutory footing with a clear remit to foster greater collaboration between health boards and local authorities;
  - d) ensuring that all unpaid carers receive a needs assessment within a 28-day period; and
  - e) incorporating within Welsh law a legal minimum annual allocation of respite days for unpaid carers.

**The following amendments were tabled:**

#### **Amendment 1 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)**

Delete all and replace with:

1. Regrets:
  - a) that the Co-operation Agreement between Labour and Plaid Cymru to establish a national care service has failed to deliver meaningful change in the social care sector;
  - b) the UK Labour Government's increased tax burden placed upon employers, through national insurance rises, are threatening the viability of many care providers;

- c) the failure of the Welsh Government to support the development of a sufficient workforce for the social care sector, including adequate access to training, and the retention of social care workers in Wales;
- d) the alarming and unacceptable gap between policy and practice on assessments for carers and the provision of support; and
- e) the continued problems with accessing care packages resulting in delays in hospital discharges.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

- a) introduce a statutory right to respite, with a minimum of 14 days per annum for unpaid carers; and
- b) develop and publish in the public domain, meaningful key performance indicators to support improvements in social care, including on access to assessments, the timely provision of support, access to respite, and the development of the social care workforce.

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

**Amendment 2 [Jane Hutt \(Vale of Glamorgan\)](#)**

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the Senedd:

- 1. Notes the programme to establish a national care service for Wales, a joint co-operation agreement commitment between Welsh Government and Plaid Cymru.
- 2. Acknowledges progress made on the Stage 1 programme of work in partnership, including:
  - a) establishing a National Office for Care and Support to provide strong national leadership working alongside the Chief Social Care Officer for Wales post;
  - b) establishing the national principles and standards to guide the transformation of person-centred commissioning of care and support services;
  - c) legislating on the removal of profit from the care of children and extending the option of direct payments to people receiving continuing healthcare; and
  - d) establishing the Social Care Workforce Partnership and their work to develop a pay and progression framework.
- 3. Welcomes the work of the Welsh Government to:
  - a) co-produce a blueprint for an Integrated Community Care System for Wales;

- b) strengthen national and regional governance to lead and support a more joined up health and social care system in Wales;
- c) invest £278m a year through Regional Partnership Boards to build capacity for integrated community care as well as investing £30m in pathways of care, as a result of the budget deal with the Welsh Liberal Democrats;
- d) strengthen legislation and guidance in relation to integration and partnership working, including joint commissioning and pooling of resources;
- e) drive the delivery of the unpaid carers strategy including the short-break respite scheme to help carers in their vital activities;
- f) establish the Social Care Workforce Forum and continue funding the paying of the Real Living Wage for our valuable workforce; and
- g) maintaining the most generous charging regime in the UK with a capital limit of £50,000 for residential care and a weekly cap of £100 for domiciliary care.

## **10 Voting Time**

## **11 Short Debate**

(0 mins)

No topic tabled

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 11 November 2025

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Questions tabled on 29/10/2025 for answer on 05/11/2025

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

### CABINET SECRETARY FOR ECONOMY, ENERGY AND PLANNING

**Heledd Fychan** *South Wales Central*

**1** OQ63335 (w)

What work has been undertaken by the Welsh Government to ensure that the Minerals Technical Advice Note (MTAN) Wales 1: Aggregates continues to be fit for purpose?

**Hannah Blythyn** *Delyn*

**2** OQ63345 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting the independent hospitality sector in Delyn?

**Joyce Watson** *Mid and West Wales*

**3** OQ63330 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting the gaming industry?

**Darren Millar** *Clwyd West*

**4** OQ63339 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to grow the economy in North Wales?

**Peter Fox** *Monmouth*

**5** OQ63328 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the role of Monmouthshire in the Welsh Government's economic development plans?

**Sian Gwenllian** *Arfon*

**6** OQ63343 (w)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language on the recommendations of the Commission for Welsh-speaking Communities' report on town and country planning published in February 2025?

**James Evans** *Brecon and Radnorshire*

**7** OQ63352 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the challenges facing the tourism sector in Powys?

**Alun Davies** *Blaenau Gwent*

8 OQ63351 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's progress in developing an economic development plan for the Heads of the Valleys?

**Carolyn Thomas** *North Wales*

9 OQ63337 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting businesses in North Wales to upskill their workforce for the future?

**John Griffiths** *Newport East*

10 OQ63348 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting economic development in Newport and the south-east Wales region?

**Mick Antoniw** *Pontypridd*

11 OQ63331 (e)

How is the Welsh Government improving access to culture in Pontypridd?

**Altaf Hussain** *South Wales West*

12 OQ63338 (e)

How is the Welsh Government utilising the planning system to promote the adoption of green technologies?

## CABINET SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

**James Evans** *Brecon and Radnorshire*

1 OQ63353 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on ambulance waiting times across Wales?

**Sian Gwenllian** *Arfon*

2 OQ63342 (w)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the establishment of a new health centre in Waunfawr in Arfon?

**Natasha Asghar** *South Wales East*

**3** OQ63327 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to improve the NHS complaints process for residents in South Wales East?

**Laura Anne Jones** *South Wales East*

**4** OQ63354 (e)

How is the Welsh Government working with local health boards to expand on-site pharmacies in hospitals?

**Paul Davies** *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

**5** OQ63323 (e)

How is the Welsh Government improving health services in West Wales?

**Samuel Kurtz** *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

**6** OQ63322 (e)

How is the Welsh Government improving access to primary healthcare?

**Cefin Campbell** *Mid and West Wales*

**7** OQ63341 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the adequacy of specialist nurse staffing levels within Hywel Dda University Health Board?

**Buffy Williams** *Rhondda*

**8** OQ63347 (e)

How is the Welsh Government's investment supporting NHS staff to reduce waiting times for patients in the Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board area?

**Rhys ab Owen** *South Wales Central*

**9** OQ63329 (e)

What plans does the Welsh Government have to introduce or support prostate-specific antigen screening programmes for men who are at higher risk of prostate cancer?

**Hannah Blythyn** *Delyn*

**10** OQ63346 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on free parking at hospitals across north Wales?

**Mark Isherwood** *North Wales*

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**OQ63326 (e)**

What action is the Welsh Government taking to reduce waiting times in the NHS?

**Peredur Owen Griffiths** *South Wales East*

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**OQ63340 (e)**

How is the Government ensuring that palliative care is provided to everyone that needs it?