

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Siambr Hywel – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 21 January 2026

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 Mental Health Review Tribunal for Wales (Membership) Act was given Royal Assent on 21 January.

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

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. Question 5 was answered by the Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

The item started at 14.25

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

3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.20



Answered by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs

[Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the implications for Wales of the proposed Hillsborough Law?

Answered by the Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership

[Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the legacy work that is being undertaken by the Welsh Government in light of the Tour de France coming to Wales?

4 90 Second Statements

No 90 Second Statements were submitted.

5 Finance Committee Debate: Post-legislative review of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019

The item started at 15.47

NDM9110 [Peredur Owen Griffiths \(South Wales East\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Finance Committee 'Post-legislative review of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019' which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 10 October 2025.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 14 January 2026.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

6 Debate on the Health and Social Care Committee report: Prevention of ill health – obesity

The item started at 16.12

NDM9111 [Peter Fox \(Monmouth\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the Health and Social Care Committee report ‘Prevention of ill–health – obesity’ that was [laid](#) on 8 October 2025.

Notes: The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 26 November 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Welsh Conservatives Debate – Hospices

The item started at 17.02

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

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM9112 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Recognises the exceptional work that the hospice and palliative care sector plays in providing high quality end of life care and support to families.
2. Acknowledges the unprecedented financial pressure on Welsh hospices as a result of Employers' National Insurance increases, workforce shortages, and increasing demand for their services.
3. Regrets that a recent survey of hospices in Wales undertaken by Hospice UK found that:
 - a) 30 per cent are already reducing beds or cutting services;
 - b) over 70 per cent with inpatient units expect at least one bed to close temporarily or permanently; and
 - c) three–quarters of hospices fear they will be forced to withdraw support they currently provide to hospitals and care homes.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to develop a new sustainable funding model for hospices in Wales including an additional £40 million over the next Senedd term.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
22	2	24	48

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendment was tabled:

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

Delete all after point 2 and replace with

Recognises the findings of the Hospice UK survey.

Welcomes:

a) the £21 million increase to hospice funding from the Welsh Government over the course of this Senedd term; and

b) the ongoing work between the Welsh Government and the hospice sector to develop a sustainable funding model.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	2	22	48

Amendment 1 was agreed.

A vote was taken on the motion as amended:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Recognises the exceptional work that the hospice and palliative care sector plays in providing high quality end of life care and support to families.

2. Acknowledges the unprecedented financial pressure on Welsh hospices as a result of Employers' National Insurance increases, workforce shortages, and increasing demand for their services.

3. Recognises the findings of the Hospice UK survey.

4. Welcomes:

a) the £21 million increase to hospice funding from the Welsh Government over the course of this Senedd term; and

b) the ongoing work between the Welsh Government and the hospice sector to develop a sustainable funding model.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
25	2	21	48

The motion as amended was agreed.

8 Topical Questions

The item started at 18.04

The following late Topical Question was accepted by the Presiding Officer, in accordance with Standing Order 12.68A and 12.68B.

Answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the delay to the Phase 2 works on the Menai Suspension Bridge?

9 Voting Time

The item started at 18.15

10 Short Debate

The item started at 18.17

NDM9113 [Lee Waters \(Llanelli\)](#)

The need for a national plan to improve Tourette syndrome services

The meeting concluded at 18.39

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 27 January 2026