

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 22 March 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

60(v4)

1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

(45 mins)

In accordance with Standing Order 12.58 the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language will answer questions on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for Education.

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Counsel General

(30 mins)

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Urgent Question

To the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children:



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Wales

David Rees (Aberavon): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary held with the UK Government regarding the decision to build a prison in Port Talbot?
EAQ(5)0124(CC)

3 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

4 Debate by Individual Members under Standing Order 11.21(iv)

(60 mins)

NDM6259

[Jeremy Miles \(Neath\)](#)

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

[Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

[Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that Wales benefits from a long coast line and the second highest tidal reach in the world.
2. Further notes that economic activity related to the sea is already valued at around £2.1bn in Wales, supporting tens of thousands of jobs.
3. Believes that a strategic commitment to the blue economy will enable Wales to turn our seas into one of our biggest economic assets.
4. Further believes that Wales can be a leader in marine renewable energy, tourism and sport, fishing, food and aquaculture, and marine manufacturing and engineering.
5. Calls on the Welsh Government to bring forward an ambitious Marine Plan to support the sustainable development of the blue economy and to make it a central plank of its new economic strategy.

5 Debate on the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee report on the implications for Wales of leaving the European Union

(60 mins)

NDM6267 [David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee on its Inquiry into the implications for Wales of leaving the European Union, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 27 January 2017

Note: The response by the Welsh Government was [laid](#) on 15 March 2017.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.23 (iii), the amendment tabled to this motion has not been selected.

6 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

NDM6268 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the importance of forward skills planning to meet the future needs of the construction industry to deliver infrastructure projects in Wales and beyond.
2. Believes that reform of public sector procurement in Wales is needed to take full advantage of the social, economic and environmental potential of the purchasing power of the Welsh public sector.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government:

- a) to bring forward a procurement bill to make it mandatory for public sector bodies to follow Welsh Government policy on procurement, to maximise the social and economic impact of construction;
- b) establish a national framework for public sector procurement in Wales to ensure the ambitions set out in the Wales Procurement Policy Statement are delivered;
- c) to increase levels of capital infrastructure spending to boost the economy in Wales, providing a much needed boost for the construction sector;
- d) consider the case for establishing a national construction college for Wales to develop high quality skills in the construction industry.

['Wales Procurement Policy Statement'](#)

The following amendments have been tabled:

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

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

2. Notes the work of the Welsh Government in developing the Wales Procurement Policy Statement which has lowered barriers to procurement for small and medium sized enterprises right across Wales.
3. Recognises the need to grow capability within the Welsh public sector to maximise the impact of procurement spend within the Welsh economy.
4. Notes the intention of the Welsh Government to develop a new programme for procurement to help enable the Welsh public sector to make intelligent use of policy and legislation across Wales.
5. Recognises the Welsh Government's capital investment plans and the significant procurement opportunities presented by the South Wales and North East Wales metros; the 21st Century schools programme; the M4 relief road; building 20,000 affordable homes; improvements to Wales' transport network and other major infrastructure projects."

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

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to implement measures that will enable Welsh companies, in particular small and medium sized businesses, to access public sector contracts.

7 Voting time

8 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6266 [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#)

Credit Unions: A key contribution to tackling financial exclusion

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 28 March 2017

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 15 March 2017 for answer on 22 March 2017

R - Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self-identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister after Question 2.

To ask the [Cabinet Secretary for Education](#)

1. [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of girls missing school because they can't afford the costs of feminine hygiene products? OAQ(5)0111(EDU)W
2. [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#): What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the role of cover supervisors in secondary schools? OAQ(5)0105(EDU)
3. [Eluned Morgan \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary confirm that the proposed closure of Coleg Harlech will not result in any loss of course availability for adult learners? OAQ(5)0098(EDU)
4. [Lee Waters \(Llanelli\)](#): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with Estyn about the next inspection round? OAQ(5)0093(EDU)
5. [David Rees \(Aberavon\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary provide details of the next phase of the 21st century schools programme? OAQ(5)0110(EDU)
6. [Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Mudiad Meithrin's Cylch Ti a Fi scheme? OAQ(5)0097(EDU)
7. [Mark Reckless \(South Wales East\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the £21.1 million transferred from the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales to the Welsh Government? OAQ(5)0109(EDU)
8. [Russell George \(Montgomeryshire\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the delivery of the digital competence framework by primary schools in mid Wales? OAQ(5)0103(EDU)
9. [Steffan Lewis \(South Wales East\)](#): How is the Welsh Government raising awareness of mental health issues in schools and colleges? OAQ(5)0100(EDU) **WITHDRAWN**

10. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to improve education in Pembrokeshire? OAQ(5)0099(EDU)

11. [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the provision of specialist learning support in schools in Wales? OAQ(5)0101(EDU)

12. [Rhianon Passmore \(Islwyn\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline what actions the Welsh Government is taking to improve initial teacher education? OAQ(5)0108(EDU)

13. [Hefin David \(Caerphilly\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the sharing of learning between pioneer and non-pioneer schools in relation to the roll-out of the new curriculum? OAQ(5)0112(EDU)

14. [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on support for deaf children in schools? OAQ(5)0106(EDU)

15. [Mark Isherwood \(North Wales\)](#): How is the Welsh Government supporting deaf learners in Wales? OAQ(5)0094(EDU)

To ask the [Counsel General](#)

1. [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#): What assessment has the Counsel General made of the Welsh Government's legislative powers in relation to hunting with dogs? OAQ(5)0031(CG)

2. [Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#): What discussions has the Counsel General had with other law officers regarding criminal penalties for anti-social behaviour offences? OAQ(5)0029(CG)

3. [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): What discussions has the Counsel General held with law officers regarding the European Court of Justice ruling on the Aberthaw power station? OAQ(5)0032(CG)W

4. [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): What discussions has the Counsel General held with other law officers regarding the rights of European citizens in Wales? OAQ(5)0033(CG)W

5. [Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#): What discussions has the Counsel General held regarding the independence of the judicial system in Wales? OAQ(5)0030(CG)