

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 3 May 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government

(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 Assembly Commission

(15 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well-Being and Sport

[Jeremy Miles \(Neath\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement about his decision to approve the use of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis in Wales as part of a study?

To the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well-Being and Sport



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[Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement into the investigation being undertaken by Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board into reports that the quality of care for dementia patients on the Tawel Fan ward at Glan Clwyd Hospital may have contributed to at least seven deaths?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Debate on the Children, Young People and Education Committee's inquiry into the Education Improvement Grant: Gypsy, Roma and Traveller, and Minority Ethnic Children

(60 mins)

NDM6296 [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Children, Young People and Education Committee Report on the Inquiry into the Education Improvement Grant: Gypsy, Roma and Traveller, and Minority Ethnic Children which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 21 February 2017.

Supporting document:

[Response by the Welsh Government](#) (PDF, 401KB)

6 Plaid Cymru debate

(60 mins)

NDM6295 [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Believes that quality local public services are key to the prosperity and wellbeing of our nation.

2. Regrets that since 2011–12, funding for local authorities in Wales has decreased by 6.5 per cent, disproportionately affecting some of the weakest and most vulnerable people in communities across Wales.
3. Recognises the important role played by local authorities in:
 - a) developing local economies in partnership with the business community;
 - b) ensuring that our streets are clean and safe;
 - c) delivering quality education; and
 - d) delivering social service care that look after the most vulnerable people in communities across Wales.
4. Notes that the average salary for Chief Executives running Plaid Cymru–led Councils is nearly £22,000 less than those run by Labour Councils in Wales.
5. Believes that local affordable housing development projects should be rooted in the needs of the community.
6. Notes the successful child development tracking model, used by Ceredigion Council – the only council judged by Estyn to have excellent performance in Wales in the last full cycle of inspections – to ensure children are reaching their potential, with assistance provided at an early stage to those who are falling behind.
7. Regrets that, since 2012, the percentage total of local government procurement spend in Wales has remained static at just 58 per cent.
8. Calls on the Welsh Government to scrap zero hours contracts in the social care sector.

The following amendments have been tabled:

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

Delete all after point 1

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be de-selected]

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

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Regrets that since 2013–14, funding for local authorities in Wales has decreased by 6.78 per cent, disproportionately affecting our rural communities, including cuts of 9.98 per cent to Monmouthshire, 9.36 per cent to Vale of Glamorgan and 7.96 per cent to Conwy.

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

Delete point 4 and replace with:

Notes that the Chief Executive salary for Welsh Conservative–led Monmouthshire County Council is one of the lowest in Wales, and commends the transparency of the council in publishing all expenditure.

Amendment 4. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Delete point 6 and replace with:

Notes the right of every child and young person to be given the opportunity to realise their full potential, and highlights the importance of direct funding for schools in enabling parents to be able to choose the best school for their children.

Amendment 5. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Delete point 8 and replace with:

Notes the value of social care workers in relieving overburdened, centralised NHS services, and the importance of integration between the health and social care sectors in Wales.

7 United Kingdom Independence Party debate

(60 mins)

NDM6297 [David J Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Directs the Welsh Government to review its energy generation policies and environmental impact policy.

2. Notes that there is an aim of achieving a zero-carbon economy in Wales.

3. Believes that:

a) communities should have the final say over whether to approve solar farms in their locality;

b) mature woodland should not be cut down to build solar farms; and

c) the method of reducing residential, public sector and business energy usage should be supported by:

i) encouraging the installation of triple glazing in residential and other properties; and

ii) encouraging the installation of fuel-efficient boilers.

The following amendments have been tabled:

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

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the Welsh Government's energy policy strategy Energy Wales.

2. Notes the legislative target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Wales by at least 80 per cent by 2050.

3. Recognises the planning system provides opportunities to both protect Wales' unique landscape and also promote opportunities for renewable energy generation.

[Energy Wales](#)

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be de-selected]

Amendment 2. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Insert at end of point 1:

‘with the aim of achieving a 40 per cent reduction in carbon emissions by 2020, an 80 per cent reduction in carbon emissions by 2050 and a zero-carbon economy.’

Amendment 3. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Delete point 2.

Amendment 4. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

In sub-point 3(a) delete ‘the final’ and replace with ‘a’.

Amendment 5. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Insert at end of sub-point 3(a):

‘through their democratic local and national decision-making structures based on the principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.’

[‘Well-being of Future Generations \(Wales\) Act 2015’](#)

Amendment 6. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Delete sub-point 3(b).

Amendment 7. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Delete sub-point 3(c) and replace with:

‘the method of reducing residential, public sector and business energy usage should be supported by strengthened building regulations for new buildings to be nearly zero energy and through a large-scale retrofitting programme for existing residential homes.’

8 Voting time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6294 [Hannah Blythyn \(Delyn\)](#)

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The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 9 May 2017

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 25 April 2017 for answer on 3 May 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)

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To ask the [Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government](#)

1. [Mark Reckless \(South Wales East\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the number of uncontested seats in Welsh local government elections? OAQ(5)0126(FLG)
2. [Hannah Blythyn \(Delyn\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on how the Welsh Government is using its taxation powers to support high street businesses? OAQ(5)0115(FLG)
3. [Joyce Watson \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's plans for investing in infrastructure in Wales? OAQ(5)0119(FLG)
4. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the services provided by Ynys Môn Council? OAQ(5)0116(FLG)W
5. [Jenny Rathbone \(Cardiff Central\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline what contribution the Welsh Government will make to the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal? OAQ(5)0120(FLG)
6. [Gareth Bennett \(South Wales Central\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the online broadcast of council meetings in Wales? OAQ(5)0123(FLG)
7. [David Melding \(South Wales Central\)](#): What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with local authorities to ensure the innovative use of funding to secure local youth services? OAQ(5)0124(FLG)
8. [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on business rates relating to community energy projects? OAQ(5)0117(FLG)W
9. [Eluned Morgan \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the adoption of the real living wage in Wales? OAQ(5)0127(FLG)

- 10. [Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the Welsh Government's plans to improve transparency in Welsh local authorities? OAQ(5)0121(FLG)
- 11. [Nick Ramsay \(Monmouth\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on his priorities for local government following the local government elections? OAQ(5)0125(FLG)
- 12. [Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the Welsh Government's plans to increase democratic participation in local government? OAQ(5)0122(FLG)
- 13. [Jenny Rathbone \(Cardiff Central\)](#):** What is the Welsh Government's assessment of Cardiff's Council's performance in delivering public services in the last five years in comparison to the five years previous to that? OAQ(5)0118(FLG)
- 14. [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#):** What further discussions has the Cabinet Secretary held regarding the framework for funding? OAQ(5)0128(FLG)W

To ask the [Assembly Commission](#)

- 1. [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#):** Will the Assembly Commission provide a fixed date for the switch over from Senedd.tv to YouTube? OAQ(5)0005(AC)
- 2. [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#):** Will the Commission make a statement on work undertaken to promote access and public understanding regarding the work of the Assembly? OAQ(5)0007(AC)W
- 3. [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#):** What is the Assembly Commission doing to make the Assembly a more child-friendly place? OAQ(5)0006(AC)