

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 23 January 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

184(v3)

1 Questions to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

(45 mins)

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

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2 Questions to the Minister for Housing and Local Government

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

No Topical Questions have been accepted

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)



5 Motion under Standing Order 26.91 seeking the Assembly's agreement to introduce a Member Bill on Older Peoples Rights

(60 mins)

NDM6940 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 26.91:

Agrees that Darren Millar AM may introduce a Bill to give effect to the information included in the Explanatory Memorandum [published](#) on 14 December 2018 under Standing Order 26.91A.

6 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Allied Steel and Wire Pensions

(60 mins)

NDM6919 [Bethan Sayed \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that former Allied Steel and Wire workers have still not received the full value of their pensions, despite a compensation deal reached in 2007 with the former UK Government and almost 14 years after a change in UK law.
2. Notes that under a compensation deal reached in 2007 with the former UK Government, workers were promised the same treatment as workers and pension scheme holders under the pension protection fund and financial assistance scheme.
3. Notes that under law changes since 2004, workers under the pension protection fund and financial assistance scheme are entitled to be paid up to 90 percent of their pension contribution value. However, contributions paid in prior to 1997 are not inflation proofed.
4. Regrets the financial hardship this has caused to former ASW workers in Wales.
5. Calls on the UK Government to honour the spirit of the commitments the previous UK Government made to ASW workers in Wales.

Supported by:

[Andrew RT Davies \(South Wales Central\)](#)

[Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#)

[Helen Mary Jones \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

[Leanne Wood \(Rhondda\)](#)

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

7 Welsh Conservatives debate – Welsh Rate of Income Tax

(60 mins)

NDM6921 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the vital importance of attracting people, businesses and investment to Wales as a means of growing tax revenue in Wales.
2. Calls on the Welsh Government to commit to not raise the Welsh Rate of Income Tax for the remainder of the Fifth Assembly.

The following amendments were tabled:

Amendment 1 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Insert at end of point 1:

'but emphasises the priority of ensuring economic growth and increases in revenue through supporting indigenous businesses.'

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

Delete point 2 and replace with:

Promotes a mature civic discussion regarding how best to use new devolved taxation powers for the economic and social benefit of Wales.

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6941 [Janet Finch-Saunders \(Aberconwy\)](#)

Making the most of rainy days.

How we could make greater use of rain in Wales.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 29 January 2019

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 16/01/2019 for answer on 23/01/2019

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Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

1 OAQ53261

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the Natural Resources Wales approach to reforestation in areas in the South Wales valleys denuded by larch disease?

Mark Reckless *South Wales East*

2 OAQ53244

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on what progress Hybu Cig Cymru have made in developing markets for Welsh red meat beyond the EU?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

3 OAQ53245

(e)

What further steps will the Welsh Government take to reduce air pollution?

Lynne Neagle *Torfaen*

4 OAQ53257

(e)

What progress is the Welsh Government making in protecting the environment of the South Wales Valleys?

Mohammad Asghar *South Wales East*

5 OAQ53229

(e)

Will the Minister outline the Welsh Government's policy priorities for preserving Welsh wildlife?

Mandy Jones *North Wales*

6 OAQ53254

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the uptake of the Welsh Government Energy Service?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

7 OAQ53262

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on water quality in the Ogmore constituency?

Suzy Davies *South Wales West*

8 OAQ53236

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the welfare of pets?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

9 OAQ53258

(w)

What plans does the Welsh Government have to support community hydropower projects?

Nick Ramsay *Monmouth*

10 OAQ53241

(e)

What guarantees can the Welsh Government give to the agricultural industry about farming subsidies after 29 March 2019?

Mandy Jones *North Wales*

11 OAQ53255

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on efforts to tackle air pollution?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

12 OAQ53250

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the operational activity of the Welsh fishing fleet?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

13 OAQ53238

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on reducing air pollution arising from congestion on the Treforest to Nantgarw section of the A470?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

14 OAQ53232

(e)

What measures is the Welsh Government introducing to support farmers in Pembrokeshire?

Hefin David *Caerphilly*

15 OAQ53264

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government support for small-scale flood risk management in Wales?

Minister for Housing and Local Government

Mark Reckless *South Wales East*

1 OAQ53243

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the Self-Build Wales programme?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

2 OAQ53260

(e)

What advice does the Welsh Government provide to local authorities and other housing partners to support small and medium sized house building enterprises?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

3 OAQ53242

(e)

Will the Minister outline the Welsh Government's policy on local government reorganisation?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

4 OAQ53237

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on how the planning process can be improved to better assess the cumulative impact of multiple residential development applications in the same locality?

Nick Ramsay *Monmouth*

5 OAQ53240

(e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Finance about the sustainability of the local government funding formula?

Mohammad Asghar *South Wales East*

6 OAQ53228

(e)

What measures will the Minister introduce to increase the diversity of local councillors?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

7 OAQ53259

(w)

What assessment has the Minister made to ensure that the social housing letting policies of local government and housing partnerships across Wales are fit for purpose?

David Rees *Aberavon*

8 OAQ53265

(e)

What discussions has the Minister had with Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council regarding the financial settlement for local government?

Jenny Rathbone *Cardiff Central*

9 OAQ53246

(e)

What plans does the Minister have to update house building regulations to ensure all new homes are built in line with the Welsh Government's climate change reduction targets?

Dai Lloyd *South Wales West*

10 OAQ53247

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the future of town and community councils?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

11 OAQ53256

(e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support innovative housing schemes?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

12 OAQ53235

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the availability of suitable social housing for disabled people?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

13 OAQ53251

(e)

Will the Minister outline how local authorities take the provision of health services into account when discussing planning applications?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

14 OAQ53266

(e)

What discussions has the Welsh Government held with the UK Government in relation to welfare reform?

Suzy Davies *South Wales West*

15 OAQ53249

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on local authority-managed car parks in South Wales West?