

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 12 February 2020

Meeting time: 13.30

261(v4)

1 Questions to the Minister for Education

(45 mins)

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

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2 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

(45 mins)

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3 Welsh Conservatives Debate – NHS Emergency Departments

(60 mins)

NDM7266 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the concerns expressed by patients and clinicians across Wales regarding the performance and future of NHS emergency departments.



2. Rejects proposals by Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board which could lead to an end to 24-hour consultant-led services at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital's emergency department.

3. Calls upon the Welsh Government to intervene to prevent any downgrading or closures of emergency departments in Wales during this Assembly.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

1. Recognises the cross party statement on the Future of Safe Emergency Care in Cwm Taf Morgannwg.

2. Recognises the need for openness and transparency from the health board in their engagement with the public, clinicians, the community health council, elected representatives, staff and their unions to inform their decision on the future provision of all types of unscheduled care, including emergency services.

3. Recognises that any unscheduled care provision must be robust, safe and sustainable.

[The Campaign for Safe Emergency Care Across Cwm Taf Morgannwg](#)

Amendment 2 – [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to adopt a comprehensive plan for increasing the clinical workforce, with specific focus on specialities and geographical areas that are hard to recruit to, such as within emergency departments, so that staff shortages can never be used to justify closures and service changes.

Amendment 3 – [Neil McEvoy \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Supports a permanent and fully resourced accident and emergency department at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital.

Amendment 4 – [Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Rejects proposals by Cwm Taf Morgannwg Health Board to end 24-hour consultant-led accident and emergency services at the Royal Glamorgan hospital and calls on the Health Board to:

- a) rule out the closure of the accident and emergency service at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital or the replacing of the existing accident and emergency service with a 24 hour minor injuries unit;
- b) reinstate the option of maintaining a full consultant-led accident and emergency service at the Royal Glamorgan, Prince Charles and Princess of Wales hospitals;
- c) bring forward other proposals for community health services, including improvements in the out-of-hours GP service and extending the opening hours of the minor injuries unit at Ysbyty Cwm Rhondda and Ysbyty Cwm Cynon, which may alleviate the pressure on all three accident and emergency departments.

Co-Submitters

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

[Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)

[Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#)

4 Topical Questions

(0 mins)

No Topical Questions have been accepted

5 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

6 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – On-line and Off-line Public Services

(60 mins)

NDM7263 Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that more and more services are only available online.
2. Recognises that not everyone has access to the internet.
3. Recognises that not everyone is comfortable with using the internet.
4. Calls on Welsh Government to:
 - a) ensure there are offline alternatives to online public services, such as with the bus pass renewal system; and
 - b) discuss with banks, businesses and other organisations to make sure that customers are not isolated if only online services are offered.

Co-Submitters:

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy)

Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales)

Sian Gwenllian (Arfon)

Neil Hamilton (Mid and West Wales)

Mike Hedges (Swansea East)

Vikki Howells (Cynon Valley)

Mark Isherwood (North Wales)

Delyth Jewell (South Wales East)

Helen Mary Jones (Mid and West Wales)

Dai Lloyd (South Wales West)

Supported by:

Suzy Davies (South Wales West)

Huw Irranca-Davies (Ogmore)

7 Debate on the Equality, Local Government and Communities

Committee report: Rough sleeping follow up – Mental health and substance misuse services

(60 mins)

NDM7267 [John Griffiths \(Newport East\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee, 'Rough sleeping follow up – Mental health and substance misuse services', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 19 December 2019.

Note: The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 5 February 2020.

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM7268 [Alun Davies \(Blaenau Gwent\)](#)

Tech Valleys, the A465 and an industrial strategy for sustainable employment in the Heads of the Valleys.

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 25 February 2020

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 05/02/2020 for answer on 12/02/2020

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

Minister for Education

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

1 OAQ55082

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on the provision of school counselling services?

Dawn Bowden *Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney*

2 OAQ55084

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on the delivery of post-16 education for learners in Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney?

Lynne Neagle *Torfaen*

3 OAQ55100

(e)

What steps is the Minister taking to ensure that all local authorities and schools are using the new guidance on talking about suicide and self-harm in schools?

Jack Sargeant *Alyn and Deeside*

4 OAQ55078

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on funding for education providers in north-east Wales?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

5 OAQ55064

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the safeguarding of children who attend private schools in Wales?

David Rees *Aberavon*

6 OAQ55099

(e)

What progress has been made to ensure that pupils in each school across Wales has access to a school counsellor?

Neil Hamilton *Mid and West Wales*

7 OAQ55087

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on relationship teaching in schools?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

8 OAQ55072

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the availability of a test to diagnose dyslexia for Welsh-speaking children?

Dai Lloyd *South Wales West*

9 OAQ55080

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on school attendance rates in Swansea?

Rhianon Passmore *Islwyn*

10 OAQ55093

(e)

What actions is the Welsh Government taking to assist schools in Islwyn as they prepare for the new curriculum?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

11 OAQ55101

(w)

Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government plans to expand the Welsh-medium education provision in South Wales East?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

12 OAQ55069

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on widening political engagement in schools?

Minister for Health and Social Services

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

1 OAQ55095

(e)

Will the Minister outline how the Welsh Government is supporting the use of arts to improve health and well-being in social care settings?

Jack Sargeant *Alyn and Deeside*

2 OAQ55077

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of minor injuries services in north-east Wales?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

3 OAQ55073

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on psychological therapies in north Wales?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

4 OAQ55071

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on staffing levels in community healthcare settings?

Mohammad Asghar *South Wales East*

5 OAQ55070

(e)

What action is the Minister taking to improve cervical screening rates in Wales?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

6 OAQ55079

(w)

Will the Minister make a statement on the recruiting and training of dentists in north Wales?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

7 OAQ55067

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's priorities for health services in west Wales for the next 12 months?

Suzy Davies *South Wales West*

8 OAQ55088

(e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to avoid unnecessary attendance of accident and emergency services in Wales?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

9 OAQ55091

(e)

What assessment has the Minister made of the United States Surgeon General's claims that e-cigarettes are unsafe for young people?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

10 OAQ55086

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the support available for children in care?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

11 OAQ55081

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the status of the South Wales Programme?

David Rees *Aberavon*

12 OAQ55098

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the NHS workforce strategy?