

Oral Questions tabled on 21/01/2026 for answer on 28/01/2026

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

CABINET SECRETARY FOR HOUSING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

1 OQ63714 (e)

How does the Welsh Government assess the performance and governance of local authority cabinets?

Peredur Owen Griffiths *South Wales East*

2 OQ63742 (e)

How is the Welsh Government regenerating town centres in South Wales East?

Altaf Hussain *South Wales West*

3 OQ63744 (e)

How will the local government settlement 2026-27 impact the people of Bridgend?

Hannah Blythyn *Delyn*

4 OQ63752 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on Welsh Government investment in town centres across north Wales?

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

5 OQ63755 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an overview of the funding it provides to Powys County Council to carry out its statutory duties?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

6 OQ63732 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting local authorities to deliver services?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

7 OQ63733 (e)

How does the Welsh Government work with councils in South Wales East to ensure statutory services are being delivered effectively?

Mark Isherwood *North Wales*

8 OQ63717 (e)

What processes does the Welsh Government use to develop and issue guidance to local authorities in the exercise of their functions?

Jenny Rathbone *Cardiff Central*

9 OQ63750 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact of the UK Government's Warm Homes plan on Wales?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

10 OQ63753 (e)

How is the Welsh Government working with Newport City Council to regenerate Newport city centre?

Cefin Campbell *Mid and West Wales*

11 OQ63738 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to address funding pressures facing local authorities in Mid and West Wales?

Sioned Williams *South Wales West*

12 OQ63718 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the effectiveness of the Government's Warm Homes Scheme?

CABINET SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION

Carolyn Thomas *North Wales*

1 OQ63746 (e)

How is the Cabinet Secretary working with Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning to ensure that tertiary education providers are prepared for the growth of the renewable energy sector in North Wales?

Lindsay Whittle *Caerphilly*

2 OQ63747 (e)

What progress has the Welsh Government made in implementing the recommendations of the Estyn report A New Era: How Artificial Intelligence (AI) is Supporting Teaching and Learning, in schools?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

3 OQ63754 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's support for the relocation of the Coleg Gwent campus to Newport city centre?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

4 OQ63725 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's policy on the use of smartphones in schools?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

5 OQ63758 (w)

What assessment has the Government made of the implementation of the additional learning needs system in North Wales?

Adam Price *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

6 OQ63739 (w)

Will the Cabinet Secretary set a national expectation that schools in Wales will be phone-free by default during the school day, with clear and limited exceptions for medical reasons, caring responsibilities and additional learning needs?

Sam Rowlands *North Wales*

7 OQ63743 (e) *Withdrawn*

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the outdoor education sector regarding Qualification Wales's decision to remove the level 1 and level 2 Learning in the Outdoors programmes?

Samuel Kurtz *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

8 OQ63756 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the Welsh Government's plans to address school absenteeism in Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire?

Hannah Blythyn *Delyn*

9 OQ63751 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on future financial support for higher education students?

Lesley Griffiths *Wrexham*

10 OQ63724 (e)

How is the Cabinet Secretary working with the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning to maximise Wrexham University's contribution to the north Wales economy?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

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OQ63729 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the delivery of vocational courses in west Wales?

Sioned Williams *South Wales West*

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OQ63716 (w)

How is the Government ensuring that learners at all schools and colleges understand the democratic process in Wales?