

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 2 February 2022

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting will be held in a hybrid format, with some Members in the Senedd Chamber and others joining by video-conference.

The Llywydd has determined that, in accordance with Standing Order 34.14A–D, Members will be able to vote from any location by electronic means.

1 Questions to the Minister for Finance and Local Government

(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 Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To ask the Minister for Social Justice:



Mark Isherwood (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the Winter Fuel Support Scheme Payment?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Welsh Conservatives debate – Obesity

(30 mins)

NDM7903 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Expresses its concern that nearly two-thirds of adults in Wales are currently overweight or obese.
2. Notes that COVID-19 has a disproportionate effect on those living with obesity, with more than half of critical care admissions having a BMI of over 30.
3. Further notes that weight-management services were paused or adapted as the Welsh NHS treated COVID patients.
4. Calls on the Welsh Government to:
 - a) urgently reopen those weight-management services which have been paused during the pandemic;
 - b) indicate when specialist multidisciplinary weight-management services will be expanded across Wales; and
 - c) provide extra funding to ensure that weight-management services are able to cope with increased need.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

Delete point 4 and replace with:

Acknowledges:

a) the new 2022–24 delivery plan, due to launch on 1 March, which supports the Healthy Weight: Healthy Wales Strategy and aims to prevent and reduce obesity over the next two years.

b) the £5.8m investment into obesity services accompanying the plan, to enable health boards to deliver a revised All Wales Weight Management Pathway and equitable services, including specialist multidisciplinary weight-management services in Wales.

[Healthy Weight: Healthy Wales](#)

Amendment 2 [Siân Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to prioritise preventative measures to reduce obesity in Wales, such as:

- a) investing in resources to promote physical activity in all communities;
- b) improving health education;
- c) increasing the time allocated to physical education lessons in schools;
- d) Investigate the use of taxation tools to encourage a better diet.

6 Welsh Conservatives debate – Adverse childhood experiences

(30 mins)

NDM7905 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Recognises the impact that adverse childhood experiences have on health, educational attainment and substance abuse later on in life.
2. Believes that greater focus should be given to preventing child abuse and neglect than dealing with the outcomes.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to set a target of reducing child abuse, neglect and other adverse childhood experiences by 70 per cent by 2030.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 [Siân Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Delete all after point 1, and replace with:

Believes that tackling distress during childhood and early intervention must be prioritised in order to give the best start to all children in Wales.

Notes the evidence that there has been an increase in adverse childhood experiences as a result of COVID-19.

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendment 2 will be de-selected]

Amendment 2 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

Delete point 3.

Amendment 3 [Siân Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure that there will be clear targets in the adverse childhood experiences plan that will be published this summer to measure its effectiveness.

Amendment 4 [Siân Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Calls on the Welsh Government to incorporate the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child fully into Welsh law.

7 Welsh Conservatives debate – 70th Anniversary of the accession
(60 mins)

NDM7904 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Extends its warmest congratulations to Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of her accession to the throne.

8 Plaid Cymru debate – Stalking

(60 mins)

NDM7906 [Siân Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Regrets the increases in violence and harassment against women, noting that stalking offences reported to police increased by 30 per cent in Wales between 2020 and 2021.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) use the new curriculum and other resources to foster a culture that prevents the occurrence of stalking in the first place;

b) produce guidance for planning bodies that ensures women's safety is considered in the design of public spaces;

c) work with Police and Crime Commissioners to improve police handling of stalking, ensuring police are trained to handle the real nature of stalking and that stalking protection orders are being utilised;

d) provides specialist support for survivors of stalking;

e) commit to pursuing the devolution of powers over policing and justice to Wales so that it can fully tackle the crime of stalking and make misogyny a hate crime in Wales.

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new point after point 1 and renumber accordingly:

Welcomes both the Stalking Protection Act 2019 and the amendment to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to make misogyny a hate crime in England and Wales.

[Stalking Protection Act 2019](#)

[Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill](#)

Amendment 2 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

In point 2 (c), after 'work with' insert 'police forces and'

Amendment 3 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

In point 2, delete sub-point (e) and replace with:

'ensure that perpetrator programmes are available across Wales'

9 Voting Time

10 Short Debate – WITHDRAWN

(0 mins)

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 8 February 2022

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 26/01/2022 for answer on 02/02/2022

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

MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Luke Fletcher *South Wales West*

1

OQ57577 (e)

What priorities does the Minister take into account when allocating funding to the social justice portfolio?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

2

OQ57575 (w)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on local authority budgets?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

3

OQ57574 (e)

What consideration did the Minister give to local authorities' responsibilities for road maintenance when setting the budget for the climate change portfolio?

Carolyn Thomas *North Wales*

4

OQ57558 (e) Member declared an interest

How does the Welsh Government ensure fair funding for local authorities across North Wales?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

5

OQ57544 (e)

How does the Minister monitor the value for money and effectiveness of Welsh Government spending on legislation?

Sarah Murphy *Bridgend*

6

OQ57569 (e)

Will the Minister provide an update on plans to enable local authorities to raise a tourism levy?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

7

OQ57550 (e)

What consideration did the Minister give to supporting businesses to deal with the impact of COVID-19 when allocating funding to the economy portfolio?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

8 OQ57554 (w)

Will the Minister make a statement on the local government settlement for Isle of Anglesey County Council for 2022-23?

Natasha Asghar *South Wales East*

9 OQ57548 (e)

What consideration was given to improving transport infrastructure when setting the budget for the climate change portfolio?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

10 OQ57567 (e)

What assessment has the Minister made of the effectiveness of the council tax reduction scheme in addressing the cost-of-living crisis?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

11 OQ57547 (e)

What assessment has the Minister made of the Welsh Government budget settlement for the local authorities serving the Ogmore constituency?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

12 OQ57571 (e)

What is the Minister doing to ensure that the council tax system in Wales is fair?

MINISTER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS AND NORTH WALES, AND TREFNYDD

Gareth Davies *Vale of Clwyd*

1 OQ57566 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Climate Change on the impact of pesticides on bee health?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

2 OQ57541 (w)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Health and Social Services about vascular services for patients from Arfon and all parts of north Wales since the reconfiguration of these services?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

3 OQ57579 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting the marketing of Welsh lamb and beef?

Peredur Owen Griffiths *South Wales East*

4

OQ57572 (e)

How is the Government liaising with Caerphilly County Borough Council on inspections of the remaining greyhound racing track in Wales to ensure animal welfare standards?

Mark Isherwood *North Wales*

5

OQ57543 (e)

What discussions has the Minister had with Cabinet colleagues regarding transport connectivity in North Wales?

Peter Fox *Monmouth*

6

OQ57564 (e)

How will the sustainable farming scheme support habitat conservation projects?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

7

OQ57576 (w)

Will the Minister provide an update on efforts to ensure that any food produced in Wales is used efficiently?

Huw Irranca-Davies *Ogmore*

8

OQ57546 (e)

How will the sustainable farming scheme help tackle the nature emergency?

Carolyn Thomas *North Wales*

9

OQ57559 (e)

What are the Welsh Government's priorities for the sustainable farming scheme?

Samuel Kurtz *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

10

OQ57555 (e)

Will the Minister outline the criteria for receiving funding under the Welsh Government's decarbonisation and COVID challenge fund?

Hefin David *Caerphilly*

11

OQ57552 (e)

What steps does the Welsh Government take to ensure the effective enforcement of nitrate vulnerable zones?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

12

OQ57545 (e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's strategy for rural development?