

## Agenda – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 22 May 2024

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.

#### **1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for North Wales and Transport** (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 Cabinet Secretary for Culture and Social Justice** (45 mins)

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#### **3 Questions to the Senedd Commission** (30 mins)

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#### **4 Topical Questions** (20 mins)

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

[Mabon ap Gwynfor \(Dwyfor Meirionydd\)](#)



**Senedd Cymru**  
**Welsh Parliament**

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement following the publication of the report on the Infected Blood Inquiry?

**To ask the First Minister**

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

Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's Co-operation Agreement with Plaid Cymru ending?

**To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language**

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

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the UK Government about designating Wylfa as the preferred site for developing a nuclear power station?

**5 90 Second Statements**

(5 mins)

**6 Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal – A Bill for political education**

(30 mins)

**NDM8580 [Sioned Williams \(South Wales West\)](#)**

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes a proposal for a political education bill.
2. Notes that the purpose of the bill would be to:
  - a) ensure that all learners in schools and colleges in Wales receive specific education relating to Welsh politics and democracy;
  - b) require all schools and colleges ensure learners understand the importance of civic engagement in the Welsh democratic process; and
  - c) ensure that 16 and 17 year-olds feel more confident and knowledgeable about elections and the purpose and process of casting their vote.

## **7 Debate on petition P-06-1407 – We want the Welsh Government to rescind and remove the disastrous 20mph law**

(60 mins)

**NDM8587** [Jack Sargeant \(Alyn and Deeside\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the petition '[P-06-1407 We want the Welsh Government to rescind and remove the disastrous 20mph law](#)' which received 469,571 signatures.

## **8 Welsh Conservatives Debate – Tourism**

(60 mins)

**NDM8589** [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Recognises the vital contribution that the tourism sector makes to Wales, accounting for over 150,000 jobs and 5 per cent of GDP.
2. Regrets that Wales's tourism sector still hasn't recovered to pre-pandemic levels.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to support Wales's tourism sector by:
  - a) freeing Welsh tourism by making Visit Wales independent;
  - b) scrapping the tourism tax;
  - c) reducing the 182-day occupancy threshold to 105 days;
  - d) introducing a tourism and hospitality academy to upskill the sector for the future; and
  - e) proactively capitalising on major events.

**The following amendments were tabled:**

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

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Recognises the vital contribution that the tourism sector makes to Wales.

2. Regrets that Wales's tourism sector still hasn't recovered to pre-pandemic levels.

3. Notes the Welsh Government's support to the sector and the commitment to working with the sector and local authorities to:

- a) introduce a visitor levy should they choose to, subject to consultation;
- b) maintain the discretionary powers and guidance on council tax and second homes;
- c) explore a tourism and hospitality academy to upskill the sector for the future; and
- d) proactively capitalise on major events.

**If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2, 3 and 4 will be de-selected.**

**Amendment 2** [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

Add as new point after point 2 and renumber accordingly:

Notes the effect of cost increases on businesses, as well as the effect that the cost-of-living crisis has had on expenditure by tourists in Wales.

**Amendment 3** [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

In point 3, delete sub-points (b) and (c).

**Amendment 4** [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

In sub-point (e) in point 3, after 'major events', insert 'by promoting events which are of cultural and economic benefit to Wales'.

## 9 Voting Time

## 10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

**NDM8588** [Joyce Watson \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

A construction skills system fit for the future.

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 4 June 2024

# Agenda Item 1

## Oral Questions tabled on 15/05/2024 for answer on 22/05/2024

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

### CABINET SECRETARY FOR NORTH WALES AND TRANSPORT

**Jenny Rathbone** *Cardiff Central*

**1** OQ61174 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on improving the bus service in Cardiff?

**Mark Isherwood** *North Wales*

**2** OQ61139 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting the use of eco-friendly vehicles on the transport network in Wales?

**Jane Dodds** *Mid and West Wales*

**3** OQ61170 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to improve access to reliable rail services for rural communities?

**Adam Price** *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

**4** OQ61151 (e)

What support is the Welsh Government offering to community transport organisations?

**Sioned Williams** *South Wales West*

**5** OQ61128 (d)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on plans to improve public transport in South Wales West?

**Paul Davies** *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

**6** OQ61124 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the implementation of road projects in Pembrokeshire?

**Rhianon Passmore** *Islwyn*

**7** OQ61172 (e)

What discussions has the Welsh Government had with Caerphilly County Borough Council regarding the review of speed limits on roads in Islwyn?

**Delyth Jewell** *South Wales East*

8 OQ61130 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the future of bus services in South Wales East?

**Julie Morgan** *Cardiff North*

9 OQ61161 (e)

What plans does the Cabinet Secretary have to support bus travel in Cardiff?

**Rhys ab Owen** *South Wales Central*

10 OQ61166 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to ensure that public transport in Cardiff is able to cope with large music events?

**Samuel Kurtz** *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

11 OQ61155 (e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to improve road safety in Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire?

**Russell George** *Montgomeryshire*

12 OQ61137 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on improving road safety in mid Wales?

## CABINET SECRETARY FOR CULTURE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

**Buffy Williams** *Rhondda*

1 OQ61132 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on funding for the collaborative sports facilities group?

**Janet Finch-Saunders** *Aberconwy*

2 OQ61126 (e)

What support is the Welsh Government providing to local museums in Aberconwy?

**Mark Drakeford** *Cardiff West*

**3** OQ61141 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on preparations for the devolution of the probation service in Wales?

**Llyr Gruffydd** *North Wales*

**4** OQ61173 (w)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on disabled people?

**Hefin David** *Caerphilly*

**5** OQ61168 (e)

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Arts Council of Wales regarding the budgetary pressures faced by Welsh National Opera?

**Mike Hedges** *Swansea East*

**6** OQ61123 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on access to public services for people who have hearing loss?

**Jane Dodds** *Mid and West Wales*

**7** OQ61171 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's strategy to address the issue of stalking?

**Rhys ab Owen** *South Wales Central*

**8** OQ61167 (e)

How is the Welsh Government tackling fuel poverty in Wales?

**Carolyn Thomas** *North Wales*

**9** OQ61134 (e)

How does the Cabinet Secretary work with the Children's Commissioner for Wales to promote the importance of social justice amongst young people?

**Jenny Rathbone** *Cardiff Central*

**10** OQ61175 (e)

What evaluation has the Welsh Government made of the benefits of music lessons for disadvantaged young people?

**Tom Giffard** *South Wales West*

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**OQ61162 (e)**

How does the Welsh Government work with the police to maximise engagement with wider communities?

**James Evans** *Brecon and Radnorshire*

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**OQ61154 (e)**

What is the Welsh Government doing to protect historic monuments from large-scale development?

## **SENEDD COMMISSION**

**Carolyn Thomas** *North Wales*

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**OQ61138 (e)**

How does the Senedd Commission promote the importance of sustainability and protecting the natural environment on the Senedd estate?

**Gareth Davies** *Vale of Clwyd*

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**OQ61177 (e)**

What discussions has the Senedd Commission had with the Remuneration Board regarding the impact of council tax increases on the Senedd Commission budget?

**Julie Morgan** *Cardiff North*

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**OQ61149 (e)**

How does the Senedd Commission ensure that people who are deaf or hard of hearing can actively participate in the work of the Senedd?

**Mabon ap Gwynfor** *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

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**OQ61163 (e)**

Will the Commission provide an update on the ethical investment schemes of its pension fund?

**Luke Fletcher** *South Wales West*

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**OQ61159 (e)**

What work has the Commission undertaken to make the Senedd estate dementia-friendly?