

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 2 April 2025

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting was 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 Finance and Welsh Language

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer will call Party Leaders to ask questions without notice to the Cabinet Secretary after Question 2.

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2 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Education

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To ask the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery

[Llyr Gruffydd \(North Wales\)](#): What steps will the Welsh Government take to address the concerns raised by the farming sector following the statutory review of the Control of Agricultural Pollution Regulations?

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

[Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#): What pressure is the Welsh Government putting on the UK Government to speed up the delivery of compensation payments to people



infected and affected by the contaminated blood scandal?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Urgent debate – The impact of the Chancellor's recent welfare reforms

(60 mins)

[Sioned Williams \(South Wales West\)](#): The impact of the Chancellor's recent welfare reforms

6 Wales COVID–19 Inquiry Special Purpose Committee: Debate on the gaps identified in the preparedness and response of the Welsh Government and other Welsh public bodies during the COVID–19 pandemic that should be subject to further examination –

POSTPONED

(0 mins)

7 Debate on the Standards of Conduct Committee Report: Individual Member Accountability: Deliberate deception

(60 mins)

NDM8874 [Hannah Blythyn \(Delyn\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Standards of Conduct Committee, 'Individual Member Accountability: Deliberate deception', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 19 February 2025.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 26 March 2025.

8 Plaid Cymru Debate – Child payments

(60 mins)

NDM8875 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Calls on the Welsh Government to implement a child payment.

The following amendment was tabled:

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

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Supports the range of actions the Welsh Government is taking to address the purpose of a child payment such as the additional investments being made through the Welsh Government's final budget for 2025–26, including an extra £30 million for childcare and additional £1.4 million for the work to ensure people in Wales are claiming every pound they are entitled to.
2. Notes the commitment as part of the Welsh Government's final budget for 2024–25 to engage with the Scottish Government to better understand the Scottish Child Payment and how it operates.

9 Voting time

Votes Summary

10 Short debate

(30 mins)

NDM8876 [Lesley Griffiths \(Wrexham\)](#)

Gresford Colliery: the mining disaster that shaped a community.

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 29 April 2025

Agenda Item 1

Oral Questions tabled on 26/03/2025 for answer on 02/04/2025

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

CABINET SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND WELSH LANGUAGE

Alun Davies *Blaenau Gwent*

1 OQ62557 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's work to review the Barnett formula?

Joyce Watson *Mid and West Wales*

2 OQ62579 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's assessment of the impact of the UK spring statement on Wales?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

3 OQ62544 (w)

How is the Welsh Government supporting town and community councils with the cost of Welsh-to-English translation?

Rhys ab Owen *South Wales Central*

4 OQ62555 (e)

What discussions is the Cabinet Secretary having with Welsh Government colleagues and with Cardiff University to ensure the continuity of Welsh-language nursing research opportunities?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

5 OQ62552 (e)

What action is the Cabinet Secretary taking to ensure value for money to Welsh taxpayers from grants provided by the Welsh Government to the third sector?

Heledd Fychan *South Wales Central*

6 OQ62563 (d)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the consequential funding that the Welsh Government will receive as a result of UK Government education spending commitments made since October 2024?

Hannah Blythyn *Delyn*

7

OQ62565 (e)

How does the Welsh Government's procurement policy ensure social value?

James Evans *Brecon and Radnorshire*

8

OQ62561 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on how the UK Government's spring statement has impacted the Welsh Government's budget?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

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OQ62551 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the progress made to put consequential allocations onto a constitutional basis?

Gareth Davies *Vale of Clwyd*

10

OQ62560 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of the tourism tax on the north Wales economy?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

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OQ62547 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the value for money to the Welsh Government of the Heads of the Valleys road?

Delyth Jewell *South Wales East*

12

OQ62568 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of the UK Government's spring statement on the Welsh Government's finances?

CABINET SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION

Mabon ap Gwynfor *Dwyfor Meirionnydd*

1

OQ62575 (w)

What guidance is the Government providing to schools and colleges to address the effects of incel culture?

Altaf Hussain *South Wales West*

2

OQ62578 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting neurodiverse boys in state schools?

Luke Fletcher *South Wales West*

3 OQ62559 (e)

How does the Welsh Government intend to undertake its annual review of the education maintenance allowance?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

4 OQ62543 (e)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to mitigate the impact of energy costs on school budgets?

Lee Waters *Llanelli*

5 OQ62572 (e)

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on participation by schools in the Careers Wales Alumni scheme?

Laura Anne Jones *South Wales East*

6 OQ62548 (e)

What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of Estyn's annual report 2023-24 on education in South Wales East?

Peter Fox *Monmouth*

7 OQ62569 (e)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the standard of food in schools across Wales?

Buffy Williams *Rhondda*

8 OQ62558 (e)

How does the Welsh Government's budget support the sustainable communities for learning programme?

Heledd Fychan *South Wales Central*

9 OQ62562 (w)

What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the effectiveness of its plans to address sexism and misogyny in schools?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

10 OQ62542 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to support learners with additional learning needs in Pembrokeshire?

Lesley Griffiths *Wrexham*

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OQ62573 (e)

What is the Welsh Government doing to improve pupil attendance?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

12

OQ62570 (e)

How is the Welsh Government supporting service children in schools?