

Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Siambr Hywel – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 19 November 2025

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting was held in a hybrid format, with some Members in Siambr Hywel, Tŷ Hywel and others joining by video-conference.

1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language

The item started at 13.30

The first 8 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

2 Questions to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs

The item started at 14.26

The first 9 questions were asked. The Presiding Officer invited party spokespeople to ask questions to the Cabinet Secretary after question 2.

3 Topical Questions

The item started at 15.19

Answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip

[Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the implications for policing in Wales of the UK Government's decision to scrap Police and Crime Commissioners?



Answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning

[Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the development of the UK's first small modular nuclear reactor power station at Wylfa?

4 90 Second Statements

The item started at 15.54

Rhun ap Iorwerth made a statement on Trefor Lloyd-Hughes.

Rhys ab Owen made a statement on World Prematurity Day.

5 Motion to approve the Senedd Commission's Budget for 2026–27

The item started at 15.58

Voting on the motion under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

NDM9052 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd in accordance with Standing Order 20.16:

Agrees the budget of the Senedd Commission for 2026–27, as specified in Table 1 of the Senedd Commission Budget 2026–27, [laid](#) before the Senedd on 12 November 2025 and that it be incorporated in the Annual Budget Motion under Standing Order 20.26 (ii).

The result was as follows:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
35	0	13	48

The motion was agreed.

6 Motion to Suspend Standing Orders

The item started at 16.22

NDM9051 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd, in accordance with Standing Orders 33.6 and 33.8:

Suspends Standing Order 13.6 to allow Members to contribute on more than one occasion during the Open Debate on [NDM9046](#) in Plenary on Wednesday 19 November 2025.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

7 Open debate

The item started at 16.22

NDM9046 [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#)

Would a wealth tax work for Wales?

Co-submitters

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

[Jane Dodds \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

Supporters

[Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#)

At 18.04, proceedings were suspended for 6 minutes.

8 Plaid Cymru Debate – UK Budget and devolution

The item started at 18.10

Voting on the motion and amendments under this item was deferred until Voting Time.

A vote was taken on the motion without amendment:

NDM9054 [Heledd Fychan \(South Wales Central\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the upcoming UK Labour Government's autumn budget to be announced on 26 November.
2. Regrets that previous fiscal events by the current UK Labour Government have failed to deliver on long-held promises made to the people of Wales.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to stand up for the interests of the people of Wales by making representations to the UK Labour Government, and publishing the relevant correspondence, to:
 - a) develop a clear plan, with specific timescales, to develop a new funding formula for Wales based on need, and placed on a statutory footing;

- b) reverse changes to inheritance tax on family farms, and reimburse the Welsh public sector in full for changes to employer national insurance contributions;
- c) enable the Senedd to set its own income tax bands;
- d) uprate the Senedd's borrowing powers and drawdown limits for the Wales Reserve in line with inflation as a first step towards modernising its fiscal architecture;
- e) provide full consequential funding owed to Wales from the HS2 project;
- f) devolve the Crown Estate to enable Wales to fairly profit from its own natural resources;
- g) remove the two-child benefit cap;
- h) fully devolve justice and policing powers to Wales; and
- i) introduce a 2 per cent wealth tax on assets over £10 million and equalise capital gains tax with income tax to advance redistribution and provide more robust cost-of-living support to Welsh households.

For	Abstain	Against	Total
11	0	37	48

The motion without amendment was not agreed.

The following amendments were tabled:

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

Delete all after point 1.

A vote was taken on amendment 1:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
24	0	25	49

As required by Standing Order 6.20 the Presiding Officer exercised her casting vote by voting against the amendment. Therefore, the amendment was not agreed.

Amendment 2 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

In point 3, delete sub-points a) to i) and replace with:

- a) review the fiscal framework for Wales, including borrowing powers and drawdown limits;
- b) reverse inheritance tax changes for family farms and family firms;
- c) reverse the increase in employer's national insurance and reimburse Wales for failing to fund the full costs of these to date;
- d) rule out any new tax rises;
- e) protect the triple lock on state pensions;
- f) provide consequential funding for Wales as a result of spending on HS2 and the Oxford and Cambridge rail investments;
- g) reinstate funding for the electrification of the North Wales main line;
- h) increase investment in securing UK borders at Welsh ports to prevent illegal immigration; and
- i) provide additional resources to deliver an M4 relief road and upgrade the A55 trunk road, given their importance as strategic routes for UK connectivity.

A vote was taken on amendment 2:

For	Abstain	Against	Total
13	0	35	48

Amendment 2 was not agreed.

As the Senedd did not agree the motion without amendment, and did not agree the amendments tabled to the motion, the motion was therefore not agreed.

9 Debate on the Standards of Conduct Committee report – Twenty Fourth report to the Sixth Senedd under Standing Order 22.9

The item started at 19.13

NDM9053 [Hannah Blythyn \(Delyn\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Considers the Report of the Standards of Conduct Committee – Twenty Fourth Report to the Sixth Senedd [laid](#) before the Senedd on 12 November 2025 in accordance with Standing Order 22.9.
2. Endorses the recommendation in the report that a breach has been found.
3. Resolves that the Member shall be excluded from any Senedd proceedings under Standing Order 22.10(iii) for a period of 14 days, excluding days while the Senedd is in recess, commencing with the passing of this motion and ending no later than midnight on 3 December 2025.
4. Notes that the Member shall not be entitled to any salary from the Senedd in respect of the days to which point 3 applies, in accordance with Standing Order 22.10A.

The motion was agreed in accordance with Standing Order 12.36.

10 Voting Time

The item started at 19.19.

Vote Summary

The meeting concluded at 19.23

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 25 November 2025