

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 29 March 2017

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure

(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 Health, Well-being and Sport

(45 mins)

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3 Statement by the First Minister: Article 50 Response

(45 mins)



Proposal for an Urgent Debate under Standing Order 12.69, Simon Thomas:

That the Assembly considers the impact of triggering Article 50 on Wales.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.70, the motion will be put to the vote immediately.

Urgent Question

To the Minister for Social Services and Public Health:

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the future management of Sport Wales following the decision to terminate the positions of the Chair and Vice Chair of the organisation? EAQ(5)0154(HWS)W

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Debate on the Children Young People and Education Committee Report of the inquiry into statutory advocacy provision

(60 mins)

NDM6275 [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the Children, Young People and Education Committee Report on the Inquiry into Statutory Advocacy Provision which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 2 February 2017.

Note: The Welsh Government's [response](#) to the report was laid in the Table Office on 22 March 2017.

6 Debate on the Petitions Committee Report on a Petition on Ovarian Cancer

(60 mins)

NDM6276 [Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes Petitions Committee report on the petition, 'Support Yearly Screening for Ovarian Cancer', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 9 February 2017.

Note: The Welsh Government's [response](#) to the report was laid in the Table Office on 22 March 2017.

7 United Kingdom Independence Party debate

(60 mins)

NDM6274

[David Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#)

[Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Commends the Welsh Government's aim of achieving one million Welsh-speakers by 2050 and recognises the key role of schools in achieving it.
2. Believes that flying in the face of local public opinion will limit the chance of success and that changes to educational institutions covering Key Stages 1 to 5 should be made in a manner supported by the majority of parents, guardians or local residents, who are best placed to make educational decisions on behalf of their children.
3. Believes that proposals to convert English-medium, dual-stream or transitional schools into Welsh-medium schools or to close them must involve genuine local consultation whereby:

- a) all respondents supply their names, addresses and postcodes;
- b) each individual named in any submitted petition is recorded as a discrete observation unit; and
- c) the opinions of unrelated third parties should not be given priority over the wishes of parents or local residents.

4. Believes that the consultation exercise carried out by Carmarthenshire County Council prior to deciding to close the Llangennech dual stream federated infants and junior schools and convert them to a single Welsh-medium school was flawed.

5. Believes that the council should rescind its decision pending a further consultation based on the principles set out in paragraph 3 above.

The following amendments have been tabled:

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

Delete all after point 1 and replace with:

Welcomes the Welsh Government's intention to publish a White Paper this year for consultation on provisions for a new Welsh Language Bill as part of plans to increase the use of the Welsh language.

Recognises the additional investment in 2017-18 to improve and increase Welsh in the workplace provision and to promote the Welsh language.

Notes the Welsh Government's commitment to review the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan process.

Recognises local authorities and other proposers must comply with the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code and must consider a range of factors when proposing significant changes to schools in their jurisdiction.

['School Standards and Organisation \(Wales\) Act 2013'](#)

['School Organisation Code'](#)

[If amendment 1 is agreed, amendments 2 and 3 will be de-selected]

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

Delete all after point 1.

[If amendment 2 is agreed, amendment 3 will be de-selected]

3. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Delete all after point 1.

4. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Add as a new point at end of motion:

Regrets that there has been a fall in the number of Welsh speaking teachers entering the profession.

5. [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

Add as a new point at end of motion:

Regrets that school closures have disproportionately affected Welsh medium schools.

6. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes the many cognitive, educational, economic and social benefits of bilingualism.

7. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Regrets that the percentage of seven-year-old learners being taught through the medium of Welsh has stagnated in recent years.

8. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)

Add as new point at end of motion:

Notes that Carmarthenshire County Council's Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014–2017, which included the decision to establish a Welsh–medium school at Llangennech, was approved unanimously by the Labour–led Cabinet in July 2014, and that all subsequent decisions were approved by the appropriate authorities.

['Carmarthenshire County Council Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2014–2017'](#)

8 Voting Time

9 Short Debate (Re–scheduled from 22 March)

(30 mins)

NDM6266 [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#)

Credit Unions: A key contribution to tackling financial exclusion

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6273 [Steffan Lewis \(South Wales East\)](#)

Chronic traumatic encephalopathy and sport – can Wales lead the way?

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 4 April 2017

Agenda Item 1

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 22 March 2017 for answer on 29 March 2017

R - Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self-identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

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To ask the [Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure](#)

1. [Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#): What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the benefits of locating the headquarters of Transport for Wales within Rhondda Cynon Taf? OAQ(5)0144(EI)
 2. [Leanne Wood \(Rhondda\)](#): What progress has the Welsh Government made to improve the economy within the former coalfields of south Wales? OAQ(5)0153(EI)
 3. [Bethan Jenkins \(South Wales West\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary outline how the Welsh Government is ensuring that Wales is promoted in television and film productions? OAQ(5)0143(EI)
 4. [Joyce Watson \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on support in improving road safety in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(5)0154(EI)
 5. [Mike Hedges \(Swansea East\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Welsh Government support for the ICT industry in Wales? OAQ(5)0145(EI)
 6. [Eluned Morgan \(Mid and West Wales\)](#): When will the Welsh Government make a decision on funding the Circuit of Wales track? OAQ(5)0155(EI)
 7. [Russell George \(Montgomeryshire\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the use of autonomous cars in mid Wales? OAQ(5)0146(EI)
 8. [Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on economic development in Newport West? OAQ(5)0149(EI)
 9. [Neil McEvoy \(South Wales Central\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on support for elite sport in Wales? OAQ(5)0147(EI)
- WITHDRAWN**
10. [Julie Morgan \(Cardiff North\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government consultation about the Wales and Borders Franchise and Metro? OAQ(5)0158(EI)

11. **Mark Reckless (South Wales East)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement regarding completion of the eastern bay relief road?
O AQ(5)0151(EI)

12. **Dawn Bowden (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make statement on the economic benefits of the development of indoor sports facilities in Wales? O AQ(5)0156(EI)

13. **Jeremy Miles (Neath)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the role of the creative industries in developing the Welsh economy?
O AQ(5)0150(EI)

14. **Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the development of the Mersey Dee region? O AQ(5)0157(EI)W

15. **David Melding (South Wales Central)**: What is the Welsh Government doing to promote apprenticeship opportunities for young women in vocational areas which are often closed to them by poor recruitment practices?
O AQ(5)0148(EI)

To ask the **Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Sport**

1. **Leanne Wood (Rhondda)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on access to the health service in the Rhondda? O AQ(5)0148(HWS)

2. **Mark Reckless (South Wales East)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make any assurances to increase the proportion of the NHS budget spent on primary care in Wales? O AQ(5)0143(HWS)

3. **Nathan Gill (North Wales)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on orthopaedic care in North Wales? O AQ(5)0140(HWS)

4. **Suzy Davies (South Wales West)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on the Welsh Government's funding for social care?
O AQ(5)0141(HWS)

5. **Mark Isherwood (North Wales)**: What support services does the Welsh Government have in place for patients with long-term, fluctuating, health conditions? O AQ(5)0137(HWS)

6. **Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary outline what the Welsh Government is doing to improve access to GP services? O AQ(5)0145(HWS)

7. **Mike Hedges (Swansea East)**: Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement regarding promoting healthy lifestyles? O AQ(5)0138(HWS)

- 8. [Gareth Bennett \(South Wales Central\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement regarding hospital car parking charges in South Wales Central? OAQ(5)0150(HWS)
- 9. [Caroline Jones \(South Wales West\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary outline the actions the Welsh Government is taking to improve Welsh patients access to clinical trials in Wales? OAQ(5)0152(HWS)
- 10. [Lynne Neagle \(Torfaen\)](#):** What assessment has the Cabinet Secretary made of the impact of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 on children in Wales? OAQ(5)0151(HWS)
- 11. [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on orthopaedic waiting times in north west Wales? OAQ(5)0146(HWS)W
- 12. [Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on paediatric care in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(5)0139(HWS)
- 13. [Dawn Bowden \(Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on any planned discussions with the British Medical Association on GP contracts in Wales? OAQ(5)0149(HWS)
- 14. [Mark Reckless \(South Wales East\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement regarding the impact on services in Wales of having separate consultant pay contracts to those in England? OAQ(5)0144(HWS)
- 15. [David Rowlands \(South Wales East\)](#):** Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the progress of Sport Wales's 'A Vision for Sport in Wales'? OAQ(5)0147(HWS)