

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 20 February 2019

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

(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 Housing and Local Government

(45 mins)

The Presiding Officer has received notification, under Standing Order 12.58, that the Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government will answer questions on behalf of the Minister.

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To ask the Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport

Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn): Will the Minister make a statement on the effect of Honda's decision to close its factory in Swindon on the supply chain in Wales?



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4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

Motion to elect a Member to a committee (5 mins)

NDM6977 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with Standing Order 17.14, elects Dai Lloyd (Plaid Cymru) as a Member of the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee in place of Helen Mary Jones (Plaid Cymru).

5 Debate on the 'Wales' future relationship with the Committee of the Regions' report

(30 mins)

NDM6942 [Mick Antoniw \(Pontypridd\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the report and recommendations relating to Wales' future relationship with the Committee of the Regions.
2. Recognises the importance of a continued relationship between Wales and the Committee of the Regions.
3. Calls on the Welsh Government to support the establishment of a Joint Commission between the Committee of the Regions and the United Kingdom to ensure continuing dialogue and collaboration between the Committee of the Regions and the Assembly and Welsh local authorities after the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

Mick Antoniw AM and Bethan Sayed AM, 'Wales' future relationship with the Committee of the Regions' – copy placed in the Members' Library on 18 January 2019.

Co-Submitters

[Bethan Sayed \(South Wales West\)](#)

Supporting Document

[Wales' future relationship with Europe: Committee of the Regions Report](#)

6 Debate on the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee report: Everybody's Business: A Report on Suicide Prevention in Wales

(60 mins)

NDM6974 [Dai Lloyd \(South Wales West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, Everybody's Business: A Report on Suicide Prevention in Wales, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 5 December 2018.

Note: The response from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 30 January 2019.

Supporting Document

[Letter from the Llywydd with regards to Suicide Prevention in Wales – 7 February 2018](#)

In accordance with Standing Order 12.23 (iii), the amendments tabled to this motion have not been selected.

7 Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) – Active Travel

(60 mins)

NDM6947 [Huw Irranca-Davies \(Ogmore\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes that:

- a) young people in Wales have some of the lowest levels of physical activity in the United Kingdom, contributing to rising levels of obesity and associated health issues such as diabetes 2;
- b) several communities in Wales suffer from illegally high levels of air pollution, with one community experiencing the worst air quality outside London;
- c) congestion on the roads is estimated to cost the Welsh economy £2bn every year;
- d) targets for carbon emissions from transport in Wales have consistently not been met;

e) levels of walking and cycling in Wales are in decline, with falling levels of active travel to school being a particular concern; and

f) each of these issues could be ameliorated if the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013 was effectively implemented.

2. Calls on the Welsh Government to refresh its ambition for active travel in Wales by producing a comprehensive active travel strategy including ambitious targets and a detailed plan for long term investment in active travel infrastructure.

[Active Travel \(Wales\) Act 2013](#)

Co-Submitters

[Dai Lloyd \(South Wales West\)](#)

[Russell George \(Montgomeryshire\)](#)

[Jenny Rathbone \(Cardiff Central\)](#)

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

[Neil McEvoy \(South Wales Central\)](#)

[Vikki Howells \(Cynon Valley\)](#)

8 Welsh Conservatives Debate – School Funding

(60 mins)

NDM6975 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the current 'school services' indicator based assessment (IBA) formula which calculates how much funding each local authority notionally needs to spend on its schools.

2. Recognises:

a) the lack of transparency in the IBA formula and subsequent local authority school funding decisions; and

b) the public confusion surrounding how schools are individually funded via local authorities, regional consortia and specific Welsh Government grants.

3. Calls on the Welsh Government to develop a comprehensible means of evaluating and communicating the effectiveness of all streams of school funding, in particular;

a) their impact on the attainment and other outcomes for learners;

- b) staff support and development;
- c) school standards; and
- d) delivery against the objectives of wider Welsh Government policy.

The following amendment was tabled:

Amendment 1 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

1. Notes that the current 'school services' Indicator Based Assessment (IBA) formulae model the authorities' relative need to spend on school services, given the funding available and making assumptions around council tax and prioritisation of spending.
2. Welcomes the recently published 'Funding for schools' guide that clarifies arrangements for funding schools
3. Recognises that all Welsh Government funding and policy guidance to local authorities, education consortia and schools support delivery in line with the 'Our National Mission' action plan to raise standards, reduce the attainment gap, and deliver an education system that enjoys public confidence.

[Funding for Schools guide](#)

[Our National Mission](#)

9 Voting Time

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6973 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Housing our Heroes: Are we meeting the housing needs of our veterans?

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 5 March 2019

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 13/02/2019 for answer on 20/02/2019

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Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

Jack Sargeant *Alyn and Deeside*

1 OAQ53454

(e)

What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Economy and Transport on the impact of environmentally-friendly transport on pollution levels?

Rhianon Passmore *Islwyn*

2 OAQ53444

(e)

How is the Welsh Government's landfill disposals tax community scheme benefiting communities in south-east Wales?

Mohammad Asghar *South Wales East*

3 OAQ53434

(e)

What action will the Minister take to further promote Welsh food and drink produce in 2019?

David Rees *Aberavon*

4 OAQ53462

(e)

What discussions has the Welsh Government had with stakeholders with regard to reducing pollution in Port Talbot?

Helen Mary Jones *Mid and West Wales*

5 OAQ53450

(e)

What discussions has the Welsh Government had about licensing for performing animals?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

6 OAQ53441

(e)

What action is the Welsh Government taking to address the risk of flooding to critical infrastructure?

Mark Reckless *South Wales East*

7 OAQ53465

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the red meat sector post-Brexit?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

8 OAQ53455

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on tree-planting rates in Wales?

Dawn Bowden *Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney*

9 OAQ53451

(e)

What recent assessment has the Minister made of the implications of a no-deal Brexit on the rural economy of Wales?

Sian Gwenllïan *Arfon*

10 OAQ53463

(w)

Will the Minister provide an update on the young farmers grant scheme?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

11 OAQ53461

(w)

Will the Minister make a statement on the effect of solar farms on neighbouring communities?

Neil McEvoy *South Wales Central*

12 OAQ53431

(e)

What assessment has the Minister made of the future of nuclear energy production in Wales?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

13 OAQ53457

(w)

Will the Minister make a statement on recent discussions held on the Menai Strait fishery order?

Mandy Jones *North Wales*

14 OAQ53460

(e)

Will the Minister outline the Welsh Government's priorities for animal welfare in North Wales for the remainder of this Assembly term?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

15 OAQ53427

(e)

Will the Minister confirm the timing of any future Welsh agricultural bill during this Assembly term?

Minister for Housing and Local Government

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

1 OAQ53435

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's strategy to build more homes?

Mohammad Asghar *South Wales East*

2 OAQ53433

(e)

What measures will the Minister take to tackle rough sleeping in Wales in 2019?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

3 OAQ53440

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on public satisfaction with local authority services in Wales?

Mark Reckless *South Wales East*

4 OAQ53464

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the sustainable urban drainage regulations on housing supply?

Llyr Gruffydd *North Wales*

5 OAQ53468

(w)

What steps is the Welsh Government taking to ensure that developers keep to planning obligations?

Jenny Rathbone *Cardiff Central*

6 OAQ53446

(e)

What is the extent of the Welsh Government's powers to ensure that rents for social housing are affordable?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

7 OAQ53456

(e)

How does the Welsh Government support recycling and re-use enterprises in Wales?

Mike Hedges *Swansea East*

8 OAQ53424

(e)

Will the Minister provide an update on Welsh Government support for co-operative housing?

Nick Ramsay *Monmouth*

9 OAQ53447

(e)

How is the Minister strengthening the planning process in rural areas?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

10 OAQ53439

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on veterans' housing needs?

Dawn Bowden *Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney*

11 OAQ53449

(e)

What recent assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact of welfare reforms on the south Wales valleys?

Lynne Neagle *Torfaen*

12 OAQ53467

(e)

What discussions has the Minister had with registered social landlords in Wales about meeting the needs of communities?

John Griffiths *Newport East*

13 OAQ53453

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the success of Welsh Government policies to end rough sleeping in Wales?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

14 OAQ53432

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of social housing to those with reduced mobility?

15 **Neil McEvoy** *South Wales Central*
OAQ53430

(e)

Will the Minister make a statement on the number of long-term empty properties in Wales?