

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 24 January 2018

Meeting time: 13.30

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1 Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance

(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 Leader of the House

(45 mins)

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3 Questions to the Assembly Commission

(30 mins)

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4 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To ask the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services:

[Angela Burns \(Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire\)](#): Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Hywel Dda University Health Board's most recent



service change proposals which could potentially result in the closure of Withybush Hospital in the future?

To ask the First Minister (to be answered by the Minister for Housing and Regeneration):

[Neil McEvoy \(South Wales Central\)](#): Will the First Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's decision to take legal action against two firms in relation to the sale of land through the Regeneration Investment Fund for Wales?

5 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

6 Debate on the Finance Committee report: Inquiry into the financial estimates accompanying legislation

(60 mins)

NDM6632 [Simon Thomas \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Finance Committee on the financial estimates accompanying legislation, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 25 October 2017.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 16 January 2018.

7 Debate on the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee report: City Deals and the Regional Economies of Wales

(60 mins)

NDM6634 [Russell George \(Montgomeryshire\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the report of the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee on City Deals and the Regional Economies of Wales, which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 1 November 2017.

Note: The response of the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 17 January 2018.

8 Welsh Conservatives debate

(60 mins)

NDM6631 [Paul Davies \(Preseli Pembrokeshire\)](#)

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Believes that the Welsh Government's 'Prosperity for All: Economic Action Plan' fails to provide a comprehensive strategy for delivering economic prosperity in Wales.

[Prosperity for All: Economic Action Plan](#)

The following amendments have been tabled:

Amendment 1. [Neil Hamilton \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Believes that:

- a) the Welsh Government's Prosperity for All: Economic Action Plan will fail to make any tangible difference to economic prosperity in Wales;
- b) Wales's economic prosperity is also hindered by the UK Government's misallocation of public spending on non-humanitarian overseas aid, green subsidies, national debt interest payments and vanity projects like HS2; and
- c) whilst spending on the NHS and other public services could be increased substantially if diverted from these mistaken priorities, Wales's relative poverty as a nation will be redressed only by a long-term economic policy based on lower taxes and more proportionate regulation of business activity.

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

Amendment 2. [Julie James \(Swansea West\)](#)

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Recognises the challenges facing the Welsh economy over the coming decade including productivity, automation and decarbonisation.
2. Notes the recently published Economic Action Plan and the ambition to stimulate inclusive growth across Wales through a whole government approach to economic development.
3. Notes the proposal to develop a new economic contract and ensure public investment drives a social purpose by increasing the availability of fair work, reducing carbon emissions and supporting a competitive environment for Welsh business.
4. Notes the calls to action contained in the plan designed to encourage new ideas and new partnerships between industry, government, education, trade unions and partners that can stimulate inclusive economic growth.
5. Calls on the UK Government to ensure the UK industrial strategy supports investment across the all parts of the United Kingdom.

[Prosperity for All – Economic Action Plan](#)

9 Voting Time

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM6633 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

A century since women gained the right to vote, but does Wales have equality today?

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 30 January 2018

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 17/01/2018 for answer on 24/01/2018

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

Cabinet Secretary for Finance

John Griffiths *Newport East*

1 OAQ51619

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's allocation of capital funding?

Sian Gwenllian *Arfon*

2 OAQ51625 [Tabled in Welsh](#)

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on Welsh Government efforts to tackle any weaknesses in the tax system in Wales?

Adam Price *Carmarthen East and Dinefwr*

3 OAQ51590 [Tabled in Welsh](#) **Withdrawn**

Does the Welsh Government have a target for the percentage of efficiency savings to be made across government every year?

Angela Burns *Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire*

4 OAQ51620

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the budget allocation to the health and social services portfolio for the coming financial year?

Leanne Wood *Rhondda*

5 OAQ51629 **Withdrawn**

What is the Welsh Government doing to increase public procurement from Welsh-based providers?

David Melding *South Wales Central*

6 OAQ51613

What was the major change in the 2018-19 budget round that was determined by the priorities set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015?

Janet Finch-Saunders *Aberconwy*

7 OAQ51630

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the Welsh Government's policy on business rates in Wales?

David Melding *South Wales Central*

8 OAQ51612

How did the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 influence the Cabinet Secretary's budget allocations?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

9 OAQ51602

What additional financial provision has been made to the economy and transport portfolio to support the development of the south Wales metro?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

10 OAQ51598

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on the use of structural funds to promote prosperity in the northern valleys?

Julie Morgan *Cardiff North*

11 OAQ51627

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on funding for the Cardiff capital region city deal?

Leanne Wood *Rhondda*

12 OAQ51628 **Withdrawn**

Will the Cabinet Secretary provide an update on Welsh Government capital investment in the Rhondda?

Andrew R.T. Davies *South Wales Central*

13 OAQ51596

What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with cabinet colleagues about managing departmental budgets?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

14 OAQ51605

Does the Welsh Government have any plans to review its procurement policies?

David J. Rowlands *South Wales East*

15 OAQ51584

Will the Cabinet Secretary make a statement on council tax rises in Wales?

Leader of the House and Chief Whip

Simon Thomas *Mid and West Wales*

1 OAQ51624 [Tabled in Welsh](#)

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on the start date for the superfast broadband successor scheme?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

2 OAQ51618

Will the Leader of the House provide an update on the Welsh Government's position on establishing a domestic violence offender register?

Julie Morgan *Cardiff North*

3 OAQ51607

What plans does the Welsh Government have to tackle domestic violence?

David Rees *Aberavon*

4 OAQ51609

What are the Welsh Government's priorities for delivering greater digital inclusion in Aberavon in 2018?

David J. Rowlands *South Wales East*

5 OAQ51583

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on anti-slavery measures in Wales?

Jane Hutt *Vale of Glamorgan*

6 OAQ51606

Will the Leader of the House provide an update on the role of national advisers in helping to implement the Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015?

Hefin David *Caerphilly*

7 OAQ51610

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on high-speed broadband provision in the Caerphilly constituency?

Rhun ap Iorwerth *Ynys Môn*

8 OAQ51626 [Tabled in Welsh](#)

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on the importance of access to 3G/4G services in rural areas?

Mandy Jones *North Wales*

9 OAQ51611

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on superfast broadband speeds across the North Wales region?

Vikki Howells *Cynon Valley*

10 OAQ51597

Will the Welsh Government provide an update on its work to promote digital inclusion in Wales?

Nick Ramsay *Monmouth*

11 OAQ51592

Will the Leader of the House provide an update on the Welsh Government's policies for improving broadband coverage in rural Wales?

Russell George *Montgomeryshire*

12 OAQ51595

Will the Leader of the House make a statement on the Mobile Action Plan for Wales?

Paul Davies *Preseli Pembrokeshire*

13 OAQ51587

Will the Leader of the House provide an update on the roll-out of broadband in Pembrokeshire?

Leanne Wood *Rhondda*

14 OAQ51632 **Withdrawn**

What is the Leader of the House doing to improve community cohesion?

Jane Hutt *Vale of Glamorgan*

15 OAQ51604

Will the Leader of the House provide an update on how the Welsh Government will use legislation to tackle the gender pay gap?

Assembly Commission

Simon Thomas *Mid and West Wales*

1 OAQ51614 [Tabled in Welsh](#)

Will the Commissioner make a statement on reducing the amount of disposable plastic that is used on the Assembly estate?

Darren Millar *Clwyd West*

2 OAQ51600

What consideration has the Assembly Commission given to establishing chaplaincy services for Assembly Member support staff and Assembly Members?

Julie Morgan *Cardiff North*

3 OAQ51593

What efforts are being made to make the Senedd a more friendly place for families and children?

Mick Antoniw *Pontypridd*

4 OAQ51603

What progress has been made towards ensuring that all staff employed directly or indirectly by the Commission are paid the real living wage?

Jayne Bryant *Newport West*

5 OAQ51621

What steps is the Commission taking to ensure that the Assembly estate is accessible to all visitors?

Mandy Jones *North Wales*

6 OAQ51616

Will the Commissioner make a statement on public engagement in the North Wales region?