

# Agenda – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 17 July 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)

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### 3 Topical Questions

(0 mins)

No Topical Questions were received.

### 4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

### 5 Statement by the Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee – Brexit Priorities

(30 mins)



## **6 Standards of Conduct Committee reports – No motions tabled**

## **7 Motion to note the annual report on the Assembly Commission's Official Languages Scheme for 2018 – 19**

(30 mins)

**NDM7126 [Elin Jones \(Ceredigion\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales, in accordance with paragraph 8 (8) of Schedule 2 of the Government of Wales Act 2006:

Notes the Annual Report on the Assembly Commission's Official Languages Scheme, [laid](#) before the National Assembly for Wales on 10 July 2019.

## **8 Debate on the Children, Young People and Education; Equality, Local Government and Communities; and Finance Committees' joint report: Assessing the impact of budget decisions**

(60 mins)

**NDM7119 [Llyr Gruffydd \(North Wales\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

Notes the joint report of the Finance Committee, Children, Young People and Education Committee and the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee, 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions', which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 25 March 2019.

Note: The Welsh Government's response was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 15 May 2019.

**Co-Submitters**

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

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

Children's Commissioner for Wales' view on the Welsh Government's Response to the joint committee report: 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions' – 28 June 2019

Equality and Human Rights Commission's view on the Welsh Government's Response to the joint committee report: 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions' – 28 June 2019

Future Generations Commissioner for Wales' view the Welsh Government's Response to the joint committee report: 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions' – 1 July 2019

## **9 Welsh Conservatives debate – Autism**

(60 mins)

**NDM7124 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)**

To propose that the National Assembly for Wales:

1. Notes the publication of the Evaluation of the Integrated Autism Service and the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan final report on the 1 April 2019.
2. Further notes the written statement made by the Minister for Health and Social Services published on the 3 April 2019.
3. Regrets that the Welsh Government voted against the implementation of the Autism (Wales) Bill.
4. Acknowledges that, whilst the Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan Annual Report 2018–2019 outlines the Welsh Government's approach to developing autism services in Wales, there are a lack of outcome measures within the report on the delivery of the Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan 2016.
5. Recognises that whilst some progress has been made to improve autism services in Wales, there are inconsistencies in the service and support offered which impacts on outcomes for autistic people and their families.
6. Calls on the Welsh Government to ensure the long-term sustainability of the integrated autism service and to deliver high quality autism support services by:
  - a) providing sufficient support and services to autistic people and their families that reflects the wide range of needs that they may have; ensuring that the service meets the expectations of users and strengthens the autistic voice by moving beyond autism awareness to autism empowerment;

- b) developing a clear and consistent monitoring system to allow for more effective reporting of outcomes for autistic people;
- c) clarifying the future funding arrangements for the integrated autism service beyond the initial funding period of March 2021 to provide certainty for service users;
- d) placing the integrated autism service within a broader approach to support autistic people and to deliver the 'priorities of action' outlined in the Refreshed Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan, including increasing education and employment opportunities;
- e) working to implement the recommendations of the Evaluation of the Integrated Autism Service and the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan as soon as practical.

[Evaluation of the Integrated Autism Service and Refreshed Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan – 1 April 2019](#)

[Written Statement: Independent Evaluation of the National Integrated Autism Service and Refreshed Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan, 3 April 2019](#)

[Autism \(Wales\) Bill](#)

[Welsh Government, Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan Annual Report 2018–2019, 5 July 2019](#)

[Welsh Government, Refreshed Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan, 2016](#)

**The following amendments have been tabled:**

**Amendment 1 – [Rhun ap Iorwerth \(Ynys Môn\)](#)**

Insert new point at beginning of motion and renumber accordingly:

Believes that in order for people with autism to receive the best services possible, neurodiversity needs to be considered as an equalities issue in its own right, with having a non-neurotypical brain becoming a protected characteristic under equalities legislation, and public services responding accordingly.

**Amendment 2 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)**

Delete point 3 and renumber accordingly.

### **Amendment 3 – [Rebecca Evans \(Gower\)](#)**

In point 6, delete all after sub–point a and replace with:

building on the monitoring that exists within services to allow for more effective reporting of outcomes for autistic people;

clarifying the future funding arrangements for the integrated autism service beyond the initial funding period of March 2021 once we have the much awaited clarity from the UK Government of our settlement for 2020 – 21 and beyond;

placing the integrated autism service within a broader approach to support autistic people and to deliver the ‘priorities of action’ outlined in the Refreshed Autistic Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan, including increasing education and employment opportunities;

working with partners and stakeholders to consider the recommendations of the Evaluation of the Integrated Autism Service and the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategic Action Plan.

## **10 Voting Time**

## **11 Short Debate**

(30 mins)

### **NDM7125 [Mark Reckless \(South Wales East\)](#)**

Tax devolution

The Assembly will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 17 September 2019