

Agenda – Plenary

Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 2 December 2020

Meeting time: 13.30

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This meeting will be held in a hybrid format, with some Members in the Senedd Chamber and others joining by video-conference.

Having consulted with the Business Committee, the Llywydd has determined that in accordance with Standing Order 34.14A–D, Members will be able to vote from any location by electronic means.

The Llywydd also gives notice, in accordance with Standing Order 34.15, that the public have been excluded from attending this Plenary meeting, as is required to protect public health. The meeting will continue to be broadcast live and the record of proceedings will be published as usual.

1 Questions to the Minister for Health and Social Services

(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 Mental Health, Wellbeing and Welsh Language

(45 mins)

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3 Topical Questions

(20 mins)

To ask the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the implications of the cuts to Welsh agricultural funding announced in the UK Government's spending review on 25 November 2020?

4 90 Second Statements

(5 mins)

5 Debate on the Standards of Conduct Committee report – Report 02–20

(15 mins)

NDM7493 [Jayne Bryant \(Newport West\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Considers the report of the Standards of Conduct Committee, Report 02–20, [laid](#) before the Senedd on 25 November 2020 in accordance with Standing Order 22.9.
2. Endorses the recommendation in the report.

6 Debate on the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications report: The impact of the COVID–19 outbreak on journalism and local media

(30 mins)

NDM7491 [Helen Mary Jones \(Mid and West Wales\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee on the Impact of the COVID–19 outbreak on journalism and local media [laid](#) in the Table Office on 14 September 2020.

The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 4 November 2020.

7 Debate on the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee report: The decarbonisation of transport

(60 mins)

NDM7494 [Russell George \(Montgomeryshire\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

Notes the report of the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee on its inquiry: Decarbonisation of Transport – which was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 14 July 2020.

The response from the Welsh Government to the report was [laid](#) in the Table Office on 9 September 2020.

8 Plaid Cymru debate – The food sector

(60 mins)

NDM7495 [Sian Gwenllian \(Arfon\)](#)

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes the importance of the food sector to a broad range of policy agendas in Wales, including the environment, health, economy and poverty.
2. Regrets the lack of alignment to provide a coherent national food policy within Welsh Government food strategies and action plans over the past decade.
3. Recognises that the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed the vulnerabilities of our current food system.
4. Praises the role that Welsh farmers and producers play in keeping our shelves stocked.
5. Understands that the climate, nature and biodiversity crises increases the likelihood of extreme weather events which will heavily impact the global food system.

6. Notes that 14 per cent of UK families with children have experienced food insecurity between March and August 2020, and that the Trussell Trust gave out 70,393 emergency food parcels in Wales between April and September 2020.

7. Calls on the Welsh Government to:

a) move towards a more coherent approach to food policy in Wales by bringing together a cross-sector food system commission to be tasked with developing a roadmap to deliver a food system fit for future generations;

b) ensure food systems are more resilient to external factors in the long-term, such as the climate crisis;

c) develop local processing capacity across Wales;

d) increase procurement of Welsh food and drink amongst public services.

[A Welsh Food System Fit For Future Generations – A report by the Sustainable Places Research Institute at Cardiff University, commissioned by WWF Cymru](#)

The following amendments have been tabled:

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

Delete all and replace with:

To propose that the Senedd:

1. Notes that access to food and protection of the environment is achieved by raising skills, raising incomes and enabling collaborative action on the ground between communities, businesses and public bodies.

2. Welcomes the report by the Sustainable Places Research Institute at Cardiff University and agrees that new food infrastructure and delivery mechanisms should be guided by the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the five ways of working.

3. Calls on Welsh Government:

a) to bring together farmers, food businesses, public bodies and civil society to work towards a shared vision for a food system fit for future generations;

- b) to replace the system of basic payment farm subsidy based on land–area farmed to a system where all public money supports the delivery of environmental outcomes alongside high quality food;
- c) to promote fair work and innovation in the food sector in Wales to help create more well–paid jobs in the foundational economy;
- d) to support community food growing and food re–use projects in every community in Wales.

[Well-being of Future Generations \(Wales\) Act 2015](#)

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

Amendment 2. [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Add as new sub–points at end of point 7:

introduce a local food and drink charter to encourage shops, cafés, and restaurants to sell locally sourced Welsh food and drink and help promote the scheme to consumers;

develop a tourism strategy to promote food and drink trails and experiences across Wales;

work with the Her Majesty’s Government to promote Welsh food and drink overseas.

9 Voting Time

10 Short Debate

(30 mins)

NDM7492 [Darren Millar \(Clwyd West\)](#)

Iconic Welsh wildlife: the plight of Wales’s red squirrels.

The Senedd will sit again in Plenary at 13.30, Tuesday, 8 December 2020