

Visit from the Assemblée Nationale du Québec

11 June 2024

The Llywydd welcomed a delegation from the Assemblée Nationale du Québec, as part of an official visit led by Speaker Mme. Nathalie Roy MLA on 11 June 2024.

The Llywydd, alongside Chief Executive and Clerk of the Senedd, Manon Antoniazzi, welcomed the Québec delegation. A discussion on the current priorities of the Senedd were held in the Siambur before an exchange of gifts. There then followed a full day of sessions arranged on their behalf by the Senedd International Relations team.



The programme of working sessions included:

- A session with representatives from Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport and International Relations Committee, discussing the Committee's work on the Welsh language and the use of Welsh in media and culture.

- A meeting with the Women’s Caucus to compare experiences and best practices of women in elected life, women caucuses, and family-friendly parliaments. Members also discussed gender quota mechanisms and the proposed legislation currently being led through the Senedd.
- A session with Senedd officials on the Official Languages Scheme, where officials introduced figures on the use of Welsh in Senedd proceedings and in legislation.
- An overview of Senedd Business and procedures, as well as current developments and priorities.



As part of the day’s programme, an official lunch was hosted by the Deputy Presiding Officer with representatives of the Children, Youth People, and Education and Equality and Social Justice Committees to discuss the Committees’ work on access to education and childcare, education reforms, and the public health approach to gender-based violence.

During Plenary, the Llywydd put on **record** an official recognition for Speaker Roy and the delegation, before members had an opportunity to observe Questions to the First Minister.

