

Written Assembly Questions for answer on 30 March 2004

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W - Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport

Laura Anne Jones (South Wales East); How much of the New Opportunities Schools Fund allocated to Wales has been spent to date. (WAQ33939)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister give a breakdown of funding allocated by CADW specifically for interpretation at each of its sites, in the last three years. (WAQ33940)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister give a breakdown of funding allocated by CADW for each of its sites for the last three years. (WAQ33941)

Leighton Andrews (Rhondda); On how many occasions has the Minister and his predecessor met DCMS Ministers to discuss broadcasting issues in Wales since September 2000. (WAQ33942)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); Which dance projects and companies will benefit in 2003-04 from the Welsh Assembly's £1.4 million grant given via the Arts Council. (WAQ33958)

Eleanor Burnham (North Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on the Assembly Government's expenditure on, and support for football infrastructure projects in Wales. (WAQ33982) **W**

Eleanor Burnham (North Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on the 'Football Foundation' and its expenditure in Wales. (WAQ33983) **W**

Eleanor Burnham (North Wales); Will the Minister make a statement on any discussions he has had with representatives of the Welsh Football Premier League. (WAQ33984) **W**

To ask the Minister for Economic Development and Transport

Leighton Andrews (Rhondda); What economic assessments have been made of timber-processing industry opportunities in Wales. (WAQ33943)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How many grants for tourism projects have WEFO

sanctioned this year. (WAQ33967)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How many grants for tourism projects did WEFO sanction last year. (WAQ33968)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); Have WEFO been told to place a moratorium on all grant aid for tourism projects. (WAQ33969)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much money will the North Wales Regional Tourist Partnership allocate towards funding Tourist Information centres this year. (WAQ33970)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); What is the purpose of the Tourist Information company. (WAQ33971)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); What relationship does the Tourist Information company have with "visitwales.com". (WAQ33972)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); Is the purpose of the Tourist Information company to act as a visitor referral system and if so, how will this be done. (WAQ33973)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much money did the Wales Tourist Board spend last year on marketing. (WAQ33974)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much responsibility do the Wales Tourist Board take for visitor numbers. (WAQ33976)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much money has been allocated to regional tourism partnerships in Wales. (WAQ33977)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much money does each regional tourist partnership in Wales receive. (WAQ33978)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How much money was allocated by North Wales's tourism partnership last year towards the funding of Tourist Information centres. (WAQ33979)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How many tourism operators will not be able to trade beyond Easter and into the summer season as a result of the cut in grant aid. (WAQ33963)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How many tourism operators have received letters from the Wales Tourist Board in respect of projects they were working on. (WAQ33964)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How many tourism operators in North Wales have

received letters this year from the Wales Tourist Board informing them of cuts in grant aid from the Tourist Board in respect of projects they were working on. (WAQ33965)

To ask the Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); What effect will the planning and compulsory purchase bill have on the National Parks in Wales. (WAQ33985)

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Laura Anne Jones (South Wales East); Will the National Assembly for Wales undertake a full consultation before it enters into an arrangement to fluoridate water supplies and if so, would the Minister provide details. (WAQ33966)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); When will a timetable be drawn up for the three regional workshops on Myalgic Encephalopathy (ME) and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS) to be organised for health professionals, Local Health Boards, planners and commissioners. (WAQ33936)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); What plans does the Welsh Assembly Government have to achieve a cost-effective health service provision for adult and young patients with the physical illness of Myalgic Encephalopathy (ME). (WAQ33938)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); How does the Government intend to use the site of the former Denbigh hospital. (WAQ33937)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); What research has been undertaken by the Gwynedd Local Health Board into the impact of out-of-hours provision on the Ambulance Service in the area when the new GP contract comes into being. (WAQ33981)

Lisa Francis (Mid and West Wales); Has the Gwynedd Local Health Board made any assessment of additional duties which may be imposed on the local Ambulance Service as a result of providing cover during out-of-hours provision when the new GP contract comes into being, and if so, what will be the costs of this, and what will the additional duties be. (WAQ33980)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister issue a written statement on the Cancer Information Set (CanIS) pilots. (WAQ33944)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister state when the Cancer Information Set (CanIS) pilot is due to conclude. (WAQ33945)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister make a statement on the effect of the Assembly Government's Informing Healthcare strategy will have in the provision of cancer services in

Wales. (WAQ33946)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister outline what steps the Assembly Government has taken to measure the quality of information being provided by GPs to consultants in the referral of suspected cancer services. (WAQ33947)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister make a statement on the action being taken by the Assembly Government to improve the referral process for suspected cancer patients in Wales. (WAQ33948)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); What discussions has the Minister had with UK colleagues on the effect the working time directive will have on cancer services in Wales. (WAQ33949)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister make a statement on the action being taken by the Assembly Government to address capacity shortages in cancer services in Wales. (WAQ33950)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister issue a written statement on the action being taken by the three cancer networks to address service capacity shortages in Wales. (WAQ33951)

Lynne Neagle (Torfaen); Will the Minister issue a written statement on waiting times for cancer services. (WAQ33952)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How much does a 'blocked bed' cost NHS Wales on a daily and monthly basis. (WAQ33953)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many hospital beds are currently 'blocked' in NHS Wales. (WAQ33954)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many 'blocked beds' were there in March 1997 and will the Minister give an annual average breakdown to the present day. (WAQ33955)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What percentage of NHS hospital beds are 'blocked' in Wales. (WAQ33956)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What are the main reasons for bed blocking in NHS Wales. (WAQ33957)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many care homes have been closed since 1999. (WAQ33959)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many care home places have been lost

since 1999. (WAQ33960)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many care homes are there in Wales today and will the Minister give an annual breakdown of this figure over the last 6 years. (WAQ33961)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); How many care home places are available in Wales today and will the Minister give an annual breakdown of this figure over the last 6 years. (WAQ33962)