

Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 20 Ionawr 2012

Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 20 January 2012

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[W] *yn nodi bod y cwestiwn wedi'i gyflwyno yn Gymraeg/signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.*

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***Gofyn i Brif Weinidog Cymru
To ask the First Minister***

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint y mae wedi'i wario ar hedfan ar ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58540)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how much he has spent on air travel on official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58540)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan cost gyfartalog hedfan fesul siwrnai ar gyfer ei ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58541)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state the average cost per journey on air travel for his official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58541)

***Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 18 Ionawr 2012
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The First Minister (Carwyn Jones): The information is shown in the following table.

Year	Month	Total cost (£) and number of journeys	Average cost per journey (£)
2011	May	0	0
	June	0	0
	July	102.90 (1)	102.90
	August	0	0
	September	4740.73 (2)	2370.37
	October	6050.23 (3)	2016.74
	November	279.34 (2)	139.67
	December	0	0
2012	January (to the 16 th)	132.98 (1)	132.98

Of the 9 journeys 8 were return and 1 single.

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint y mae wedi'i wario ar aros mewn gwystai ar ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58542)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how much he has spent on hotel accommodation on official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58542)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan y gost gyfartalog fesul noson y mae wedi'i gwario ar lety mewn gwystai ar gyfer ei ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58543)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state the average cost per night he has spent on hotel accommodation for his official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58543)

***Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 19 Ionawr 2012
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The First Minister: The information is shown in the following table.

Year	Month	Total cost (£) and number of nights stay	Average cost per night (£)
2011	May	0	0
	June	0	0
	July	120.00 (1)	120.00
	August	59.00 (1)	59.00
	September	0	0
	October	605.10 (6)	100.85
	November	70.00 (1)	70.00
	December	0	0
2012	January (to the 16 th)	113.37 (1)	113.37

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint y mae wedi'i wario ar deithio ar drenau ar ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58544)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how much he has spent on rail travel on official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58544)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan cost gyfartalog teithio ar drên fesul siwrnai ar gyfer ei ymweliadau swyddogol ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58545)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state the average cost per journey on rail travel for his official visits in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58545)

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The First Minister: The information is shown in the following table.

Year	Month	Total cost (£) and number of journeys	Average cost per journey (£)
2011	May	0	0
	June	634.60 (3)	211.53
	July	323.50 (2)	161.75
	August	0	0
	September	0	0
	October	0	0
	November	305.60 (2)	152.80
	December	189.00 (1)	189.00
2012	January (to the 16 th)	0	0

Of the 8 journeys 4 were return and 4 single.

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'i wario ar asiantaethau recriwtio ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58546)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how much the Welsh Government has spent on recruitment agencies in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58546)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint o daliadau diswyddo a dalwyd i weision sifil yn Llywodraeth Cymru ym mhob mis er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58547)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how much redundancy pay was paid to civil servants in the Welsh Government in each month since May 2011. (WAQ58547)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint o bobl oedd yn gweithio i Lywodraeth Cymru fel ar (a) 31 Mai 2010 ac (b) 31 Rhagfyr 2011. (WAQ58548)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how many people were working for the Welsh Government as at (a) 31 May 2010 and (b) 31 December 2011. (WAQ58548)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Prif Weinidog yn datgan faint o staff dros dro sydd wedi cael eu recriwtio gan Lywodraeth Cymru er mis Mai 2011. (WAQ58549)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Would the First Minister state how many temporary staff have been recruited by the Welsh Government since May 2011. (WAQ58549)

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The First Minister: Staffing in the Welsh Government is a matter for the Permanent Secretary and I have asked her to write to you.

*Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad
See Information Further to Written Assembly Questions*

**Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Busnes, Menter, Technoleg a Gwyddoniaeth
To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science**

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (Gogledd Cymru): Yn seiliedig ar y tir sydd mewn cytundeb Elfen Cymru Gyfan Glastir ar hyn o bryd, faint o arian CDG Cymru ydych chi'n rhagweld y bydd yn rhaid ei wario ar yr elfen hon yn 2012. (WAQ59555)W

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): On the basis of land currently within a Glastir All Wales Element agreement what is the predicted spend of Wales RDP money on this element in 2012. (WAQ59555)W

*Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 24 Ionawr 2012
Answer received for publication on 24 January 2012*

Y Dirprwy Weinidog Amaethyddiaeth, Bwyd, Pysgodfeydd a Rhaglenni Ewropeaidd (Alun Davies): Nid yw'n bosibl rhagweld faint o arian CDG Cymru y bydd yn rhaid ei wario ar dir Elfen Cymru Gyfan Glastir yn 2012 gan fod contractau'n cael eu dilysu ar hyn o bryd. Byddaf yn cyhoeddi datganiad ar 1 Chwefror ynglŷn â chontractau byw Glastir.

The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies): It is not possible to provide a predicted spend of Wales RDP money for land within the Glastir All-Wales Element in 2012 as contracts are currently being validated. I will issue a statement on 1 February regarding the live Glastir contracts.

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (Gogledd Cymru): Yn seiliedig ar y tir sydd mewn cytundeb Elfen Tir Comin Glastir, faint o arian CDG Cymru ydych chi'n rhagweld y byddwch yn ei wario ar yr elfen hon yn 2012. (WAQ59556)W

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): On the basis of land currently within a Glastir Common Land agreement what is the predicted spend of Wales RDP money on this element in 2012. (WAQ59556)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 25 Ionawr 2012
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Alun Davies: Nid yw'n bosibl rhagweld faint o arian CDG gaiff ei wario ar dir o fewn Elfen Tir Comin Glastir yn 2012, gan fod y contractau wrthi'n cael eu dilysu ar hyn o bryd. Byddaf yn cyhoeddi datganiad ar 1 Chwefror ynghylch y contractau Glastir cyfredol.

Alun Davies: It is not possible to provide a predicted spend of Wales RDP money for land within the Glastir Common Land Element in 2012 as contracts are currently being validated. I will issue a statement on 1 February regarding the live Glastir contracts.

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (Gogledd Cymru): Yn seiliedig ar y grantiau ACRES sy'n cael eu cynnig, faint o arian CDG Cymru ydych chi'n rhagweld y byddwch yn ei wario ar yr elfen hon yn 2012. (WAQ59557)W

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): On the basis of ACRES grants offered what is the predicted spend of Wales RDP money on this element in 2012. (WAQ59557)W

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 24 Ionawr 2012
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Alun Davies: Mae ceisiadau am grantiau ACRES yn dal i ddod i law a chael eu dilysu, felly nid yw unrhyw grantiau wedi'u cynnig eto. Nid yw'n bosibl rhagweld ar hyn o bryd faint o arian CDG Cymru y byddwn yn ei wario ar grantiau ACRES.

Alun Davies: Applications for ACRES are still being received and validated, no ACRES grants have been offered at present. It is not possible to provide a predicted spend of Wales RDP money on ACRES grants at this time.

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (Gogledd Cymru): Yn seiliedig ar y cytundebau ESA, Tir Gofal a Tir Cynnal presennol, faint o arian CDG Cymru ydych chi'n rhagweld y byddwch yn ei wario ar yr elfen hon yn 2012. (WAQ59558)W

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): On the basis of current Tir Gofal, Tir Cynnal and ESA agreements what is the predicted spend of Wales RDP money in 2012. (WAQ59558)W

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Alun Davies: Rydym yn rhagweld y bydd angen gwario £30.5 miliwn o arian CDG Cymru ar gytundebau Tir Gofal, Tir Cynnal ac ESA presennol yn ystod blwyddyn ariannol 2012.

Alun Davies: The predicted spend of Wales RDP money on current Tir Gofal, Tir Cynnal and ESA agreements for the 2012 financial year is £30.5 million.

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (Gogledd Cymru): Faint o arian CDG Cymru ydych chi'n rhagweld y byddwch yn ei wario ar gynlluniau ffermio organig yn 2012 (yn ôl trefniadau presennol a newydd). (WAQ59559)W

Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales): What is the predicted spend of Wales RDP money on the organic farming scheme in 2012 (current and new agreements). (WAQ59559)W

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Alun Davies: Rydym yn rhagweld y bydd angen gwario £4.6 miliwn ar gynllunio ffermio organig yn ystod blwyddyn ariannol 2012.

Alun Davies: The predicted spend of Wales RDP money on organic farming schemes for the 2012 financial year is £4.6 million.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Addysg a Sgiliau
To ask the Minister for Education and Skills

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau pryd ac o dan pa feini prawf y caiff y Cyfnod Sylfaen ei werthuso. (WAQ58550)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister confirm when and under what criteria the Foundation Phase will be evaluated. (WAQ58550)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 18 Ionawr 2012
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The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews): The Foundation Phase will be the subject of a major independent evaluation and research programme - including short, medium and long term outputs. A contract was awarded in August 2011 to Cardiff University in conjunction with the Welsh Institute of Social and Economic Research, Data and Methods (WISERD).

The three-year evaluation project (August 2011 to August 2014) will consider the implementation of the Foundation Phase and what impact it has had to date. The project will also assess the value for money of the Foundation Phase, its impact on children's learning and design a framework to track its outputs and outcomes in the future. It will encompass:

- The collection and analysis of data gathered from interviews and surveys of practitioners, parents, local authorities, policy-makers and children.
- In depth analysis of data that is already or will be readily available, such as that gathered by the Welsh Government through the Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC) and the returns from local authorities that form part of the Foundation Phase grant terms and conditions.
- Additional evidence such as Estyn reports on various aspects, drawing on both school inspections and specifically commissioned surveys;

Following the completion of each year of the evaluation there will be a published annual report in addition to shorter themed reports throughout the contract.

An advisory group has been established to provide advice, support and strategic direction for the contract and key external stakeholders have been invited to sit on the group.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Gweinidog yn darparu manylion cynlluniau'r Llywodraeth ar gyfer profion darllen i flynyddoedd 2 i 9 fel y dywedwyd yn y Cyfarfod Llawn ar 11 Ionawr 2012. (WAQ58551)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Would the Minister provide details of the Government's plans for reading tests for years 2 to 9 as stated in Plenary on 11th January 2012. (WAQ58551)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 19 Ionawr 2012
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Leighton Andrews: Most schools in Wales use reading tests to provide an objective picture of their pupils' attainment. I intend to introduce a statutory national reading test so that there is consistency in the approach to testing reading across Wales. The data provided by the tests and the use to which that data is put has the potential to generate vast improvement for learners. It will be used to develop and plan effective teaching and learning strategies for pupils and it will inform our approach to improving standards of reading at national level.

All learners in years 2 through to 9 will be required to be assessed using the national reading test from May 2013. Welsh-medium learners from years 4 through to 9 will sit both the English and the Welsh reading tests. The content of the two tests will be different.

The National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) has been awarded the contract for the development of a bespoke suite of tests for Wales. In the coming months they will engage with the educational community to ensure that the tests reflect the needs of teachers and learners, and are valued by the sector from the outset.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): A fyddai'r Gweinidog yn rhoi manylion llawn rhaglenni Llywodraeth Cymru i gefnogi cyflawniadau dysgu bechgyn. (WAQ58552)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Would the Minister provide full details of Welsh Government programmes to support the learning achievements of boys. (WAQ58552)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 09 Chwefror 2012
Answer received for publication on 09 February 2012

Leighton Andrews: In June 2011, following a competitive procurement exercise, Tribal Education Ltd was awarded the contract for the 'Countering the under-achievement of boys' project. The aim of the project is to improve the performance and achievement of boys by establishing a national programme of interventions to address the wide range of issues which undermine and form barriers to boys' achievement in schools.

The objectives of the project as set out in the original specification are to:

- develop an in-depth understanding of the factors which affect boys' performance in school;
- identify good practice in the UK and internationally in addressing the issues;
- develop a programme which helps Key Stage 2 teachers and practitioners to understand the issues;
- increase and develop the ability of Key Stage 2 teachers to improve the literacy levels of boys through effective interventions which address, as a minimum, boys' preferred learning methods and the creation of environments which are conducive to boys' learning; and
- establish networks of trained teachers to support the long-term sustainability of the programme.

Tribal began work on the project in September 2011, and having completed an initial research phase, a pilot project is currently underway. As part of the pilot phase Tribal has successfully secured involvement

from 20 schools; the schools are geographically spread across the country and include Welsh, English and dual medium schools.

The pilot phase is due to be completed in April 2012 and a report on the outcomes of the pilot phase is due in May 2012. The full rollout of the programme is due to begin in September 2012 dependent on the sign off of the report; the project is due to be completed in August 2014 with a final report expected in September 2014.

While this project in particular focuses on strategies to help us address the gender gap, many of our policies and programmes support the learning achievement of boys. The Welsh Government has identified the need to improve support for those learners in our schools identified as falling behind in literacy. To facilitate this, as part of the National Literacy Programme, we will seek to implement proven intervention programmes for learners at risk of falling behind or those not achieving their potential.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol
To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am nifer y lleoedd Blwyddyn Gyntaf Sylfaen Deintyddol y GIG sydd ar gael i fyfyrwyr deintyddol sy'n graddio yng Nghymru ar gyfer 2010/11 a 2011/2012. (WAQ59553)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement the number of NHS Dental Foundation Year 1 places available to graduating dental students in Wales for 2010/2011 and 2011/2012. (WAQ59553)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 24 Ionawr 2012
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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths): There were 74 NHS Dental Foundation Year 1 (DF1) places available to Welsh dental students in 2010/11 and 2011/12.

Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): Pa drafodaethau a gynhaliwyd rhwng Llywodraeth Cymru a'r Adran Iechyd cyn datganiad Llywodraeth Cymru ynghylch mewnblianiadau bronnau PIP ar 10 Ionawr 2012. (WAQ59554)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): What discussions were held between the Welsh Government and the Department of Health prior to the Welsh Government statement on PIP breast implants on 10 January 2012. (WAQ59554)

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Lesley Griffiths: The Secretary of State for Health in England did not engage with the Welsh Government, until immediately before the publication of the Expert Advisory Group's report on PIP breast implants on 6 January. A teleconference between the offices of the four UK Chief Medical Officers took place minutes before the report was published, just before the Secretary of State and his officials were conducting media interviews on the report's main findings. We had no access to the report before publication. There were no further discussions with Department of Health prior to my statement on 10 January, although I have since written to the Secretary of State insisting on the full involvement of the Welsh Government in the further work of the Expert Group, and the urgent need for improved regulation of cosmetic implant materials.

