

Written Assembly Questions for answer on 15 December 2003

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(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Economic Development and Transport

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Further to his answer to WAQ30466, will the Welsh Assembly Government instruct its consultants to hold a public meeting to ensure local residents are fully informed and able to make representations regarding a relief road for Llandeilo. (WAQ30675)

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What legal advice has the Minister received over her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people. (WAQ30677)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); Did the Minister receive legal advice over her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people, prior to the 2003 Assembly election. (WAQ30678)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); Will the Minister publish the legal advice over her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people. (WAQ30679)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What cost assessment has been made by the Minister on her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people. (WAQ30680)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What consultation has the Minister had with the WLGA over her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people, and when did this consultation take place. (WAQ30681)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What representations has the Minister received over her manifesto commitment to introduce free home care for disabled people. (WAQ30682)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What is the current incidence of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease in Wales, and how has this figure changed in the last 10 years. (WAQ30683)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); Does the Minister have any plans to introduce a strategy for the prevention and control of respiratory diseases, on behalf of the Welsh Assembly Government. (WAQ30707)

Brynle Williams (North Wales); Further to WAQ 30598, 30599, 30600 and 30601, will the Minister outline why the figures are not available for critical care and intensive care beds for Ysbyty Glan Clwyd from 1999. (WAQ30708)

To ask the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning

William Graham (South Wales East); Will the Minister confirm the position regarding Free School Breakfasts, together with details where and when the pilot trials will begin. (WAQ30684)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister detail all the proposals that have been put to her and her predecessor as Education Minister in the Assembly for school closures, and the decisions reached, together with dates. (WAQ30685)

To ask the Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What discussions has the Minister held with local councils regarding increases in Council Tax. (WAQ30686)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister outline any steps she is taking to encourage postal voting in next year's local government elections. (WAQ30687)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much money does the Minister plan to spend advertising the local government elections next year. (WAQ30688)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much money is earmarked by the Assembly Government for the local government elections next year. (WAQ30689)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What action is the Minister taking to promote efficiency and cost-cutting in local government. (WAQ30692)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How many Councillors are expected to take up the Past Service Awards scheme. (WAQ30690)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What is the projected cost of the Past Service Awards scheme for retiring Councillors. (WAQ30691)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much has been spent on employing officials by the Assembly Government during each of the last three years, (a) in pounds, and (b) as

a percentage of the total amount spent by the Assembly during each of those years. (WAQ30693)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister list the amount spent on advertising by each department between 1 May and 1 November 2003, (a) in pounds, and (b) as a percentage of the overall Assembly budget between those dates. (WAQ30694)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much did the Assembly spend on advertising between 1 May and 1 November 2003, (a) in pounds, and (b) as a percentage of the overall Assembly budget between those dates. (WAQ30695)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What action is the Minister taking to see that costs are kept down in each Ministerial department. (WAQ30696)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What action is the Minister taking to cut costs within her department. (WAQ30697)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much money, in the form of the block grant, will the Assembly receive from the Treasury this year. (WAQ30698)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); How much has been spent by each Ministerial department during each of the last three years, (a) in pounds, and (b) as a percentage of the annual Assembly budget for each of those years. (WAQ30699)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Will the Minister list the amount spent by each Ministerial department between 1 May and 1 November 2003, (a) in pounds, and (b) as a percentage of the overall amount of money spent by the Assembly between those dates. (WAQ30700)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); Is there a cancellation clause in the Assembly's agreement with ABP regarding the new Assembly building. (WAQ30701)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); If the new Assembly building was cancelled at this point in time, how much would the Assembly have to pay ABP as a result of any cancellation clause. (WAQ30702)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); To date, how much has the new Assembly building cost. (WAQ30703)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What is the projected cost of the new Assembly building upon completion. (WAQ30704)

Nicholas Bourne (Mid and West Wales); What are the projected running costs of the new Assembly building during its first year of operation. (WAQ30705)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central); What was the total amount spent by the Welsh Assembly Government on transporting officials in taxis in (a) 1999, (b) 2000, (c) 2001, and (d) 2002. (WAQ30706)