Written Assembly Questions for answer on 30th March 2006

- R Signifies the Member has declared an interest.
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(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport

Dai Lloyd (South Wales East): Does the Welsh Assembly Government fund the Supporters Trust Initiative and if so, what level of funding does it provide. (WAQ46502)

To ask the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning

Eleanor Burnham (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Assembly Government policy on modern foreign languages. (WAQ46478)

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Assembly Government is doing to ensure that young people from disadvantaged backgrounds stay on at school after the age of sixteen. (WAQ46479)

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): Will the Minister make a statement on learning opportunities for adults with learning difficulties. (WAQ46480)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister make a statement on school funding in Denbighshire. (WAQ46481)

Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on any weaknesses identified in ELWA's accounting systems. (WAQ46482)

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister make a statement on the cost of insuring school buildings. (WAQ46483)

John Griffiths (Newport East): Will the Minister make a statement on the role of Higher Education in achieving Welsh Assembly Government cross cutting policies for Wales. (WAQ46484)

John Griffiths (Newport East): Will the Minister make a statement on progress in Newport East with Welsh Assembly Government policy for Higher Education. (WAQ46485)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central): How many schools are earmarked for closure in Wales due to local authority schools reorganisation. (WAQ46486)

Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the level of basic skills amongst adults in Mid and West Wales. (WAQ46487)

Mike German (South Wales East): What discussions has the Minister had with the UK Education Minister regarding the £3000 cap on University tuition fees. (WAQ46488)

Laura Anne Jones (South Wales East): Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of healthy food in Welsh schools. (WAQ46489)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central): What assessment has been made of the costs of staff restructuring in Welsh schools through Teaching and Learning Responsibility payments. (WAQ46490)

Eleanor Burnham (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the impact of the Teaching and Learning Responsibilities payments on school budgets in Wales. (WAQ46491)

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central): When will local authorities receive new guidelines for determining the demand for welsh medium education amongst parents of children under three years of age. (WAQ46492) W

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central): What steps is the Minister taking to expedite the publication of the Welsh Assembly Government's plans to expand the provision of welsh medium higher education. (WAQ46493)

Laura Anne Jones (South Wales East): Will the Minister make a statement on facilities within special schools in South Wales East. (WAQ46494)

To ask the Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): Following the recent lifting of the ban on importing beef to other European countries, will live exports of Welsh cattle resume. (WAQ46476)

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): What is the Assembly Government doing to ensure the welfare of live cattle during transportation. (WAQ46477)

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

Ann Jones (Vale of Clwyd): Will the Minister make a statement on the role of Indicator Based Assessments in the determination of local authority budgets in Wales. (WAQ46495)

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): What steps is the Minister taking to ensure that local authorities make maximum use of Communities First funding. (WAQ46496)

Carl Sargeant (Alyn and Deeside): Will the Minister outline the Welsh Assembly

Government's achievements in the field of local government in Flintshire. (WAQ46497)

Owen John Thomas (South Wales Central): In light of the Coughlin ruling and your subsequent discussions with the Health Minister, will local authorities be reimbursed for successful claims for retrospective NHS funded Continuing Care. (WAQ46498)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central): Has the Minister made any assessment on whether the council tax increase in Cardiff of 4.42% is affordable for those on average incomes. (WAQ46499)

Jonathan Morgan (South Wales Central): What meetings has the Minister had with officials of Cardiff County Council regarding the increased burden on council tax payers across Cardiff. (WAQ46501)

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

Jenny Randerson (Cardiff Central): When will every LHB have access to the use of a respiratory Assessment Team in Wales. (WAQ46472)

Jenny Randerson (Cardiff Central): How many respiratory assessment teams have been established in Wales since 1st February 2006. (WAQ46473)

Jenny Randerson (Cardiff Central): How many respiratory assessment teams are planned and funded for 2006/2007 in Wales. (WAQ46474)

Jenny Randerson (Cardiff Central): How many assessments have respiratory assessment teams undertaken since 1st February 2006. (WAQ46475)

To ask the Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration

Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister give a progress report on community regeneration schemes in Mid and West Wales. (WAQ46500)