

Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 10 Gorffennaf 2012

Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 10 July 2012

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

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Pa waith ymchwil neu gasglu data y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'i a) cychwyn b) terfynu c) diwygio yn ystod y pum mlynedd diwethaf. (WAQ60790)

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Mohammad Asghar (Dwyrain De Cymru): Yn dilyn ei ateb i WAQ60714 a wnaiff y Prif Weinidog ddarparu rhestr o ddyddiadau, amseroedd a lleoliadau'r cyfarfodydd pan drafodwyd defnyddio'r Gemau Olympaidd i hyrwyddo Cymru i'r byd a phwy oedd yn bresennol. (WAQ60799)

Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): Further to his response to WAQ60714 will the First Minister provide a list of the dates, times, venues and attendees at the meetings where using the Olympic Games to promote Wales to the world was discussed. (WAQ60799)

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The First Minister: During 2012 I have had the following meetings to discuss a range of issue relating to the London 2012 Games:

11 January – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing, the Head of Major Events and the Senior Policy and Planning Manager from the Major Events Unit;

22 February – meeting with the Head of Major Events and the Senior Policy and Planning Manager from the Major Events Unit;

13 March – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing and the Head of Major Events;

25 April – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing and the Head of Major Events;

16 May – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing;

25 May – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing; and

4 July – meeting with the Director of Tourism and Marketing.

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

Nick Ramsay (Mynwy): Yn dilyn WAQ60727, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau faint o gwmnïau sydd wedi bod yn ymwneud â phroses dendro Band Eang y Genhedlaeth Nesaf i Gymru, ac a wnaiff y Gweinidog enwi pob sefydliad dan sylw. (WAQ60789)

Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Further to WAQ60727, will the Minister confirm how many companies have been involved in the Next Generation Broadband Wales tender process, and will the Minister name each organisation involved. (WAQ60789)

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The Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (Edwina Hart): We have used a robust and transparent Competitive Grant process for the procurement of the Next Generation Broadband for Wales project. I will be making an announcement shortly.

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Pa waith ymchwil neu gasglu data y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'i a) cychwyn b) terfynu c) diwygio yn ystod y pum mlynedd diwethaf. (WAQ60791)

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Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Pryd y bydd y Gweinidog yn adolygu llwyddiant y canllaw arfer da sy'n ymwneud â chyfleusterau toiledau ysgolion a gyhoeddwyd yn gynharach eleni. (WAQ60802)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): When will the Minister review the success of the best practice guidance relating to school toilet facilities published earlier this year. (WAQ60802)

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The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews): I have instructed my officials to liaise with Estyn over a thematic review of hygiene in schools which will cover issues around school toilets. This will give a useful point of reference for any review of the impact of the good practice guidance. It is likely that this Estyn thematic review will take place during the 2014/15 inspection cycle.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu ei bolisiau mewn perthynas â darparu addysg awyr agored fel rhan o'r siwrnai addysgol ehangach i bobl ifanc yng Nghymru. (WAQ60803)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister outline his policies in relation to providing outdoor education as part of the wider educational journey for young people in Wales. (WAQ60803)

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu pa drafodaethau y mae wedi'u cynnal gyda'r Gynghrair Cefn Gwlad ynghylch addysg awyr agored a phryd y cawsant eu cynnal. (WAQ60804)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister outline what discussions he has held, and when, with the Countryside Alliance regarding outdoor education. (WAQ60804)

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Leighton Andrews: Outdoor learning is well-established in the education system of Wales. The following sets out some of the Welsh Government's main policies on this.

Both the school curriculum and the Foundation Phase provide many opportunities to enhance learners' appreciation and enjoyment of their natural environment and cultural heritage through out-of-classroom learning:

- Schools have flexibility to organise and deliver the curriculum, including out-of-classroom learning, in the way that best suits their circumstances and are free to develop imaginative and innovative ways of delivering learning. To support schools, my Department has published a key guidance document: Out of Classroom Learning – Making the most of first hand experiences of the natural environment.

- The Foundation Phase curriculum for 3 to 7-year-olds in Wales places great emphasis on using the outdoors as a teaching and learning environment, where children can develop skills and extend their natural curiosity to explore and learn through first hand experiences. My Department has produced a Foundation Phase Outdoor Learning handbook, providing practitioners with advice and guidance on making the most of using the outdoor environment for effective learning.

In addition, outdoor learning features in 14-19 Learning Pathways. The learning core is a key element of 14-19 Learning Pathways and places emphasis on the values of the wider learning journey for young people through formal, non-formal and informal education. The 14 -19 Learning Pathways Grant has helped support many Networks to provide young people with the opportunity to participate in outdoor activities through programmes such as the Duke of Edinburgh Awards, participating in summer camps and a range of youth service activities.

Finally, the Welsh Government has continued to support the Youth Service in Wales and outdoor learning provision by updating of the National Youth Service Strategy and Action Plan and making available over £3.5 million in funding to support youth work delivery within the maintained and voluntary sector. In Wales, each of the 22 local authorities have a duty in place to plan and secure provision of youth support services, which would include outdoor education services, through a multi-agency Children and Young People's Partnership.

In relation to the Countryside Alliance, I have been in correspondence with Rachel Evans, Director for Wales of the Countryside Alliance and was invited to visit the Penyralt Farm in Carmarthenshire by on 7 June 2011, which unfortunately due to diary commitments I was unable to attend.

Gofyn i Weinidog yr Amgylchedd a Datblygu Cynaliadwy
To ask the Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): Pa waith ymchwil neu gasglu data y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'i a) cychwyn b) terfynu c) diwygio yn ystod y pum mlynedd diwethaf. (WAQ60794)

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Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): A oes gan Lywodraeth Cymru y pŵer i wahardd defnyddio anifeiliaid mewn syrucasau yng Nghymru. (WAQ60798)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): Does the Welsh government have the power to ban the use of animals in circuses in Wales. (WAQ60798)

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The Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development (John Griffiths): Section 12 of the Animal Welfare Act 2006 enables the Welsh Ministers to make secondary legislation for the purpose of promoting the welfare of animals. To rely on section 12 the Welsh Ministers must be able to demonstrate that a ban would promote animal welfare.

The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Part 1 Schedule 7) provides competence for the National Assembly to make primary legislation in relation to the subject of Animal Welfare.

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am y Canfyddiadau a nodwyd yng Nghyd-astudiaeth Argaeledd Tir ar gyfer Tai Bannau Brycheiniog 2011. (WAQ60801)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the Findings set out in the Brecon Beacons Joint Housing Land Availability Study 2011. (WAQ60801)

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John Griffiths: The 2011 Joint Housing Land Availability Study for the Brecon Beacons shows that their housing land supply, at 2.8 years, is below the requirement for a five year housing land supply set out in Planning Policy Wales. The Authority will need to address their housing land supply in preparing their Local Development Plan.

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am gymorth ar gyfer amddiffynfeydd rhag llifogydd dros y pedair blynedd nesaf. (WAQ60811)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the support for flood defences over the next four years. (WAQ60811)

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John Griffiths: The Welsh Government is investing over £140 million in flood and coastal erosion risk management over the life of this Assembly. Our budget is also supplemented by almost £50 million from the European Regional Development Fund available over the period 2008/9 – 2014/15.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Cyllid ac Arweinydd y Ty
To ask the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House

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Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): What is the greatest amount of money that individual civil servants may claim on expenses without direct ministerial approval and does this figure vary between individual Ministers. (WAQ60800)

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The Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (Jane Hutt): Staffing in the Welsh Government is a matter for the Permanent Secretary and she will write to you separately.

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

Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu manylion a chostau'r holl deithiau dosbarth cyntaf/busnes mewn trenau ar gyfer (a) Gweinidogion, (b) Dirprwy Weinidogion ac (c) swyddogion yn ystod (i) 2009/10, (ii) 2010/11 a (iii) 2011/12. (WAQ60808)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister provide details and costs of all first/business class rail travel for (a) Ministers, (b) Deputy Ministers and (c) officials during (i) 2009/10 (ii) 2010/11 and (iii) 2011/2012. (WAQ60808)

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Jane Hutt: Rail tickets are purchased by individual departments and the breakdown of ticket details are not captured through current systems. This information could only be provided by going through individual departmental records to identify specific instances. This therefore cannot be provided due to the disproportionate cost that would be involved in its collection.

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Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister provide details and costs of all first/business class air travel for (a) Ministers, (b) Deputy Ministers and (c) officials during (i) 2009/10 (ii) 2010/11 and (iii) 2011/2012. (WAQ60809)

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Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol

To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services

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Darren Millar (Gorllewin Clwyd): Fesul Bwrdd Iechyd Lleol, beth oedd cost flynyddol Oriau Agor Estynedig Meddygon Teulu a ariannwyd fel Gwasanaethau Ychwanegol o dan Gyfarwyddyd ym mhob blwyddyn ariannol er 2008. (WAQ60809)

Darren Millar (Clwyd West): By Local Health Board, what was the annual cost of GP Extended Opening Hours funded as Direct Enhanced Services in each financial year from 2008. (WAQ60809)

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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths):

	Direct Enhanced Services: Extended GP Surgery			
Health Board	Financial Year 2008/09	Financial Year 2009/10	Financial Year 2010/11	Financial Year 2011/12*
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
ABMU	90	245	300	313
Aneurin Bevan	111	127	151	172

Betsi Cadwaladr	178	0	0	0
Cardiff and Vale	0	24	34	26
Cwm Taf	202	103	101	102
Hywel Dda	123	17	140	152
Powys	0	0	0	0
Total	704	516	726	765

* The costs for 2011/12 are unaudited

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Tai, Adfywio a Threftadaeth
To ask the Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage

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I have answered your question from the perspective of the regular programmes of research and data collections. The information that you have requested can be found below.

Research

Latest social research:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/social/latestresearch/?lang=en>

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/social/latestresearch/?lang=cy>

Social research by topic:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/researchbytopic/?lang=en>

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/researchbytopic/?lang=cy>

Economic research:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/econoresearch/completed/?lang=en>

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/econoresearch/completed/?lang=cy>

Data Collection

The enclosed chart lists the statistical data collection exercises undertaken by the Welsh Government's Knowledge and Analytical Services (KAS), and a number of wider data collectors notified to KAS in the last five complete financial years (2007/08 - 2011/12). The chart identifies, where appropriate during that period, when surveys were initiated or terminated, and when each data collection exercise was last amended.



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Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): Pryd y bydd y Gweinidog mewn sefyllfa i gyhoeddi'r contractwr Dylunio ac Adeiladu a ffeffrir ar gyfer Ffordd Osgoi'r Drenewydd. (WAQ60805)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): When will the Minister be in a position to announce the preferred Design and Build contractor for the Newtown Bypass. (WAQ60805)

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The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant): I hope to be in a position to announce the preferred Contractor for the Newtown Bypass this autumn.

Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): A wnaiff y Gweinidog egluro ar ba gam yn y broses Datblygu Cynllun Cefnffordd y mae ef a'i swyddogion o ran penodi contractwr ar gyfer Ffordd Osgoi'r Drenewydd. (WAQ60806)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister clarify at what stage in the Trunk Road Scheme Development process he and his officials are at with regard to appointing a contractor for the Newtown Bypass. (WAQ60806)

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Carl Sargeant: We are in the process of appointing the Design & Build contractor under an Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) form of Contract. I hope to announce the appointment of a contractor for the A483/A489 Newtown Bypass this autumn.

Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): Yn amodol ar gwblhau'r broses cydsyniad statudol yn foddhaol, a yw'r Gweinidog yn dal yn disgwyl y bydd y gwaith o adeiladu Ffordd Osgoi'r Drenewydd yn dechrau ddiwedd 2014/dechrau 2015. (WAQ60807)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Subject to the satisfactory completion of the statutory consent process, does the Minister still anticipate the scheduled start of construction for the Newtown Bypass to be late 2014/early 2015. (WAQ60807)

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Carl Sargeant: Construction is currently scheduled to start early 2015.