

# **Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 25 Gorffennaf 2012**

## **Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 25 July 2012**

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

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Pryd y bydd y Gweinidog yn cyhoeddi cynllun cyflenwi ar gyfer Strategaeth Fwyd Llywodraeth Cymru. (WAQ60952)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** When will the Minister announce a delivery plan for the Welsh Government Food Strategy. (WAQ60952)

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**The Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (Edwina Hart):** Decisions on targeted and specific actions to deliver the best possible outcome for the future viability for the Food and Farming Sector will be made later in the year. The views of the industry gathered from recent engagement, as well as the advice of the Food and Farming Sector Panel will inform consideration.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a yw Llywodraeth Cymru yn bwriadu cyflwyno papurau i'r Gyfarwyddiaeth Gyffredinol – Môr a Physgodfeydd erbyn diwedd y mis i wahardd cychod dros 12 metr o Ddyfroedd Tiriogaethol Cymru. (WAQ60957)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister confirm whether the Welsh Government intend to submit papers to the Directorate General - Maritime and Fisheries by the end of the month to ban boats over 12 meters from Welsh Territorial Waters. (WAQ60957)

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**The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies):** I refer the Member to my written statement of 18 July on this matter. In my statement, I outlined the proposals for legislations concerning maximum vessel size and the removal of what is known as 'Grandfather Rights' in the Welsh inshore areas.

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

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** Pryd y rhoddodd y Gweinidog wybod i Is-Gangellorion Prifysgol Cymru, Casnewydd a Phrifysgol Fetropolitan Caerdydd ei fod yn bwriadu cyhoeddi diddymu'r sefydliadau ddydd Mawrth 17 Gorffennaf 2012. (WAQ60944)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** When did the Minister inform the Vice-Chancellors of the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University that he was seeking to announce the dissolution of the institutions on Tuesday 17 July 2012. (WAQ60944)

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog gyhoeddi'r cyngor cyfreithiol a gafodd cyn cyhoeddi cynlluniau i ddiddymu Prifysgol Cymru, Casnewydd a Phrifysgol Fetropolitan Caerdydd. (WAQ60945)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister publish the legal advice he received prior to announcing plans to dissolve the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University. (WAQ60945)

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** Faint wariodd Llywodraeth Cymru ar gyngor cyfreithiol cyn cyhoeddi cynlluniau i ddiddymu Prifysgol Cymru, Casnewydd a Phrifysgol Fetroplitan Caerdydd. (WAQ60946)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** How much did the Welsh Government spend on legal advice prior to announcing plans to dissolve the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University. (WAQ60946)

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** Pa gyngor cyfreithiol a gafodd y Gweinidog cyn cyhoeddi cynlluniau i ddiddymu Prifysgol Cymru, Casnewydd a Phrifysgol Fetroplitan Caerdydd. (WAQ60947)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** What legal advice did the Minister receive prior to announcing plans to dissolve the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University (WAQ60947)

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog gyhoeddi'r holl ohebiaeth rhwng ei swyddogion a'r Athro Syr Steve Smith rhwng mis Ionawr a mis Gorffennaf 2012. (WAQ60948)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister publish all correspondence between his officials and Professor Sir Steve Smith between January and July 2012. (WAQ60948)

**Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu amserlen ar gyfer yr ymgynghoriadau ar ddiddymu Prifysgol Cymru, Casnewydd a Phrifysgol Fetroplitan Caerdydd. (WAQ60949)

**Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister outline a timetable for the consultations on the dissolution of the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University. (WAQ60949)

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**The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews):** I made clear prior to my discussions with the University of Wales, Newport and Cardiff Metropolitan University that I was minded to accept HEFCW's advice in relation to the proposed mergers involving these institutions, subject to detailed consultation with the institutions concerned.

I have received detailed legal advice at all stages since the publication of HEFCW's report. This is subject to Legal Professional Privilege and will not be published. This advice was largely received from the Welsh Government's Legal Services and, thus, did not incur external costs. In addition, £1,938 was paid for advice from Queen's Counsel.

I have already made available correspondence between my officials and Professor Sir Steve Smith in relation to higher education reconfiguration in South East Wales.

The statutory consultation on the proposed mergers will run for at least 12 weeks and will commence as soon as possible.

**Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru):** Pryd y cafodd y Gweinidog gopi o adroddiad Amanda Kirby ar Ddyslecsia yng Nghymru. (WAQ60950)

**Aled Roberts (North Wales):** When did the Minister receive a copy of Amanda Kirby's report on Dyslexia in Wales. (WAQ60950)

**Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru):** Pryd y bydd y Gweinidog yn cyhoeddi adroddiad Amanda Kirby ar Ddyslecsia yng Nghymru. (WAQ60951)

**Aled Roberts (North Wales):** When will the Minister be publishing Amanda Kirby's report on Dyslexia in Wales. (WAQ60951)

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**Leighton Andrews:** I received a copy of the draft dyslexia benchmarking report written by Amanda Kirby from officials on 7 June 2012. The final dyslexia benchmarking report is currently being prepared for publication and will be made available via the Welsh Government website early in the Autumn term.

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

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Faint o gyfarfodydd y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael gyda sefydliadau pysgota yng Nghymru ynghylch cyflwyno Parthau Cadwraeth Morol, ac ar ba ddyddiadau y cynhaliwyd y cyfarfodydd hynny. (WAQ60953)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** How many meetings has the Minister had with Welsh fishing organisations regarding the introduction of Marine Conservation Zones, and on what dates did those meetings take place. (WAQ60953)

*Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 30 Gorffennaf 2012*  
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**The Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development (John Griffiths):** We are at an early stage in the process and no decisions have been made about final site locations, their size or boundaries, which are flexible. The first stage current consultation is focused on gathering more information and views from people, especially in local coastal communities, about how they use the areas, how they might be affected by a highly protected designation, and how any effects could be minimised – for example by moving the boundaries.

I attended and spoke at the Welsh Fishermen's Association presentation of 'Striking the Balance' on 18 July 2012.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Faint o gyfarfodydd y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael gyda sefydliadau amgylcheddol ynghylch cyflwyno Parthau Cadwraeth Morol, ac ar ba ddyddiadau y cynhaliwyd y cyfarfodydd hynny. (WAQ60954)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** How many meetings has the Minister had with environmental organisations regarding the introduction of Marine Conservation Zones, and on what dates did those meetings take place. (WAQ60954)

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I have had three meetings with environmental organisations -23 and 28 November 2011, and 2 May 2012, where the approach to marine conservation zones was on the agenda.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Sawl gwaith y mae'r Gweinidog wedi ymweld â'r 10 Parth Cadwraeth Morol arfaethedig, ac ar ba ddyddiadau y cynhaliwyd y cyfarfodydd hynny. (WAQ60955)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** How many visits has the Minister had to the 10 proposed Marine Conservation Zones, and on what dates did those meetings take place. (WAQ60955)

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**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Pa sefydliadau a oedd yn ymwneud â'r broses ddethol a arweiniodd at y 10 Parth Cadwraeth Morol arfaethedig. (WAQ60956)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** What organisations were involved in the selection process which resulted in the 10 proposed Marine Conservation Zones. (WAQ60956)

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**John Griffiths:** The Marine Conservation Zone Project's Technical Advisory Group recommended the ten site options to the Steering Group, which agreed them for first stage consultation. Membership of both groups can be found via the following link:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/environmentcountryside/consmanagement/marinefisheries/conservation/protected/conservationzones/project/?lang=en>

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Faint o gamau gorfodi sydd wedi cael eu cymryd mewn ardaloedd cadwraeth arbennig morol yng Nghymru ym mhob un o'r pum mlynedd diwethaf. (WAQ60958) **Trosglwyddwyd i'w hateb gan Y Dirprwy Weinidog Amaethyddiaeth, Bwyd, Pysgodfeydd a Rhaglenni Ewropeaidd**

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** How many enforcement actions have been carried out in Welsh marine special areas of conservation in each of the last five years. (WAQ60958) **Transferred for answer by the Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes.**

*Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 26 Gorffennaf 2012*  
*Answer received for publication on 26 July 2012*

**The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies):** The Welsh Government Fisheries Unit undertakes enforcement in all Welsh waters, and does not differentiate in our records between offences that occurred within SACs or without as none of our legislation is specific to SACs.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Pa gynlluniau sydd gan y Gweinidog i adolygu'r strategaeth dileu TB yng Nghymru yn dilyn dyfarniad yr Uchel Lys o blaid DEFRA ar 12 Gorffennaf. (WAQ60959)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** What plans does the Minister have to review the Welsh TB eradication strategy following the High Court judgment in favour of Defra on July 12th. (WAQ60959)

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**John Griffiths:** In keeping with our Strategic Framework for Bovine TB Eradication, Wales will continue to pursue our comprehensive approach as set out in the Framework.

*Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Llywodraeth Leol a Chymunedau*  
*To ask the Minister for Local Government and Communities*

**William Powell (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru):** Ar ôl i etholwyr yn Sir Gaerfyrddin wledig, nad ydynt yn dod o dan y cynllun Bwcabus ar hyn o bryd, gysylltu â mi, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a oes ganddo unrhyw gynlluniau i ymestyn y cynllun ymhellach yn ystod y Pedwerydd Cynulliad, ac a wnaiff ddarparu manylion unrhyw gynlluniau o'r fath. (WAQ60943)

**William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Following approaches to me by constituents in rural Carmarthenshire who are not presently covered by the Bwcabus scheme, will the Minister confirm whether he has any plans to extend the scheme further during the Fourth Assembly, and will he provide details of any such plans. (WAQ60943)

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**The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant):** I will write to you and a copy of the letter will be put on the internet.

*Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad*  
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