

Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 8 Awst 2012

Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 8 August 2012

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Gofyn i Brif Weinidog Cymru
To ask the First Minister

Mohammad Asghar (Dwyrain De Cymru): Faint o'r staff a gyflogir gan Lywodraeth Cymru sy'n: (a) cynrychiolwyr rhan-amser undebau llafur; a (b) cynrychiolwyr amser llawn undebau llafur. (WAQ61017)

Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): How many staff employed by the Welsh Government are: (a) part time trade union representatives; and (b) full time trade union representatives. (WAQ61017)

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The First Minister (Carwyn Jones): Staffing in the Welsh Government is a matter for the Permanent Secretary. The Permanent Secretary's Office has asked the Director General, PPCS to write to you separately.

Gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad
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Mohammad Asghar (Dwyrain De Cymru): Yn ystod 2010 a 2011, faint y mae wedi'i gostio i Lywodraeth Cymru ddarparu amser cyfleustra Undeb Llafur ar gyfer: (a) cynrychiolwyr rhan-amser undebau llafur; a (b) cynrychiolwyr amser llawn undebau llafur. (WAQ61018)

Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What was the cost to the Welsh Government in the years 2010 and 2011 of providing Trades Union facility time for: (a) part time trade union representatives; and (b) full time trade union representatives. (WAQ61018)

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Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Prif Weinidog wedi'u cael â grwp ymgyrchu 'Better Together', ac ar ba ddyddiadau y cynhaliwyd unrhyw drafodaethau o'r fath. (WAQ61041)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What discussions has the First Minister had with the 'Better Together' campaign group, and on what dates did any such discussions take place. (WAQ61041)

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The First Minister: I have had no such discussions.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Busnes, Menter, Technoleg a Gwyddoniaeth

To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science

Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru): Gyda thymor y cregyn bylchog i fod i ddechrau yng Nghymru ar 1 Tachwedd, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a fydd system orfodi ddigonol ar waith, fel gwasanaeth 24 awr, gan ei bod yn debygol y bydd digwyddiadau. (WAQ61026)

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): With the Welsh scallop season due to open on 1st November, will the Minister confirm if there will be sufficient enforcement capacity in place, such as a 24hr service, given the likelihood of incidents occurring. (WAQ61026)

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The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies): I am confident that our enforcement regime throughout Welsh waters is sufficient to meet our statutory responsibilities.

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Faint o wallau sydd wedi cael eu canfod yn ffurflen gais Elfen Cymru Gyfan cynllun Glastir, a sawl gwaith y bu'n rhaid eu hailddrafftio. (WAQ61030)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): How many errors have been identified on Glastir All Wales Element applications form, and how many times have they had to be re-drafted. (WAQ61030)

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Alun Davies: In the region of 2,940 applications were received for Glastir All-Wales Element contracts starting in 2012, of which approximately 1,690 were returned to the applicant for amendment and approximately 800 contracts required an amendment.

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Faint o gwynion y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'u cael gan ymgeiswyr sy'n cael trafferthion gwneud cais am gyllid Glastir. (WAQ61031)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): How many complaints has the Welsh Government received from applicants experiencing difficulties in applying for Glastir funding. (WAQ61031)

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Alun Davies: The Welsh Government has received two complaints from applicants regarding the Glastir application process one of which was subsequently withdrawn.

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Sawl gwaith y mae'r Gweinidog a'i swyddogion wedi cwrdd â Gweinidogion Llywodraeth y DU yn ystod y 6 mis diwethaf, ac a wnewch roi manylion ynghylch pryd gafodd y cyfarfodydd hyn eu cynnal, a phwy oedd yn gysylltiedig â'r cyfarfodydd hynny. (WAQ61032)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): How many times in the past 6 months have the Minister and her officials met Ministers of the UK Government and please provide details of when these meetings have taken place; and who was involved in those meetings. (WAQ61032)

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Edwina Hart: I meet UK Government Ministers when there are matters of mutual interest to discuss. The involvement of others varies depending on the purpose of the meeting.

Leanne Wood (Canol De Cymru): Faint o gyllid grant a benthyciad y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'i ddarparu i fusnesau i greu a/neu gadw swyddi ym mhob blwyddyn ariannol er 2007-08.(WAQ61036)

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): How much has the Welsh Government provided in grant and loan funding to businesses to create and/or retain jobs in each financial year since 2007-08. (WAQ61036)

Leanne Wood (Canol De Cymru): A wnewch ddarparu dadansoddiad fesul ardal awdurdod lleol a sector busnes o'r cyllid grant a benthyciad a roddwyd i fusnesau i greu a/neu gadw swyddi ym mhob blwyddyn ariannol er 2007-08. (WAQ61037)

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): Will you provide a breakdown by local authority area and business sector of the grant and loan funding to businesses to create and/or retain jobs in each financial year since 2007-08. (WAQ61037)

Leanne Wood (Canol De Cymru): Faint o geisiadau am gyllid grant a benthyciad y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'u cael ym mhob blwyddyn ariannol er 2007-08, a faint o'r rheini sydd wedi cael eu gwrthod. (WAQ61038)

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): How many applications have the Welsh Government received for grant and loan funding in each financial year since 2007-08 and how many of those have been refused. (WAQ61038)

Leanne Wood (Canol De Cymru): Ar gyfartaledd, faint o amser mae'n ei gymryd i gymeradwyo cais am gyllid grant a benthyciad, ac er 2007-08 beth yw'r cyfnod byrraf a'r cyfnod hiraf a gymerwyd i wneud penderfyniad. (WAQ61039)

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): How long does it take on average to approve an application for grant and loan funding and what is the shortest and longest times it has taken for a determination since 2007-08. (WAQ61039)

Leanne Wood (Canol De Cymru): Ar ôl i gais am gyllid grant a benthyciad gael ei gymeradwyo, faint y mae'n ei gymryd ar gyfartaledd i dalu'r ymgeisydd a beth yw'r cyfnod byrraf a'r cyfnod hiraf a gymerwyd i wneud penderfyniad. (WAQ61040)

Leanne Wood (South Wales Central): Once an application for grant and loan funding has been approved, how long does it take on average for payment to be made to the applicant and what are the shortest and longest times it has taken for payment to be made. (WAQ61040)

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Edwina Hart: We do not hold all of the information in the format and level of detail you have requested, however, some of the information is available through the following links:

Details of Welsh Government individual projects over £25k:

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/civilservice/facts/ourfinances/25kexpenditure/?lang=en>

WEFO Funded Projects:

<http://wefo.wales.gov.uk/programmes/20002006/?lang=en>

<http://wefo.wales.gov.uk/programmes/progress/related/unitaryauthority/?lang=en>

<http://wefo.wales.gov.uk/programmes/progress/?lang=en>"

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

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a yw Llywodraeth Cymru yn bwriadu adolygu polisiâu'r Awdurdodau Parciau Cenedlaethol, ac, os felly, pryd y bydd yr adolygiad hwnnw wedi cael ei gwblhau. (WAQ61021)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister confirm whether the Welsh Government is intending to review the policies of the National Park Authorities, and if so, when will that review be completed. (WAQ61021)

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The Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development (John Griffiths): The Welsh Government is currently revising the policy statement for National Parks and National Park Authorities in Wales.

The revised policy statement will be issued by Spring 2013.

Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu rhestr o'r holl geisiadau cynllunio yr ystyriwyd eu cyfeirio at Weinidogion Cymru i wneud penderfyniad arnynt yn ystod y pedwerydd Cynulliad. (WAQ61024)

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister provide a list of all planning applications considered for referral to Welsh Ministers for determination during the fourth Assembly. (WAQ61024)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 13 Awst 2012
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John Griffiths: A list of the planning applications considered for referral to Welsh Ministers for determination during the fourth Assembly is attached as the annex to this answer. The applications numbered 63-73 on the list are currently awaiting decision as to whether they should be called in for determination by the Welsh Ministers

Of this list, four have been called in for determination by Welsh Ministers; numbers 2, 27, 50 and 51

Carmarthenshire	Relocation/expansion of business centre	Adjacent to Brynbanc Farm, Cilpost, Carmarthenshire
Powys	Extension to existing dairy unit at Lower	Lower Leighton Farm, Leighton,

	Leighton Farm to include proposed milking parlour	Welshpool, Powys
Carmarthenshire	Retail store	Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire
Carmarthenshire	Retail development	Crosshands West, Crosshands, Llanelli

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Faint o brosiectau atal erydiad a gwarchod yr arfordir sydd wedi cael eu canslo a/neu o dan fygythiad yn sgîl penderfyniad Llywodraeth Cymru i leihau cyllid cyfalaf y prosiectau hyn £30 miliwn. (WAQ61033)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): How many coastal erosion and defence projects have been cancelled and/or are at risk due to the Welsh Government's decision to cut capital funding for these projects by £30 million. (WAQ61033)

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John Griffiths: No flood or coastal erosion risk management schemes contained within our forward work programme have been postponed or cancelled.

The overall core budget for flood and coastal erosion risk management for 13/14 and 14/15 is higher than in previous years.

Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau pryd y mae'r ymgynghoriad ynghylch newidiadau i Ran L y Rheoliadau Adeiladu yng Nghymru i fod i ddechrau. (WAQ61028)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister confirm when the consultation is due to start regarding changes to Part L of the Building Regulations in Wales. (WAQ61028)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 06 Awst 2012

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John Griffiths: The consultation for changes to Part L of the Building Regulations commenced on the 31 July. The closing date for the consultation will be 23 October.

Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): Yng nghyswllt Gorchymyn Corff Adnoddau Naturiol Cymru (Sefydлу) 2012, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau sut y disgwylir i'r broses ar gyfer penodi'r Cadeirydd ac Aelodau'r Bwrdd gael ei chynnal. (WAQ61034)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): In relation to the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Establishment) Order 2012, will the Minister confirm how the appointment process for the Chair and Board Members is due to be undertaken. (WAQ61034)

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John Griffiths: The Chair and non-executive Board members will be appointed under the public appointments process used by Welsh Government. This process is based upon the Commissioner for Public Appointments Code of Practice (April 2012) which sets out the regulatory framework for public appointments processes within the Commissioner's remit. The Code is based on three core principles – merit, openness and fairness – and sets out the essential requirements for meeting those principles.

Executive Board members will be appointed either as a result of staff transfer from the three bodies or where appropriate, by open competition.

Russell George (Sir Drefaldwyn): Mewn perthynas â Rheoliadau Bagiau Siopa Untro (Cymru) 2010, a yw Llywodraeth Cymru yn casglu data cenedlaethol o dan Ran 3 y rheoliadau, ac, os felly, a fydd y Llywodraeth yn cyhoeddi'r wybodaeth honno. (WAQ61035)

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): In relation to the Single Use Carrier Bag (Wales) Regulations 2010, is the Welsh Government collating national data under Part 3 of the regulations and if so, will the Government be publishing that information. (WAQ61035)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 13 Awst 2012

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John Griffiths: The Welsh Government is not required to collect national data under Part 3 of the Single Use Carrier Bag (Wales) Regulations 2010 relating to record keeping or publication requirements. Part 3 of the regulations imposes obligations on sellers who employ 10 or more full time equivalent staff members to maintain records and supply these records on request to either the public or the Welsh Government. In addition sellers who supply 1,000 or more bags per year are required to publish their records, either through their company website or in-store.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Cyllid ac Arweinydd y Ty

To ask the Minister for Finance and Leader of the House

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu faint sydd wedi cael ei wario ar gynnal a chadw a diweddarau 5ed Llawr Ty Hywel yng Nghynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru ers mis Mai 2011, gan ddadansoddi'r swm fesul swyddfa pob Gweinidog. (WAQ61019)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister outline how much has been spent on the maintenance and upgrade of the 5th Floor in Ty Hywel at the National Assembly of Wales since May 2011, broken down into Ministerial offices. (WAQ61019)

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The Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (Jane Hutt): There has not been an upgrade of the 5th floor in Ty Hywel. The maintenance of the 5th floor in Ty Hywel is a matter for the Assembly Commission as landlord.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu faint sydd wedi cael ei wario ar gynnal a chadw a diweddarau swyddfeydd Llywodraeth Cymru ym Mharc Cathays ers mis Ionawr 2009 hyd yma. (WAQ61020)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister outline how much has been spent on the maintenance and upgrade of the Welsh Government offices in Cathays Park from January 2009 to date. (WAQ61020)

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Jane Hutt: I refer you to the answer I gave to WAQ 58231 on 3 November 2011. The actual spend on maintenance and upgrade of the Cathays Park offices for financial year 2011/12 was £7,114,526. In this year we were able to find additional money from savings generated across our running cost budgets. A proportion of this money was directed to our estate, accelerating works that we would otherwise need or want to do. Expenditure to date this financial year, as at 31 July, is £1,459,595.

Our annual programmes of work are designed to ensure that the Government's administrative estate supports its business needs, meets statutory requirements, protects building users from danger, delivers efficiencies through estate rationalisation, reduces environmental impact and retains its value as an important Welsh Government asset. Cathays Park is the main presence of the Welsh Government housing nearly half of all Welsh Government civil servants.

Over the five years of this Government's Location Strategy, our estate rationalisation plans are estimated to generate cumulative savings of over £18 million, bringing recurrent annual running cost savings in excess of £5.3 million from 2015, which represents a reduction of approximately 30% against current building occupancy costs. Investment in our estate also continues to benefit the construction sector and other local businesses.

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): How much money has the Welsh Government spent on refurbishing, upgrading or general building maintenance on its Cathays Park Headquarters; giving figures for the last three years and projected costs for the next two financial years. (WAQ58231)

The Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (Jane Hutt): While Welsh Government took the decision in 2010 not to proceed with full scale refurbishment of Cathays Park, the main building is over 30 years old, and in common with any property of this age, requires replacement of major plant and equipment and ongoing maintenance - primarily to comply with Health and Safety legislation and ensure that the buildings remain operational.

Future expenditure will need to continue to target these priority areas and opportunity is also being taken to improve space use, which will deliver further operational cost efficiencies by enabling more estate rationalisation. Removal of old inefficient plant and systems and the installation of new, more efficient replacements also have a positive impact upon the sustainable operation of the building and help Welsh Government meet its statutory obligations to reduce carbon emissions.

Details of actual expenditure on refurbishing, up-grading and general maintenance for the Cathays Park offices for the last three full financial years and the projected expenditure for the current financial year are provided in the table below. The programme of works for the 2012/13 financial year has not yet been agreed.

Description	Financial Year			
	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12 (Projected)
Refurbishing; Up- grading & Maintenance – Cathays Park	£4,013,765	£4,517,087	£4,375,413	£3,723,000

Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu rhestr o'r holl adeiladau sy'n eiddo i Lywodraeth Cymru yng Ngogledd Cymru sydd wedi cael eu rhoi ar werth yn ystod pob un o'r tair blynedd diwethaf. (WAQ61023)

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister provide a list of all buildings owned by the Welsh Government in North Wales that have been offered for sale in each of the last three years. (WAQ61023)

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Jane Hutt: I will write to you as soon as possible with the requested information and a copy of my letter will be published on the Internet.

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

Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am gynlluniau i gau Ysbyty Cymunedol y Fflint. (WAQ61022)

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister provide an update on plans to close Flint Community Hospital. (WAQ61022)

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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Lesley Griffiths): Responsibility for the management of Flint Community Hospital rests with Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board.

NHS services in the North Wales area are being reviewed by Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board in line with the strategic vision set out in Together for Health. A 10 week formal public consultation exercise on its change proposals will commence from 20 August.

Further information can be found on the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board website:
<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/861/page/58093>

Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog roi manylion y sylwadau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'u cael ynghylch sefydlu fferyllfa fewnol newydd yn Saltney, Sir y Fflint. (WAQ61025)

Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister detail what representations the Welsh Government has received regarding the establishment of a new in-store pharmacy in Saltney, Flintshire. (WAQ61025)

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Lesley Griffiths: My Department received several representations during the appeal process in relation to the opening of a pharmacy within the Morrisons store at Saltney, Flintshire.

The Welsh Ministers' decision letter which has been sent to the applicants, appellants, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board and interested parties sets out the detailed reasoning for the decision. Annex A

of this letter lists the representations considered; these were also circulated to all interested parties as part of the appeals consideration process. The letter can be found at:

<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/health/nhswales/healthservice/pharmacy/locationappeals/inclusion/?lang=en>

We have also recently received correspondence on the matter from Saltney Town Council, Wm Morrisons Supermarkets Plc, and 4 Assembly Members.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Yn dilyn ymateb y Llywodraeth i WAQ 60935, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a yw'r clinig ym Mryste a ddefnyddir i drin cleifion IVF o Gymru yn glinig preifat ynteu'n glinig y GIG. (WAQ61027)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Following the Government's response to WAQ 60935, will the Minister confirm if the clinic in Bristol used to treat patients of IVF Wales is a private clinic or a NHS clinic. (WAQ61027)

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Lesley Griffiths: The IVF Wales patients in question have been referred to a NHS facility within the North Bristol NHS Trust.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Gan gyfeirio at WAQ60935, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gyhoeddi datganiad am 'faterion capasiti' yn Ne Cymru, a'r camau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu cymryd i fynd i'r afael â hwy. (WAQ61042)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): With reference to WAQ60935, will the Minister issue a statement on 'capacity issues' in South Wales and the measures being undertaken by the Welsh government to tackle them. (WAQ61042)

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Lesley Griffiths: WAQ 60935 made clear we have put plans in place to manage capacity issues within South Wales. These arise from: more people using the IVF services as a result of the introduction of the second free cycle; Cardiff and Vale UHB being unable to deliver the planned activity level as a result of restrictions placed on the unit by the HFEA and; the ongoing work required to meet HFEA standards. In addition, there has been a delay between the end of the service provided by the private sector and the commencement of a new NHS service in ABM UHB.

Simon Thomas (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog neu ei swyddogion wedi'u cael yn ddiweddar ynghylch sefyllfa ariannol Bwrdd Iechyd Hywel Dda yn ystod y 6 mis diwethaf. (WAQ61043)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister or her officials had regarding the finances of Hywel Dda Health Board in the past 6 months. (WAQ61043)

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Lesley Griffiths: In the last 6 months I have met on 4 occasions with NHS Chairs, and finance is one of the topics for discussion. I have also had one meeting with the Chief Executives of the Health Boards and NHS Trusts during which financial issues and priorities were discussed. My officials meet NHS Chief

Executives and Finance Directors of all Health Boards and NHS Trusts on a monthly basis, at which finance is discussed. As finance is an integral part of the management of the NHS, it is covered on the many occasions when my officials interact with senior NHS management.

Simon Thomas (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog neu ei swyddogion wedi'u cael yn ddiweddar ynghylch adolygiad o argaeledd Everolimus yn etholaeth Llanelli. (WAQ61044)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister or her officials had regarding a review of the availability of Everolimus in the Llanelli constituency. (WAQ61044)

Simon Thomas (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog neu ei swyddogion wedi'u cael â Bwrdd Iechyd Hywel Dda yn ddiweddar ynghylch argaeledd cyffur Everolimus yn etholaeth Llanelli. (WAQ61045)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister or her officials had with Hywel Dda Health Board regarding the availability of the drug Everolimus in the Llanelli constituency. (WAQ61045)

Simon Thomas (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog neu ei swyddogion wedi'u cael â Phrif Weithredwr Bwrdd Iechyd Hywel Dda yn ddiweddar ynghylch argaeledd Everolimus. (WAQ61046)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister or her officials had with the Chief Executive of Hywel Dda Health Board regarding the availability of Everolimus. (WAQ61046)

Simon Thomas (Canolbarth a Gorllewin Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog neu ei swyddogion wedi'u cael â Phanel Ceisiadau Cyllido Cleifion Unigol Bwrdd Iechyd Hywel Dda yn ddiweddar ynghylch argaeledd Everolimus yn etholaeth Llanelli. (WAQ61047)

Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister or her officials had with the Individual Patient Funding Request Panel of Hywel Dda Health Board regarding the availability of Everolimus in the Llanelli constituency. (WAQ61047)

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Lesley Griffiths: On 18th July 2012, AWMSG appraised Everolimus (Afinitor®) for the treatment of unresectable or metastatic, well- or moderately-differentiated neuroendocrine tumours of pancreatic origin in adults. Their advice was to recommend its use in NHS Wales. Once the appraisal process is complete, this medicine will be available in NHS Wales for this indication.

My officials have not had any discussions with Hywel Dda Health Board, its Chief Executive or the IFPR Panel regarding the availability of Everolimus.

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

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Pa fecanweithiau sydd ar waith i fonitro a yw cwmnïau trên sy'n cael cyllid gan Lywodraeth Cymru yn cydymffurfio â'u dyletswyddau ymgynghori cyn rhoi newidiadau ar waith yn y gwasanaeth. (WAQ61029)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): What mechanisms are there in place to monitor whether train operating companies in receipt of Welsh Government funds comply with their consultation obligations before implementing changes to service. (WAQ61029)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 07 Awst 2012

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The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant): Arriva Trains Wales' franchise agreement requires it to consult with Passenger Focus and Local Authorities about any significant permanent changes to the pattern of passenger services. Service changes are monitored routinely by my officials and are discussed with Arriva Trains Wales at regular franchise monitoring meetings. These discussions will include consideration of third party consultation replies.