

# **Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 14 Hydref 2011**

## **Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 14 October 2011**

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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):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu manylion am gostau gwasanaethau ymgynghori wrth ddatblygu a gweithredu cynllun amaeth-amgylchedd Glastir. (WAQ58106)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister detail the costs of consultancy services during the development and implementation of the Glastir agri-environment scheme. (WAQ58106)

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**The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies):** The estimated costs of consultancy services during the development and implementation of the Glastir agri-environment scheme is £386,000, as detailed below:

External Validation of Glastir Payment Rates	£23,000
Programme Governance, Quality and Assurance	£32,000
On farm Assessment for Water Quality	£150,000
Education and Training (Farmers and Staff)	£172,000
Marketing	£9,000
Total	£386,000

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu manylion am gyfanswm costau datblygu'r cynllun amaeth-amgylchedd Glastir. (WAQ58107)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister detail the total development costs of the Glastir agri-environment scheme. (WAQ58107)

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**Alun Davies:** Costs associated with the administration and development costs are as detailed in the response of 7 October to WAQ58085.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu manylion am nifer y staff yn Llywodraeth Cymru ac mewn Cyrff a Noddir gan Lywodraeth Cymru sydd wedi bod ynghlwm wrth weithredu a gweinyddu Glastir, ym mhob blwyddyn ers ei greu. (WAQ58108)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister detail the number of staff within the Welsh Government and Welsh Government Sponsored Bodies involved in the implementation and administration of Glastir, in each year since its inception. (WAQ58108)

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**Alun Davies:** Glastir is not yet operational – it will become operational from 1 January 2012. The development for the implementation of Glastir has been carried out by the Department of Rural Affairs, supported by other Departments across the Welsh Government. It is not possible to provide the

information requested as staff are not allocated to work wholly on Glastir; the work is additional to their day-to-day duties. As part of the external engagement process, staff from a variety of organisations, including Welsh Government Sponsored Bodies and farming and other countryside interests, have been involved in meetings and discussions on the Glastir scheme.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** Pa asesiad y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'i wneud o'r effaith i Glastir yn sgil y cynigion i hyrwyddo materion gwyrdd yng Ngholofn 1 y Polisi Amaethyddol Cyffredin. (WAQ58109)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** What assessment has the Welsh Government made of the impact to Glastir of the proposals to 'green' Pillar 1 of the Common Agricultural Policy. (WAQ58109)

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**Alun Davies:** As the European Commission published the draft legislation on 12 October relating to CAP reform, no formal assessment has been completed on the "greening" proposals.

**Antoinette Sandbach (Gogledd Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am ba baratodau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu gwneud i weithredu'r cynigion i hyrwyddo materion gwyrdd yng Ngholofn 1 y Polisi Amaethyddol Cyffredin. (WAQ58110)

**Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on what preparations the Welsh Government is making to implement the proposals to 'green' Pillar 1 of the Common Agricultural Policy. (WAQ58110)

*Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 19 Hydref 2011*  
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**Alun Davies:** The European Commission published the draft legislation on CAP reform on 12 October. This represents detailed proposals that will now be subject to negotiation and agreement at the EU level. It will be some time before decisions are reached on the final shape of the CAP for implementation in 2014.

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a yw'n bwriadu cyflwyno rhaglen o ryddhad ardrethi busnes ar gyfer busnesau bach a chanolig. (WAQ58111)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister confirm whether she intends to introduce a programme of business rate relief for small and medium sized enterprises. (WAQ58111)

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**Edwina Hart:** An enhanced Small Business Rates Relief Scheme is already in place for a second 12 month period until 30 September 2012. Consequently, over half of business properties in Wales benefit from business rate relief, and most of these will pay no business rates during this period.

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** A wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau a fydd yn rhaid i gwmnïau sy'n dymuno sefydlu mewn parth menter weithredu o fewn y sector economaidd dynodedig hwnnw'n unig. (WAQ58112)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister confirm whether companies that wish to set up within an enterprise zone will be required to operate exclusively within the designated economic sector. (WAQ58112)

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**Edwina Hart:** The specific operational detail of each preferred enterprise zone location is currently under consideration.

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

**Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru):** Yn dilyn penderfyniad Llywodraeth y DU i rewi'r Dreth Gyngor yn Lloegr, ac yng ngoleuni'r hawl i Lywodraeth Cymru gael symiau canlyniadol, pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael gyda'r Gweinidog Cyllid ynghylch y posibilrwydd o weithredu polisi tebyg yma yng Nghymru. (WAQ58113)

**Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Following the decision by the UK Government to freeze Council Tax in England, and in light of the Welsh Government's entitlement to a consequential, what discussions has the Minister had with the Finance Minister regarding the possibility of implementing a similar policy here in Wales. (WAQ58113)

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**The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant):** I have discussed this matter with the Minister for Finance and the Leader of the House and the First Minister. The consequential provided to Wales as a result of the additional funding being made available by the UK Government for freezing Council Tax in England will be added to the Welsh Block Grant. It is for Welsh Ministers to determine how that consequential which is for 2011-12 only is used to best meet Welsh Government priorities.