Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 15 Mehefin 2011 Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 15 June 2011

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[W] yn nodi bod y cwestiwn wedi'i gyflwyno yn Gymraeg/signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

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Gofyn i Brif Weinidog Cymru To ask the First Minister

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Prif Weinidog ddarparu manylion ynghylch cyflogau Cynghorwyr Arbennig Llywodraeth Cymru yn ystod (a) 2009/10 a (b) 2010/11. (WAQ57482)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister detail the salaries of the Welsh Government's Special Advisers during (a) 2009/10 and (b) 2010/11. (WAQ57482)

Paul Davies (Preseli Sir Benfro): A wnaiff y Prif Weinidog ddarparu manylion ynghylch cyflogau tîm newydd o Gynghorwyr Arbennig Llywodraeth Cymru. (WAQ57483)

Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the First Minister detail the salaries of the Welsh Government's new team of Special Advisers. (WAQ57483)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 23 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 23 June 2011

The Permanent Secretary (Dame Gill Morgan): The Special Advisers' pay structure is based on simple broad bands, underpinned by a tailored job evaluation scheme. There are five pay bands, which range from 0-5, with pay band 0 representing the most junior adviser roles. Special Advisers in the Welsh Government are engaged on either an employed or secondment basis and their roles fall within Pay Bands 1 and 2. This includes the Welsh Government's new team of Special Advisers.

Details of Special Advisers' Pay Bands 1 and 2 are shown below.

Year	Pay Band 1 salary range	Pay Band 2 salary range	
	£	£	
2009/10	40,352- 54,121	52,215-69,266	
2010/11	40,352 – 54,121	52,215-69,266	
	(no change in range from previous year)	(no change in range from previous year)	

NOTE: In a number of cases Special Advisers are paid slightly above the maximum for their pay band reflecting their salaries when they were appointed. Secondees continue to be paid by their substantive employer and they are refunded accordingly depending on hours worked.

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Dwyrain Caerfyrddin a Dinefwr): A wnaiff y Prif Weinidog amlinellu enwau, swyddogaethau a chyfrifoldebau pob aelod sy'n gweithio yn Uned Gyflawni'r Prif Weinidog. (WAQ57484)

Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): Will the First Minister outline the names, roles and responsibilities of all members working within the First Minister's Delivery Unit. (WAQ57484)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 17 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 17 June 2011

The First Minister (Carwyn Jones): The Delivery Unit will report directly to me but will be hosted within Michael Hearty's Strategic Planning, Finance and Performance Directorate. It will have twelve

members of staff and will be headed by a member of the Senior Civil Service. The Delivery Unit will manage the government's Legislative Programme and ensure that all parts of the Welsh Government are delivering against measureable and transparent targets.

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

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Yn dilyn yr ateb i WAQ57437, a wnaiff y Gweinidog restru'r taliadau y cyfeirir atynt gan nodi'r swm a phwy sy'n derbyn pob un. (WAQ57485)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Further to the answer to WAQ57437, will the Minister list the payments referred to detailing the amount and recipient for each. (WAQ57485)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 15 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 15 June 2011

The Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science (Edwina Hart): I refer you to my response to WAQ57480.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael gyda'r Prif Weinidog eleni ynghylch rhaglen POWIS. (WAQ57490)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): What discussions has the Minister held with the First Minister this year regarding the POWIS programme. (WAQ57490)

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael gydag Is-ganghellor Prifysgol Cymru er mis Ionawr 2010 ynghylch rhaglen POWIS. (WAQ57489)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): What discussions has the Minister held with the Vice Chancellor of the University of Wales since January 2010 regarding the POWIS programme. (WAQ57489)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 16 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 16 June 2011

Edwina Hart: None since my appointment as Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science.

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

Angela Burns (**Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro**): Yn dilyn WAQ57407, sawl un a safodd TGAU a gafodd radd pasio neu uwch ar gyfer Economeg y Cartref, Arlwyo a Thechnoleg Bwyd rhwng 2004 a 2010. (WAQ57493)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to WAQ57407, how many GCSE entries have resulted in a pass grade or above for Homes Economics, Catering and Food Technology from 2004 to 2010. (WAQ57493)

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Yn dilyn WAQ57407, a wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu'r wybodaeth hon fesul ysgol a dangos pa gyfleusterau a ddarperir ar gyfer y cyrsiau hyn yn yr ysgolion. (WAQ57491)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to WAQ57407, will the Minister provide this information broken down into school and indicating what facilities are provided for these courses at the schools. (WAQ57491)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 16 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 16 June 2011

The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews): Further to the answer to WAQ57407, the data quality issues for 2009 and 2010 at this level of detail are still being investigated. I will write to you and a copy of the letter will be placed on the internet once these issues have been resolved.

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 07 Gorffennaf 2011 Answer received for publication on 07 July 2011

Leighton Andrews: Further to my answers to WAQs 57407, 57491 and 57493, my officials have now completed their investigations into the data quality issues that prevented a full answer being provided at the time. The data issues related to the incorrect classification of some Food Technology qualifications by awarding organisations.

Enclosed with this letter is a spreadsheet containing:

- Table 1, showing complete data in answer to WAQ57407;
- Table 2, showing complete data in answer to WAO57493; and
- Table 3, showing complete data in answer to WAQ57491.

In WAQ57491, you also asked us to indicate "what facilities are provided for these courses at the schools." This information is not held centrally.

Ar gyfer y tabl, gweler Gwybodaeth ychwanegol at WAQ57407, WAQ57493 a WAQ57491. For table, see Information further to WAQ57407, WAQ57493 and WAQ57491

Angela Burns (**Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro**): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu dadansoddiad cynhwysfawr mewn pynciau unigol o nifer a chanran y plant, yn ôl awdurdod lleol unigol, sydd wedi symud o ysgol Gynradd i ysgol Uwchradd heb gyrraedd y safonau sylfaenol gofynnol ym maes llythrennedd, rhifedd a gwyddoniaeth. (WAQ57492)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minster provide a comprehensive breakdown in individual subject areas of the number and percentage of children, by individual local authority, who have progressed from Primary to Secondary school without meeting the basic standards required in literacy, numeracy and science. (WAQ57492)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 21 Mehefin 2011

Answer received for publication on 21 June 2011

Leighton Andrews: The Welsh Government expects the majority of pupils at the end of Key Stage 2 (pupils aged 11) to achieve at least level four or above in each of the core subjects. The two tables below show the number and percentage of pupils who did not reach this level in 2010.

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Yn dilyn WAQ57398, pa gamau a gymerir gan y Gweinidog o ran safonau gwael adeiladau a chyfleusterau ysgolion yn yr ardaloedd hynny lle nad oes gan Awdurdodau Addysg Lleol raglenni amlinellol strategol gadarn sy'n cyfateb i feini prawf Llywodraeth Cymru. (WAQ57495)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to WAQ57398, what steps will the Minister take in relation to poor standards of school buildings and facilities in those areas where the Local Education Authorities do not have strong strategic outline programmes that match the Welsh Government's criteria. (WAQ57495)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 15 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 15 June 2011

Leighton Andrews: Further to my answer to WAQ57398. Local authorities are responsible for investment in their school buildings according to need and local circumstance and taking account of opportunities for collaborative delivery. My officials are currently completing their assessment of local authority Strategic Outline Programmes. In line with the announcement that I plan to make in July regarding authorities' plans, my officials will discuss with individual local authorities their strategies and long term investment plans.

Angela Burns (**Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro**): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu dadansoddiad yn ôl pwnc o nifer a chanran y plant sy'n gadael ysgol yn 16 heb raddau pasio neu uwch yn y pynciau craidd. (WAQ57494)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister provide a breakdown by subject area of the number and percentage or children who leave school at 16 without pass grades or above in core subjects. (WAQ57494)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 16 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 16 June 2011

Leighton Andrews: The number of pupils aged 16 who leave school without pass grades in core subjects is not currently available centrally.

The table below shows the number and per cent of pupils aged 16 who did not achieve a grade G or equivalent in each of the core subjects individually and in none of the core subjects, irrespective of the destination of the pupil.

Pupils not achieving a GCSE grade G or above (or equivalent qualification) in the core subjects, 2010

Subject (a)	Number of pupils	Number of pupils	Per cent of pupils
	aged 16	aged 16 not	aged 16 not
		achieving a	achieving a
		qualification	qualification
		equivalent to a	equivalent to a
		grade G or above	grade G or above

English	37,072	2,988	8.1
Mathematics	37,072	3,219	8.7
Science	37,072	3,265	8.8
Any of the four core subjects (b)	37,072	2,008	5.4

Source: Welsh Examinations Database

- (a) Welsh first language is a core subject in Welsh medium schools only. It is not listed separately as it is not statutory for all pupils.
- (b) Including Welsh first language

(c)

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): Yn dilyn ateb i WAQ57383, a wnaiff y Gweinidog gadarnhau pryd y caiff penderfyniad ei wneud ar y defnydd tebygol o'r cyllid canlyniadol gwerth oddeutu £10 miliwn i sefydlu Parthau Menter yma yng Nghymru. (WAQ57486)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Further to the answer to WAQ57383, will the Minister confirm when a decision will be made on the likely usage of the approximate £10 million consequential to establish Enterprise Zones here in Wales. (WAQ57486)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 21 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 21 June 2011

The Minister for Finance and Leader of the House (Jane Hutt): In line with normal practice, the consequentials from the UK announcement have been added to our reserves. Decisions relating to the use of available resources in future years will be taken as part of the current budget planning round where we will be deciding how we can allocate resources in line with our strategic priorities for this Government. Details of our spending plans will be published in the autumn and I will confirm a date for the publication of our spending plans before the summer recess as required by Standing Orders.

Kirsty Williams (Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed): A yw'r Gweinidog yn rhagweld unrhyw newidiadau i raglenni gwariant Llywodraeth Cymru er mwyn adlewyrchu anghenion blaenoriaethau newydd y Llywodraeth. (WAQ57487)

Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Does the Minister anticipate any changes to the Welsh Government's spending programmes to reflect the needs of the new Government's priorities. (WAQ57487)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 17 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 17 June 2011

Jane Hutt: The Final Budget, approved by the Assembly in February, set our spending plans for this year and indicative plans for the following two years. We are in the process of reviewing our budgets for future years, to align spending plans with our strategic priorities. The Programme for Government builds

on our achievements in the last Government and previous spending plans form a firm basis for delivering our commitments. I will publish detailed spending plans for 2012-13 in the autumn.

Kirsty Williams (**Brycheiniog a Sir Faesyfed**): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu manylion ynghylch sut y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn bwriadu dyrannu cyllid ychwanegol o arian canlyniadol Barnett a gyhoeddwyd yn gynharach eleni. (WAQ57488)

Kirsty Williams (**Brecon and Radnorshire**): Will the Minister detail how the Welsh Government intends to allocate additional funding from Barnett consequentials which were announced earlier this year. (WAQ57488)

Derbyniwyd ateb i'w gyhoeddi ar 17 Mehefin 2011 Answer received for publication on 17 June 2011

Jane Hutt: In line with normal practice, the consequentials from UK Government announcements have been added to Reserves. Consequentials in the current year will be considered as part of our routine inyear financial management. Consequentials for future years will be considered as part of our budget planning.