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

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Gwybodaeth ychwanegol at WAQ64358, a gyhoeddwyd gan Carl Sargeant, y Gweinidog Tai ac Adfywio, ar 09 Ebrill 2013 Information further to WAQ64358, issued by Carl Sargeant, the Minister for Housing and Regeneration, on 09 April 2013

At/To Bethan Jenkins:

Further to your recent Written Assembly Question, will the Minister provide details of any powers the Welsh Government has to amend the Town & Country Planning Act and the Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

The National Assembly has legislative competence to create and amend planning legislation, which includes the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The extent of the powers is defined by section 108 and paragraph 18 of Schedule 7 of the Government of Wales Act 2006, and is subject to a number of limitations and exceptions. The most significant exception is the development consent order regime introduced by the Planning Act 2008. There are also limited powers under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Planning Act 2008 that allow the Welsh Ministers amend the Town and Country Planning Acts by statutory instrument.

The Welsh Government has announced that a Planning Reform Bill will be brought forward this Assembly. The Bill will include new and amending legislation.