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ASSEMBLY FIRST SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO ALUN CAIRNS AM  
QUESTIONS WAQ 3687, 3688 and 3693 RELATING TO CARDIFF BAY

Please find attached a letter from Mr Morgan to Mr Cairns in response to questions the latter raised in the Assembly. Mr Morgan's letter commits us to place it in the Assembly's library and I would be grateful if you could do so.

many thanks  
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*Dear Alun*

On 23 February, I promised that I would ask the Chief Executive of Cardiff Bay Development Corporation to provide detailed responses to four of your Written Assembly Questions. WAQ 3687, 3688, 3689 and 3693. Three of the four of his responses are as follows

**WAQ3687**

*What safety regulations are necessary for the running of the Cardiff Bay Barrage?*

The safety regulations which apply to the barrage include:-

- The Construction Design and Management Regulations 1994
- The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- The Management of Health and Safety and Work Regulations 1992
- The Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1992

The Corporation confirms that it has carried out a risk assessment with regard to operation of the Barrage and a fire risk assessment for all the Barrage Structures. It is also confirmed that both the Corporation and the Barrage operators are working in accordance with the above statutes and regulations.

The Barrage structure is not at present open to the public. Before this is allowed to happen, it is the Corporation's intention to receive approvals from both the Health And Safety Executive and the RoSPA.

**WAQ3693**

*How much training is necessary in order to comply with safety regulations in the running of Cardiff Bay Barrage?*

Barrage staff are required to comply with more than safety regulations: they must demonstrate a standard of competence and overall understanding of the obligations required by the Barrage Act and Legal Agreements; Operations Policy and Procedures Manuals and the Operation and Maintenance Manuals.

The Corporation's view is that to train a team of staff it would take six months provided they were helped by managerial staff from the Corporation and Crest Nicholson.

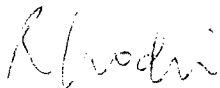
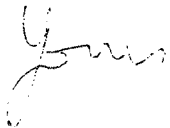
**WAQ3688**

*What will be the total amount of monies and responsibilities, at the lowest possible breakdown, that Cardiff County Council will inherit from Cardiff Bay Development Corporation and the National Assembly for Wales on April the 1<sup>st</sup>?*

An analysis was provided by the Assembly Secretariat to the Economic Development Committee on 1 March. Additionally the Corporation is contributing, by way of discount, £2m for "social purposes" at Ferry Road.

The response to the further question (WAQ 3689), about the cost of management and maintenance of the bay, is being dealt with by the Corporation, and I will provide you with an answer as soon as it is available.

I have arranged for a copy of this letter to be placed in the Assembly Library.



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ASSEMBLY FIRST SECRETARY'S RESPONSE TO ALUN CAIRNS AM  
QUESTION WAQ 3689 RELATING TO CARDIFF BAY

Please find attached a letter from Mr Morgan to Mr Carins, in response to a question the latter raised in the Assembly. Mr Morgan's letter commits us to place it in the Assembly's library and I would be grateful if you could do so.

*John Webber*



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*Alun Cairns*

I have now received a response to your following Welsh Assembly Question WAQ 3689:

“What are the financial commitments, project by project, at the lowest possible breakdown, of the National Assembly for Wales in relation to management and maintenance of Cardiff Bay.”.

I am advised that the most comprehensive analysis of the commitments are set out in the Harbour Authority Section Agreement between the Corporation and the Cardiff County Council. This Agreement was signed on 27 March and a copy has been placed in the Library of the Assembly.

I have also arranged for a copy of this letter to be placed in the Library and a copy has been sent to Byron Davies, the Chief Executive of Cardiff County Council.

*Yn ddiwygant*

*Rhodri*