

Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 13 Mai 2013

Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 13 May 2013

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Gofyn i Brif Weinidog Cymru
To ask the First Minister

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa fesurau y bydd Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu cymryd i sicrhau'r manteision economaidd gorau posibl o gael wyth gêm Cwpan Rygbi'r Byd yn Stadiwm y Mileniwm cyn hir? (WAQ64648)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What measures will the Welsh Government be taking to maximise the economic benefits of the eight Rugby Union World Cup matches due to be played at the Millennium Stadium? WAQ64648)

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The First Minister (Carwyn Jones): The Welsh Government will be working closely with England Rugby 2015 Ltd to support a range of business networking programmes and events, structured and delivered to allow Wales and Welsh businesses to capitalise on the global nature of the event.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa ymdrechion a wneir gan Lywodraeth Cymru i sicrhau cymaint â phosibl o ymwybyddiaeth ynghylch rôl Cymru yn cynnal gemau allweddol yng Nghwpan Rygbi'r Byd yn y dyfodol agos? (WAQ64649)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What efforts are being taken undertaken by the Welsh Government to maximise the awareness of Wales' role in hosting key fixtures in the forthcoming Rugby League World Cup? (WAQ64649)

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The First Minister: The Welsh Government has been working closely, from the outset, with event organisers, Rugby League World Cup 2013, local authority partners and colleagues at Welsh venues selected to host matches later this year, to raise awareness of Wales' role in successfully co-hosting this major tournament. This included full engagement in a Year to Go event, held at the Senedd in October 2012 and on-going plans to maximise the impact of the two key opening matches and the official tournament Opening Ceremony, to be held at the Millennium Stadium on 26th October.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa asesiad y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'i wneud o fanteision posibl Cwpan Slalom Canw y Byd a gynhelir yng Nghaerdydd cyn hir? (WAQ64650)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What assessment has the Minister made of the potential benefits of the Canoe Slalom World Cup due to be held in Cardiff? (WAQ64650)

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The First Minister: It is estimated that the direct economic impact of hosting the Canoe Slalom World Cup in Wales in 2013 will be around £650,000.

The event will also attract significant national and international media coverage helping to raise the profile of Cardiff International White Water Centre and Wales as a location for tourism and inward investment. The 2012 event was shown on television in over 20 countries.

Canoe Wales will also use the event to enhance the profile of canoeing in Wales to help promote its successful schools programme, which developed 33 new clubs since 2009.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Diwylliant a Chwaraeon
To ask the Minister for Culture and Sport

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): A fydd Llywodraeth Cymru yn buddsoddi unrhyw arian i hyrwyddo'r nifer a fydd yn cymryd rhan mewn chwaraeon y gaeaf ar ôl adeiladu canolfan chwaraeon y gaeaf ym Mae Caerdydd? (WAQ64651)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Welsh Government be investing any funds in promoting the uptake of winter sports following the construction of the winter sports complex in Cardiff Bay? (WAQ64651)

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The Minister for Culture and Sport (John Griffiths): The Welsh Government via Sport Wales is providing over £30k this year to support Snowsport Cymru Wales, the governing body of snowboarding and skiing in Wales. The financial support is targeted at increasing participation rates and supporting coaches and more talented athletes.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa asesiad y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'i wneud o'r manteision posibl i bêl-droed yng Nghymru yn sgîl dyrchafiad Dinas Caerdydd i Uwchgynghair Lloegr, yn economaidd ac o ran cyfranogi? (WAQ64653)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What assessment has the Minister made of the potential benefits to Welsh football of the promotion of Cardiff City to the Premier League in economic and participation terms? (WAQ64653)

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John Griffiths: The presence of both Cardiff and Swansea in the Premier League will provide a boost for both cities and Wales as a whole.

There will be an economic benefit from the number of visitors and travelling fans coming to both cities and Wales. The Premier League is said to be the most watched football league in the world and therefore Cardiff, Swansea and Wales will be promoted across the world on a regular basis.

The success of Welsh teams gives the whole nation a feel good factor and inspires children and young people to emulate their heroes and participate in sport. This will help to increase rates of grassroots participation in sport which is a high priority for the Welsh Government.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa fesurau y gall Llywodraeth Cymru eu cymryd i sicrhau bod y gêm ar lawr gwlad yn elwa yn dilyn llwyddiant diweddar timau pêl-droed proffesiynol Cymru? (WAQ64654)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What measures can be taken by the Welsh Government to ensure that the grassroots game benefits from the recent success of Wales' professional football teams? (WAQ64654)

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John Griffiths: The Welsh Government supports the development of grassroots football via Sport Wales who allocate funding to the Welsh Football Trust. The Trust are responsible for developing the game at grassroots level across Wales and have a range of programmes and structures in place aimed at increasing participation rates and developing talent. I have asked my officials to investigate the possibilities of using the recent success achieved by our professional teams to help stimulate wider participation at grassroots level.

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa fesurau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu cymryd i wella mynediad at gyfleusterau chwaraeon cyhoeddus a fforddiadwyedd y cyfleusterau hynny? (WAQ64655)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What measures are the Welsh Government taking to improve access and affordability of public sports facilities? (WAQ64655)

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John Griffiths: The Welsh Government remain committed to ensuring that people of all ages have better quality and equal opportunities to take part in sport and encourage local authorities to adopt a collaborative approach to the planning and provision of leisure facilities and services.

Sport Wales also encourage local authorities to give due consideration before making any changes to their pricing structure of sport facilities, such as carrying out consultation with users and assessing the potential impact on sports participation. However, this is a matter for each local authority to determine.

Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Cymunedau a Threchu Tlodi
To ask the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): Pa drafodaethau y mae'r Gweinidog wedi'u cael â Llywodraeth y DU ynghylch cynyddu cyfrifoldeb Comisiynydd Plant Cymru dros faterion nad ydynt wedi'u datganoli sy'n ymwneud â phlant yng Nghymru? (WAQ64661)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): What discussions has the Minister had with the UK Government over increasing the responsibility of the Children's Commissioner for Wales over non-devolved issues relating to children in Wales? (WAQ64661)

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The Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty (Huw Lewis): I have not personally had any discussions with UK Government over increasing the responsibility of the Children's Commissioner for Wales over non-devolved issues relating to children in Wales. However, I am aware that the previous Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services, Gwenda Thomas, has been in correspondence with Edward Timpson, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Children Department for Education, as recently as January of this year regarding this issue. Officials and the Commissioners across the four nations have also had discussions on this topic at their meetings.

Gofyn i Weinidog yr Economi, Gwyddoniaeth a Thrafnidiaeth
To ask the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

Andrew RT Davies (Canol De Cymru): Pa wersi a ddysgwyd yn dilyn dyrchafiad Dinas Abertawe i Uwchgyngghrair Lloegr a allai helpu i sicrhau bod y manteision mwyaf posibl yn cael eu gwireddu i economi De Cymru yn dilyn dyrchafiad Dinas Caerdydd? (WAQ64652)

Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What lessons have been learnt following Swansea City's promotion to the Premier League which could help ensure that the potential benefits to the South Wales economy of Cardiff City's promotion are maximised? (WAQ64652)

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The Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (Edwina Hart): The presence of both Cardiff and Swansea in the Premier League will provide a boost for both cities and Wales as a whole. We will need to work in partnership with the clubs to maximise the economic benefit from the number of visitors and travelling fans coming to both cities and Wales. The Premier League is said to be the most watched football league in the world and therefore Cardiff, Swansea and Wales will be promoted across the world on a regular basis.

Nick Ramsay (Mynwy): A wnaiff y Gweinidog nodi faint y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'i wario ar raglen Sêr Cymru ers ei lansio'n swyddogol fis Medi diwethaf? (WAQ64656)

Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister detail how much the Welsh Government has spent on the Ser Cymru programme since it was officially launched last September? (WAQ64656)

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Edwina Hart: Government intends to invest up to £50 million over five years to fund this part of the Science for Wales programme. The exact funding model for each Sêr Cymru Research Chair will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.

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 yr ateb i WAQ64600, a wnaiff y Gweinidog nodi'r holl feini prawf ar gyfer cyllido ysgolion o dan y Grant Cynnal Refeniw? (WAQ64657)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to the answer WAQ64600, will the Minister detail all the criteria for the funding of schools under the Revenue Support Grant? (WAQ64657)

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Yn dilyn yr ateb i WAQ64600, a wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu dadansoddiad, yn ôl Awdurdod Lleol, o wariant alldro refeniw dirprwyedig ysgolion yn 2011-12 yn ôl sector ac yn ôl Cyfrwng Cymraeg a Saesneg? (WAQ64658)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to the answer WAQ64600, will the Minister provide a breakdown, by Local Authority, of delegated school revenue outturn expenditure 2011-12 by sector and by English and Welsh Medium? (WAQ64658)

Angela Burns (Gorllewin Caerfyrddin a De Sir Benfro): Yn dilyn yr ateb i WAQ64600, a wnaiff y Gweinidog nodi'r rheswm dros y gwariant ychwanegol ar bob disgybl Cyfrwng Cymraeg ar lefel Cyngor lleol? (WAQ64659)

Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Further to the answer WAQ64600, will the Minister detail the reason for the extra spend on each Welsh Medium pupil at Local Council level? (WAQ64659)

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The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews): The Revenue Support Grant (RSG) provides unhypothecated funding, including for Education, to local authorities. The distribution of the RSG is based on a number of indicators including pupil numbers at a local authority level. There is no particular indicator used in the distribution formula which reflects the issue of language.

Once the RSG has been distributed to local authorities, it is the responsibility of each individual authority to set budgets for their schools. These are determined by a local funding formula, operating within the framework set by the School Funding (Wales) Regulations 2010. In accordance with the regulatory framework, local authorities may take into account in their funding formula whether a pupil is being educated through the medium of Welsh.

The Regulations require 70% of funding for schools' budgets to be distributed on the basis of pupil numbers and local authorities have discretion to distribute the remaining 30% on the basis of a range of factors, including the Welsh language. Further information on these additional factors can be found under regulation 18, Schedule 3 of the School Funding (Wales) Regulations 2010, which can be accessed from the following link: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2010/824/contents/made>.

The Welsh Government recognises there are additional costs to providing education through the medium of Welsh. For example, there may be additional costs because there are fewer off the shelf learning resources or because pupils may require more intensive language tuition if Welsh is their second language. Each local authority will be required to prepare and submit a Welsh in Education Strategic Plan under the provisions of the School Standards and Organisation Act demonstrating they are providing appropriate resources as an essential part of effective planning for Welsh medium education.

In terms of expenditure, the delegated school revenue outturn expenditure for 2011-12, by sector and by English and Welsh medium schools is enclosed below. It is important to note that comparing funding and expenditure on a per pupil basis can be a crude measure. It does not necessarily provide an accurate representation of the levels of support an authority makes available to each school. Neither does it isolate language medium from the broad range of additional factors which local authorities take into account in determining school budgets, including small schools protection, additional learning needs, different premises running costs and so on. Rather, the average per pupil funding figure is a statistical tool to help aid understanding of authorities' relative spend on education overall.

Delegated school revenue outturn expenditure 2011-12 by sector and by English and Welsh medium schools.

Delegated outturn expenditure per pupil on Welsh/English medium primary and secondary schools, 2011-12
£ per pupil

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Authority	English Medium Primary	English Medium Secondary	Welsh Medium Primary	Welsh Medium Secondary
Isle of Anglesey	3,005	4,339	3,652	4,265
Gwynedd	3,087	.	3,639	4,906
Conwy	3,873	4,729	4,349	5,232
Denbighshire	3,611	4,446	3,860	4,520
Flintshire	3,142	4,008	3,535	4,704
Wrexham	3,625	4,589	3,577	4,817
Powys	3,853	4,418	3,972	4,717
Ceredigion	3,848	4,909	3,681	5,628
Pembrokeshire	3,941	4,524	3,942	4,413
Carmarthenshire	3,995	4,868	4,139	4,585
Swansea	3,102	4,335	2,728	4,849
Neath Port Talbot	4,127	4,634	3,903	4,366
Bridgend	3,683	3,877	3,630	6,586
Vale of Glamorgan	3,595	4,167	3,473	4,243
Rhondda Cynon Taf	3,823	4,462	3,350	4,656
Merthyr Tydfil	3,943	4,461	3,772	.
Caerphilly	3,490	4,235	3,436	4,428
Blaenau Gwent	4,012	4,473	3,742	.
Torfaen	3,388	4,468	3,467	4,366
Monmouthshire	3,822	4,421	4,223	.
Newport	3,529	4,195	3,592	.
Cardiff	3,575	4,676	3,695	4,643
Wales	3,620	4,402	3,718	4,743
.	Not applicable			

Notes

Data sources: 'Total School Expenditure' from the Section 52 outturn forms for 2011-12; the 2011 PLASC data for pupil numbers; and the classification of whether the school is English or Welsh medium. Mixed language schools are included within the most appropriate category, English or Welsh medium.

Mark Isherwood (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog nodi arweiniad Llywodraeth Cymru, a'i disgwyliadau, ynghylch darparu cludiant o'r cartref i'r ysgol ar gyfer disgyblion sy'n cael addysg seiliedig ar ffydd ar lefel uwchradd? (WAQ64660)

Mark Isherwood (North Wales): Will the Minister detail the Welsh Government's guidance, and their expectations, regarding the provision of home to school transport for pupils receiving faith based education as secondary level? (WAQ64660)

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Leighton Andrews: Home to school transport is a matter for the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport. My expectations around the provision of home to school transport for pupils receiving faith based education is no different to that of other pupils.

Under the Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008, essentially, the provision of free home to school transport to denominational schools is a discretionary matter for local authorities and the Welsh Government does not intervene. If a learner is of compulsory school age and wishes to attend a faith-based school which is the nearest suitable school and also meets the relevant distance criteria for their age, then the local authority will be under a duty to provide free home to school transport. Where the

criteria set out above are not met, the provision of free transport to faith-based schools is a discretionary matter for local authorities.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): Pa gamau y mae'r Gweinidog yn eu cymryd i sicrhau bod gan blant ddewis o opsiynau bwyta'n iach yn yr ysgol, gan ddefnyddio pwerau o dan Fesur Bwyta'n Iach Mewn Ysgolion (Cymru) 2009? (WAQ64665)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): What action is the Minister taking to ensure children have a choice of healthy eating options at schools using powers under the Healthy Eating in Schools (Wales) Measure 2009? (WAQ64665)

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Leighton Andrews: The consultation on the draft Healthy Eating in Schools (Nutritional Standards and Requirements) (Wales) Regulations closed on 25 April, and responses are currently being considered.

The draft regulations are based on the Appetite for Life food and nutritional standards which local authorities and schools have been working towards since 2008.

The finalised regulations will be made under section 4 of the Healthy Eating in Schools (Wales) Measure 2009 and apply to local authorities and governing bodies of maintained schools that provide food and drink to pupils of maintained schools whether they are on school premises or not, and to other persons on school premises. They will set out the types of food and drink that can, or cannot, be provided during the school day and define the nutrient content of school lunches. I propose to bring section 4 and the other provisions of the Measure into force during 2013.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu'r amserlen gweithredu ar gyfer cyflwyno safonau'r Gymraeg erbyn 2014? (WAQ64666)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister outline the timetable of action for the introduction of Welsh language standards by 2014? (WAQ64666)

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Leighton Andrews: I will be issuing a Written Statement outlining the timetable shortly.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu ei gynlluniau i sicrhau bod Estyn yn adrodd ar ba mor effeithiol y mae'r Grant Amddifadedd Disgyblion yn cael ei ddefnyddio gan ysgolion? (WAQ64668)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister outline his plans to ensure that Estyn reports on how effectively the Pupil Deprivation Grant is being used by schools? (WAQ64668)

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Leighton Andrews: With the first year of the PDG only just completed, it is too early for any meaningful, in-depth analysis of its effectiveness to have taken place. I am, of course, very anxious to know as soon as possible how effectively the PDG is being implemented in practice and where

improvements can be made in implementation, management and governance. With that in mind, following a recent competitive tender exercise, Ipsos Mori, in collaboration with Cardiff University based WISERD, has been commissioned by the Welsh Government to undertake an in-depth evaluation of the effectiveness of the Pupil Deprivation Grant (PDG).

The evaluation will focus specifically both on how the PDG is being interpreted and implemented in practice and what impact it is having on pupils' performance and on practice within schools.

I am expecting the evaluation reports to identify potentially productive best practice which can be shared with local authorities and schools across Wales. I would also expect the evaluation to inform monitoring arrangements, including the possibility of broadening Estyn's school inspection remit to include monitoring the use and effectiveness of the PDG.

In addition, as part of their annual remit, Estyn has undertaken a number of pieces of work looking at how schools in Wales are tackling child poverty to improve learners' achievement and wellbeing.

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

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog gyflwyno'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf ynghylch y trafodaethau diweddar â Chomisiynydd Pobl Hyn Cymru ar ddatblygu'r Strategaeth ar gyfer Pobl Hyn yng Nghymru (Cam 3)? (WAQ64662)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister give an update on recent discussions with the Older People's Commissioner for Wales on the development of the Strategy for Older People in Wales (Phase 3)? (WAQ64662)

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The Deputy Minister for Social Services (Gwenda Thomas): We have given a commitment to a second 10 year Strategy for Older People that will be launched later this month.

The Commissioner is independent of Government and therefore cannot be directly involved in the process of drafting the Strategy for Older People. The Commissioner and her staff have, however, been involved from the outset in the development of our ambition for the next 10 years of the Strategy for Older People. The Commissioner has shared the intelligence that she has received directly from older people with the Deputy Minister and our officials which has helped shape our analysis and decisions about the next phase.

There has been a productive dialogue through regular meetings between the Commissioner and our officials during the drafting of Phase 3. In addition the Commissioner provided a detailed written consultation response to our proposals for Phase 3, which have been reflected in the new Strategy document. The Commissioner has a clear role in scrutinising implementation of the Strategy and I am confident we share the same ambition of making Wales a great place to grow old.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): Pa ddulliau sydd ar waith i fonitro urddas a gofal i bobl hyn o ganlyniad i 'Gwneud yn Dda, Gwneud yn Well – Safonau ar gyfer Gwasanaethau Iechyd Cymru'ŷ (WAQ64663)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): What mechanisms are in place to monitor the dignity and care of older people as a result of the 'Doing Well, Doing Better – Standards for Health Services in Wales'? (WAQ64663)

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The Minister for Health and Social Services (Mark Drakeford): Dignity in Care is a tier one performance measure and monitored through the Health Board/Trust dignity action plans that are approved by the Older People's Commissioner. Regular updates are provided to the Commissioner and the next is due on 13 June 2013. HIW conducts dignity spot checks on a rolling programme.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): Pa gamau y mae'r Gweinidog yn eu cymryd i weithredu ar yr argymhellion yn yr adroddiad 'Llais, Dewis a Rheolaeth'? (WAQ64664)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): What action is the Minister taking to act upon the recommendations within the 'Voice, Choice and Control' report? (WAQ64664)

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Gwenda Thomas: Our White Paper 'Sustainable Social Services' and the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Bill both set out reforms to give service users greater voice and control over the services they receive. Extending access to advocacy is one of a number of important ways of achieving that objective, and will build upon our model for advocacy for children and young people. This is why I gave a commitment in Sustainable Social Services to develop a business case for advocacy for older people.

The Commissioner for Older People has agreed to chair a task and finish group that will make recommendations to the Welsh Government in the autumn.

Aled Roberts (Gogledd Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu amserlen ar gyfer adolygu Hanfodion Gofal 2003? (WAQ64667)

Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister give a timetable for reviewing the Fundamentals of Care 2003? (WAQ64667)

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Mark Drakeford: The Fundamentals of Care review will take place as part of the work identified by Welsh Government in response to the Francis Report.