

## **Answers to Questions not reached in Plenary 11 June 2002**

[R] signifies that the Member has declared an interest.

[W] signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

### **Questions to the First Minister**

#### **Gold Cape of Mold**

**Q7 Alison Halford:** What discussions has the First Minister had with the UK Government regarding the gold cape of Mold? (OAQ18225) *Transferred for written answer.*

**The First Minister (Rhodri Morgan):** I have not had any discussions with the UK Government on this issue, and it would be inappropriate and unnecessary for me to do so. Any museum wishing to borrow the gold cape from the British Museum can have direct discussions on the issue with the British Museum itself.

#### **Encouraging Businesses in South Wales Central**

**Q11 Jonathan Morgan:** Will the First Minister make a statement on how the Government is encouraging businesses and companies in South Wales Central? (OAQ18208) *Transferred for written answer.*

**The First Minister:** The Welsh Assembly Government is committed to creating a climate in which businesses flourish throughout Wales, including South Wales Central. The Assembly Government and Team Wales offer comprehensive support to business. Much of South Wales Central is in the Objective 1 area and can receive the maximum levels of assistance to support investment and job creation. We constantly seek to improve the services and have recently launched the Assembly investment grant to provide grants to small businesses.