

## **Information Further to Ministerial Answers**

**Information further to OAQ(3)1444(ECT) issued by Ieuan Wyn Jones, the Deputy First Minister and Minister for the Economy and Transport, May 2010**

**To Andrew R.T. Davies:**

I am writing to you in response to your question to me on 21 April regarding the traffic officer trial currently underway on the M4 corridor in South Wales.

The trial started in February 2010 and is for 12 months. We currently intend to evaluate the benefits of the service at the end of the trial, with an interim review after 6 months.

We are monitoring the progress of the trial and I enclose the latest monitoring sheet for your information which is to the end of week 11 (25 April 2010). This shows the number of incidents attended to date, the time to attend but it is too early at this stage to include an evaluation of benefits.

However early indications are that the service is effective with prompt response times and the ability to deal with a wide range of issues. It is important to remember that the Police are still responsible for incidents where an injury occurs, though they will receive support from the traffic officers.