# Atebion i Gwestiynau nas cyrhaeddwyd yn y Cyfarfod Llawn **Answers to Questions not reached in Plenary**

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# Cwestiynau i Weinidog yr Amgylchedd a Datblygu Cynaliadwy **Ouestions to the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development**

### Tai Amlfeddiannaeth

### **Houses in Multiple Occupation**

ddatganiad am ei bolisi o ran rheoliadau statement on his policy towards planning cynllunio ar gyfer tai amlfeddiannaeth. regulations for HMOs. OAQ(4)0151(ESD) *OAQ*(4)0151(ESD)

12. Peter Black: A wnaiff y Gweinidog 12. Peter Black: Will the Minister make a

The Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development (John Griffiths): Houses in multiple occupation meet specific housing needs, often for the more vulnerable members of society. However their regulation is not a planning matter, but falls within the remit of the Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage.

### Datblygiadau Ynni Adnewyddadwy

# **Renewable Energy Developments**

13. Vaughan Gething: A wnaiff y Gweinidog 13. Vaughan Gething: Will the Minister ddatganiad am bolisïau Llywodraeth Cymru o ran y drefn gynllunio a chaniatáu yng Nghymru ar gyfer datblygiadau ynni regime in Wales for renewable energy adnewyddadwy. OAQ(4)0152(ESD)

make a statement on the Welsh Government's policies on the planning and permitting developments. OAQ(4)0152(ESD)

John Griffiths: The current regime for determining renewable energy projects in Wales is fragmented, and we believe that this could be improved by devolving powers to Welsh Ministers as is the case in other parts of the UK. Our planning policies are set out in 'Planning Policy Wales' and technical advice note 8.

Tynnwyd cwestiwn 14, OAO(4)0161(ESD), yn ôl Question 14, OAQ(4)0161(ESD), was withdrawn

### Hybu Buddiannau'r Amgylchedd

# **Promote the Interests of the Environment**

15. Elin Jones: Sut bydd y Gweinidog yn buddiannau'r amgylchedd vng Nghymru yn ystod y chwe mis nesaf. OAQ(4)0162(ESD) W

15. Elin Jones: How will the Minister promote the interests of the environment in Wales during the next 6 months. OAQ(4)0162(ESD) W

John Griffiths: Byddaf yn parhau i hybu buddiannau'r amgylchedd, fel y'i hamlinellir yn y rhaglen lywodraethu.

John Griffiths: I will continue to promote the interest of the environment, as set out in the programme for government.

# Cwestiynau i'r Gweinidog Tai, Adfywio a Threftadaeth **Ouestions to the Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage**

### Addasiadau i'r Stoc Tai

# **Adaptations to Housing Stock**

10. Kirsty Williams: Beth y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn ei wneud i annog awdurdodau lleol i sicrhau bod addasiadau i'r stoc tai vn cael cwblhau cvngynted â phosibl. *OAQ*(4)0157(HRH)

10. Kirsty Williams: What is the Welsh Government doing to encourage local authorities to make sure that adaptations to housing stock are completed as quickly as possible. OAQ(4)0157(HRH)

The Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage (Huw Lewis): We work closely with local authorities, housing associations and the Welsh Local Government Association on issues relating to the delivery of adaptations services. In the housing White Paper, we have committed to reviewing the range of aids and adaptations programmes in the first half of 2013-14.

### Cefnogi Prynwyr Tro Cyntaf

#### **Supporting First-time Buyers**

11. Angela Burns: A wnaiff y Gweinidog amlinellu blaenoriaethau Llvwodraeth Cymru ar gyfer cefnogi prynwyr tro cyntaf yn Sir Benfro. OAQ(4)0149(HRH)

11. Angela Burns: Will the Minister outline Welsh Government's the priorities for supporting first time buvers Pembrokeshire. OAQ(4)0149(HRH)

Huw Lewis: I recognise the difficulties that first-time buyers are experiencing in raising mortgages and I am exploring a mortgage indemnity scheme. We support the local authority mortgage scheme that has recently been launched in Pembrokeshire, and the homebuy scheme and rent first continue to be supported by the Welsh Government.

### Prosiectau Adfywio

#### **Regeneration Projects**

phrosiectau adfywio yng Nghanol De Cymru. Wales Central. OAQ(4)0156(HRH) *OAQ*(4)0156(HRH)

12. Andrew R.T. Davies: A wnaiff y 12. Andrew R.T. Davies: Will the Minister Gweinidog roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am provide an update on Welsh Government gynnydd Llywodraeth Cymru o ran ei progress in its regeneration projects in South

**Huw Lewis:** The Welsh Government is investing in a range of schemes throughout the region that are having transformational regeneration impacts. This includes continued investment from my portfolio in the Heads of the Valleys, Barry and Cardiff Harbour Authority.

Meanwhile, my policy review of regeneration continues.

### **Budd-dal Tai**

### **Housing Benefit**

Gweinidog wedi'i wneud o effaith bosibl Minister made of the potential impact of the cynigion Prif Weinidog y DU i ddileu Budd- Prime Minister's proposals to scrap Housing dal Tai i bobl ifanc o dan 25 oed. Benefit for under 25s. OAQ(4)0152(HRH) *OAQ*(4)0152(HRH)

13. Rebecca Evans: Pa asesiad v mae'r 13. Rebecca Evans: What assessment has the

**Huw Lewis:** I was particularly concerned by the Prime Minister's announcement. The Department for Work and Pensions published figures very recently advising that 22,230 under 25s would be affected in Wales if these proposals were implemented. Thankfully, it would appear that the proposals are not yet those of the present UK Government.

### Safleoedd Treftadaeth

### Welsh Heritage Sites

Nghymru igynulleidfa *OAQ*(4)0146(HRH)

14. David Melding: Pa gynlluniau sydd ar 14. David Melding: What plans are in place waith i hyrwyddo safleoedd treftadaeth yng to promote Welsh Heritage sites to an ryngwladol. international audience. OAQ(4)0146(HRH)

Huw Lewis: The programme for government outlines our commitments to support and promote Welsh heritage's history, events and attractions throughout Wales and abroad. There is a close working relationship between Cadw and Visit Wales, which includes co-ordinating visits through Visit Wales's programmes, ensuring that historic environment features prominently in Visit Wales marketing materials.

#### **Marchnad Tai**

### **Housing Market**

15. Angela Burns: Pa asesiad y mae'r 15. Angela Burns: What assessment has the Gweinidog wedi'i wneud o gyflwr presennol Minister made of the current state of the farchnad yng *Nghymru.* housing market in Wales. *OAQ*(4)0148(HRH) *OAQ*(4)0148(HRH)

**Huw Lewis:** I am aware of the challenges of the housing market at this time and my housing White Paper sets out what the key factors are as well as proposing both legislative and nonlegislative actions to mitigate them. This includes looking at innovative ways to deliver more housing.