

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 26 June 2013 for answer on 3 July 2013

R – Signifies the Member has declared an interest.

W – Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

To ask the Minister for Education and Skills

1. Aled Roberts (North Wales): What measures is the Minister taking to assess the attainment of looked after children and young people?

OAQ(4)0298(ESK)W

2. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on educational provision for children in women's refuges?

OAQ(4)0288(ESK)

3. Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's plans for improving standards in core subjects such as mathematics, science and reading in schools in Wales? **OAQ(4)0304(ESK)**

4. David Rees (Aberavon): Will the Minister make a statement on the support provided by the Welsh Government to support CPD for teachers and teaching assistants? **OAQ(4)0303(ESK)**

5. Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister make a statement on home education in Wales? **OAQ(4)0302(ESK)**

6. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): What assessment has the Minister made of the benefits that walking or cycling to school can have on a child's education? **OAQ(4)0295(ESK)**

7. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What action is the Minister taking to improve the literacy and numeracy skills of children in key stage 2 and 3? OAQ(4)0290(ESK)

8. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen): Will the Minister provide an update on the provision of post-16 education in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0293(ESK)

9. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): What recent discussions has the Minister had regarding financial pressures within his portfolio? OAQ(4)0305(ESK)W

10. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on any plans the Welsh Government has to review the school curriculum? OAQ(4)0294(ESK)

11. Mike Hedges (Swansea East): What progress has been made towards ensuring key stage 2 results are moderated in such a way that the results are consistent? OAQ(4)0289(ESK)

12. William Graham (South Wales East): Will the Minister outline the Welsh Government's considerations for improving education services in South Wales East? OAQ(4)0296(ESK)

13. Sandy Mewies (Delyn): Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of physical education in our schools? OAQ(4)0300(ESK)

14. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East): What is the timetable for imposing the Welsh Language Standards on organisations in addition to local authorities, national park authorities and the Welsh Government? OAQ(4)0291(ESK) **TRANSFERRED FOR WRITTEN ANSWER BY THE FIRST MINISTER**

15. Nick Ramsay (Monmouth): Will the Minister outline his key priorities for improving educational standards? OAQ(4)0299(ESK)

To ask the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

- 1. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on rail electrification in the Valleys and north Wales? OAQ(4)0290(EST)W
- 2. Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to secure investment in Wales? OAQ(4)0284(EST)
- 3. Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy):** Will the Minister make a statement on the support available for small businesses in Aberconwy? OAQ(4)0295(EST)
- 4. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's tourism brown signs policy? OAQ(4)0293(EST)
- 5. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on faith tourism opportunities in Wales? OAQ(4)0283(EST)
- 6. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the Minister make a statement on the economic importance of Post Offices to local high streets in Wales? OAQ(4)0286(EST) TRANSFERRED FOR WRITTEN ANSWER BY THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITIES AND TACKLING POVERTY
- 7. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on bus services in South Wales West? OAQ(4)0287(EST)
- 8. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What steps is the Welsh Government taking to strengthen links between the Welsh language and economic development? OAQ(4)0296(EST)
- 9. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** How is the Welsh Government helping small and medium sized construction companies in Delyn access finance to create and safeguard jobs? OAQ(4)0291(EST)
- 10. Elin Jones (Ceredigion):** What discussions has the Minister had with banks regarding support for businesses? OAQ(4)0288(EST)

11. Julie James (Swansea West): Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to promote Wales to air travellers, including both tourist and business travellers? OAQ(4)0292(EST)

12. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on her priorities for promoting science? OAQ(4)0297(EST)W

13. Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's transport priorities for mid Wales? OAQ(4)0294(EST)

14. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government plans to establish a 'Support Welsh High Streets' campaign? OAQ(4)0285(EST) **TRANSFERRED FOR WRITTEN ANSWER BY THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND REGENERATION**

15. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central): What plans does the Welsh Government have to improve and increase the availability of public transport across south Wales before the next Assembly election? OAQ(4)0289(EST)