

Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 25 September 2013 for answer on 2 October 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. Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales): What progress has the Welsh Government made in delivering the 21st Century Schools Programme in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)0321(ESK)

2. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley): What is the Welsh Government doing to address the number of young people not in education, employment or training? OAQ(4)0315(ESK)

3. Gwyn Price (Islwyn): Will the Minister make a statement on how the Welsh Government is equipping young people with the skills needed to enter the workforce? OAQ(4)0312(ESK)

4. William Powell (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement regarding modern European language provision in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)0317(ESK)

5. William Graham (South Wales East): Will the Minister outline discussions held with Ministerial colleagues to engender cross-portfolio support for education policies? OAQ(4)0316(ESK)

6. Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire): Will the Minister make a statement on the School Food Plan which concluded that ‘Good food provision in schools has been shown to lead not only to healthier children, but to improved attainment’? OAQ(4)0324(ESK)

7. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd): Will the Minister make a statement outlining the steps being taken to create effective and practical training and apprenticeships in construction skills? OAQ(4)0310(ESK)
WITHDRAWN

8. Jocelyn Davies (south Wales East): Will the Minister make a statement on the performance of education consortia?
OAQ(4)0320(ESK) **WITHDRAWN**

9. William Powell (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister outline his vision for the future delivery of modern European languages in Wales?
OAQ(4)0318(ESK)

10. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East): What action is the Welsh Government taking to improve pupils' literacy levels in Wales?
OAQ(4)0307(ESK)

11. Elin Jones (Ceredigion): What discussions has the Minister had with HEFCW regarding university funding? OAQ(4)0319(ESK)

12. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on any assessment he has made on the effectiveness of the pupil deprivation grant? OAQ(4)0309(ESK)

13. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the action points in 'Welsh Medium Education Strategy: Annual Report 2012–13'? OAQ(4)0323(ESK)**W**

14. Mark Isherwood (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government plans to improve skills opportunities in North Wales? OAQ(4)0313(ESK)

15. Aled Roberts (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the results of the National Literacy and Numeracy tests this year?
OAQ(4)0311(ESK)**W**

To ask the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

1. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): What improvements does the Minister have planned for the transport infrastructure in north Wales?

OAQ(4)0300(EST)

2. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central): What impact assessment did the Welsh Government undertake prior to reducing financial support for the Bus Service Operators Grant? OAQ(4)0307(EST)

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3. Elin Jones (Ceredigion): What steps is the Welsh Government taking to promote rail travel in mid Wales? OAQ(4)0310(EST)

4. Elin Jones (Ceredigion): What is the Welsh Government's strategy for marketing tourism in west Wales? OAQ(4)0309(EST)

5. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's work to encourage economic growth?

OAQ(4)0312(EST)W

6. William Powell (Mid and West Wales): Will the Minister make a statement regarding improvements to trunk roads in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)0306(EST)

7. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister provide an update on the development of plans to progress the Welsh Government's tourism strategy? OAQ(4)0305(EST)

8. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East): Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government programmes to support SMEs?

OAQ(4)0311(EST) **WITHDRAWN**

9. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): What are the Minister's priorities for businesses in North Wales? OAQ(4)0308(EST)

10. Peter Black (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on the benefits of cultural tourism? OAQ(4)0304(EST)

11. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon): Will the Minister make a statement on the work programme of the Mersey Dee Alliance? OAQ(4)0313(EST)W

12. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West): Will the Minister make a statement on supporting SMEs in Wales? OAQ(4)0303(EST)

13. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister provide an update on her plans to help the tourism sector in west Wales? OAQ(4)0301(EST)

14. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to improve safety on Welsh roads? OAQ(4)0298(EST)

15. Darren Millar (Clwyd West): Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh tourism industry? OAQ(4)0299(EST)