Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 7 January 2015 for answer on 14 January 2015

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

The Presiding Officer will call Party Spokespeople to ask questions without notice to the Minister after Question 2.

- 1. Antoinette Sandbach (North Wales): Will the Minister outline what support is in place to help safeguard the welfare of teachers in North Wales? OAQ(4)0509(ESK)
- **2. Gwyn Price (Islwyn)**: What steps is the Welsh Government taking to promote teaching as a career? OAQ(4)0516(ESK)
- **3. William Graham (South Wales East):** Will the Minister outline how the Welsh Government co-ordinates the provision of medical education? OAQ(4)0519(ESK)
- **4. Gwenda Thomas (Neath):** Will the Minister provide an update on efforts to improve primary school attendance? OAQ(4)0521(ESK)
- **5. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** Will the Minister provide a progress update on plans to deliver equitable provision of post-16 education in Torfaen? OAQ(4)0517(ESK)
- **6. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the provision of music education services in Wales? OAQ(4)0510(ESK)
- **7. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister outline plans to improve educational outcomes in 2015 for pupils in South Wales Central? OAQ(4)0518(ESK)
- **8. Leanne Wood (South Wales Central)**: Will the Minister make a statement about the importance of teaching IT in schools? OAQ(4)0515(ESK)
- **9. Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Dwyfor Meirionnydd):** Will the Minister make a statement on progress in relation to the implementation of 14-19 Learning Pathways over the last year? OAQ(4)0512(ESK)**W**
- **10. Mark Isherwood (North Wales)**: Will the Minister make a statement on funding for schools in Wales? OAQ(4)0523(ESK)

- 11. Keith Davies (Llanelli): Will the Minister make a statement on school catchment areas? OAQ(4)0511(ESK)W
- **12. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central)**: Will the Minister provide an update on how the national school categorisation system is operating in practice? OAQ(4)0524(ESK)
- 13. Suzy Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister provide an update on the Welsh Government's priorities for Welsh-language education during 2015? OAQ(4)0514(ESK)
- **14. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on how the Welsh Government is improving education in Pembrokeshire? OAQ(4)0506(ESK)
- 15. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): Will the Minister provide an update regarding progress on the consultations that are currently underway in the education department? OAQ(4)0508(ESK)

To ask the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

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- 1. John Griffiths (Newport East): Will the Minister make a statement on the support that the Welsh Government has given to Newport for the growth of businesses in the city centre in recent years?

 OAQ(4)0513(EST)
- **2. Simon Thomas (Mid and West Wales)**: What submissions is the Minister considering for control period six of the Network Rail investment in the Wales and Borders franchise? OAQ(4)0500(EST)**W**
- **3. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on progress towards the delivery of the A483/A489 Newtown bypass? OAQ(4)0501(EST)
- **4. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy):** What discussions has the Minister had with the UK Government regarding the current drink-drive limit in Wales? OAQ(4)0509(EST)
- **5. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on transport links between north Wales and the north west of England? OAQ(4)0496(EST)
- **6. Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy):** Will the Minister make a statement on the franchising of the Wales and Borders rail routes? OAQ(4)0510(EST)

- **7. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What assessment has the Minister made of the impact of cheaper energy on industry in Wales? OAQ(4)0507(EST)
- **8. Darren Millar (Clwyd West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the trunk road maintenance and improvement programme? OAQ(4)0495(EST)
- **9. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North)**: What is the likely outcome for science policy in Wales as a result of the research excellence framework published last month? OAQ(4)0505(EST)
- **10. William Powell (Mid and West Wales)**: Will the Minister provide an update on the recent reform of the blue badge parking scheme in Wales? OAQ(4)0502(EST)
- 11. Jeff Cuthbert (Caerphilly): Will the Minister make a statement on the importance of social enterprises to the Welsh economy? OAQ(4)0506(EST)
- 12. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales): Will the Minister make a statement on the future of libraries in Wales? OAQ(4)0512(EST)W
- **13. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon)**: Will the Minister make a statement on the future of local libraries in Wales? OAQ(4)0497(EST)**W**
- 14. William Graham (South Wales East): What assessment has the Minister made of the economic benefits for Wales arising from the development of the Heathrow Hub? OAQ(4)0511(EST)
- **15. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East)**: What plans does the Minister have to reform business rates in Wales in 2015? OAQ(4)0498(EST)