

## Written Assembly Questions for answer on 15 February 2006

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(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

### ***To ask the First Minister***

**Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the estimated cost of the proposed renaming of Welsh Assembly Government Departments. (WAQ45833)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Who holds responsibility for the coordination of healthy eating and cooking initiatives, given that schemes are supported under the health, education and social justice portfolios. (WAQ45851)

### ***To ask the Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport***

**Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales):** What financial support is the Minister providing to local authorities to encourage cycling in Wales. (WAQ45836)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** When does the Minister expect to complete his assessment of the bid by the Pentref Bowmen for the 2008 World Field Archery Championships. (WAQ45852)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** When did the Minister last meet the Heritage Lottery Fund; what assessment has he made of HLF investment in the former coalfield areas; and will he make a statement. (WAQ45853)

### ***To ask the Minister for Economic Development and Transport***

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** How is the Welsh Assembly Government attracting inward investment into Llanelli. (WAQ45846)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** Will the Minister make a statement on job creation within the Llanelli area. (WAQ45847)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** What support has been provided by the Welsh Assembly Government to boost tourism in Llanelli. (WAQ45848)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** Will the Minister provide information on regional selective assistance and Welsh Assembly Government investment grants into Llanelli. (WAQ45849)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What advertising contracts have been let by the WDA overseas, and to whom. (WAQ45854)

### ***To ask the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning***

**Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales):** What is the Minister doing to promote cycling in schools. (WAQ45834)

**Leanne Wood (South Wales Central):** What is the allocation criteria for the Small Schools Fund. (WAQ45835)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Minister's policy on the creation of vegetable gardens by schools as part of healthy eating initiatives. (WAQ45855)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Minister's policy on teachers having disciplinary powers outside school grounds. (WAQ45856)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Minister's policy on the teaching of phonics in schools. (WAQ45857)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** How many primary schools in the Rhondda have +40% of pupils taking free school meals. (WAQ45858)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What account has been taken in the 'Flying Start' strategy of the lessons learned from the successful On Track project in Tylerstown. (WAQ45859)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What account has been taken of the experience of the On Track project in Tylerstown in framing the Childcare Strategy for Wales. (WAQ45860)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What account has been taken of the experience of the On Track project in Tylerstown in framing the Parenting Action Plan. (WAQ45861)

### ***To ask the Minister for Environment, Planning and Countryside***

**Nick Bourne (Mid and West Wales):** Has the Assembly Government received any requests for the boundaries of the strategic areas identified by TAN 8 to be redefined and, if so, has it agreed to them. (WAQ45837)

**Alun Cairns (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the importance of smaller farm businesses in Wales. (WAQ45838)

**Alun Cairns (South Wales West):** Would the Minister make a statement on what role the planning system plays in ensuring that the needs and requirements of small farm

businesses are met. (WAQ45839)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Pursuant to WAQ44425, will the Minister instruct supermarkets in Wales to use alternatives to disposable plastic bags. (WAQ45862)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Minister's policy on the timing of hedgecutting/laying by farmers. (WAQ45863)

### ***To ask the Minister for Finance, Local Government and Public Services***

**John Marek (Wrexham):** Will the Minister give details of the last official function that she has asked an assembly member, not being a member of the Welsh Assembly Government, to fulfil on her behalf. (WAQ45850)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What are the average salaries paid to council cabinet members in Wales; and what comparison has the Minister made with council cabinet salaries for authorities of similar size in England. (WAQ45875)

### ***To ask the Minister for Health and Social Services***

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What are the achieved ambulance response times in the RCT LHB area. (WAQ45864)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What policies are in place to encourage the appointment of salaried GPs and to retain GPs in the valleys. (WAQ45865)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Will the Minister list all the healthy eating and cooking schemes promoted by his department. (WAQ45866)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Pursuant to WAQ44134, will the Minister set out the average annual increase in salaries for (a) Consultants (b) GPs and (c) nurses. (WAQ45867)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Pursuant to WAQ44134, will the Minister distinguish between staff costs committed to employing new staff and increases in pay across the board. (WAQ45868)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Minister's policy on healthy living centres and have any such centres been funded through lottery funds in Wales. (WAQ45869)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Pursuant to WAQ44426, has the NPHS review of the Palmer et al study now been published. (WAQ45870)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** How many GP practices have been identified by the Primary Care Estate Forum as facing serious issues with high interest rate surgery loans or

negative equity. (WAQ45871)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Who are the members of the Joint Pharmaceutical Service Advisory Committee and what are their commercial interests in pharmaceuticals/ pharmacies. (WAQ45872)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the Welsh Assembly Government's policy on the use of hostel-based overnight accommodation in early intervention and preventative services for families and children. (WAQ45873)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What are the minimum requirements established by the SSIW for early intervention and preventative services for families and children offered in overnight hostel-based accommodation. (WAQ45874)

**Kirsty Williams (Brecon and Radnorshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the availability of home oxygen supplies in Wales. (WAQ45888)

### ***To ask the Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration***

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** How has the Minister supported the continuing growth in the social economy within Llanelli. (WAQ45840)

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**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Assembly Government's contribution to taking forward the economic regeneration of Llanelli. (WAQ45841)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** What action has the Welsh Assembly Government taken to improve community facilities in Llanelli. (WAQ45842)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** How much funding from the Social Justice and Regeneration portfolio has been allocated to Llanelli since 2003, and can the Minister provide a breakdown. (WAQ45843)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** What action has been taken to support the regeneration of communities within Llanelli. (WAQ45844)

**Catherine Thomas (Llanelli):** Will the Minister outline the Welsh Assembly Government's main achievements in the field of Social Justice and Regeneration in Llanelli. (WAQ45845)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Why do Communities First jobs have to be advertised in the Western Mail and will the Minister make a statement on the cost of job advertising for

Communities First partnerships. (WAQ45876)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Will the Minister consider allowing sub-wards to become Communities First wards. (WAQ45877)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Pursuant to WAQ44431, will the Minister state how lessons learnt from the On Track project have been mainstreamed across Welsh Assembly Government policies; what lessons have been learned and what areas of government policy have been affected. (WAQ45878)

**Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire):** Does the Welsh Assembly Government have any plans to make financial or other assistance available for the non elderly fuel poor. (WAQ45883)

**Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Welsh Assembly Government encourage energy suppliers to follow the example set by Dwr Cymru and offer low income consumers social tariffs to help them manage rising prices. (WAQ45884)

**Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister report on what work is being done to eradicate fuel poverty in areas of Wales not connected to the gas network. (WAQ45885)

**Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister ensure that more will be done to encourage the take up of benefits and to help people through the process of claiming benefits, in order to raise the incomes of those living in fuel poverty. (WAQ45886)

**Mick Bates (Montgomeryshire):** What steps has the Minister taken, following the interim evaluation of the Home Energy Efficiency Scheme, to improve targeting of the scheme in order to reach more fuel poor household's. (WAQ45887)

### ***To ask a representative of the House Committee***

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** When did the House Committee formally decide to adopt the monoglot names 'Siambri', 'Cwrt', 'Neuadd' and 'Oriol' for use in the new building. (WAQ45879)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** What is the House Committee's policy on the use of bilingual or monoglot signs in the new Assembly building. (WAQ45880)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** At which meeting of the House Committee was it decided to adopt the name 'Senedd' for the new building. (WAQ45881)

**Leighton Andrews (Rhondda):** Has there ever been a formal vote of the House Committee in favour of the name 'Senedd' for the new building. (WAQ45882)