

# Atebion i Gwestiynau nas cyrhaeddwyd yn y Cyfarfod Llawn

## Answers to Questions not reached in Plenary

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*Cyhoeddir atebion yn yr iaith y'u darparwyd, gyda chyfieithiad Saesneg o atebion yn y Gymraeg.*

*Answers are published in the language in which they are provided, with a translation into English of responses provided in Welsh.*

[R] yn nodi bod yr Aelod wedi datgan buddiant/signifies that the Member has declared an interest.

[W] yn nodi bod y cwestiwn wedi'i gyflwyno yn Gymraeg/signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

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### Cwestiynau i'r Gweinidog Addysg a Sgiliau Questions to the Minister for Education and Skills

#### Gwaith Ymchwil ym Mhrifysgolion Cymru

#### Research Work of Welsh Universities

**13. Elin Jones:** *Sut y bydd y Llywodraeth yn cefnogi gwaith ymchwil ym Mhrifysgolion Cymru. OAQ(4)0147(ESK) W*

**Y Gweinidog Addysg a Sgiliau (Leighton Andrews):** Mae ein grant i Gyngor Cyllido Addysg Uwch Cymru yn ariannu gwaith ymchwil craidd ym mhrifysgolion Cymru, gan roi llwyfan i waith ymchwil cystadleuol o'r radd flaenaf o nifer o ffynonellau eraill. Bydd ein cyllid ychwanegol o £50 miliwn dros bum mlynedd drwy Sêr Cymru yn anelu at wella hyn yn sylweddol.

**13. Elin Jones:** *How will the Government support the research work of Welsh Universities. OAQ(4)0147(ESK) W*

**The Minister for Education and Skills (Leighton Andrews):** Our grant to the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales funds core research in Welsh universities, providing a platform for winning competitive research from many other sources. Our additional £50 million funding over five years through Sêr Cymru aims to improve this capability substantially.

#### Mynediad at Brentisiaethau

#### Access to Apprenticeships

**14. Gwyn Price:** *A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am fynediad at brentisiaethau yng Nghymru. OAQ(4)0145(ESK)*

**14. Gwyn Price:** *Will the Minister make a statement on access to apprenticeships in Wales. OAQ(4)0145(ESK)*

**The Deputy Minister for Skills (Jeff Cuthbert):** We are investing approximately £90 million annually to support Welsh businesses in taking on apprentices. Working in

conjunction with sector skills councils, we have developed a broad range of apprenticeship frameworks, as part of an all-age programme, to make apprenticeship opportunities available in a range of occupations.

#### Cyfranogiad mewn Dysgu Gydol Oes

**15. Jocelyn Davies:** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am gyfranogiad mewn dysgu gydol oes. OAQ(4)0148(ESK)

**Jeff Cuthbert:** The Welsh Government is committed to an all-age learning programme and recognises that participating in learning has a range of benefits for people's health and engagement in society. There are over 180,000 learners participating annually in lifelong learning in Wales, including over 38,000 learners accessing adult community learning provision.

#### Participation in Lifelong Learning

**15. Jocelyn Davies:** Will the Minister make a statement on participation in lifelong learning. OAQ(4)0148(ESK)

### Cwestiynau i'r Gweinidog Llywodraeth Leol a Chymunedau Questions to the Minister for Local Government and Communities

#### Menter Benthyca Llywodraeth Leol

**14. Rhodri Glyn Thomas:** A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad am y Fenter Benthyca Llywodraeth Leol. OAQ(4)0142(LGC) W

**Y Gweinidog Llywodraeth Leol a Chymunedau (Carl Sargeant):** Rwyf yn rhoi £4 miliwn ychwanegol i awdurdodau lleol yn 2012-13, a fydd yn codi i £12 miliwn erbyn 2014-15. Bydd hyn yn galluogi pob awdurdod lleol i ariannu benthyca hyd at £170 miliwn o fuddsoddiad cyfalaf i helpu gyda gwella priffyrrd dros y tair blynedd nesaf.

#### Local Government Borrowing Initiative

**14. Rhodri Glyn Thomas:** Will the Minister make a statement on the Local Government Borrowing Initiative. OAQ(4)0142(LGC) W

**The Minister for Local Government and Communities (Carl Sargeant):** I am providing local authorities with an additional £4 million in 2012-13, rising to £12 million by 2014-15, which will allow all local authorities to finance borrowing of up to £170 million of capital investment to support highways improvements, over the next three years.

#### Trafnidiaeth Gyhoeddus

**15. Mike Hedges:** Pa gamau y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn eu cymryd i annog mwy o bobl i ddefnyddio trafnidiaeth gyhoeddus yn ardal Bae Abertawe. OAQ(4)0145(LGC)

**Carl Sargeant:** I am committed to a sustainable transport policy and to the delivery of my priorities for public transport in the national transport plans. I am also committed to supporting the delivery of the public transport priorities in the regional transport plan for south-west Wales.

#### Public Transport

**15. Mike Hedges:** What action is the Welsh Government taking to encourage more people to use public transport in the Swansea Bay area. OAQ(4)0145(LGC)