

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 18 September 2013 for answer on 25 September 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 Finance

**1. Angela Burns (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the overall allocation of funding to the Local Government and Government Business portfolio?

OAQ(4)0311(FIN)

**2. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister provide an update regarding the discussions she has had with the Health Minister regarding the long-term financing of the Health and Social Services Budget? OAQ(4)0299(FIN)

**3. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd):** Will the Minister make a statement on the overall budget allocated to the Communities and Tackling Poverty portfolio? OAQ(4)0297(FIN)

**4. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on European Structural Funding programmes?

OAQ(4)0295(FIN)

**5. Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** Will the Minister make a statement on the effects to budgets on cuts to the Welsh block grant? OAQ(4)0296(FIN)

**6. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the future EU structural fund bids by the Welsh Government? OAQ(4)0302(FIN)

**7. Janet Finch–Saunders (Aberconwy):** Does the Minister have any plans to allocate additional one–off funding to the Health and Social Services portfolio? OAQ(4)0310 (FIN)

**8. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister provide an update on her capital programme? OAQ(4)0293(FIN)

**9. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** Will the Minister outline Welsh Government proposals for eliminating the use of employment blacklisting by companies bidding for public sector contracts? OAQ(4)0298(FIN)

**10. Jenny Rathbone (Cardiff Central):** What negotiations has the Minister had about the new round of European Structural Funds Programmes? OAQ(4)0308(FIN)R

**11. Aled Roberts (North Wales):** Will the Minister provide an update on the development of the National Procurement Service?  
OAQ(4)0301(FIN)W

**12. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** What action is the Minister taking to prevent companies and businesses from blacklisting employees?  
OAQ(4)0294(FIN)

**13. Llyr Huws Gruffydd (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on any progress made on acquiring borrowing powers?  
OAQ(4)0309(FIN)

**14. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's plans to protect workers by eradicating blacklisting in Wales? OAQ(4)0300(FIN)

**15. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on the budget allocation to the Natural Resources and Food portfolio? OAQ(4)0292(FIN)

**To ask the Minister for Local Government and Government Business**

- 1. Andrew RT Davies (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on Welsh Government funding for local authorities?  
OAQ(4)0314(LG)
- 2. Rebecca Evans (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister provide an update on efforts to end domestic violence? OAQ(4)0308(LG)
- 3. David Rees (Aberavon):** Will the Minister provide an update on the discussions she has had with local authorities and the Finance Minister on Local Government funding? OAQ(4)0322(LG)
- 4. Joyce Watson (Mid and West Wales):** What action is the Welsh Government taking to confront all forms of violence against women?  
OAQ(4)0317(LG)
- 5. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** What steps has the Minister taken to increase the number of local government contracts that are given to local companies? OAQ(4)0316(LG)W
- 6. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What plans does the Welsh Government have to support greater collaborative community planning by local authorities and their local partners? OAQ(4)0320(LG)
- 7. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement about the maintenance of public toilets along the Welsh Trunk Road Network? OAQ(4)0313(LG) **TRANSFERRED FOR WRITTEN ANSWER BY THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMY, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORT**
- 8. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** What advice has the Welsh Government given to local authorities in Wales on implementing a living wage?  
OAQ(4)0306(LG)
- 9. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on action taken to address failing local authorities?  
OAQ(4)0310(LG)

**10. William Powell (Mid and West Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on improving the delivery of public services in Mid and West Wales? OAQ(4)0307(LG)

**11. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the Minister provide an update on efforts to encourage greater diversity within local government? OAQ(4)0311(LG)

**12. Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Camarthen East and Dinefwr):** Will the Minister make a statement regarding the level of council tax on second homes? OAQ(4)0315(LG)W

**13. Gwyn Price (Islwyn):** Will the Minister make a statement on conversations she has had with the Local Government Boundary Commission? OAQ(4)0309(LG)

**14. Bethan Jenkins (South Wales West):** Will the Minister provide an update on what the Welsh Government is doing to end the use of zero hours contracts among local authority workers? OAQ(4)0318(LG)

**15. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's policy on council tax? OAQ(4)0321(LG)W

## **To ask the Assembly Commission**

**1. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the Commission make a statement on the accessibility of Assembly broadcasting for people with disabilities? OAQ(4)0074(AC)

**2. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the Assembly Commission provide an update on any plans they have to introduce a National Assembly for Wales smartphone application? OAQ(4)0075(AC)