

## Oral Assembly Questions tabled on 16 October 2013 for answer on 23 October 2013

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W – Signifies that the question was tabled in Welsh.

(Self identifying Question no. shown in brackets)

### To ask the Minister for Finance

- 1. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** What did the Minister take into consideration when allocating the overall budget to the Local Government and Government Business portfolio? OAQ(4)0315(FIN)
- 2. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's capital investment? OAQ(4)0316(FIN)W
- 3. Rhun Ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** Will the Minister make a statement on recent discussions she has had with the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty regarding that portfolio's budget? OAQ(4)0314(FIN)W
- 4. Mike Hedges (Swansea East):** Will the Minister outline how much money has been borrowed from the European Investment Bank by Welsh Government supported organisations in Wales? OAQ(4)0313(FIN)
- 5. Paul Davies (Preseli Pembrokeshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the overall budget allocation for the Health and Social Services portfolio? OAQ(4)0312(FIN)
- 6. Llyr Gruffydd (North Wales):** Will the Minister make a statement on the draft budget allocation for the Natural Resources and Food portfolio for 2014–15? OAQ(4)328(FIN)W
- 7. Sandy Mewies (Delyn):** Will the Minister provide an update on the Invest to Save scheme? OAQ(4)0322(FIN)
- 8. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What plans does the Minister have to introduce innovative methods of funding capital projects? OAQ(4)0318(FIN)
- 9. Jocelyn Davies (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on preparations for further reductions in the block grant? OAQ(4)0320(FIN)

**10. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** What were the Minister's priorities when allocating funding to the Communities and Tackling Poverty portfolio? OAQ(4)0325(FIN)W

**11. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the Welsh Government's discussions with the UK Government regarding the implementation of the recommendations in the Silk Commission's first report? OAQ(4)0317(FIN)W

**12. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the allocation of resources to the Natural Resources and Food portfolio within the recent draft budget? OAQ(4)0327(FIN)

**13. Eluned Parrott (South Wales Central):** Will the Minister make a statement on the relationship between structural funds and other sources of EU funding? OAQ(4)0324(FIN)

**14. Lynne Neagle (Torfaen):** What discussions has the Minister had with the Minister for Local Government and Government Business regarding the budget allocation to that portfolio? OAQ(4)0323(FIN)

**15. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What discussions has the Minister had regarding the long term financing of the Local Government and Government Business portfolio? OAQ(4)0321(FIN)

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

**1. Peter Black (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the collaboration agenda for local councils in Wales? OAQ(4)0323(LG)

**2. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the use of local government reserves? OAQ(4)0337(LG)

**3. Mohammad Asghar (South Wales East):** What action will the Welsh Government take in 2014 to support victims of domestic abuse in Wales? OAQ(4)0325(LG)

**4. Lindsay Whittle (South Wales East):** Will the Minister make a statement on best practice for cost saving measures in local government? OAQ(4)0331(LG)

**5. Christine Chapman (Cynon Valley):** Will the Minister make a statement on the guidance given to local government on consultation with the public? OAQ(4)0324(LG)

**6. Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the provisional Local Government Settlement for 2014–15? OAQ(4)0338(LG)

**7. Alun Ffred Jones (Arfon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the development of Welsh language standards within local authorities? OAQ(4)0326(LG)W

**8. Rhun ap Iorwerth (Ynys Môn):** Will the Minister make a statement on the proposed financial settlement for Anglesey County Council? OAQ(4)0336(FIN)W

**9. Aled Roberts (North Wales):** What discussions has the Welsh Government had with the UK Government regarding human trafficking in Wales? OAQ(4)0327(LG)W

**10. Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** How will the Welsh Government be supporting local authorities in the Swansea Bay region over the next three years? OAQ(4)0332(LG)

**11. David Rees (Aberavon):** Will the Minister make a statement on the future of Fire and Rescue Services across Wales? OAQ(4)0339(LG)

**12. Byron Davies (South Wales West):** Will the Minister make a statement on the future financing of local authorities in Wales? OAQ(4)0328(LG)

**13. Mark Isherwood (North Wales):** What discussions has the Minister had with local authorities regarding future service provision? OAQ(4)0334(LG)

**14. Julie Morgan (Cardiff North):** What plans does the Minister have to explore the way local authorities are funded? OAQ(4)0330(LG)

**15. Mick Antoniw (Pontypridd):** Will the Minister make a statement on what the Welsh Government is doing to promote community safety in Pontypridd? OAQ(4)0329(LG)

## **To ask the Assembly Commission**

**1. Suzy Davies (South Wales West):** Will the Assembly Commission provide an update on plans for the Assembly to adopt the .cymru and .wales top level domains for internet and e-mail use? OAQ(4)0076(AC)