

**Atebion i Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad i'w hateb ar 17 Tachwedd
2011**

Answers to the Written Assembly Questions for answer on 17 November 2011

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***Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Busnes, Menter, Technoleg a Gwyddoniaeth
To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science***

Andrew T Davies (Canol De Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddatganiad ynghylch cynnydd y Cynllun Gwell Diogelwch Bwyd a weinyddir gan IBERS a nodi beth yw'r canlyniadau a ragwelir a faint o arian sydd wedi cael ei wario ar y cynllun hyd yma. (WAQ58350)

Andrew T Davies (South Wales Central): Will the Minister make a statement on the progress of the Improved Food Safety Initiative administered by IBERS and indicate what the envisaged outcomes will be and how much has been spent on the initiative to date. (WAQ58350)

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The Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes (Alun Davies): As of the end of September 2011, the Welsh Government has provided around £26k towards Aberystwyth University's Improved Food Safety (poultry) research project. Details of the aims and objectives of the research are outlined in the University's press release for the project, which can be accessed via the following link:
http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/ibers/news/news_archive_all/news_archive_2011/title-101414-en.html

***Gofyn i'r Gweinidog Tai, Adfywio a Threftadaeth
To ask the Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage***

Suzy Davies (Gorllewin De Cymru): A wnaiff y Gweinidog roi'r newyddion diweddaraf am Golwg360 a faint o gymhorthdal, os o gwbl, mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi'i dalu. (WAQ58351)

Suzy Davies (South Wales West): Will the Minister provide an update on Golwg360 and the amount of subsidy, if any, paid by the Welsh Government. (WAQ58351)

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The Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage (Huw Lewis): The Welsh Government provides funding of £200,000 during the current financial year, through the Welsh Books Council, to Golwg 360.

There is no doubt that Golwg 360 has developed significantly since it was established. The number of visits to the website has increased regularly with approximately 90,000 visits a month. It has also contributed to the Welsh Government's aspiration of seeing plurality of news services in Wales.

The investment in Golwg 360 has led to job creation and training in both Golwg Newydd (the company which owns Golwg 360) and its sister company Golwg Cyf., which owns the print magazine. A total of seven posts have been created in Golwg 360, four of them journalist posts, and Golwg itself has created 1.7 new posts. The journalist training has been mostly done in-house taking advantage of the experience acquired by Golwg over many years. The majority of the jobs created are located in the Lampeter or Caernarfon areas.

Suzy Davies (Gorllewin De Cymru): A all y Gweinidog ddarparu rhestr o holl dendrau Cadw a'r hyn a gafodd drwy gaffael ers 2006 ynghyd â'u gwerth a'r cwmnïau a'u henillodd. (WAQ58352)

Suzy Davies (South Wales West): Can the Minister provide a list of all Cadw tenders and procurements since 2006 together with the value and winning company. (WAQ58352)

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Huw Lewis: I can report that Cadw has procured 587 contracts since 2006 with an overall value of £10.8 million at the time of contract issue. A list of the winning companies and associated tender values can be provided.

Ar gyfer y tabl, gweler Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at Gwestiynau Ysgrifenedig y Cynulliad
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Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): A wnaiff y Gweinidog ddarparu ffigurau ar gyfer yr holl anheddau gwag sydd yng Nghymru, ac, o fewn y cyfanswm hwnnw, ddarparu ffigurau ar gyfer (a) nifer yr anheddau gwag sydd ym mherchnogaeth y sector cyhoeddus; (b) nifer yr anheddau gwag sydd mewn perchnogaeth breifat; (c) nifer yr anheddau ym mherchnogaeth y sector cyhoeddus sydd wedi bod yn wag am fwy na 6 mis; a (d) nifer yr anheddau ym mherchnogaeth y sector preifat sydd wedi bod yn wag am fwy na 6 mis. (WAQ58353)

Janet Finch-Saunders (Aberconwy): Will the Minister provide figures for Wales of the total number of empty dwellings, and within this total provide figures for (a) the number of public sector owned empty dwellings; (b) the number of privately owned empty dwellings; (c) the number of public sector owned dwellings empty for more than 6 months; and (d) the number of private sector owned dwellings empty for more than 6 month. (WAQ58353)

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Huw Lewis: Based on the most recent information there were 3,585 empty public sector owned housing units at 31 March 2011 of which 1,030 had been empty for more than 6 months.

At 1 April 2010 there were 21,970 private sector dwellings that had been empty for more than 6 months. The private sector figures only include dwellings that have been empty for more than 6 months. We exclude properties that have been empty for less than 6 months from the data collection as these are often empty for legitimate transitional purposes.

You may be interested to know that the data collection exercise showed that of the 21,970 private sector properties that had been empty for more than 6 months at 1 April 2010, 954 (4 per cent) were brought back into use through direct action by local authorities during the 2010-11 financial year..