

**Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol at y Cyfarfod Llawn  
Information Further to Plenary**

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**Gwybodaeth ychwanegol at OAQ(4)0739(FM) a gyhoeddwyd gan y Prif Weinidog,  
Carwyn Jones, ar 15 Tachwedd 2012  
Information further to OAQ(4)0739(FM) issued by the First Minister, Carwyn Jones, on  
15 November 2012**

**At/To Angela Burns:**

I am writing in response to the question you raised in Plenary on 6 November 2012 regarding 'what financial support could be offered to young people who need to undertake apprenticeships that are not available locally and are far away from where they live'.

In order to complete an apprenticeship in Wales the learner has to be employed status. It is, therefore, for the employer and the apprentice to make the necessary arrangements for covering the cost of travel and accommodation in accordance with the employer's usual procedures. At the moment neither employers nor the Welsh Government will support travel and accommodation costs normally incurred as part of the employment (as opposed to the learning).

However, if a period of training takes place which is necessarily away from home and which is integral to an apprenticeship framework (and the costs are exceptional) it is possible to secure reimbursement of these costs from the Welsh Government.

Whilst not commonplace, there are examples of where the Welsh Government is supporting out of the area training, and the associated cost, where individuals would not otherwise be able to progress.

Officials will always consider individual cases on their merits and any queries should be addresses to the Work Based Learning [helpline-askWBL@wales.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:helpline-askWBL@wales.gsi.gov.uk).

**Gwybodaeth ychwanegol at OAQ(4)0749(FM) a gyhoeddwyd gan y Prif Weinidog,  
Carwyn Jones, ar 15 Tachwedd 2012  
Information further to OAQ(4)0749(FM) issued by the First Minister, Carwyn Jones, on  
15 November 2012**

**At/To Peter Black:**

During the First Ministers questions on 6 November you asked, in connection with a letter sent to all Assembly Members on 15 October by the Minister for Business, Enterprise, Technology and Science, why the decision concerning management of budgets for the SA1 development was made by Senior Management as opposed to Ministers and whether it is the Government's policy not to put resources into SA1.

The decision to end the arrangements whereby capital expenditure at SA1 was funded by receipts from sales of land within that development was a decision taken by Senior Management within the then Department for Economy and Transport. This was part of the

realignment of the Property Related Infrastructure spending programme (of which SA1 is part) to meet the One Wales priority of adopting an All Wales approach to Economic Development, guaranteeing investment in all regions within the framework of the Spatial Plan. At that time, Ministerial Approval would have been provided at Budget Expenditure Line level with officials responsible for management of that budget.

The second part of your question relates to the Government's commitment of resources into SA1. I would refer you to the Minister's letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> October which confirms that since 2008 the level of capital expenditure at SA1 has considerably exceeded capital receipts arising from the sale of land within the development. Welsh Government remains committed to ensuring that the SA1 project continues to deliver positive outcomes for the benefit of the wider community.