Economic Development and Transport Committee

Minutes EDT2 10-05

Meeting date: 14 July 2005 Meeting time: 2.00-3.20

Meeting venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Attendance

Christine Gwyther (Chair)	Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire
Leighton Andrews	Rhondda
Janet Davies	South Wales West
Tamsin Dunwoody-Kneafsey	Preseli Pembrokeshire
Lisa Francis	Mid and West Wales
Carl Sargeant	Alyn & Deeside
Kirsty Williams	Brecon & Radnorshire

Officials

Bob Macey	Head of Economic Policy Division
Jackie Brown	European and External Affairs Division

Others

		Agenda item(s)
Gareth Hall	WDA Chief Executive	2
Tracey Burke	WDA Executive Director - Strategy and Development	2

Gretel Leeb	WDA Acting Executive Director -	2
	Business Support	

Committee Service

Sian Wilkins	Clerk
Sarah Bartlett	Deputy Clerk

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Andrew Davies, Alun Cairns and Elin Jones.

Item 2: Welsh Development Agency - end of year review and business plan

Paper: EDT2 10-05 (p1)

Actions

• WDA officials agreed to provide a note to Committee Members on the employment of foreign nationals in the context of the merger.

Item 3: State Aid Road Map

Paper: EDT2 10-05 (p4)

EDT2 10-05 (p5)

Actions

- Officials agreed to provide a note to the Committee on the Commission's proposals for reclassification of large firms.
- Officials agreed to provide a note to Committee Members on the possible impact of the State Aid Action Plan on publicly funded broadcasters.
- The Chair agreed to write to the Commission with the issues raised at the meeting. The letter would be circulated to Members for comment.

Item 4: Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

Paper: EDT2 09-05 - Minutes of meeting held on 29 June

Paper: EDT2 10-05 - Action Outstanding

4.1 The Minutes of the meeting held on 29 June were agreed as a true record.

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