Enterprise, Innovation and Networks Committee

Agenda EIN(2) 08-06

Meeting date: Wednesday 18 October 2006 Meeting time: 9.00am – 12.35pm Meeting venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd, Cardiff Bay

Item 1: Introduction, apologies and substitutions (9.00 - 9.05)

Item 2: Minister's Report (9.05 - 9.45)

Paper:	EIN(2) 08-06(p1) – Minister's Report
Purpose:	To discuss the Minister's Report and any urgent or emerging issues
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN Robin Shaw, Director Transport Wales

Item 3: Network Rail and Arriva Trains (9.45 - 11.05)

Papers:	EIN(2) 08-06(p2) EIN(2) 08-06(p3)
Purpose:	To discuss the Network Rail Business Plan; performance against the franchise and the draft timetable for December 2006
In attendance:	 Robbie Burns, Director, Western Route, Network Rail Mike Gallop, Route Enhancement Manager, Network Rail Bob Holland, Managing Director, Arriva Trains Wales Mike Hurley, Head of Franchise and Stakeholder Management, Arriva Trains Wales Paul Plummer, Director, Planning and Regulation, Network Rail
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN Tim James, Head of Rail Unit

Paper:	EIN(2) 06-06 Minutes of the meeting held on 20 September EIN(2) 08-06 - Action Outstanding
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN

Item 5: Secondary Legislation Schedule (11.25 – 11.30)

Papers:	EIN(2) 08-06(p4) – EIN Secondary Legislation Schedule
Purpose:	To consider forthcoming Secondary legislation in the EIN portfolio
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN

Item 6: Towards e-Wales - A Consultation on Exploiting the Power of ICT in Wales (11.30 – 11.55)

Paper:	EIN(2) 08-06(p5)
Purpose:	To consider the draft strategy.
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN Michael Eaton, Head of e-Wales Division

Item 7: Consultation on Proposals for an All Wales Small Business Rate Relief Scheme (11.55 – 12.20)

Paper:	EIN(2) 08-06(p6)
Purpose:	To consider the proposal to replace the rural rate relief scheme with a small business rate relief scheme for the whole of Wales.

Officials in	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN
attendance:	David Fletcher, Local Government Finance
	Paul Harrison, Local Government Finance

Item 8: Fibre Speed Demand Analysis (12.20 – 12.35)

Paper:	EIN(2) 08-06(p7)
Purpose:	To consider the demand analysis for the Fibre Speed Project.
Officials in attendance:	Gareth Hall, Director DEIN Michael Eaton, Head of e-Wales Division Chris Johnson, Fibrespeed Projects Manager