

# Enterprise and Learning Committee

## Minutes (EL(3) 03-08)

**Date:** 30 January 2008

**Time:** 9.00am - 10.55am

**Venue:** Committee Room 3, Senedd

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Janet Ryder (Temporary Chair), North Wales  
Alun Cairns, South Wales West  
Christine Chapman, Cynon Valley  
Jeff Cuthbert, Caerphilly  
Huw Lewis, Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney  
David Melding, South Wales Central  
Sandy Mewies, Delyn

### Committee Service

Dr Kathryn Jenkins, Clerk  
Daniel Collier, Deputy Clerk

### Committee Specialist

Alys Thomas, Members' Research Service

### Others in Attendance

Professor Richard B Davies, Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University  
Huw Morris, Academic Registrar and Bologna Promoter for Wales  
Professor Nigel Weatherill, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University  
Dr David Rowse, Executive Scientist, Advanced Technology Centre, BAE Systems

Apologies had been received from Gareth Jones and Kirsty Williams.

### 1: Election of temporary Committee Chair

1.1 The Clerk requested nominations for a temporary Committee Chair under Standing Order 10.19. Jeff Cuthbert nominated Janet Ryder, who was duly elected.

### 2: Introduction, apologies and substitutions

2.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public to the meeting.

### 3: Evidence to the Committee inquiry into the economic contribution of higher education

#### Paper: EL(3) 03-08 - Paper 1, Annex 1

3.1 The Committee welcomed Professor Richard B Davies, Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University; Huw Morris, Academic Registrar and Bologna Promoter for Wales; Professor Nigel Weatherill, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University; Dr David Rowse, Executive Scientist, Advanced Technology Centre, BAE Systems.

3.2 The Committee scrutinised the witnesses.

#### Action points:

Swansea University agreed to provide:

Further information on employer input to the promotion of the Bologna process in Wales including Swansea University's recommendations on employability.

The Clerk agreed to:

Organise a Committee visit to an innovative science park widely regarded as an example of best practice.

Circulate copies of the Lambert Review of Business-University Collaboration to the Committee.

#### Paper to note:

**Minutes of the last meeting**

**Paper: EL(3) 02-08 - Minutes**

The Committee ratified the minutes of the 23 January meeting.

**Committee Service**

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