

Enterprise and Learning Committee

Concise Minutes: EL(3) 21-10 : 20 October 2010

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Time: 9.30 – 11.00

Venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Gareth Jones (Chair), Aberconwy
Christine Chapman, Cynon Valley
Jeff Cuthbert, Caerphilly
Andrew Davies, Swansea West
Paul Davies, Preseli Pembrokeshire
Nerys Evans, Mid and West Wales
Brian Gibbons, Aberavon
David Melding, South Wales Central
Jenny Randerson, Cardiff Central

Witnesses

Ieuan Wyn Jones AM, Minister for Economy and Transport
Lesley Griffiths AM, Deputy Minister for Science, Innovation and Skills
James Price, Director, Transport and Strategic Regeneration
Tracey Burke, Deputy Director for Operation, Department for Economy and Transport
Teresa Holdsworth, Head of Skills Development & Workplace Learning
Rachel Garside-Jones, Head of Skills Policy, Employability and Research Funding

Committee Staff

Siân Phipps, Clerk
Daniel Collier, Deputy Clerk
Ben Stokes, Members' Research Service

1: Introduction, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public to the meeting.
- 1.2 Jeff Cuthbert declared an interest as Chair of the Programme Monitoring Committee.

2: The Implementation of the Economic Renewal Programme

Paper: EL(3) 21-10 – Paper 1

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2.1 The Committee welcomed Ieuan Wyn Jones AM, Minister for Economy and Transport; Lesley Griffiths AM, Deputy Minister for Science, Innovation and Skills; James Price, Director, Transport and Strategic Direction; Tracey Burke, Deputy Director for Operation, Department for Economy and Transport; Teresa Holdsworth, Head of Skills Development & Workplace Learning; and Rachel Garside-Jones, Head of Skills Policy, Employability and Research Funding.

2.2 The Committee scrutinised the Minister.

Action point:

The Minister for Economy and Transport agreed to provide:

In confidence, the new organisation structure of the Department for Economy and Transport in the Welsh Assembly Government.

Further details on the evaluation of entrepreneurship activity in Wales, including the timetable of evaluation.

2.3 The Minister for Economy and Transport agreed to provide regular updates on the progress of re-focusing business support, in particular the securing of next generation broadband in Wales.

Paper to note:

Concise Minutes of previous meeting**Paper: EL(3) 20-10 – Minutes**

The Committee ratified the minutes of the 13 October meeting.

Private session

The Committee resolved to exclude the public from the meeting for item 3 in accordance with Standing Order 10.37(vi).

3: Evaluation of evidence received on the implementation of the Economic Renewal Programme

3.1 The Committee discussed the scrutiny session on the implementation of the Economic Renewal Programme.

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