

Education and Lifelong Learning Committee

Minutes (ELL2-06-05mins)

Meeting date: Thursday 26 May 2005

Meeting time: 1.00pm -2.40pm

Meeting venue: Committee Room 1, National Assembly, Cardiff Bay

Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Constituency
Peter Black (Chair)	South Wales West
Christine Chapman (Deputy Minister)	Cynon Valley
Jeff Cuthbert	Caerphilly
William Graham	South Wales East
Irene James	Islwyn
Janet Ryder	North Wales
Owen John Thomas	South West Central

Officials in Attendance

Name	Job title
Mair Watkins	Pupil Support Division

Others in Attendance

Name	Representing	Agenda item

Susan Lewis	Her Majesty's Chief Inspector for Training and Education in Wales, Estyn	2
Hilary Anthony	HM Inspector	2
Liz Willan	HM Inspector	2
Dr Gareth Price	Assistant Director Special Needs and Inclusion, Bridgend County Council) - Association of Directors of Education in Wales (ADEW)	2
Trevor Payne	Senior Education Officer, Flintshire County Council) (ADEW)	2

Committee Service

Name	Job title
Chris Reading	Clerk
Holly Pembridge	Deputy Clerk
Gareth Davies	Support Officer
Joanest Jackson	Legal Adviser

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions, Quorum and Declarations of Interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed William Graham as a new Committee Member who replaced David Davies. The Chair acknowledged David Davies's contribution to the Committee.

1.2 The Chair noted apologies from Jane Davidson (ELL Minister), Denise Idris Jones and Mark Isherwood. There were no substitutions.

1.3 In accordance with Standing Order 4.5, Jeff Cuthbert informed the Chair that he was a governor at Trinity Fields Special School, Ystrad Mynach.

1.5 A verbatim record of the meeting is available.

Item 2: Policy Review of Special Educational Needs (Part 2) - Evidence Gathering Papers: ELL2-06-05(p.1) and (p.2)

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from representatives from Estyn and the Association of Directors of Education in Wales (ADEW) with regard to its policy review of statementing and the statutory assessment framework.

Actions

- The Clerk to obtain further information from ADEW relating to the individual action plans for pupils with special educational needs and distribute to Committee Members;
- The Clerk to obtain 'nfer' report, "Resourcing Additional and Special Educational Needs" by Alan Marsh and distribute to Committee Members.