Education and Lifelong Learning Committee

Minutes: ELL(2)-02-06

Meeting date: Thursday 26 January 2006

Meeting time: 9.00am – 12.30pm

Meeting venue: Committee Rooms 3 & 4, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in Attendance

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

Officials in Attendance

| Name | Job title |
|----------------|---|
| Richard Davies | Group Director, Department for Training and Education (DfTE) |
| Steve Marshall | Director of Education, Lifelong Learning Division, Welsh Assembly Government |
| Philip Rogers | Head of Teaching and Leadership Division, Welsh Assembly Government |

Others in Attendance

| Name | Representing | Agenda item(s) |
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| Professor John Furlong | Director of the Oxford University Department of Educational Studies | 2,3,4 |
| Professor John Howson | Education Data Surveys Limited | 2 |
| Cerys Butcher | Oxford University | 2,3,4 |
| Gary Brace | Chief Executive, General Teaching Council for Wales, GTCW | 3 |
| Jacquie Turnbull | Vice Chair, General Teaching Council for Wales, GTCW | 3 |
| Susan Lewis | HM Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales, Estyn | 3 |
| Elaine Allinson | Head of Inspection, Estyn | 3 |
| Meilyr Rowlansds | HM Inspector, Estyn | 3 |
| Professor Philip Gummett | Chief Executive, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales, HEFCW | 4 |
| Celia Hunt | Head of Learning and Teaching, Higher Education Wales, HEFCW | 4 |
| David Hopkins | Association of Directors of Education in Wales, ADEW | 4 |
| Karl Napieralla | Association of Directors of Education in Wales, ADEW | 4 |
| Carl Peter | Chair of Universities Council for the Education of Teachers, UCET | 4 |
| Professor David Warner | Higher Education Wales, HEW | 4 |
| Amanda Wilkinson | Higher Education Wales, HEW | 4 |

Committee Service

| Name | Job title |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Stephen George | Committee Clerk |
| Ruth Hatton | Deputy Clerk |

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

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.
- 1.2 No apologies were received.
- 1.3 There were no declarations of interest made in accordance with Standing Order 4.6
- 1.4 A verbatim record of the meeting is available.

Item 2: Initial Teacher Training

Paper: ELL(2)-02-06(p.1)

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Professor John Furlong, Director of Oxford University Department of Educational Studies; Professor John Howson, Education Data Surveys Limited; and Cerys Butcher, Oxford University.

Item 3: Initial Teacher Training

Paper: ELL(2)-02-06(.2)

3.1 The Committee heard evidence from Gary Brace, Chief Executive of General Teaching Council for Wales (GTCW); Jacquie Turnbull, Vice Chair, General Teaching Council for Wales (GTCW); Susan Lewis, HM Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales, Estyn; Elaine Allinson, Head of Inspection, Estyn; and Meilyr Rowlands, HM Inspector, Estyn.

Item 4: Initial Teacher Training

Paper: ELL(2)-02-06(p.3), ELL(2)-02-06(p.4), ELL(2)-02-06(p.5), ELL(2)-02-06(p.6),

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from Professor Philip Gummett, Chief Executive, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW); Celia Hunt, Head of Learning and Teaching, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW); David Hopkins, Association of Directors of Education in Wales (ADEW); Karl Naieralla, Association of Directors of Education in Wales (ADEW); Carl Peter, Chair of the University Council for the Education of Teachers (UCET); Professor David Warner, Higher Education Wales (HEW); and Amanda Wilkinson, Higher Education Wales (HEW)

| 4.2 The Minister informed Committee that the Welsh Assembly Government's response to the 'Review of Initial Teacher Training Provision in Wales' was due in April 2006. | | | | | |
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