

Education Lifelong Learning and Skills Committee

Minutes: ELL(2)-04-06

Meeting date: Thursday 2 March 2006

Meeting time: 2:00pm – 4.30pm

Meeting venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd Building, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Constituency
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
Steve Marshall	Director of Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills Division, Assembly Government
Alan Lansdown	Head of Pupil Support Division, Assembly Government

Anna Thomas	Pupil Support Division, Assembly Government
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Others in Attendance

Name	Job title
Susan Lewis	HM Chief Inspector Education and Training Wales (Estyn)
Elaine Allinson	Estyn
Ann Keane	Head of Early Years Estyn
Simon Brown	HM Inspector Estyn

Committee Service

Name	Job title
Stephen George	Committee Clerk
Ruth Hatton	Deputy Clerk
Joanest Jackson	Legal Advisor

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

1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.

1.2 There were no declarations of interest.

1.3 A verbatim record of the meeting is available.

Item 2: Estyn Annual Report

No Paper: Oral Item

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Susan Lewis, HM Chief Inspector Education and Training Wales, Estyn; Elaine Allinson, Estyn; Anne Keane, Head of Early Years, Estyn and Simon Brown, HM Inspector, Estyn.

2.2 Members considered Estyn's Annual Report.

Item 3: Education for Sustainable Development
Paper: ELLS(2)-04-06(.1) PowerPoint Presentation

3.1 The Committee noted the presentation on Education for Sustainable Development from Alan Lansdown.

Actions:

- The Minister to re-circulate the consultation document and to keep Committee informed of progress through her Ministerial reports.

Item 4: Secondary Legislation:
The Education (Parenting Orders) (Wales) Regulations 2006 and The Anti-Social Behaviour Act (Commencement No.5) (Wales) Order 2005
Paper: ELLS(2)-04-06(p.2)

4.1 The Committee scrutinised the Regulations and Commencement Order.

Action:

- To seek clarification on the delegation to the First Minister, outlined in the Explanatory Memorandum.
- The Minister to report back to Committee on implementation a year from the coming into force date of the Regulations
- The Clerk to prepare a report of the Committees discussions to be laid before the Assembly.

Item 5: Protocol for Handling Secondary Legislation
Paper: ELLS(2)-04-06(p3)

5.1 The Committee considered and approved the Protocol.

Item 6: Secondary Legislation Forward Look
Paper: ELLS(2)-04-06(p4)

6.1 The Committee considered the paper.

Paper to Note: Analysis of School Capacity and Numbers on Roll
Paper: ELLS(2)-03-06(p5)

The Committee noted the paper.

Paper to Note: Letter to William Graham AM
Paper: ELLS(2)-03-06(p6)

The Committee noted the paper.

Paper to Note: Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Paper: ELL(2) -03-06(mins)

The Committee noted the minutes

Paper to Note: Action Points from Previous Meetings

The Committee noted the action points