

Equality of Opportunity Committee

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Venue:Committee Room 3, Senedd

Title:Seventh Annual Report on Equality

Purpose

1. To provide information on the work of the Welsh Assembly Government to promote equality of opportunity during the financial year 2005 – 2006.

Summary/Recommendations

2. The Committee is invited to note the contents of this paper. The Welsh Assembly Governments Seventh Annual Report on Equality is attached at Annex 1. The Permanent Secretary's Report is attached at Annex 2. Departmental Contributions are attached at Annex 3. The Report on the first year of the Race Equality Scheme is attached at Annex 4.

Background

3. Every Department has been asked to set out their top five objectives and, separately, policies and/or functions that have the specific aim of promoting equality. In order to reflect comments received on the Sixth Annual Report on Equality, we have attempted to identify positive outcomes which have been achieved as a result of activities undertaken by Departments.

Cross Cutting Themes

4. Under new arrangements, relevant parts of the Report have been considered by each of the Assembly Subject Committees.

Action for Subject Committee

5. To note the contents of this paper.

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