

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 5 March 2003

Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Committee Rooms 3 and 4, National Assembly for Wales.

Item 1: **Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

Item 2: **Minutes of the 12 February 2003 Meeting**

Purpose: To ratify the minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2003

Paper: LGH-04-03 (min)

Item 3: **Policy Review on Capacity Development & Training: Consideration of final draft report (9.35am)**

Purpose: To agree the final report

Paper: LGH-05-03(p.1)

Item 4: **Minister's report (9.40am)**

Purpose: To receive a written report from the Minister for Finance, Local Government & Communities

Paper: LGH-05-03(p.2)

Item 5: Consideration of the Welsh Assembly Government's Third Annual Report on Social Inclusion in Wales

(10.05am)

Purpose: To consider the Welsh Assembly Government's Third Annual Report on Social Inclusion in Wales

Paper: LGH-05-03(p.3)

In attendance: Alan Burge – Communities Directorate

Item 6: Local Government Electoral Arrangements in Wales (10.25am)

Purpose: To consider the recommendation to lowering the voting age for local elections

Paper: LGH-05-03(p.4)

In attendance: Kate Cassidy – Local Government Modernisation

Frank Cuthbert – Local Government Modernisation

Break for 15 minutes from 10.45am to 11.00am

Item 7:	Presentation from Drug Agencies (11.00am)
Purpose:	To receive a series of presentations from organisations in Wales on the approaches being adopted to counter substance misuse in Wales

In attendance:

Aneurin Owen – CAIS

Emlyn Jenkins/ Alistair Lang - DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)

Roger Duncan – Swansea Drugs Project

Dr Mel Bagshaw – Cardiff Addictions Unit

Richard Pates/Rhoda Emlyn- Jones – Option 2: Cardiff Addictions Unit

Andy Evason – West Glamorgan Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse