

# Rural Development Sub-committee

## Minutes (RDC(3)-09-08)

**Date:** 4 June 2008

**Time:** 11:15 - 12:05

**Venue:** Committee Room 3, Senedd, Cardiff Bay

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Alun Davies (Chair), Mid and West Wales  
Lorraine Barrett, Cardiff South and Penarth  
Mike German, South Wales East  
Alun Ffred Jones, Arfon  
Brynle Williams, North Wales

### Committee Service

Claire Morris, Clerk  
Joanne Clinton, Deputy Clerk

### Others in attendance

Bob Smith, Powys Community Schools Action  
Dr Roger Blunden, Powys Community Schools Action  
Kevin Stephens, Powys Community Schools Action

### Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Mick Bates, for whom Mike German attended as substitute.

### Item 2: Inquiry into provision of education in rural Wales and the reorganisation of schools in rural Wales

2.1 The Chair welcomed Bob Smith, Dr Roger Blunden and Kevin Stephens from Powys Community Schools Action, to the meeting and invited them to introduce their paper. Members questioned the petitioners.