

AGENDA

Date: Friday 15 March 2002  
 Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm  
 Venue: Miners' Welfare Hall, Ammanford

Item 1: Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest (10.00 - 10.05am)

Item 2: Policy Review of the Welsh Language in Education

The Education and Lifelong Learning Committee is undertaking a policy review of the Welsh Language in Education and has [consulted](#) widely. The aim of the review is to identify a strategy to meet the challenges set out in the Welsh Language Board's Vision and Mission document, namely:

- increasing the number of people who are able to speak Welsh;
- providing opportunities to use the language;
- changing habits of language use, and encouraging people to take advantage of the opportunities provided; and
- strengthening Welsh as a community language.

The meeting will give several local organisations, including local school students, the opportunity to make their views known and there will also be opportunities for members of the public to contribute to the discussion.

10.05 to 10.10am Introduction

Cynog Dafis AM

*Chair , Education and Lifelong Learning Committee*

10.10 to 10.15 am Alun Davies,

Director of Education,  
 Carmarthenshire County Council.  
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10.15 to 10.30 am Questions and Discussion  
 10.30 to 10.45 am Students from the following schools:

**Ysgol Y Gwendraeth**

Edward Davies, A brief presentation dealing with issues regarding teaching subjects through the medium of welsh with respect to sixth form education.

Rhian Lewis, A brief presentation dealing with issues which arise from teaching subjects through the medium of welsh and use of welsh in the community.

**Ysgol Gyfun Bro Myrddin**

Leila Salisbury  
 Mererid James

**Amman Valley Comprehensive School**

Sarah Phillips, Headgirl

Rhys Jones, Headboy

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10.45 to 11.10am Questions and Discussion  
11.10 to 11.15am Mererid Hopwood  
RhAG  
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11.15 to 11.30am Questions and Discussion

11.30 to 11.45am - 15 Minute Break for Tea / Coffee

**Item 3: Open Microphone (11.45 to 12.15)**

*An opportunity for members of the public to put their points and questions on the Welsh language in Education. The meeting will be recorded for the National Assembly's archives and members of the public will be asked to use a microphone when they speak to assist the recording. They will also be invited to give their name.*

*If there is time, the Chair may invite questions or comments on other matters relating to the National Assembly's responsibilities. If it is not possible for members to answer the question comprehensively, members of the public are invited to write the question on a form obtainable from the Committee Clerk or her colleagues and it will be forwarded to the appropriate Assembly Minister with a request that they respond*

**Item 2 (continued)**

12.15 to 12.20pm Medwin Hughes  
  
Principal  
Trinity College, Carmarthen  
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12.20 to 12.25pm Stuart Matthias  
  
Director of Learning Services  
Carmarthenshire College of Technology and Art.  
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12.25 to 12.55pm Questions and discussion

**Item 4: Minutes of the Meeting on 25 January (12.55 to 13.00pm)**

**NB - Members of the public should note that seating in the public gallery is limited and you are advised to book in advance. This can be done by telephoning the Public Information booking line on 029 2089 8477. The booking line is open Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 4.30pm.**

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