

European and External Affairs Committee

Agenda EUR2 02-05

Meeting date: 24 February 2005

Meeting time: 9.00 to 12.30

Meeting venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions (9.00 to 9.05)

Item 2: Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising (9.05 – 09.15)

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| Paper: | EUR2 01-05 e-min Minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2005 EUR2 02-05 Action Outstanding |
| Purpose: | To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2005 and consider matters arising |

Item 3: Treasury Euro Preparation Team (9.15 – 9.55)

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| Paper: | EUR2 02-05 (p1) – Wales Euro Preparations Committee (hard copies sent to members) EUR2 02-05 (p2) – Report on Euro preparations by The Wales Office. |
| Purpose: | To update the Committee on progress with Euro preparations in Wales |
| In attendance: | John Williams – Director for Finance, The Wales Office David Curtis – Her Majesty's Treasury, Treasury Euro Preparation Unit |

Item 4: EU Services Directive (9.55 – 10.55)

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| Paper: | EUR2 02-05 (p4) – British Medical Association EUR2 02-05 (p5) – EU Directive on Services in the Internal Market submission from Community Pharmacy Wales EUR2 02-05 (p6) – CBI (Wales) EUR2 02-05 (p7) – Wales TUC response to DTI on the proposal for a Directive on services in the internal market |
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| Purpose: | To examine the proposed EU Directive on Services in the Internal Market |
| In attendance: | Dr Tony Calland, Chairman, Welsh Council BMA Philip Parry, Chair, Community Pharmacy Wales Peter Haydn Jones, Chief Executive, Community Pharmacy Wales David Rosser, Director CBI Wales Mark Platt, Senior Policy Advisor EU Affairs Janet Williamson, TUC |

Break 10.55 - 11.10

Item 5: First Ministers Report (11.10 – 11.40)

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| Paper: | EUR2 02-05 (p3) – First Minister’s Report |
| Purpose: | To inform the Committee about developments since its last meeting |
| In attendance: | Gary Davies – European and External Affairs Division |

Item 6: The EC's Work Programme (11.40 – 12.10)

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| Paper: | EUR2 02-05 (p8) – European Commission Work Programme 2005 EUR2 02-05 (p9) – European Commission Work Programme 2005 – suggested policy priorities for EEAC EUR2 02-05 (p10) – European proposals deposited in the UK Parliament |
| Purpose: | To inform Committee on EC's Forward Work Programme |
| In attendance: | Andy Klom - Head of the European Commission Office in Wales |

Item 7: Update from Members of the Committee of the Regions (12.10 - 12.20)

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| Purpose | To consider the report from the Committee of the Regions and any emerging issues |
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Papers for Information

EUR2 02-05 (p11) White Paper - Prospects for the EU in 2005 (Hard copies sent to members on 15 February)

