

## **Economic Development Committee Ref:EDC 02-01(Agenda)**

**Date:** Wednesday 31 January 2001

**Time:** 2.00 – 5.30pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 1, National Assembly for Wales Building

Item 1: Chair's opening remarks (5 mins)

Item 2: Economic Development Minister's report (25 mins)

**Purpose:** To provide an opportunity for the Committee to discuss urgent or emerging issues.

**Paper:** EDC 02-01(p1)

Item 3: RSA scheme (45 mins).

**Purpose:** To discuss current operation of the RSA scheme, including statutory requirements, and the scope to modify it to reflect strategic considerations.

**Paper:** EDC 02-01 (p2)

**Officials:** Gary Davies(IDD) David Hobbs (IDD)

**External Contributor:** Sheila Drury OBE (WIDAB – Chair of Kemitron plc)

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Item 4:Wales TUC (30 mins)

**Purpose:** To discuss the importance that the Wales TUC attaches to the development of partnerships at the work place and the economic benefits of doing this particularly in relation to the manufacturing sector and their proposed strategy.

**Paper:** EDC 02-01(p3)

**In Attendance:** David Jenkins (Wales TUC)

**BREAK FOR 15 MINUTES**

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Item 5:NEDS – final draft.(45 mins)

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**Purpose:** To consider the final draft of the National Economic Development Strategy.

**Paper:** EDC 02-01(p4) NEDS – final draft.

**Officials:** David Pritchard (Director, Economic Development Department)

Gareth Edwards (EPD)

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Item 6:Regulatory Reform Bill (20 mins)

**Purpose:** To give the background of the proposed Regulatory Reform Bill and consider its implications for Wales, following the resolution in Plenary.

**Paper:** EDC 02-01(p5) Regulatory Reform Bill.

**Officials:** Neil Hortop (C & ID)

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Item 7: Minutes of meeting on 17 January 2001 (10 mins).

**Papers:** EDC 01-01(min)

EDC 01-01(p 6) – Action Outstanding.

