

## Economic Development Committee

EDC 13-01(Agenda)

**Date:** 31st October 2001

**Time:** 2.00 – 5.30pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 1, National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

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 13-01(p1) Minister's report

Item 3:WDA half yearly report.(30 mins)

**Purpose:** To discuss the progress made by the WDA against the output targets in their Business Plan 2001-2002

**Paper:** EDC 13-01(p2) WDA half yearly report - covering paper.  
EDC 13-01(p2a)WDA half yearly report

**In attendance:** Graham Hawker - Chief Executive WDA

Gareth Hall - Executive Director of Strategy Development WDA

Item 4: Progress report on the implementation of the Committee's recommendations in the Business Support Review (30 mins)

**Purpose:** For the Economic Development Minister to report to Committee on the implementation of the recommendations in the Business Support Review, having regard to the results of the consultation on NEDS.

**Paper:** EDC 13-01(p3) Business Support Review – Minister's report.

**Officials:** Emyr Roberts EPD

**In attendance:** Graham Hawker – Chief Executive WDA

## **Break for 15 Minutes**

### Item 5: NEDS final draft and Policy Board evaluation (60 mins)

**Purpose:** To provide the opportunity for the Committee to discuss the final draft of NEDS and the Minister's proposals concerning the Research and Evaluation Unit.

**Papers:** EDC 13-01(p4) A Winning Wales - NEDS covering paper

EDC 13-01(p4a) A Winning Wales

EDC 13-01(p4b) A Winning Wales - Economic Analysis

EDC 13-01(p5) Economic Research, Monitoring and Evaluation.

**Officials:** Emyr Roberts EPD

Gareth Edwards EPD5

### Item 6: Final discussion on Budget priorities (30 mins)

**Purpose:** To allow the Committee to discuss the Cabinet's priorities for Economic Development in the Draft Assembly Budget.

**Paper:** EDC 13-01(p6)

**Officials:** David Hobbs (ICM)

### Item 7: Minutes of previous meeting

**Papers:** EDC 12-01 (Minutes)

EDC 13-01 (Action Outstanding)