

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE EDC 18-02(p1a)

Minister for Economic Development report - 12 December 2002.

In addition to my Written Report, I also raised the following items under Agenda Item 2.

DWP review of Employers Liability Insurance

Later today the Department of Work and Pensions will issue the terms of reference for its review of Employers Compulsory Liability Insurance. I have raised my concerns on this issue with Whitehall as well as entering into correspondence with a number of individual members of EDC.

I will provide members of the Committee with a copy of the terms of reference.

'Undiscovered Golf Destination of the Year' Award

I welcome the news that this week the Golf tourism industry has recognised the growing awareness around the world of Wales as a golfing destination since we were awarded the Ryder Cup in 2010. On Tuesday, at the International Golf Travel Market in Biarritz, Wales was awarded the 'Undiscovered Golf Destination of the Year' Award.

It is also a clear tribute to the excellent work of WTB and others involved in promoting this area of tourism - and I congratulate them.

Trinity House Lighthouse Service operations

I welcome the news from Trinity House Chairman, Admiral Jeremy de Halpert of their decision to maintain their presence in Swansea following their review of their structure. Swansea will continue for the foreseeable future to provide the West Coast base for Trinity House Lighthouse Service operations. I would like to put on record my thanks to the local Assembly Member, Val Lloyd who has taken the lead on this issue.