

# Enterprise and Business Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 14 May 2014**

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Meeting time: **09.15 – 12.03**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**William Graham AM (Chair)**  
**Mick Antoniw AM**  
**Dafydd Elis-Thomas AM**  
**Rhun ap Iorwerth AM**  
**Julie James AM**  
**Sandy Mewies AM**  
**Eluned Parrott AM**  
**Joyce Watson AM**

### Witnesses:

**Alice Gray, Chwarae Teg**  
**Donna Griffiths, CITB**  
**Professor Niels Jacob, WIMCS**  
**Joy Kent, Chwarae Teg**  
**Emma Richards, Chwarae Teg**  
**Jane Richmond, The National Botanic Garden of Wales**  
**Dr Anita Shaw, Techniquest**

### Committee Staff:

**Claire Morris (Second Clerk)**  
**Olga Lewis (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Sian Hughes (Researcher)**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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### **1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

1.1 Apologies were received from David Rees AM, Byron Davies AM and Keith Davies AM. Sandy Mewies AM substituted for Keith Davies AM.

### **2 Follow-up Inquiry into Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Skills (session 1)**

2.1. The Committee took evidence from Dr Anita Shaw, Deputy CEO, Techniquest, Prof. Niels Jacob, Head of the Mathematics Department, Swansea University, Wales Institute of Mathematical and Computational Sciences (WIMCS) and Jane Richmond, Head of Learning and Interpretation, The National Botanic Garden of Wales.

### **3 Follow-up Inquiry into Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Skills (session 2)**

3.1. The Committee took evidence from Joy Kent, Chief Executive, Chwarae Teg, Emma Richards, Project Development Manager – Education, Chwarae Teg and Alice Gray, STEM Ambassador.

3.2 Chwarae Teg would explore whether any research had been undertaken which demonstrated that returning mothers were being forced out of employment or sacked as a consequence of not being able to meet their work obligations against their parenting obligations.

### **4 Follow-up Inquiry into Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Skills (session 3)**

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Donna Griffiths, Skills Strategy Manager Wales, CITB

### **5 Papers to note**

5.1 The Committee noted the following documents:

EBC(4)-13-14 (p.5) – Letter from the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport regarding Car Parking Charges Research

EBC(4)-13-14 (p.6) – Letter from the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport regarding travel patterns in South East Wales