The Cross Party Group in Support of Visteon Pensioners

September 25, 2013, Conference Room 24, 6.30pm

Present: Bethan Jenkins AM (chair), Mike Hedges AM, David Rees AM, Julie James AM, Keith Davies AM, Suzy Davies AM, Peter Black AM, Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM, Dennis Varney (VPAG), Simon Harding (VPAG), John Elvins (VPAG), VPAG pensioners from Swansea

Members were given a powerpoint presentation (attached) by Simon and Dennis on the latest situation regarding the fight to have their pensions restored. They stressed that it was important for politicians to try and put political pressure on Ford to resolve the dispute. Members asked what they could be doing, and the following was resolved:

- Write an open letter to Alan Mulally and Bill Ford, respectively chief executive and chairman of the Ford Motor Company, to ask them to come before Assembly Members and explain what they saw as their moral obligations to their former employees;
- To consider a cross-party debate in the Assembly on the Visteon dispute;
- To create a petition on the impact of the Visteon dispute on the economy of South West Wales.

The meeting broke up with members agreeing to meet in the New Year, ahead of the fifth anniversary of the dispute in March.