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Eich cyf/Your ref P-04-458 Ein cyf/Our ref KS/00326/14

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Dear William,

Re: P-04-458 Keep Further Education in the Public Sector, (18 February 2014).

I write in response to your enquiry regarding a matter raised in a recent petition, in which you requested the latest information on the timeframe for the introduction of the all-Wales contract for lecturers in further education. My officials have been in contact with Colegau Cymru, the representative body for further education colleges in Wales, who have provided the following statement:

"A survey of colleges showed that from 1 September 2014 eight colleges are looking to implement the common contract plus one in which lecturers and managers but not business support staff will move to the new contract. From September 2015, one college and the business support staff from the other college will transfer; and a further two colleges from September 2016. One college has not yet made a decision. Because staff have the right not to transfer until September 2016, in some colleges not all staff will transfer in 2014 or 2015. However all staff will have moved over by 1 September 2016."

I trust this provides sufficient detail to answer your enquiry.

Yours ever

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