MID WALES REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Date: 1st October 1999

Time: 9.30a.m

Venue: Owain Glyndwr Centre, Machynlleth

Presentation by the Mid Wales Partnership (15 minutes duration)

Section 1. Introduction to the Mid Wales Partnership (approx 3mins)

Mr David Rowe-Beddoe (Chair) & Mr Mal Thomas (Secretary)

- o Background/Membership/Objectives etc
- o Recent Projects/Work etc
 - a. Mid Wales Tourism Strategy 1999 2008

(www.ceredigion.gov.uk/croeso/mpastrat99/index.htm)*

b. Mid Wales Integrated Transport Strategy

(www.mwp.ruralwales.org)*

c. A study into Economic and Social Indicators for Wales (jointly undertaken with the North and South West Wales Economic Fora)

(www.cf.ac/uwcc/cplan/news.html)*

d. Modernising Mid Wales – An Assessment of the Mechanisms for Developing a

Multi Agency Rural Area Network in Mid Wales

(www.mwp.ruralwales.org)*

* These documents will be available on the websites listed above from 1st October 1999.

Section 2. Issues of Rurality (approx 3 mins)

Miss Jacky Tonge, Chief Executive, Powys County Council

- o Rural premium/lack of market etc
- o Aspirations
- o External funding and implications for public policy
- o Partnership/Collaboration

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Section 3. Education Training and Young People (approx 3 mins)

Mr Grenville Jackson, Chair, Mid Wales Partnership Skills and Training Working Group

- o The Skills and Learning Challenge
- o A comprehensive approach to young people
- Emerging key priorities

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Section 4. Information and Communication Technology (approx 6 mins)

Mr Nick Talbott, Chair, Mid Wales Partnership IT Working Group

- Widening rural gap
- o ICT underpinning Objective 1, (2) & 3 Programmes
- o Challenges of service delivery to rural towns and communities
- o A way forward