

Education and Lifelong Learning Committee

Agenda ELL2-04-05

Meeting date: Wednesday 20 April 2005

Meeting time: 9.00am to 12.30pm

Meeting venue: Committee Rooms 3&4, National Assembly for Wales

Item 1: Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declaration of interests

Item 2: Minister's Report (9.00am-9.45am)

Paper:	ELL2-04-05(p.1)
Purpose:	To receive a report from the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning
In attendance:	Richard Davies, Group Director, Department for Training and Education

Item 3: Policy Review (Part 2) - Special Educational Needs (9.45am-10.45am)

Papers:	ELL2-04-05(p.2), (p.3) and (p.4)
Purpose:	To start gathering evidence for the second stage of the review, focusing on assessment and the statementing process
In attendance:	Alan Lansdown and Mair Watkins, Pupil Support Division, Department for Training and Education; Denise Inger, Director, SNAP Cymru; Keith Bowen, Wales Manager, Contact a Family

Break (10.45-11.00am)

Item 4: Welsh Medium Strategy for Higher Education (11.00am-11.50am)

Papers:	ELL2-04-05(p.5), (p.6) and (p.7)
Purpose:	To consider the Welsh medium strategy for the sector prepared by the Strategy Group for Welsh Medium Provision in Higher Education
In attendance:	Professor Philip Gummett, Chief Executive and Dr Alison Allan, Senior Learning and Teaching Manager - Higher Education Funding Council for Wales; and Dr Medwin Hughes, Principal of Trinity College, Carmarthen and Professor Merfyn Jones, Vice Chancellor of the University of Wales Bangor - Higher Education Wales (HEW); and James Knight, President - National Union of Students Wales

Item 5: LEA Education Funding Statistics (11.50am- 12.15pm)

Paper:	ELL2-04-05(p.8)
Purpose:	To consider education funding statistics in local authorities in Wales and comparison with funding England
In attendance:	Elizabeth Taylor, Schools Management Division, Department for Training and Education

Item 6: Detailed and Strategic Forward Work Programmes (12.15pm-12.20pm)

Papers:	ELL2-04-05(p.9) and (p.10)
Purpose:	To ratify the draft detailed forward work programme for the summer term 2005, and also the strategic forward work programme for the period June 2005 to December 2006

Item 7: Secondary Legislation Forward Look (12.20pm - 12.25pm)

Paper:	ELL2-04-05(p.11)
Purpose:	To identify any items of secondary legislation for scrutiny

Item 8: Minutes of Previous Meetings (12.25pm-12.30pm)

Purpose:	To ratify the minutes of the 9 March meeting
Paper:	ELL2-03-05(min)

Paper to note:

Estyn Remit Letter 2005-06 Paper: ELL204-05(p.12)