# Local Government and Public Services Committee

## Agenda (LGPS 05-05)

Date: 11 May 2005

Time: 9.15am - 12.30pm

Venue: Committee Room, National Assembly Building

### Item 1: Introduction apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

#### Item 2: Minister's Report

Paper	LGPS 05-05(p1)
Purpose	The Committee will receive a report from the Minister for Local Government and Public Services
In attendance	Hugh Rawlings, Director of Local Government, Public Services and Culture Group

### Item 3: Committee's scrutiny project into electoral arrangements in Wales

Purpose	To take oral evidence from Bryn Parry-Jones on the Committee's scrutiny project into electoral arrangements in Wales
In attendance	Bryn Parry-Jones, Regional Returning Officer for Wales at the June 2004 European election

# Item 4: Secondary legislation: The Local Authorities (Access to Information) (Exempt Information) (Wales) Regulations 2005

Paper	LGPS 05-05(p2)
Purpose	To undertake detailed scrutiny of The Local Authorities (Access to Information) (Exempt Information) (Wales) Regulations 2005

In attendance	Frank Cuthbert, Local Government Modernisation Division
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The Committee will break at approximately 11.00am

### **Item 5: Lyons inquiry**

Purpose	To consider the current inquiry into local government funding including subsequent implications for Wales
In Attendance	Sir Michael Lyons, Director of the Institute of Local Government Studies at the University of Birmingham

### **Item 6: Budget priorities**

Paper	LGPS 05-05(p3)
Purpose	To consider the Committee's budget priorities for the Local Government Main Expenditure Group for 2006-07
In Attendance	Mike Chown, Local Government Finance Division

### Item 7: Committee's Annual Report to Plenary

Paper	LGPS 05-05 (p4)
Purpose	To approve the Committee's Annual Report to Plenary 2004-05

### Item 8: Minute of the previous meeting

Paper	LGPS 04-05(mins)
Purpose	To approve the minutes of the 20 April meeting