

Enterprise and Business Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Thursday, 14 June 2012**

Meeting time: **09:17 – 12:01**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Nick Ramsay (Chair)
Christine Chapman (In place of Keith Davies)
Alun Ffred Jones
Julie Morgan (In place of Julie James)
Eluned Parrott
David Rees
Ken Skates
Joyce Watson

Witnesses:

Berwyn Davies, Higher Education Wales
Professor Richard B Davies, Welsh Higher Education Brussels
Professor Philip Gummett, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales
Christina Miller, Director, UK Research Office
Professor Hywel Thomas, Higher Education Wales

Committee Staff:

Siân Phipps (Clerk)
Kayleigh Driscoll (Deputy Clerk)
Anne Thomas (Researcher)
Gregg Jones (Researcher)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the Committee. Apologies were received from Keith Davies AM, who was substituted by Christine Chapman AM, also from Julie James AM, who was substituted by Julie Morgan AM. Apologies were also received from Byron Davies AM and Dafydd Elis-Thomas AM; there were no substitutions.

2. Inquiry into Horizon 2020 – Briefing session

2.1 The Chair welcomed Christina Miller, Director, UK Research Office. The witness gave the Members a briefing and Members also questioned the witness on the Inquiry into Horizon 2020.

3. Inquiry into Horizon 2020 – Evidence session

3.1 The Chair welcomed Professor Richard B Davies – Vice Chancellor of Swansea University, Professor Hywel Thomas – Pro Vice Chancellor, Engagement and International, Cardiff University, Mr Berwyn Davies – Head of Office, Welsh Higher Education Brussels and Professor Philip Gummett – Chief Executive, Hefcw. Members questioned the witnesses on the Inquiry into Horizon 2020.

4. Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

The Committee resolved to meet in private for the remainder of business.

5. Discussion of the Forward Work Programme

Members discussed the Forward Work Programme and gave their views and ideas for Inquiries in the Autumn.

TRANSCRIPT

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