# S4C Authority Bulletin - May 2004

## Sympathy

Authority Members expressed deep sorrow regarding the death of Janice Rowlands a former Member of the S4C Authority. Mrs Rowlands had been a faithful, gracious and wonderful Member, with a commitment towards the Welsh language and viewers' needs.

### Meeting between S4C and BBC Wales

A report was given on a meeting held on 26 May where the two Chairs, Chief Executives, and Secretaries were present. It was noted that the main matters discussed were S4C's response to the BBC Charter Review; the Roger Laughton review; the strategy and plans of S4C's Director of Programmes; and Ofcom's public service broadcasting review.

## Strategic Planning

A discussion was held on work that was afoot by the Management Team, where the intention was to ensure a clear direction for a number of key areas of operation. This would be presented to the Authority for consideration in due course.

# Roger Laughton Review

It was noted that the DCMS had not yet been able to establish a date for publishing the report. S4C's officers would raise this with the DCMS since it had become clear that there was a need to draw on the conclusions in order to progress discussions with the BBC on the Charter Review and with Ofcom.

### Annual Report 2003

Members considered the draft Annual Report for the year 2003. The Authority approved the drafft subject to the agreed changes being incorporated.

# **Other Matters**

In additional, the following discussed/noted

- Chief Executive's Report Matters for information
- Report by the Director of Programmes
- Financial Report
- Complaints Report
- Report and Minutes of the Compliance Group held on 14 May 2004
- Viewers' Hotline Report
- Research Report
- Report by the Managing Director of S4C Masnachol