



S4C Authority Bulletin
Meeting 320 – 19 March 2009
S4C, Cardiff

This bulletin reports on the meeting of the Authority held on 19 March 2009.

1. Matters arising from minutes of meeting 319

The minutes of meeting 319 were approved.

2. Chairman's Report

The Chairman explained that he was awaiting confirmation from the DCMS regarding the appointment of the new member of the Authority.

The Chairman had attended Cardiff Business Club recently when Sir Michael Lyons was the guest speaker.

The Chairman thanked everyone that had been involved with the weekend of events in Llandudno.

The Chairman had recently met with the Chartermark assessor.

A meeting was held in Caernarfon with experts to discuss linguistic aspects of S4C's programmes.

The Chairman and the Chief Executive had also met with Collette Bowe and Philip Graaf of Ofcom.

The Chairman and the Chief Executive had also given evidence last week to the Assembly's Communities and Culture Committee. Following the session, both attended a lunch meeting with Lord Carter, the Minister for Communications, Technology and Broadcasting; Deputy First Minister Ieuan Wyn Jones AM, and other guests to discuss Digital Britain's work.

Also, the Heritage Minister, Alun Ffred Jones had visited S4C's office in Caernarfon.

3. Chief Executive's Report

The Chief Executive presented her report.

An update was given to the Authority regarding the recent developments of Ofcom's Review.

Jeremy Hunt MP, shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport had recently visited S4C, together with Nick Bourne AM and Paul Davies AM.

The scrutiny process for the published draft LCO relating to legislative powers in relation to the Welsh language was explained and a draft response to submit to the Assembly's Scrutiny Committee was presented. The response was discussed and approved and will be presented to the Scrutiny Committee.

4. Other Matters

The following matters were also discussed/noted:

- Director of Commissioning's Report
- Compliance and Complaints Report
- Research Report