

Council for Economic Renewal

Terms of Reference – Executive Working Group

Introduction

1. This paper provides Council Members with an update on the formation of the reconstituted Working Group to support the Council for Economic Renewal and its associated terms of reference

Background

2. At the last Council for Economic Renewal meeting it was noted that the Membership of the reconstituted Working Group was to be agreed.
3. As a result of the reconstituted group the Terms of Reference were also to be redrafted.

Update

4. Representation from Wales TUC, Commerce Cymru and the Wales Co-operative Centre has now been agreed between the Social Partners and noted by Welsh Government.
5. The first meeting of the reconstituted group was held on the 25 November 2014.
6. The revised Terms of Reference, attached at Appendix 1, were considered at the meeting and subsequently agreed.
7. The new name is the Executive Working Group.
8. Members are asked to note the revised Terms of Reference.

**Terms of Reference for the Council for Economic Renewal's
Executive Working Group**

Purpose

To support the Council for Economic Renewal's objective of improving the Welsh economy.

In particular:

- To work together to identify proposals to support economic development.
- To consider the activities of all Welsh Government bodies that engage with social partners to ensure that policies adopted by the Welsh Government are consistent with an all-government approach to improving the economy. Appropriate Ministers to be informed, and the scope of any work set out, before reviews of activities within their portfolio responsibilities are considered.
- To review progress against the Economic Framework.
- To establish task and finish groups as and when appropriate.
- To recommend items for inclusion on the agendas of the CfER.
- To take forward actions agreed at Council for Economic Renewal (CfER).
- To advise on and inform the operation of the Business Scheme.
- To communicate the work of the CfER and its Executive Working Group to the social partners as defined in the Business Scheme.

Title

CfER Executive Working Group.

Membership

- Welsh Government representatives
- Three representatives from Commerce Cymru
- Three representatives from Wales TUC.

In the first year of operation the Wales TUC will offer one of its seats to the Wales Co-operative Centre to allow the social enterprise perspective to be encompassed within discussions. The membership will be reviewed after one year to determine whether the social enterprise sector should have one representative by right in addition to the three representatives from Commerce Cymru and the three Wales TUC representatives.

Frequency

Four times a year. Option to meet more often on specific issues as necessary.

Operations of meetings

Arrangements and papers circulated by the Welsh Government/Wales Social Partners Unit.

Review

The operation of the CfER Executive Working Group will be reviewed after a year to determine the extent to which it has been able to fulfil its Terms of Reference.