

Universities Wales Committee

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Fees

Close to decision, communicating asap

Waiting for advice

Communication needs to clarify that it doesn't affect cost of living for students

Degree apprenticeships - [REDACTED]

VH - Skills minister, keen on the activity

[REDACTED] - public service resources discussion to be had

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[REDACTED] - FE and HE

VH - what she'd like but what is practical and possible

Degree level learning into the heart of disadvantaged communities

FE is good vehicle for this

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Rep area, post industrial, lots of adults who need to upskill but maybe not comfortable with university environment

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VH - heard from FE who are keen but need to hear from other side

_____ - international, working with UKG

VH - more behind the scenes, very important, outlines why it's important

But tricky road ahead

Areas of incompatibility? - will follow up

■ - different approaches in Scotland - any chance Wales will have a more Wales focussed skills agenda, could have an element of international recruitment

VH - wouldn't want a policy intent that can't be matched by delivery

- public service provision

VH - social care, focus on home students for those activities

- - need a sense of transformational power of HE, join up in government across portfolios

VH - particularly passionate about this, experience as teacher - recognise the long lead in, right from early years

Working with CSE, thinking about support, jr apps etc, 16-19 focus

■ - study in wales?

VH - Seren but earlier on, capture potential in those who don't recognise it

Broader principles, not just an Oxbridge, RG focus

Could use the Study in Wales banner

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Excellent courses in all Welsh universities, a different approach to Seren would be helpful

Want to make sure it works for all of you (HE) and all young people

Ruth - open offer to engage on Participation incl Seren and widening access

Work with education and skills team

- Industrial strategy, how is this landing

██████████ - WIN, some great scope for piloting innovation, work with Ministerial colleagues to join up is really important

- - wants UKG to match allocations closer to EU algorithms

VH - previous Chair of group on post industrial communities, understands calls for redistribution in line with EU

■ - universities research base as economic and skills asset

VH - some thinking going on, city regions and semi conductors, understand core vehicles for economic delivery

- - social contract, need to be clearer about impact

- - long term view is sometimes lacking, needs maturity

Sometimes smaller financial decisions have a bigger impact

Trying to protect everything but level of savings requires challenging decisions

Commit to letting us know