

**Notes of the Workforce Agreement Monitoring Group
3 June 2009**

1 Birdcage Walk

Member attendees: ASCL, ATL, GMB, DCSF, NAHT, NASUWT, NEOST, UNISON, UNITE, VOICE,

Apologies: WAG

Other attendees: TDA

Policy and Implementation updates

DCSF provided a policy update to partners.

Partners agreed for "Golden Handcuffs" to be put on a future WAMG agenda. NASUWT and DCSF to discuss the advice from Connexions regarding apprenticeships.

TDA provided an implementation update to partners.

TDA to circulate York research regarding apprenticeships to partners.

Partners who attended the WAMG MTL steering group provided feedback to other partners

ASCL provided feedback on the recent 14 – 19 skills commission meeting
DCSF to talk to WAG regarding UNISON's concerns over the support staff working group in Wales.

NASUWT requested a discussion on 14 -19 at a future WAMG meeting.

21st Century schools

DCSF policy leads provided an update.

DCSF policy leads to take account of partners comments made in the meeting.

A WAMG strategy meeting will be rearranged after the Ministerial meeting to discuss 21st century schools in more detail.

School Support Staff Negotiating Body (SSSNB)

A DCSF policy lead tabled a recent SSSNB communication and provided an update to partners.

DCSF policy lead to send to partners elements of the draft SSSNB referral letter that deals with the need for the work of the SSSNB to complement the work being done by the Social Partnership in support of the remodelling agenda and the development of the wider children's workforce..

DCSF policy lead to prepare a short paper to send to partners to proposing how the relationship between WAMG and SSSNB will be managed including the scope of SSSNB and how areas falling outside its remit could be addressed by WAMG.

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The next Full WAMG is on 15 July at Crowne Plaza St James.