

ACTIONS TABLE

MEETING	DATE/TIME
WBL Provider Group	9 th of June 2025, 1:00pm - 2:30pm Microsoft Teams

Item	Actions	By	Due by
1. Welcome and apologies	Apologies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sian Lloyd Roberts, RSP Nick Jones, Myrick 		
2. Actions from the last meeting - 31/03/2025	<p>Public Sector meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The spreadsheet all the providers fed into is being used and the Public Sector employers are finding it really useful as a resource A Digital Skills Toolkit has been produced to help employers better understand the courses that are available to them. The toolkit will be launched officially over the next couple of weeks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is one toolkit for individuals and one for employers An article has been written for NTfW to promote these resources Social media content on the Portal and the RSP pages will also be scheduled as part of the promotion <p>ACTION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An ask for all members to engage in the launch of the Toolkit and share across your networks. 	All members	During launch (End of June)
3. Reaching Wider mentorship programme	<p>Tanya Jones attended the meeting to share information about the Reaching Wider mentorship programme, sharing how the providers can support the programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reaching Wider currently work with every college and university in Wales and their purpose is to raise aspirations to get young people into apprenticeship or higher education. The programme is funded by Medr and is designed to support young people who are in the bottom 40% of WMD - this covers Amlwch, Holyhead, part of Gwynedd and Wrexham. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is also scope to support young carers regardless of their WMD status 		



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any individuals being supported through the programme must be registered with a Welsh college or university to be eligible It's a flexible programme that can be tailored to individual needs All mentoring is conducted on the 'brightside' app – all communication is done online, so there is no requirement for mentors to meet mentees face to face There are 3 different types of mentoring programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care mentoring programme STEM project Young carers project <p>Ask to the group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can any of the providers identify employers who have degree apprentices who might be interested in being a mentor or could host a masterclass? Looking for support from providers who could hold additional training sessions as part of the programme <p>ACTION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tanya to produce a draft email that the providers can use as a template to send out. Cath to share with providers <p>Questions from the group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What's the time commitment for a mentor? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 hour a week – they'd have 3 – 6 mentors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If they had 3 mentors, they'd have 1 hour pay Cambrian Training have a library of master classes based around hospitality that they deliver to school pupils – they would be happy to share and work with Reaching Wider What's the process for mentees? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application form <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next cohort starts at the end of September 	Tanya/Cath	ASAP
4. Discussion on Welsh and bilingual Apprenticeship delivery	<p>6 points in the action plan that the colleges need to provide a response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Work closely with the Regional Skills Partnership to plan the curriculum to meet the needs of bilingualism/Welsh medium locally. Gather employers' views on Welsh language skills as part of the 'Employer Voice' surveys. Analyse the data 		



	<p>and create a scheme to increase the number of employers who acknowledge Welsh language skills.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Support employers to look at internal gaps to support further and future apprenticeship opportunities. Support employers to support their apprentices to use Welsh Language in the workplace. Support employers to support their own staff to Learn Welsh. Support employers to be a part of the skills competition and to encourage their apprentices to do so. <p>Discussions/Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faith (NTfW) - The challenge is understanding why Welsh speakers don't want to take up their studies bilingually Need to identify where it's hardest to grow demand for Welsh language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The uptake of Welsh provision is usually in Anglesey and Gwynedd Discussion to be had around the Coleg Cymraeg priority sectors are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCC can be flexible and they're willing to listen to providers views on sectors Coleg Cambria - don't push Welsh language provision as such, but encourage them to uptake a Welsh language course as part of their learning Cath mentioned that Welsh Government have asked RSP's to do a light-touch revamp of the RSP Skills Plan - when we do this, we'll likely go out with a brief survey for employers - we could include a couple of questions about the Welsh language Providers also mentioned that they conduct annual employer surveys and are open to reviewing the Welsh language question, with the possibility of aligning it with the question used by other providers and the RSP Use the Portal to promote what Welsh language resources are available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pecyn Prentis toolkit - launching on the 18th of June There are other resources on the CCC portal as well Use the North Wales Skills Portal to promote the resources available 		
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	ACTION: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If anyone has any case studies, let Rees know so they can be included on the Portal ○ RSP to review the Welsh language question in the employer survey, and work with Coleg Cymraeg and providers to discuss and agree on the wording, taking into account the points raised during this meeting 	All members Cath/CCC/Providers	ASAP August 2025
5. AOB & Close	No AOB was raised		

Next meeting: 8th September 2025