**NATIONAL DIGITAL LEARNING COUNCIL**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**Purpose of the Group**

The National Digital Learning Council exists to oversee and provide advice to the Welsh Government on the digital learning programme for learners aged 3 to 19 in Wales.

**Meetings**

The National Digital Learning Council will meet once per month.

Meeting agenda and papers should be circulated via email 7 days prior to each meeting.

Meeting agenda and papers will be published by the Welsh Government unless they relate to matters which would be exempt from disclosure under the terms of the Welsh Government’s Code of Practice on Access to Information.

The chair and members of the group will be required to confirm that they do not have any conflict of interest in relation to matters considered by the Council.

The Welsh Government will meet reasonable travel and subsistence costs incurred by the chair and members in pursuance of their work for the Council. These will be in line with public sector rates.

**Membership**

***Chairman***

Janet Hayward (Cadoxton Primary School, Vale of Glamorgan)

***Members***

Dr Tom Crick (Computing at School)

Janet Hayward (Cadoxton Primary School, Vale of Glamorgan)

Sue Burnett (University of Glamorgan, Rhondda Cynon Taff)

Maldwyn Pryse (Estyn)

Geraint James (ADEW ICT, Director of Education, Conwy)

Simon Pridham (Casllwchwr Primary School, Swansea)

Hannah Mathias (St David’s College, Cardiff)

Chris Britten (Ashgrove Special School, Vale of Glamorgan)

Dr Robert Newsome OBE (Dyffryn Taf School, Carmarthenshire)

Huw Evans, Cymal

Iain Tweedale, BBC Wales

Mark Jones, CYDAG

Peter Richardson, Colegau Cymru

*Eskills UK*

***Expert advisors***

Prof Stephen Molyneux (Apple Education)

Prof Gary Beauchamp (Cardiff Metropolitan University)

Prof Iram Siraj-Blatchford (University of London)

Prof Faron Moller (Swansea University)

***Secretariat***

Kerry Darke (ICT Unit, Department for Education and Skills, Welsh Government)

**Additional members and subgroups**

The Council will be able to co-opt additional members and set up sub groups, for instance to extend their expertise or support priority activities.

Additional membership will need to be agreed with the Welsh Government where there are financial implications.

**Quorum**

The Council will be deemed to be quorate when the Chair, Secretary and [5] members are present.

**Functions of the Group**

1. Maintain overview of the digital learning programme for Wales and provide advice to the Welsh Government with particular regard to:

* improving learner engagement and outcomes;
* supporting improved teaching;
* eskills;
* interface with other education initiatives;
* emerging technologies and innovation; and
* learner voice.

2. In particular, to advise on:

* the development of the all Wales learning platform, Hwb, including the iTunes U site for Wales and the national digital content repository;
* measures to improve the teaching of ICT and computing; and
* measures to promote responsible digital citizenship.

3. Advise on proposals for monitoring and evaluation.

4. Monitor progress against key milestones.

5. Act as a source of guidance, information and support.

6. Raise matters of concern.

7. Act as ambassadors for the digital learning programme.

**Performance indicators for the National Digital Learning Council**

The NDLC will review the outcomes of its work based on:

* how well the digital learning programme is delivering to people’s needs;
* whether there is a sense of optimism and passion for learning in Wales; and
* access to ICT and broadband speeds that “make these happen”.