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S4C Authority – Board Members

Ben Bradshaw, Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport, has appointed Glenda Jones and John Davies as Members of the S4C Authority. Their terms of appointment will be of four years from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2014.

Dr Glenda Jones

A graduate of Welsh literature from UCW Aberystwyth, Glenda went on to read Medieval Welsh at Aberystwyth, including a period at St John's College Cambridge, before gaining her PhD in 1990 from UCW. Having worked in broadcasting for over 20 years Glenda spent 15 years working for the BBC in Cardiff in their Television Production Department - 10 years as a Senior Executive for the Corporation and working ultimately as Chief Assistant to Controller Wales. In 2000 she ventured into the freelance media and communications market and worked on a variety of managerial and production projects. Glenda was a member of BAFTA Cymru's Management Committee (2000-2006), chairing that Committee (2003-2005). Glenda is currently Chair of the trustees of the Ryan Davies Memorial Fund

Over the past 5 years Glenda has spent an increasing amount of her time working in the field of training and facilitation for both public and private sector clients and has recently qualified as an Estyn lay inspector.

John Davies ARAgS, MRAC, OND.

Councillor John Davies is currently the Leader of Pembrokeshire County Council. He was a member of the Authority's previous Cabinet with responsibility for Children, Education and the Welsh Language during a time of great change in the Primary Education Sector of Pembrokeshire. He is a former director of the WJEC examination Board and Welsh Books Council. For nine years he was the rural voice on the Electricity Consumer Council and subsequently became a member of Energywatch Wales. John is also a former Deputy Presiding Officer of the Welsh Local Government Association for which he was spokesman for Education and Lifelong Learning for many years. Since 2008 he has been Principal Leader of all Local Authorities in Wales. Between 2004 and 2008 he was a member of the Welsh Assembly Government ministerial advisory panel for School Standards and Improvement and until 2008 represented Wales on the National Employers Organisation for School Teachers. He is a member of Dyfed – Powys Police Authority.

Background

1. S4C (Sianel Pedwar Cymru – the Welsh Fourth Channel) was established to provide a wide-ranging and high quality television service in Welsh. The S4C Authority is responsible for the provision of S4C's services and ensuring that S4C and S4C Digidol are delivered as public services and also that effective management arrangements, including financial management, are in place in relation to S4C's public and commercial activities.



2. The current remuneration for Members of S4C is £9,370 per annum for a nominated 1 day per week.
3. This appointment has been made in accordance with the Office for the Commissioner for Public Appointments Code of Practice. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.