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Jobs, Welfare and Skills Task and Finish Group – Progress Report (Minute 7/ November 2014)		
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The Jobs, Welfare and Skills Task and Finish Group has met with a wide range of contributors as part of its investigation of national programmes linked to jobs, welfare and skills, which is proving to be extremely useful for understanding what the issues are from both theoretical and real life standpoints.

The Group has been collating information from a wide variety of sources and it is now moving towards the examination of its findings and the writing of an interim scrutiny report for submission to the Committee in the summer. However, before that report is submitted to a formal meeting it is proposed that there be a full briefing for all Committee Members so that when the scrutiny report is considered by the Committee there will be a greater understanding of the in depth evidence that the Group has collated and analysed. While it was hoped to schedule a briefing for the Committee's April activity day that no longer appears to be viable as a number of Members have indicated that they would be unable to attend on that day. Consequently an alternative date will have to be found.

At the meeting Group Members will share with the Committee some of their observations so far from the review.

**Action required by the Committee at this meeting:**

**To note the report.**

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