



Eich cyf/Your ref WQ96943

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Dear Samuel,

Please see below my response below to your Written Assembly Question, which has been transferred to me for answer from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning.

Samuel Kurtz (Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire): *What discussions has the Cabinet Secretary had with the Cabinet Secretary for Education about ensuring vocational training provision supports the needs of the rural economy? (WQ96943)*

Jack Sargeant, Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership: *You will be aware of Written Statement on 26 June, where the Minister for Further and Higher Education set out our aim to develop a Vocational Education and Training (VET) Strategy.*

We have in addition set out our priorities for a stronger economy, which includes an ambition for investment and growth to bring high quality, high skilled jobs to rural and deprived communities, providing better jobs, closer to home.

The Regional Economic Framework (REF) sets out priorities agreed by regional partners for economic development in the region, acknowledging the opportunities of the region.

Yours sincerely

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