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Rheon Tomos appointed to the board of Sianel Pedwar Cymru (S4C)

Shaun Woodward, Minister for Creative Industries and Tourism, has appointed Rheon Tomos to the board of the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority (S4C Authority). The term will be for a four-year period, from 20 November 2006 to 19 November 2010.

Biographical Notes

Rheon Tomos

A graduate in Accounting and Financial Management and CPFA qualified, Rheon has a range of public and private sector financial experience. He has also been associated over many years with a range of audit committees, including a period whilst working as a Director for Deloitte & Touché. In 2005 he set up his own consultancy working for a number of core clients on financial management and governance assignments. He is currently the Chair of CIPFA in South Wales and sits on the Institute's regional committee.

Rheon has not undertaken any political activity in the last five years.

Notes for Editors

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, as a regulatory body, is responsible for ensuring that S4C and S4C Digidol (the digital service) are delivered as public services

and also that effective management arrangements, including financial management, are in place for S4C's public and commercial services.

2. On analogue, S4C has a duty to provide a wide-ranging, varied and high-quality programme service, with a substantial proportion of programmes in Welsh. During peak hours (between 18.30 and 22.00) the majority of programmes must be in Welsh. English language programmes on S4C must usually be programmes broadcast on Channel 4. On digital, S4C has a duty to provide a wide-ranging, varied and high-quality programme service, with a substantial proportion of programmes broadcast in Welsh. S4C also provides coverage of the National Assembly for Wales and additional services on its other digital service, S4C2.
3. S4C is funded by grant-in-aid, the level of which is determined by a formula set out in the Broadcasting Act 1996. S4C's grant-in-aid for 2006 is £90.857m.
4. Remuneration for the post is £8,700 plus expenses.
5. This appointment has been made in accordance with the Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments' Code of Practice.
6. All public appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.