

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Monday, 8 February 2021

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Meeting time: 09.23 – 12.19

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Nick Ramsay MS (Chair) Gareth Bennett MS Vikki Howells MS Delyth Jewell MS Darren Millar MS Rhianon Passmore MS Jenny Rathbone MS
Witnesses:	Andrew Slade, Welsh Government Sioned Evans, Welsh Government Tracey Burke, Welsh Government Steve Davies, Welsh Government
Audit Wales:	Adrian Crompton (Auditor General for Wales) Matthew Mortlock
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the Committee

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2a **Auditor General for Wales Report: Doing it Differently, Doing it Right? Governance in the NHS during the COVID-19 crisis – Key themes, lessons and opportunities**

2b **Inquiry into COVID-19 and its impact on matters relating to the Public Accounts Committee's remit: Letter from the Welsh Government (28 January 2021)**

2c **Cardiff Airport: Letter from the Welsh Government (1 February 2021)**

2d **Ensuring Value for Money from Rural Development Grants Made Without Competition: Letter from the Welsh Government (1 February 2021)**

3 Reflections on the Fifth Assembly/Senedd: Welsh Government – Economy, Skills and Natural Resources

3.1 The Committee held a session with Andrew Slade, Director General – Economy, Skills and Natural Resources Group on his reflections from the Fifth Assembly/Senedd to help inform the Committee's Legacy Report.

3.2 Andrew Slade agreed to send further information on a number of issues.

4 Reflections on the Fifth Assembly/Senedd: Welsh Government – Education and Public Services

4.1 The Committee held a session with Tracey Burke, Director General – Education and Public Services Group on her reflections from the Fifth Assembly/Senedd to help inform the Committee's Legacy Report.

4.2 Tracey Burke agreed to send further information on a number of issues.

5 Scrutiny of Accounts 2019–20: Consideration of the Response from the Senedd Commission

5.1 The Committee considered and noted the Assembly Commission's response to the Scrutiny of Accounts 2019–20.

5.2 It was agreed that the Legacy Report contains a recommendation for the successor Committee to continue discussing KPIs with the Senedd Commission during its annual scrutiny of the accounts.

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

6.1 The motion was agreed.

7 Reflections on the Fifth Assembly/Senedd: Consideration of evidence received

7.1 The Committee discussed the information received and what they wished to be reflected in the Legacy Report.