

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3

Meeting date: Thursday, 15 December 2022

Meeting time: 10.15 – 12.27

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mark Isherwood MS (Chair) Mabon ap Gwynfor MS Natasha Asghar MS Mike Hedges MS
Witnesses:	William Shawcross, Commissioner for Public Appointments
Audit Wales:	Adrian Crompton (Auditor General for Wales) Matthew Mortlock
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk) Owain Davies (Second Clerk) Rhun Davies (Researcher) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the meeting.



1.2 Apologies were received from Rhianon Passmore MS.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 **Letter from the Chair of the Finance Committee: Annual scrutiny of the Wales Audit Office and the Auditor General for Wales**

2.2 **Letter from the Minister for Social Justice – Update on the Welsh Government's Progress in Implementing recommendations from the Public Accounts Committee (5th Senedd) report on 'Delivering for Future Generations: The story so far'**

2.3 **Letter from the Senedd Commissioner for Budget and Governance to the Chair of the Finance Committee**

2.4 **Letter from the Minister for Finance and Government – Response to the Committee's Report on the Welsh Government's LCM on the Procurement Bill**

2.5 **Letter from the Interim Director General – Education, Social Justice and Welsh Language to the Auditor General for Wales: Response to the AGW's report on Equality Impact Assessments – 26 October 2022**

2.6 **Letter from the Interim Director General – Education, Social Justice and Welsh Language to the Auditor General for Wales: Response to the AGW's report on Equality Impact Assessments – 7 December 2022**

3 Public Appointments: Evidence session with the Public Appointments Commissioner

3.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Public Appointments Commissioner, William Shawcross.

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

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Public Appointments: Evidence Session – Consideration of the evidence received

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

6 Paper to note – Letter from the Permanent Secretary on the Welsh Government's Public Bodies Unit

6.1 The paper was noted.