

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 25 April 2024

Meeting time: 09.17 – 12.00

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mark Isherwood MS (Chair) Natasha Asghar MS Mike Hedges MS Rhianon Passmore MS Adam Price MS
Audit Wales:	Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales Matthew Mortlock Mark Jeffs Ann-Marie Harkin
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk) Owain Davies (Second Clerk) Lucien Wise (Deputy Clerk) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The Papers were noted.

2.1 Letter from Estyn to the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee on the Covering Teachers' Absence inquiry

2.2 Letter from the Director General for Economy, Energy and Transport on the post-completion monitoring of the Economic Resilience Fund

2.3 Letter from Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care on the independent reviews of Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

2.4 Letter from the Permanent Secretary on the Welsh Government's Annual Report and Accounts 2022–23

2.5 Letter from the Director General for Economy, Treasury and Constitution on Gilestone Farm

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

3.1 The motion was agreed.

4 Papers to Note (Private)

4.1 The Papers were noted.

4.1 Letter from Amgueddfa Cymru enclosing their legal advice, 28 March 2024

4.2 Letter from Amgueddfa Cymru addressing comments made in a letter to the Committee from Darwin Gray – 1 March 2024

4.3 Letter from the Auditor General for Wales to the Chief Executive of Amgueddfa Cymru – 13 March 2024

5 Draft Report – Scrutiny of Accounts: Amgueddfa Cymru 2021–22

5.1 The Committee considered the draft report and agreed to a series of amendments. Members agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting.

6 Audit Wales Report – Supporting Ukrainians in Wales

6.1 The Committee considered the report and agreed to undertake a short inquiry on this issue before the Summer recess.

7 Scoping Paper – Cabinet Manuals and Access Talks

7.1 The Committee considered the scoping paper and agreed to hold a session on this piece of work at its meeting on 23 May.

8 Welsh Government response on the Annual Report and Accounts 2022–23

8.1 The Committee considered the response and agreed to keep a watching brief on the issues raised, and to consider in the report the Committee will produce.