

Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Tuesday, 3 February 2015**

Meeting time: **09.00 – 11.00**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar AM (Chair)
Jocelyn Davies AM
William Graham AM
Mike Hedges AM
Sandy Mewies AM
Julie Morgan AM
Jenny Rathbone AM
Aled Roberts AM

Witnesses:

Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales Audit Office
Steve Ashcroft, Wales Audit Office
Albert Heaney, Welsh Government
Lisa Dunsford, Welsh Government
Dr Andrew Goodall, Welsh Government

Committee Staff:

Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)
Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)
Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 There were no apologies.

2 Papers to note

1.2 The papers were noted.

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

3.1 The motion was agreed.

4 National Framework for Continuing NHS Healthcare: Briefing from the Wales Audit Office

4.1 The Wales Audit Office briefed the Committee on its recent report on Continuing NHS Healthcare – Follow-up Report.

5 National Framework for Continuing NHS Healthcare: Evidence Session 1

5.1 The Committee took evidence from the Welsh Government Director General, Health and Social Services and Chief Executive of NHS Wales, Dr Andrew Goodall, Director of Social Services & Integration, Albert Heaney and Deputy Director, Integration, Policy and Delivery Division Lisa Dunsford.

5.2 The Welsh Government officials agreed to provide the following information:

- clarify what proportion of the 20 cases from two health boards contained in the sample audit were learning disability or dementia cases and share the outcomes of the review of those cases;
- confirm which health board withdrew its involvement in testing the Decision Support Tool (DST);
- provide a note on the difficulties Betsi Cadwaladr have had in recruiting to professional roles and confirm whether they are now at full strength; and
- provide a note about the size of the tender within each health board with regards to the advocacy services for continuing healthcare.

6 Unscheduled Care: Update from Welsh Government

6.1 The Committee considered the updated paper from the Welsh Government.

7 Managing the Impact of Welfare Reform Changes: Consideration of Welsh Government Response

7.1 The Committee considered the Welsh Governments response to the Auditor General report on Managing the Impact of Welfare Reform Changes.