Concise Minutes - Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

This meeting can be viewed

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

on <u>Senedd TV</u> at:

Meeting date: Monday, 5 November

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2018

Meeting time: 15.21 - 17.13

Attendance

| Category | Names |
|---------------------|---|
| Assembly Members: | Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) |
| | Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM |
| | Neil Hamilton AM |
| | Rhianon Passmore AM |
| | Adam Price AM |
| | Jenny Rathbone AM |
| Witnesses: | Tim Howard, Welsh Government |
| | Andrew Slade, Welsh Government |
| | Jason Thomas, Welsh Government |
| Wales Audit Office: | Adrian Crompton - Auditor General for Wales |
| | Mike Usher |
| Committee Staff: | Fay Bowen (Clerk) |
| | Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk) |
| | Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser) |

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Jack Sargeant AM.

2 Paper(s) to note

- 2.1 The papers were noted.
- 2.1 Natural Resources Wales: Scrutiny of Annual Report and Accounts 2017-18 Correspondence from Clare Pillman (17 October 2018)
- 3 The Welsh Government's relationship with Pinewood: Evidence session with the Welsh Government
- 3.1 Members received evidence from Andrew Slade, Director General, Economy, Skills and Natural Resources; Jason Thomas, Director Culture, Sport and Tourism, and Tim Howard, Deputy Director of Property, Welsh Government as part of their inquiry into the Welsh Government's relationship with Pinewood.
- 3.2 Andrew Slade agreed to:
 - Send a note explaining the composition of the Media Investment Budget of £42m
 - Provide detailed figures of all revenue for Pinewood Studio Wales for the last financial year when the final position is known
 - Provide a timeframe for the proposed renovation of the Grade II listed farmhouse together with all costs incurred to date on maintaining the building and costs of proposed renovation
- 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 The Welsh Government's relationship with Pinewood: Consideration of the evidence received
- 5.1 Members considered the evidence received.
- 5.2 Members agreed to publish its findings in a report.

6 Natural Resources Wales: Consideration of the draft Report

6.1 Members revisited one area of the draft report and after consideration, the Clerks will reword and circulate a revised version by email for agreement.