

Public Accounts Committee

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

Meeting date: **Tuesday, 17 July 2012**

Meeting time: **09: – 11:00**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar (Chair)
Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM
Mike Hedges
Julie Morgan
Gwyn R Price
Jenny Rathbone
Aled Roberts
Lindsay Whittle

Witnesses:

Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales Audit Office
Gillian Body, Assistant Auditor General, Wales Audit Office
Matthew Coe, Wales Audit Office

Committee Staff:

Tom Jackson (Clerk)
Sarah Beasley (Clerk)
Daniel Collier (Deputy Clerk)
Sarah Sargent (Deputy Clerk)
Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

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

Items 3,4, 5 and 7.

3. Consideration of the Public Audit (Wales) Bill

3.1 The Committee agreed its terms of reference and approach to scrutiny of the Public Audit (Wales) Bill and agreed to launch a public consultation shortly.

4. Consideration of draft report 'Grants Management in Wales'

4.1 The Committee commented on and agreed amendments to its draft report 'Grants Management in Wales', which would be published shortly.

5. Consideration of draft report 'Progress in delivering the Welsh Housing Quality Standard'

5.1 The Committee commented on and agreed a report of its inquiry into 'Progress in delivering the Welsh Housing Quality Standard', which would be considered further via email.

6. Briefing from the Auditor General for Wales on the Wales Audit Office report 'Health Finances'

6.1 The Chair invited the Auditor General for Wales (supported by Gillian Body, Assistant Auditor General; and Matthew Coe, Financial Audit Manager) to brief the Committee on the Wales Audit Office's report 'Health Finances.'

6.2 The Auditor General briefed the Committee on key issues arising from his report and responded to Members' questions.

Action point:

The Auditor General for Wales agreed to provide:

- A note on when Local Health Boards were offered brokerage by the Welsh Government.

7. Options for handling the Wales Audit Office report 'Health Finances'

7.1 The Committee agreed to undertake an inquiry into Health Finances.

8. Papers to note

8.1 The Committee noted the correspondence on the Welsh Housing Quality Standard.

8.2 The Committee ratified the minutes of the meeting on 10 July 2012.

TRANSCRIPT

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