

# Audit Committee

## Minutes (AC(3)-04-07)

**Date:** 13 December 2007

**Time:** 1.30pm - 3.00pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 3, Senedd

### Assembly Members in Attendance

David Melding (Chair), South Wales Central  
Lorraine Barrett, Cardiff South and Penarth  
Eleanor Burnham, North Wales  
Christopher Franks, South Wales Central  
Lesley Griffiths, Wrexham

### Committee Service

Dr Kathryn Jenkins, Clerk  
Daniel Collier, Deputy Clerk

### Officials in Attendance

Jeremy Colman, Auditor General for Wales  
Mike Usher, Wales Audit Office  
Ian Gibson, Deputy Head of the Corporate Governance Unit

### Witnesses

Sir Jon Shortridge, Permanent Secretary, Welsh Assembly Government  
Dr Christine Daws, Finance Director, Welsh Assembly Government

### Public session

#### Item 1: Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declaration of interests

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Chair welcomed Members of the Public Accounts Committee of the Ethiopian Parliament.
- 1.3 Apologies had been received from Janice Gregory, Irene James, Darren Millar and Helen Mary Jones.

#### Item 2: The 2006-07 Consolidated Resource Accounts of the National Assembly for Wales

##### Paper: AC(3)-04-07 (p1)

2.1 The Committee took evidence from Sir Jon Shortridge, Permanent Secretary, Welsh Assembly Government and Dr Christine Daws, Finance Director, Welsh Assembly Government

#### Action Points:

##### Sir Jon Shortridge agreed to provide:

Documents relating to the dissemination of good practice and lessons learnt during ASPB mergers.

The memberships of the various Welsh Assembly Government Corporate Governance Committees and the timescale for recruitment of additional non-executive Members to the Management Board.

Details of measures undertaken to provide key business information in respect of Customer Relationship Management (CRM).

#### Item 3: Minutes of the previous meeting

##### Paper: AC(3)-03-07 - Minutes

- 3.1 The Committee approved the minutes of its 22 November 2007 meeting.
- 3.2 The Chair thanked Dr Kathryn Jenkins and Daniel Collier for their service to the Audit Committee and wished them well for the future.

Private session

The Committee resolved to exclude the public from the final item of the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 10.37(vi).

**Item 4: Evaluation of evidence**

4.1 The Committee discussed the evidence taken on the Auditor General for Wales' report The 2006-07 Consolidated Resource Accounts of the National Assembly for Wales

**Item 5: Draft Committee report on Review of the new General Medical Services Contract in Wales  
Paper: AC(3)-04-07 (p2)**

5.1 The Committee considered its draft report".

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