Audit Committee

Minutes AC(3) 09-08

Date: 25 September 2008 Time: 1.30- 3.30pm Venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

David Melding (Chair), South Wales Central Eleanor Burnham, North Wales Christopher Franks, South Wales Central Janice Gregory, Ogmore Irene James, Islwyn Darren Millar, Clwyd West

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John Grimes, Clerk Abigail Phillips, Deputy Clerk

Officials in Attendance

Jeremy Colman, Auditor General for Wales Ceri Stradling, Wales Audit Office Neville Andrews, Wales Audit Office Ian Gibson, Deputy Head of the Corporate Governance Unit

Witnesses

Ann Lloyd, Head of Health and Social Services, Welsh Assembly Government Jeff Buggle, Director of Resources, Department of Health and Social Services

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

1.1 Apologies were received from Lorraine Barrett, Lesley Griffiths, Bethan Jenkins and Huw Lewis. There were no substitutions.

Item 2: NHS Financial Management

Paper:

AC(3) 09-08 (p1) Wales Audit Office report 'NHS Financial Management'

2.1 The Committee took evidence from Ann Lloyd and Jeff Buggle on NHS Financial Management in Wales.

Item 3: Consideration of the Welsh Assembly Government's response to the Audit Committee report 'Arts Council for Wales - Capital Projects'

Paper:

AC(3) 09-08 (p2) Welsh Assembly Government Response AC(3) 09-08 (p3) Advice from the Auditor General for Wales

3.1 The Committee considered the Welsh Assembly Government response to their report.

Item 4: Consideration of the Welsh Assembly Government's response to the Audit Committee report 'Increasing Physical Activity in Wales'

Paper:

AC(3) 09-08 (p4) Welsh Assembly Government Response AC(3) 09-08 (p5) Advice from the Auditor General for Wales

4.1 The Committee considered the Welsh Assembly Government response to their report.

The Committee resolved to hold the remainder of the meeting in private in accordance with Standing Order 10.37 (vi)

Item 5: Evaluation of evidence session

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence taken on NHS Financial Management

Item 6: Consideration of the draft Committee report 'Follow up review - Ambulance Services in Wales'

Paper:

AC(3) 09-08 (p6) Draft Report 'Delivering the HECA in Wales'

6.1 The Committee agreed to consider amendments to their draft report at a future meeting.

Item 7: Consideration of the draft Committee report 'National fraud Initiative in Wales 2006/07'

Paper:

AC(3) 09-08 (p7) Draft Report 'National Fraud Initiative in Wales 2006/07'

7.1 The Committee agreed the contents of their draft report.

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