

MINUTES

Date: 20 June 2002
Time: 2.00pm
Venue: Committee Room 1, National Assembly Building

Attendance Members

Dafydd Wigley (Chair)	Caernarfon
Eleanor Burnham	North Wales
Alun Cairns	South Wales West
Janet Davies	South Wales West
Janice Gregory	Ogmore
Alison Halford	Delyn
Val Lloyd	Swansea East

Witnesses

John Clarke	Chief Executive, Welsh European Funding Office
Phil Gray	Director of Finance, Welsh European Funding Office
Sheila Maxwell	Head of European Regional Development Grant Division, Welsh European Funding Office
Caroline Turner	Director of Policy and Strategy, Welsh European Funding Office

Officials

Sir John Bourn	Auditor General for Wales
Gillian Body	National Audit Office
Ian Summers	National Audit Office
David Powell	Assembly Compliance Officer
Howell Rees	Committee Clerk
James Owen	Deputy Committee Clerk

Item 1**Evidence Taking Session - European Union Structural Funds: Maximising the Benefits for Wales**

Paper: AC-05-02(p1)

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Jocelyn Davies and Ann Jones.

2. The committee took evidence from John Clarke, Phil Gray, Sheila Maxwell and Caroline Turner in connection with the report by the National Audit Office on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales on *European Union Structural Funds: Maximising the Benefits for Wales*.
3. A verbatim transcript of this item will be attached as an annex to these minutes.

Item 2

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Paper: AC-04-02(min)

- 2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Item 3

Paper to note

Paper: AC 05-02(p2)

1. The committee noted the correspondence relating to advertising for Assembly posts.

Item 4

Draft Audit Committee Report - Finances of the NHS Wales 2002

Paper: AC-05-02(p3)

1. The committee resolved to exclude the public from the consideration of the draft report in accordance with Standing Order 8.21(vi), '*A Committee may resolve to exclude the public from a meeting or any part of a meeting where: (vi) the committee is deliberating on the conclusions or recommendations of a report it proposes to publish*'.
2. The committee agreed the draft report with some amendments.

Item 5

Managing the Estate of the NHS in Wales

Paper: AC 05-02(p4)

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The meeting closed at 4.44pm.