

# Public Accounts Committee

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

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Meeting date: **Tuesday, 5 March 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:00**

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## Concise Minutes:

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### Assembly Members:

**Darren Millar (Chair)**  
**Mohammad Asghar**  
**Mike Hedges**  
**Julie Morgan**  
**Gwyn Price**  
**Jenny Rathbone**  
**Aled Roberts**  
**Jocelyn Davies**

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### Witnesses:

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### Committee Staff:

**Tom Jackson (Clerk)**  
**Daniel Collier (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)**

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## 1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public.

## 2. Briefing from the Auditor General for Wales on the Wales Audit Office report The Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services

2.1 The Chair welcomed Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales; Paul Dimblebee, Group Director; and Jeremy Morgan, Performance Specialist.

2.2 The Chair invited the Auditor General for Wales to brief the Committee on his report 'The procurement and Management of Consultancy Services'

### **3. Briefing from the Auditor General for Wales on the Wales Audit Office report Consultant Contract in Wales: Progress with Securing the Intended Benefits**

3.1 The Chair welcomed Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales; Dave Thomas, Group Director; and Malcolm Latham, Performance Audit.

3.2 The Chair invited the Auditor General for Wales to brief the Committee on his report 'Consultant Contract in Wales: Progress with Securing Intended Funds'.

### **4. Papers to note**

4.1 The Committee noted the minutes of the meeting on 26 February 2013.

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

### **6. Consideration of the handling of the Wales Audit Office report The Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**

6.1 The Committee discussed how it wished to handle the Wales Audit Office report 'The Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services' and agreed to conduct a short inquiry.

### **7. Consideration of the handling of the Wales Audit Office report Consultant Contract in Wales: Progress with Securing the Intended Benefits**

7.1 The Committee discussed how it wished to handle the Wales Audit Office report 'Consultant Contract in Wales: Progress with Securing the Intended Benefits' and agreed to conduct a short inquiry.

### **8. Consideration of the handling of the Wales Audit Office report Caldicot and Wentlooge Level Internal Drainage Board**

8.1 The Committee considered options for its inquiry into the findings of the Wales Audit Office report 'Caldicot and Wentlooge Levels Internal Drainage Board' and instructed the Clerk to prepare Terms of Reference for the inquiry.

### **9. Consideration of draft Committee report The Welsh Government's acquisition and action to dispose of the former River Lodge Hotel, Llangollen**

9.1 The Committee considered its draft report 'The Welsh Government's acquisition and action to dispose of the former River Lodge Hotel, Llangollen' and agreed to consider final amendments to the draft report electronically.

9.2 The Committee would publish the report shortly.

### **TRANSCRIPT**

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