Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Tuesday, 1 July 2014

Meeting time: 09.00 – 11.00

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Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members: Darren Millar AM (Chair)

William Graham AM

Mike Hedges AM

Alun Ffred Jones AM

Julie Morgan AM

Jenny Rathbone AM

Aled Roberts AM

Sandy Mewies AM

Witnesses: Jon Rae, WLGA

Steve Thomas CBE, Chief Executive, WLGA

Dilwyn Williams, Gwynedd County Council & Chair of

Society of Welsh Treasurers

Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales

Audit Office

Alan Morris, Wales Audit Office

Committee Staff: Fay Buckle (Clerk)

Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)

Martin Jennings (Researcher)

TRANSCRIPT

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1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to Committee.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

3 Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales

- 3.1 The Committee took evidence from Steve Thomas CBE, Chief Executive, Welsh Local Government Association, Jon Rae, Director of Resources, Welsh Local Government Association and Dilwyn Williams, Corporate Director, Gwynedd County Council & Chair of Society of Welsh Treasurers on Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales.
- 3.2 Steve Thomas agreed to provide copies of previous Expenditure sub-group reports.

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

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales: Consideration of evidence received

5.1 Members considered the evidence received.

6 Memorandum for the Accounting Officer of the Office of Public Services Ombudsman for Wales

6.1 Members noted and approved the Memorandum for the Accounting Officer of the Office of Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

7 Professional Development Programme: Financial Scrutiny

7.1 Don Peebles, Head of CIPFA Scotland and Martin Jennings from the Research Service presented the training to the Members.