Public Accounts Committee

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

Meeting date: Tuesday, 23 June 2015

Meeting time: 09.00 – 10.50

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Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar AM (Chair)
Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM
Jocelyn Davies AM
Mike Hedges AM
Sandy Mewies AM
Julie Morgan AM

Jenny Rathbone AM Aled Roberts AM

Witnesses:

Committee Staff:

Michael Kay (Clerk)

Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)

Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)

Hannah Johnson (Researcher)

Sian Thomas (Researcher)

Sophie Knott (Wales Audit Office)

Alan Morris (Wales Audit Office)

Nick Selwyn (Wales Audit Office)

Huw Vaughan Thomas (Auditor General for Wales)

Dave Thomas (Wales Audit Office)

TRANSCRIPT

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1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the meeting. There were no apologies.
- 1.2 The Chair welcomed the guests from the Public Accounts Committee at the States of Jersey.

2 Papers to note

- 2.1 The papers were noted.
- 2.2 The Committee agreed to seek an update from the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport on Fabian Way, Swansea in the autumn term.
- 2.1 Covering Teachers' Absence: Letter from Ann Jones AM, Chair of Children, Young People and Education Committee (4 June 2015)
- 2.2 Inquiry into value for money of Motorway and Trunk Road Investment: Letter from Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (15 June 2015)
- 2.3 Welfare Reform: Additional Information from Community Housing Cymru
- 2.4Welfare Reform: Additional information from Welsh Local Government Association
- 2.5 Welfare Reform: Letter from June Milligan (18 June 2015)

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

3.1 The motion was agreed.

4 Unscheduled Care

4.1 The Committee agreed to write to the Director General for Health and Social Services on a number of issues they wish to receive an update on. On receipt of the response, Members will discuss whether they wish to hold a further evidence session on Unscheduled Care with the Director General.

5 NHS Wales Health Board's Governance: Consideration of evidence received

- 5.1 Members considered and discussed the evidence they had received on health board governance at the meeting on 16 June.
- 5.2 The Chair agreed to write to the Director General for Health and Social Services requesting further information on a number of issues Members identified. On receipt of this, the Clerks will prepare a draft report on health board governance and cite the issues at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board as a case study.

6 Welfare Reform: Consideration of key issues

- 6.1 Members considered and discussed the key issues paper and suggested a number of issues they wished to see incorporated in the report.
- 6.2 Members agreed to request a copy of the agreed framework for the administration of DHP from the Welsh Government.

7 Regional Education Consortia: Briefing from the Auditor General for Wales

- 7.1 Members received a briefing from the Auditor General for Wales and noted that the Children, Young People and Education Committee had expressed an interest in undertaking an inquiry into this issue.
- 7.2 Members noted that the Welsh Government's response to the Auditor General's Report will be available in July.