

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 9 January 2017

Meeting time: 14.00 – 15.51

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Neil Hamilton AM Mike Hedges AM Rhianon Passmore AM Lee Waters AM
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	Anne Beegan Gillian Body Gareth Jones Matthew Mortlock Dave Thomas Fay Bowen (Clerk) Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members of the Committee.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Neil McEvoy AM. There was no substitute.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 **NHS Wales Health Board's Governance: Letter from Dr Kate Chamberlain, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (12 December 2016)**

2.2 **Hospital Catering and Patient Nutrition: Additional information from the Welsh Government (14 December 2016)**

3 Committee working practices and procedures

- 3.1 Members considered the paper and discussed the suggestions contained within it.
- 3.2 The Clerks will prepare a further paper and include examples of different working models to enable Members to have a further discussion.

4 Orthopaedic Services: Welsh Government Update

- 4.1 Members considered the Welsh Government's update on progressing the recommendations contained in the Auditor General for Wales' report, published in June 2015, and noted that Dr Andrew Goodall, NHS Chief Executive, is attending Committee on 23 January to enable the update to be explored further.
- 4.2 The Chair agreed to write to Dr Goodall in advance of the meeting advising him of areas that Members had expressed an interest in discussing with him.

5 NHS Waiting Times for Elective Care in Wales: Welsh Government Update

5.1 Members considered the Welsh Government's update on progressing the recommendations contained in the Auditor General for Wales' report, published in January 2015, and noted that Dr Andrew Goodall, NHS Chief Executive, is attending Committee on 23 January to enable the update to be explored further.

6 Regional Education Consortia: inquiry scoping paper

6.1 Members considered the scoping paper and:

- Agreed the terms of reference for the inquiry;
- Considered the suggested list of witnesses;
- Agreed to undertake a written consultation; and
- Agreed to undertake an online consultation with teachers and headteachers.

7 Auditor General for Wales – Forward Work Programme

7.1 Members considered and stated their preference for forthcoming work contained in the Auditor General for Wales' forward work programme and noted that this item would be discussed further at the meeting on 16 January 2017.

8 Welsh Government in-coming Permanent Secretary: Consideration of draft letter

8.1 Members agreed the draft letter which will be sent in advance of the incoming Permanent Secretary taking up her appointment on 6 February 2017.