

# Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 15 May 2017

Meeting time: 14.00 – 15.38

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Neil Hamilton AM Mike Hedges AM Neil McEvoy AM Rhianon Passmore AM Lee Waters AM
Witnesses:	Steve Davies, Welsh Government Owen Evans, Welsh Government
Wales Audit Office:	Huw Vaughan Thomas – Auditor General for Wales Gareth Jones Matthew Mortlock
Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk) Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser)



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### **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

- 1.1 The Chair welcome the Members to the Committee.
- 1.2 There were no apologies.
- 1.3 Mike Hedges AM declared an interest as being a Governor of two primary schools and Neil McEvoy AM declared an interest as being a former teacher.

### **2 Paper(s) to note**

- 2.1 The papers were noted.

### **3 Regional Education Consortia: Evidence Session 3**

3.1 Members scrutinised Owen Evans, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Education & Public Services Group, and Steve Davies, Director of Education, Welsh Government as part of the inquiry into Regional Education Consortia.

3.2 Owen Evans agreed to provide the following information:

- Data from regions which indicates the extent to which school-to-school working is happening
- Data showing the percentage of improvement in the key GCSE subjects following the School Challenge Cymru programme
- Send a note regarding the use of Moodle
- Send headlines from the recent visit undertaken to Finland.

### **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 Regional Education Consortia: Consideration of evidence received**

5.1 Members considered the evidence received.

5.2 The Chair agreed to write to the Welsh Government with areas of questioning the Members wish to explore further.

5.3 Members agreed that on consideration of the response from the Welsh Government, Committee's concerns should be sent to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee.