

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – The Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 11 June 2018

Meeting time: 14.06 – 16.41

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Vikki Howells AM Lee Waters AM
Witnesses:	Iestyn Davies, Colleges Wales Judith Evans, Coleg y Cymoedd Paula Ham, Vale of Glamorgan Council Guy Lacey, Coleg Gwent Dr Chris Llewelyn, Welsh Local Government Association
Wales Audit Office:	Huw Vaughan Thomas CBE – Auditor General for Wales Mark Jeffs
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk) Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the Committee.

1.2 Apologies were received from Neil Hamilton AM, Rhianon Passmore AM and Adam Price AM. There were no substitutes.

1.3 The Chair congratulated Huw Vaughan Thomas, the Auditor General for Wales, on receiving a CBE in recognition of services to Public Audit and Accountability in Wales, in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours List.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 Regarding the inquiry into care experienced children and young people, the Chair agreed to contact Care Inspectorate Wales regarding the thematic review they are undertaking which is due to report in March 2019. Following information and advice from the Auditor General, it was agreed to hold a further evidence session as part of the NHS Wales Informatics Services inquiry before the end of the summer term.

2.1 The Regeneration Investment Fund for Wales (RIFW): Letter from the Welsh Government (21 May 2018)

2.2 Care experienced children and young people: Letter from the Welsh Government (31 May 2018)

2.3 NHS Wales Informatics Services: Committee Correspondence

3 Medicines Management: Consideration of responses to report recommendations

3.1 The Committee noted the responses and it was agreed that the Chair will write to the Welsh Government seeking clarification on a number of the responses to the Committee's recommendations.

4 The 21st Century Schools and Education Programme: Correspondence

4.1 The Committee noted the correspondence.

5 The 21st Century Schools and Education Programme: Evidence Session 1

5.1 Members received evidence from Dr Chris Llewelyn, Deputy Chief Executive & Director of Lifelong Learning, Leisure and Information, Welsh Local Government Association and Paula Ham, Director of Learning and Skills, Vale of Glamorgan Council as part of the inquiry into the 21st Century Schools and Education Programme.

5.2 Dr Llewelyn agreed to send further information outlining the benefits/advantages of local authorities using the mutual investment model in place of their own borrowing powers.

6 The 21st Century Schools and Education Programme: Evidence Session 2

6.1 Members received evidence from Iestyn Davies, CEO, Colegau Cymru, Judith Evans, Principal, Coleg y Cymoedd, and Guy Lacey, Principal, Coleg Gwent as part of the inquiry into the 21st Century Schools and Education Programme.

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

7.1 The motion was agreed.

8 The 21st Century Schools and Education Programme: Consideration of evidence received

8.1 Members considered the evidence received.

9 Care experienced children and young people: Consideration of key issues

9.1 Members noted that a further paper would be available for their consideration at Committee on 25 June.