

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Monday, 26 November

2018

Meeting time: 13.29 – 14.45

Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Neil Hamilton AM Rhianon Passmore AM Adam Price AM Jenny Rathbone AM
Wales Audit Office:	Adrian Crompton – Auditor General for Wales Matthew Mortlock Anne Beegan Andrew Doughton
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk) Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 In the absence of the Committee Chair, Rhianon Passmore AM nominated Adam Price AM to be elected as the temporary Chair under Standing Orders 17.22 and



18.6. The Committee agreed and Adam Price AM was elected as temporary Chair for the absence of Nick Ramsay AM.

1.2 The temporary Chair welcomed Members to the Committee.

1.3 Apologies were received from Nick Ramsay AM and Jack Sargeant AM.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.2 It was agreed that the Clerks would forward the Auditor General's Report on Local Government Services to Rural Communities to the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee; Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee and the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee.

2.1 Local Government Services to Rural Communities: Auditor General for Wales Report

2.2 Scrutiny of Accounts 2017–18: Correspondence from the Assembly Commission (20 November 2018)

3 Management of follow up outpatients across Wales: Auditor General for Wales Report

3.1 The Auditor General briefed Members on the Management of follow up outpatients across Wales report.

3.2 The Committee agreed to undertake an inquiry into this issue if the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee are unable to schedule this issue into their work programme.

4 Radiology services – national summary report: Auditor General for Wales Report

4.1 The Auditor General briefed Members on the Radiology services – national summary report.

4.2 The Committee noted the positive trajectory within this area and agreed to seek regular written updates from the Welsh Government setting out progress in delivering the national implementation plan.

5 Forward Work Programme – Spring 2019

5.1 Members discussed the Committee's Forward Work Programme for the Spring 2019 term and agreed to:

- Undertake an inquiry into the National Fraud Initiative;
- Undertake outreach work as part of the inquiry into GP Out-of-Hours Service;
- Request an update on mental health management following the reviews undertaken into the Tawel Fan ward at Ysbyty Glan Clwyd together with an update on the wider government targeted support and intervention system in place at BCUHB;
- Undertake an inquiry into Business Finance in the summer 2019 term;
- Undertake an inquiry into governance arrangements within the Welsh Government in the summer 2019 term; and
- Note that the Auditor General is scheduled to publish a report into NHS Wales agency and locum costs in spring 2019 and dependent on the report's findings, undertake an inquiry.