Welsh Parliament
Public Accounts Committee

12 October 2020

Barriers to the successful Implementation of the Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Dear colleague,

In May 2020, the Auditor General for Wales and the Future Generations Commissioner published their statutory reports as required by the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 ("the Act"). The reports summarise the work that they have carried out under the Act between May 2017 and May 2020.

The Senedd's Public Accounts Committee is undertaking an inquiry into these reports. This inquiry is independent of any consultation that is being carried out by the Auditor General for Wales, the Future Generations Commissioner or others.

We heard the views of a number of key stakeholders during a stakeholder engagement event today and will also be taking oral evidence from some public bodies and Public Service Boards in January 2021. However, we want to ensure that as many organisations as possible are able to feed into our inquiry, and are able to engage with our work in a variety of ways.

The Committee welcomes your views on the following matters to supplement the oral evidence that we receive:

1. Awareness and understanding of the Act and its implications.



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- 2. The resources available to public bodies to implement the Act and how effectively they have been deployed.
- 3. Support provided to public bodies by the Future Generations Commissioner.
- 4. The leadership role of the Welsh Government.
- Any other barriers to successful implementation of the Act (e.g. Brexit, COVID, etc.).
- 6. How to ensure that the Act is implemented successfully in the future.

How to respond

The Committee welcomes responses in English or Welsh.

Submissions should be no longer than five sides of A4, with numbered paragraphs, and should focus on matters set out above. Please see guidance for those providing evidence for committees.

If you wish to submit evidence, please submit a single document (preferably as a Word document) with any tables, spreadsheets and annexes incorporated into the paper of your submission to <u>SeneddPAC@Assembly.Wales</u>.

Further guidance on preparing written evidence can be found on the <u>Senedd</u> website.

In these current times, Senedd staff are unable to work in the offices in Cardiff Bay and are working from home. Therefore, any correspondence received, other than by electronic means, may not be attended to in a timely manner. I hope you understand this position.



The deadline for submissions is 9am on Friday 27 November 2020. It may not be possible to take into account responses received after this date.

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Yours faithfully,

Nick Ramsay MS Chair

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