

Professor Dame Elan Closs Stephens

Chair

Electoral Commission Wales

By e-mail

Dyddiad | Date: 29 November 2023

Pwnc | Subject: The Electoral Commission's supplementary budget 2023/24

Dear Elan,

The Llywydd's Committee has arranged an additional meeting on 22 January 2024 for the scrutiny of the Electoral Commission supplementary budget 2023-24 request.

In advance of this consideration, the Committee noted in the meeting on 7 November that Shaun McNally confirmed in response to Llyr Gruffydd MS' question that the £1500 cost of living payment, included in the supplementary request, has already been made to Electoral Commission staff. Shaun McNally also indicated that you would not be able to fund the cost of living payment without additional funding through the supplementary budget process. To aid the Committee's consideration of your request, please can you or Shaun McNally, as the Accounting Officer, provide assurance on the regularity and propriety of making this payment in advance of a supplementary budget having been agreed by the Senedd.

I have copied this letter to the Speaker of the House of Commons and to the Presiding Officer of the Scottish Parliament, due to the crossover of responsibility for agreeing funding between the different parts of the Commission.

Yours sincerely



David Rees MS Chair, Llywydd's Committee

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