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Dear Mr Griffiths

### **Non-executive Members of the Wales Audit Office**

Thank you for your letter of 19 December 2023 asking for my views on the proposed remuneration and terms of appointment for two non-executive Members of the Wales Audit Office.

The level of remuneration is in line with that offered to board members of Welsh Government arm's length bodies with similar levels of responsibility. On that basis, I am content with the remuneration offered.

I might suggest that sections 3.1 and 3.2, on ending the appointment of board members, includes direct reference to section 8.9 (disqualifications from membership) as this would help to clarify the reasons for terminating appointments. The current draft does not appear to allow for immediate termination of appointments, as it says that members will be given written notice of termination which implies a period of notice. You may wish to consider if the Committee wishes to include a clause for removal if a member or members loses the confidence of the Senedd – in effect, the confidence of the Committee – before the end of the existing term of appointment.

**DOM HOULIHAN**  
**Director, People and Places**

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