

The Rt Hon. Elin Jones MS
Y Llywydd and Chair of the Business Committee

14 July 2025

Dear Llywydd,

**Scrutiny of Gaps Identified by the Wales COVID-19 Inquiry Special Purpose Committee
and the UK Covid-19 Inquiry Module 2**

Further to your letter of 6 June 2025 and our initial discussion of this matter at our meeting on 18 June 2025 we considered the matter again at our meeting on 10 July 2025. While we maintain the concerns we set out to you in our letter of 19 June 2025 about undertaking this work we have now reached a consensus that we will proceed with this matter.

To reiterate some of those concerns it is likely that we will only be able to consider issues relating to Module 1 report of the UK Covid Inquiry, given that the Module 2 report has not yet been published. Furthermore given our limited time and capacity we will be constrained on what work we are able to undertake and envisage a maximum of 4 evidence sessions during the autumn term. If the Module 2 report is published in time, we would envisage having a single session on this in 2026 before Senedd dissolution, for reference in our Legacy Report.

We have also written to the First Minister asking for a commitment that she would attend a scrutiny session and while her response was non-committal our expectation is that if invited to give evidence to us she should accept.

We will next meet on 25 September and will have an opportunity to consider the breadth and scope of our work on this matter in more detail.

Yours sincerely,



Mark Isherwood MS
Chair of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee