

Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales
Lindsay Foyster, Chair of the Wales Audit Office
Board

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Dear Adrian and Lindsay,

Travel and Subsistence Review

Thank you for your letter of 25 November 2021, providing further information on the costs and savings of the existing and proposed travel and subsistence schemes. Having reflected on this information and our previous discussions, the Committee agrees in principle to a supplementary budget of £1.48 million in 2021-22 to fund an early buy-out of the existing Audit Wales Travel Allowance. However, there was a long discussion within the Committee with Members expressing arguments both in favour and against supporting the proposal. Whilst the Committee agrees therefore the decision was not unanimous.

We welcome the commitment to update us on the actual cost and savings early in the new financial year to discuss options for returning the cash underspend and the savings in 2022-23.

Yours sincerely,



Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Chair, Finance Committee

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