

Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Tuesday, 17 June 2014**

Meeting time: **09.00 – 10.55**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar AM (Chair)
William Graham AM
Mike Hedges AM
Alun Ffred Jones AM
Julie Morgan AM
Jenny Rathbone AM
Aled Roberts AM
Sandy Mewies AM

Witnesses:

Debra Carter, Head of Local Government Finance and Public Service Performance Division
Reg Kilpatrick, Director, Welsh Government
June Milligan, Welsh Government
Alan Morris, Wales Audit Office
Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales Audit Office

Committee Staff:

Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk)
Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)
Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)

TRANSCRIPT

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1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to Committee.

2 Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales

2.1 The Committee took evidence from June Milligan, Director General, Local Government and Communities, Welsh Government, Reg Kilpatrick, Director, Local Government, Welsh Government and Debra Carter, Deputy Director, Local Government Finance and Performance, Welsh Government on Meeting the Financial Challenges Facing Local Government in Wales.

2.1 June Milligan agreed to write to the Chair on a number of issues raised in the session.

2.3 During the private part of the meeting, Members considered the evidence received.

3 Scrutiny in Local Government

3.1 Members noted the report and agreed that it would assist with the inquiry being undertaken on financial challenges facing local government in Wales and that they would not undertake a separate inquiry on this issue.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Ways of Working: Assessment of ways of working

5.1 Due to time constraints this item was not reached. The Chair asked Members to send any comments to the Clerk.

6 Forward work programme: Autumn 2014

6.1 Due to time constraints this item was not reached. The Chair asked Members to send any comments to the Clerk.