

Concise Minutes – Public Accounts Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 4 November
2019

Meeting time: 13.00 – 16.15

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Nick Ramsay AM (Chair) Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM Gareth Bennett AM Vikki Howells AM Rhianon Passmore AM Jenny Rathbone AM
Witnesses:	Dr Andrew Goodall, Welsh Government Ifan Evans, Welsh Government Andrew Griffiths, NHS Wales Informatics Service (NWIS) Becky Favager, Natural Resources Wales John Fry, Natural Resources Wales
Wales Audit Office:	Adrian Crompton – Auditor General for Wales Matthew Mortlock Mark Jeffs
Committee Staff:	Fay Bowen (Clerk)



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	Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk)
	Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Adam Price AM.
- 1.3 Rhianon Passmore AM declared an interest for Item 3 as her partner is employed by the Thales Group, a cyber security company.

2 Paper(s) to note

- 2.1 The papers were noted.
- 2.1 **Waste Management: Additional information from the Welsh Local Government Association**
- 2.2 **Scrutiny of Accounts 2018–19: Additional information from Assembly Commission (21 October 2019)**
- 2.3 **Management of follow up outpatients across Wales: Letter from the Welsh Government (23 October 2019)**

3 NHS Wales Informatics Services: Evidence session with the Welsh Government

3.1 As part of the monitoring of this issue, the Committee held an evidence session with the Welsh Government to discuss progress being made on the implementation of the Committee's recommendations.

3.2 Dr Andrew Goodall agreed to:

- Share the job specification for the Chief Digital Officer when finalised and advise on the successful candidate, when appointed;
- Explore the availability of My Health online when GP practices merge; and
- Keep the Committee informed about the procurement for GP informatics systems following the recent cancellation of the contract.

4 Waste Management: Evidence Session with Natural Resources Wales

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Natural Resources Wales as part of its inquiry into Waste Management.

4.2 Becky Favager agreed to investigate the issue raised about distributed modular technology and how hydrogen can be used as an energy source for electric vehicles.

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

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 NHS Wales Informatics Services: Consideration of evidence received

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

7 Waste Management: Consideration of evidence received

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

8 Scrutiny of Accounts 2018–19: Consideration of additional information by the Assembly Commission

8.1 The Committee considered the additional information received from the Assembly Commission as part of forming their views on items to be included in the Committee's report.