

Public Accounts Committee

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

Meeting date: **Tuesday, 10 February 2015**

Meeting time: **09.00 – 10.40**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Darren Millar AM (Chair)
Jocelyn Davies AM
William Graham AM
Mike Hedges AM
Sandy Mewies AM
Julie Morgan AM
Jenny Rathbone AM
Aled Roberts AM

Witnesses:

**Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales
Audit Office**
Dave Thomas, Wales Audit Office

Committee Staff:

Michael Kay (Clerk)
Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 There were no apologies. Sandy Mewies declared an interest as a Member of the National Assembly Commission, and absented herself from the discussion for items 5 and 6.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.2 Julie Morgan declared an interest, in that her husband was First Minister at the time of the Roath Basin investment and was mentioned in the Auditor General's letter to Eluned Parrott.

3 Hospital Catering and Patient Nutrition: Written Update from the Welsh Government

3.1 The Committee considered the written update from the Welsh Government.

3.2 The Committee agreed the following:

- Invite the Chief Nursing Officer to provide evidence to the Committee at a future meeting.
- Write to all Community Health Council's enquiring about what work is being undertaken in relation to notify patient nutrition and hydration.

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 Briefing from the Wales Audit Office on Managing Early Departures across Welsh Public Bodies

5.1 The Wales Audit Office briefed the Committee on its recent report on Managing Early Departures across Welsh Public Bodies.

5.2 The Wales Audit Office agreed to provide the following:

- A note on the Invest to Save scheme.
- The featured public bodies' headcounts at closing at 2013–2014.

5.3 The Committee also agreed to:

- Write to the Permanent Secretary inviting a response to the report.

6 Scrutiny of Accounts 2013–14: Consideration of Draft Report

6.1 The Committee considered the draft report on Scrutiny of Accounts 2013-14 and agreed a small number of changes.