

GWE JOINT COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE



Date of meeting:

23 November
2022

SUBJECT

Item 5 : APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON GWE ACCOUNTS

DECISION

To receive and approve the report on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales, to approve the 2021-22 accounts, and to authorise the Chair to sign the letter of representation on behalf of the Joint Committee.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Section 12 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 states that a Joint Committee of more than one (local) authority is a local government body, and Section 13 of the Act requires such bodies to keep accounts which are subject to an audit by an independent auditor approved by the Auditor General for Wales.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which have been included in the report.

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Item 6 : BUDGET 2022-2023: QUARTER 2 REVIEW

DECISION

To accept and approve the report on the GwE Budget 2022-23 - Quarter 2 Review

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Members of the Joint Committee need to be updated on the latest financial review of the GwE budget for the 2022-23 budgetary year.

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Item 7 :GwE REGIONAL BUSINESS PLAN 2022-2023: QUARTER 2 MONITORING REPORT

DECISION

To accept and approve the Quarter 2 Monitoring Report - GwE 2022-23 Regional Business Plan to the Joint Committee

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The Joint Committee is ultimately responsible for presenting the Regional Business Plan

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Item 8 : INTENTION TO REVIEW CURRENT OPERATING ARRANGEMENTS AND STAFFING STRUCTURE

DECISION

To accept and approve the intention to review operational arrangements and the current staffing structure

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The staff of the Local Authorities and GwE have adapted their work in order to continue to provide effective services and support to their school communities during the COVID pandemic. During this period, GwE has remained true to its vision and values as a continuous learning organisation. At the heart of the work with schools and partners were the cross-cutting themes of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), namely Trust, Time, Technology and Thinking Together. The service as a whole has redirected several times during the COVID period in order to meet the needs of the range of stakeholders. The ability to be flexible and versatile and to collaborate effectively in different teams, often across sectors, has had a significant impact on organisational behaviour and external perception. As we continue to support schools in the post-pandemic period, it is timely to review the operational arrangements and current staffing structure to ensure that we continue to evolve and develop in order to support schools effectively after COVID.

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Item 9 : JOINT COMMITTEE'S LETTER TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND WELSH LANGUAGE

DECISION

To accept and note the contents of the Joint Committee's Letter to the Minister for the Welsh Language and Education

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

It was confirmed that a response had been received and that it would be fully addressed at the next meeting.

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