

GWE JOINT COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

Section 100C of Local Government Act 1972

Date of meeting: 27 November 2024



Attendance:

Councillors: Julie Fallon - Chair (Conwy County Borough Council), Dafydd Roberts (Anglesey County Council), Diane King (Denbighshire County Council), Mared Eastwood (Flintshire County Council) and Phil Wynn (Wrexham County Borough Council)

Co-opted non-voting Members: Manon Williams (Primary Schools' Representative)

Non-voting Officers: Marc Berw Hughes (Anglesey County Council), Claire Homard (Flintshire County Council) and Gwern ap Rhisiart (Cyngor Gwynedd)

GwE Officers: Rhys Williams (GwE Head of Service - Professional Learning), Euros Davies (GwE Head of Service - School Improvement) and Bethan Roberts (GwE Performance Management Manager)

Host Authority Officers:

Ffion Madog (Statutory Finance Officer - Gwynedd), Hywyn Lewis Jones (Education and Economy Accountant - Gwynedd) Sïon Huws (Propriety and Elections Manager - Gwynedd) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer).

Others who were invited:

Siwan Glyn and Osian Roberts (Audit Wales)

Apologies: Paul Smith (Secondary Schools' Representative)

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SUBJECT: Item 5: JOINT COMMITTEE FINAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024 and RELEVANT AUDIT

DECISION:

- **To accept and note the ISA260 report by the Auditor General for Wales**
 - **To approve the Statement of Accounts 2023/24**
 - **To authorise the Chair and Gwynedd Council Head of Finance (as the GwE Statutory Finance Officer) to sign the letter of representation.**
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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 maintain accounts subject to audit by an external auditor approved by the Auditor General for Wales.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS GRANTED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE

There were no declarations of personal interest or any relevant dispensations.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

Statutory Officers consulted for their views, which were included in the report.

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SUBJECT: Item 6: GwE BUDGET 2024/2025 - REVIEW UP TO THE END OF OCTOBER 2024

DECISION:

- **To accept and approve the report.**

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The need to update Joint Committee members of the latest financial review of GwE budget for the 2024/25 financial year.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS GRANTED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE

There were no declarations of personal interest or any relevant dispensations.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

Statutory Officers consulted for their views, which were included in the report.

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SUBJECT: Item 7: HALF YEAR PROGRESS REPORT ON THE 'REFORM' ELEMENT OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY EDUCATION GRANT (LAEG).

DECISION:

To accept and approve the report.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The need to report on the 'Reform' element of the Local Authority Education Grant (LAEG), specifically:

- Curriculum for Wales
 - Professional Learning and Leadership
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DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS GRANTED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE

There were no declarations of personal interest or any relevant dispensations.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

Statutory Officers consulted for their views, which were included in the report.
