

Gwent Archives Joint Committee - Auditor General for Wales' Audit Certificate and report

The Auditor General for Wales issued Gwent Archives Joint Committee an unqualified audit report.

However, during our review we identified some other matters that we wish to draw to the Committee's attention which do not affect our audit opinion but should be addressed by the Committee

Minute reference and date of approval

The minute reference and date of approval of the Accounting Statement and the Annual Governance statement is blank. The Committee has confirmed that these should read '4.7' and '14/06/19'.

Annual Governance Statement, Box 4 – Exercise of electors' rights

The Committee has answered 'No' in relation to the exercise of electors' rights on the Annual Governance Statement. The Committee has however taken appropriate action to allow all interested persons the opportunity to inspect the body's accounts as set out in the notice of audit.

The Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 require that the notice be displayed for **14 consecutive days** before the start of the inspection period. The inspection period must allow 20 working days for inspection.

In our view the correct response to Box 4 on the Annual Governance statement on the Annual Return is "Yes".

Yours sincerely,

Gwnt Thornton UK CIP

For and on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales

Date: 16/8/19

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