

PUBLIC AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

2nd Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Wednesday 13 January 2016

Present:

Colin Beattie Nigel Don

Colin Keir Paul Martin (Convener)

Stuart McMillan Mary Scanlon (Deputy Convener)

Tavish Scott Dr Richard Simpson

Apologies were received from David Torrance.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 6 and 7 in private.
- 2. **Section 22 report The 2014/15 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee took evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "The 2014/15 audit of the Scottish Police Authority" from —

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Gillian Woolman, Assistant Director, and Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

3. **Section 23 report - Health and social care integration:** The Committee took evidence on the joint Auditor General for Scotland and Accounts Commission report entitled "Health and social care integration" from —

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Claire Sweeney, Assistant Director, and Gordon Neill, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

4. Section 22 report - The 2012/13 audit of North Glasgow College: The

Committee considered responses from the Scottish Government and the Scottish Funding Council to the Committee's report entitled "Report on the 2012/13 audit of North Glasgow College: Governance and financial stewardship".

The Committee agreed to note the responses.

5. Section 23 report - Efficiency of prosecuting criminal cases through the sheriff courts: The Committee will consider a response from the Scottish Government to the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "Efficiency of prosecuting criminal cases through the sheriff courts".

The Committee agreed to note the response.

6. **Section 22 report - The Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee considered the evidence received at agenda item 2 and took evidence from —

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Gillian Woolman, Assistant Director, and Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to seek oral evidence from the Scottish Government, the Chief Constable of Police Scotland, the Chief Executive Officer of the Scottish Police Authority and the Board Chair of the Scottish Police Authority at a future meeting.

7. **Section 23 report - Health and social care integration:** The Committee considered the evidence received at agenda item 3 and took evidence from —

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Rebecca Smallwood, Auditor, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to write to the Scottish Government on issues raised in discussion.

The meeting closed at 12.12 pm.

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