

Y Pwyllgor Cyfrifon Cyhoeddus

Lleoliad:
Ystafell Bwyllgora 3 – y Senedd

Dyddiad:
Dydd Mawrth, 25 Mehefin 2013

Amser:
09:00

Cynulliad
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Agenda

- 1 Cyflwyniad, ymddiheuriadau a dirprwyon (9:00 – 9:05)**
- 2 Cynnydd o ran cyrraedd Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru – Y wybodaeth ddiweddaraf gan Lywodraeth Cymru (9:00 – 10:00)**
(Tudalennau 1 – 17)

Llywodraeth Cymru

PAC(4) 19–13 – Papur 1
Gareth Jones, Cyfarwyddwr Cyffredinol, Dyfodol Cynaliadwy, Llywodraeth Cymru
Kath Palmer, Dirprwy Gyfarwyddwr Cartrefi a Lleoedd, Llywodraeth Cymru
Lisa Dobbins, Safonau Ansawdd Tai, Llywodraeth Cymru

- 3 Sesiwn Friffio gydag Archwilydd Cyffredinol Cymru am Adroddiad Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru ‘Gweithredu’r Fframwaith Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gofal Iechyd Parhaus y GIG’ (10:00 – 10:40)** (Tudalen 18)

Linc i ‘Gweithredu’r Fframwaith Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gofal Iechyd Parhaus y GIG’

- 4 Papurau i'w nodi** (Tudalennau 19 – 29)
Cofnodion y cyfarfod blaenorol

Rhaglen waith – haf 2013

5 Cynnig o dan Reol Sefydlog 17.42 i benderfynu gwahardd y cyhoedd o'r cyfarfod ar gyfer y busnes canlynol:

Eitemau 6 a 7.

6 Ystyried yr opsiynau ar gyfer ymdrin ag adroddiad Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru ar y Fframwaith Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gofal Iechyd Parhaus y GIG (10:40 – 10:50)

7 Trafod y dystiolaeth am y cynnydd o ran cyrraedd Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru (10:50 – 11:00)

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14 Mehefin 2013

Annwyl Mr Millar

CYFLAWNI SAFON ANSAWDD TAI CYMRU - HYNT Y GWAITH

Diolch am eich llythyr dyddiedig 3 Mai yn fy ngwahodd i fynychu cyfarfod y Pwyllgor ar 25 Mehefin. Mae'n bleser gennyf gadarnhau y byddaf yn bresennol. Bydd Kath Palmer, Dirprwy Gyfarwyddwr Cartrefi a Lleoedd a Lisa Dobbins o'r tîm Safonau Ansawdd Tai yn dod â mi.

Gwnaethoch ofyn am ragor o dystiolaeth ynghylch rhai materion allweddol gan gynnwys:

1. *Enghreifftiau ymarferol o'r modd y mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi cymhwyso'r gwersi cyffredinol ynghylch datblygu, monitro a gwerthuso polisiau a bennwyd yn adroddiad yr Archwilydd Cyffredinol*

Mae ein cynllun *Troi Tai'n Gartrefi* yn enghraifft ragorol. Fe'i lanswyd ym mis Ebrill 2012 gyda chymorth £10 miliwn o fuddsoddiad cyfalaf newydd ac mae'n rhoi benthyciadau di-log i berchenogion anheddau sy'n wag ers cryn amser fel y gallant gael eu defnyddio unwaith eto, at ddiben eu gwerthu neu eu rhentu.

Mae'n fodel gwyb o gydweithredu. Mae pob awdurdod lleol yn rhan o'r cynllun hwn ac maent wedi'u rhannu'n chwe grŵp rhanbarthol. Mae'r cynllun hwn yn ei gwneud hi'n bosibl i rannu arbenigedd ac arferion gorau, gan sicrhau bod cymaint â phosibl o anheddau gwag yn cael eu defnyddio unwaith eto - un ai drwy fenthyciadau, neu drwy ddefnyddio pwerau eraill sydd ar gael iddynt.

Comisiynwyd gwerthusiad tair blynedd cyn lansio'r cynllun ac mae'n cynnwys pwyntiau adrodd interim. Mae'r gwerthusiad hwn yn archwilio'r modd y mae'r cynllun yn gweithio, yr hyn y mae'n ei gyflawni a'i effeithiau.

Erbyn diwedd 2012-13 roedd y cyfan o'r £10 miliwn wedi'i ddyrannu'n fenthyciadau, gan ddarparu tua 450 o unedau o lety a hefyd gefnogi swyddi adeiladu lleol a chyfleoedd hyfforddi.

Mae £10 miliwn arall wedi'i neilltuo i'r cynllun ar gyfer y flwyddyn ariannol hon yn sgil arfarniad trylwyr ac asesiad o achos busnes gan adran y Gweinidog Cyllid.

2. Cwmpas, costau tebygol ac amserlen yr ymarfer gwerthuso arfaethedig o Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru, gan gynnwys graddfa a chwmpas y gwaith a fydd ynghlwm wrth wirio cydymffurfiaeth â'r Safon.

Dyrannwyd y contract ar gyfer gwerthuso'r cynllun i Altair Consultants ar 11 Mehefin 2013, am gost o £19,750. Byddant yn cyflwyno eu hadroddiad ym mis Tachwedd 2013. Mae cwmpas y prosiect yn cynnwys:

- Sut y mae landlordiaid yn barnu ac yn cyfleu'r ffaith eu bod yn gweithredu'r Safon, neu wedi bodloni'r Safon, yn unol â'r canllawiau;
- I ba raddau y caiff cydymffurfiaeth landlordiaid ei gwirio'n annibynnol ac yn allanol;
- Sut y mae landlordiaid wedi cymhwysu'r meini prawf ynghylch 'methiannau derbyniol' ac wedi pennu arferion da;
- Pa mor ymarferol ydw i landlordiaid hysbysu eu tenantiaid unigol ynghylch cydymffurfiaeth eu cartrefi â Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru a'r goblygiadau o ran cost;
- I ba raddau y mae rhaglenni gwella mewn perthynas â Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru wedi cyflawni manteision cymunedol.

Mae'r cwmpas yn adlewyrchu materion y gwnaeth y Pwyllgor a'r Archwilydd Cyffredinol dynnu sylw atynt ac mae'n ymdrin yn benodol â'r pryderon ynghylch sicrhau bod y Safon yn cael ei bodloni. Bydd cam cyntaf y gwerthusiad yn pennu pa gamau eraill, os o gwbl, y mae angen eu cymryd.

3. Sail sylwadau blaenorol Llywodraeth Cymru ynghylch pa mor gadarn oedd yr ymarfer casglu data ynghylch Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru a gynhaliwyd yn 2012 o'i gymharu â'r ymarfer blaenorol yn 2010 a hynt y gwaith o ddatblygu ymarfer casglu data 2013.

Arolwg peilot oedd ymarfer casglu data 2010 a gynhaliwyd gan staff polisi o fewn yr Isadran Tai ar y pryd. Is-adran Gwasanaethau Gwybodaeth a Dadansoddi Llywodraeth Cymru a gynhaliodd ymarfer casglu data 2012, ac arweiniodd at drefniadau mwy cadarn drwy wella'r ffurflen ar gyfer casglu data, y canllawiau a hefyd drwy gyflwyno gwirio cychwynnol o fewn y ffurflen casglu data. Roedd yr ymarfer hwn yn ychwanegol at y gwaith gwirio eilaidd a wnaed gan dîm Casglu Data'r Is-adran Gwasanaethau Gwybodaeth a Dadansoddi. Mae gan y tîm hwn brofiad helaeth o gasglu a gwirio gwybodaeth am dai.

Mae'r ffurflen ddata ar gyfer ymarfer 2013 wrthi'n cael ei chwblhau'n derfynol a bydd y Pwyllgor yn falch o nodi y bydd y ffurflen yn casglu rhagor o wybodaeth am fethiannau derbyniol. Caiff y ffurflen ddiwygiedig ei chyhoeddi ar ddechrau mis Gorffennaf a bydd angen ei llenwi erbyn 9 Hydref 2013.

4. A oes canllawiau wedi'u cyhoeddi ynghylch Datganiad Amgylcheddol Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru

Bellach mae'n rhaid i bob landlord sy'n cadw eu stoc gyflwyno adroddiad blynyddol, yn nodi sut y maent wedi pennu a blaenoriaethu gwelliannau amgylcheddol ehangach i'r ardal o amgylch eu heiddo a hynt eu gwaith hyd yma.

Gwasanaeth Ymgynghorol Cyfranogiad Tenantiaid Cymru a ysgrifennodd y canllawiau presennol ynghylch dehongli'r safon amgylcheddol. Maent wrthi'n eu diwygio ac yn bwriadu eu cyhoeddi yn yr hydref. Bydd Llywodraeth Cymru yn ysgrifennu at bob landlord cyn gynted ag y maent wedi'u cwblhau er mwyn pwysleisio eu pwysigrwydd. Dywed Gwasanaeth Ymgynghorol Cyfranogiad Tenantiaid Cymru fod y seminarau y maent yn eu cynnal ynghylch y safon yn boblogaidd ymysg landlordiaid. Bydd y seminar nesaf yn cael ei gynnal ar ddechrau mis Gorffennaf.

5. *Hynt trafodaethau Llywodraeth Cymru â Thrysorlys Ei Mawrhydi ynghylch diwygio system Cymhorthdal y Cyfrif Refeniw Tai, gan gynnwys sut y mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn ymwneud â'r sector tai cymdeithasol er mwyn cyfrannu at y trafodaethau hynny.*

Mae'r trafodaethau â'r Trysorlys yn parhau er mwyn cytuno ar ffordd ymlaen sy'n dderbyniol i bawb ac er mwyn sicrhau setliad niwtral o ran cost. Er bod y trafodaethau â'r Trysorlys yn gyfrinachol mae swyddogion wedi cysylltu â Chymdeithas Llywodraeth Leol Cymru a nifer bach o Brif Swyddogion Cyllid Awdurdodau Lleol (yn gwbl gyfrinachol) ynghylch y cynnig diweddaraf.

6. *Cwmpas a chynnydd gwaith y Tasglu Gweinidogol a sefydlwyd er mwyn dilyn hynt cyflawni Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru ar gyfer rhai landlordiaid penodol.*

Sefydlwyd y Tasglu ym mis Medi'r llynedd ac mae'n canolbwyntio ar y tri landlord nad oes ganddynt gynlluniau busnes derbyniol a hefyd y pedwar y mae eu dyddiad cyflawni ar ôl 2015/16, sy'n golygu eu bod yn llai tebygol o fodloni targed 2020.

Mae'r broses wedi bod yn bositif iawn ac rydym yn ddiolchgar iawn i aelodau'r Tasglu sydd wedi gwneud y gwaith hwn yn ddi-dâl. Hoffem ddiolch hefyd i'r landlordiaid a fu'n rhan o'r broses am eu hymrwymiad a'u parodrwydd i gymryd rhan. Disgwylir i'r Tasglu gyflwyno adroddiad i'r Gweinidog Tai ac Adfywio cyn Toriad yr Haf.

7. *Esboniad ynghylch yr amserlenni sydd ynghlwm wrth weithredu rhai camau. Yn benodol:*

- ***Pam y bydd hi'n cymryd dwy flynedd, yn fwy na thebyg, ers cyhoeddi adroddiad yr Archwilydd Cyffredinol i gwblhau'r trafodaethau â landlordiaid ynghylch pa mor ymarferol ydyw cysoni gwahanol ffurflenni data (argymhelliad 3c);***
- ***Pam na allai argymhelliad yr Archwilydd Cyffredinol ynghylch archwilio hynt gwahanol ymrwymadau sy'n gysylltiedig â chyflawni Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru (3b) fod eisoes wedi'i gyflawni fel rhan o brosesau cynllunio busnes yn 2012-13.***

Mae'r amserlenni o fewn yr adran hon i gwblhau camau erbyn mis Rhagfyr 2013 yn adlewyrchu'r angen i ystyried argymhellion sy'n deillio o adolygiad presennol Bwrdd

Rheoleiddiol Cymru o'r Fframwaith Rheoleiddio. Nid ydym yn dymuno sefydlu trefniadau newydd ac yna eu newid eto. Disgwylir i'r adroddiad gael ei gyflwyno yn fuan iawn.

8. Natur y cyfyngiadau o ran adnoddau sydd wedi achosi oedi o safbwynt yr ymateb i'r argymhellion sy'n deillio o fuddsoddiad blaenorol y Grŵp Gorchwyl a Gorffen Gweinidogol ar dai ac adfywio mewn cymunedau cynaliadwy a goblygiadau'r cyfyngiadau hyn o safbwynt agweddau eraill ar bolisi tai.

Mae'r cyfyngiadau ar wariant cyhoeddus sy'n deillio o'r dirwasgiad ynghyd â champau cynilo Llywodraeth y DU yn golygu bod Llywodraeth Cymru wedi blaenoriaethu ei hadnoddau, yn cynnwys staff, a meddwl yn wahanol am y modd y mae'n cyflawni ei blaenoriaethau.

Mae cyflawni manteision cymunedol yn gwbl allweddol a dyma pam y mae Gweinidogion Cymru mor awyddus i sicrhau bod Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru yn cael ei chyflawni. Er nad oedd yn bosibl cyflawni'r argymhellion, fel y nodwyd yn yr adroddiad, rydym wedi cydweithio'n agos â Gwerth Cymru er mwyn cyflawni manteision cymunedol ar y cyd drwy'r agenda tai.

9. Sut y mae Llywodraeth Cymru, y tu hwnt i gyflawni dull Gwerth Cymru ar gyfer mesur manteision cymunedol contractau gwerth dros £2 filiwn, wedi egluro ei disgwyliadau i bob landlord cymdeithasol o safbwynt casglu data ynghylch y gwerth cyffredinol am arian a'r manteision ehangach sy'n deillio o wariant mewn perthynas â Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru? Gwnaethoch nodi ym mis Gorffennaf 2012 fod y prosiect Hysbysu i Ymrwymo yn datblygu fframwaith a fyddai'n ategu'r defnydd o'r dull manteision cymunedol ac a fyddai'n pennu'r manteision ehangach a gyflawnir nad ydynt yn gysylltiedig â chaffael.

Rydym wedi ysgrifennu at bob landlord yn gofyn iddynt ystyried y manteision cymunedol sydd ynghlwm wrth bob contract dros £2 filiwn ac ynghlwm wrth gontract lle y gall manteision gael eu cyflawni. Ceir eisoes dystiolaeth gadarn o arferion da o fewn y sector o safbwynt gwerth am arian a manteision ehangach. Mae angen i ni sicrhau ein bod yn cofnodi gwybodaeth mewn modd cadarn. Bydd y data newydd ar gael yn 2014.

Mae'r gwaith hwn yn rhan o raglen ehangach o gymorth gan Gwerth Cymru a nodir yn 'Natganiad Polisi Caffael Cymru' y Gweinidog Cyllid a gyhoeddwyd ym mis Rhagfyr 2012 ac mae'n cynnwys cymorth am ddim. Pwysleisiodd y Datganiad nad yw mabwysiadu polisi manteision cymunedol yn ddewisol a bod deddfwriaeth yn opsiwn.

10. A yw Llywodraeth Cymru wedi gweld unrhyw newidiadau arwyddocaol yn rhagdybiaethau cynllunio busnes landlordiaid o safbwynt eu gwariant yn y dyfodol sy'n gysylltiedig â Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru, yn sgil yr ansicrwydd a bwysleisir yn adroddiad yr Archwilydd Cyffredinol (gan gynnwys newidiadau i'r budd-dâl tai). Byddai'r Pwyllgor hefyd yn croesawu diweddariad ar waith y grŵp llywio y gwnaethoch nodi ei fod yn cael ei sefydlu er mwyn mynd i'r afael â'r materion sydd ynghlwm wrth newidiadau i'r budd-dâl tai.

Mae landlordiaid wrthi'n sicrhau darpariaeth o fewn eu cynlluniau ar gyfer dyledion drwg sy'n deillio o ddiwygiadau lles er mwyn sicrhau y gall Safon Ansawdd Tai Cymru gael ei chyflawni. Mae ein Tîm Rheoleiddio Tai wedi cynnal profion sensitifrwydd mewn perthynas â dyledion drwg. Os bydd dyledion drwg ac ôl-daliadau yn uwch nag a ragwelwyd bydd yn

rhaid i Landlordiaid Cymdeithasol Cofrestredig gymryd camau i liniaru eu heffaith. Mae'r rhan fwyaf wedi nodi y bydd modd gwneud hyn drwy leihau gwasanaethau, gan mai eu blaenoriaeth allweddol yw cynnal hyfywedd eu sefydliadau.

Gwnaethoch gyfeirio at y grŵp llywio. Canolbwyntiodd y grŵp hwn yn wreiddiol ar y Budd-dâl Tai ond cytunodd ei aelodau ei ddiwygio ac fe'i hadwaenir bellach fel y Gweithgor Cymorth ac Eithriadau (Cymru). Adlewyrchai hyn y ffaith bod mwy a mwy o bryderon ynghylch effeithiau diwygiadau ehangach i fudd-daliadau lles. Mae'r grŵp yn ystyried cwmpas a natur y cymorth sydd ei angen fel y gall y sawl sy'n hawlio budd-daliadau addasu i'r Credyd Cynhwysol. Mae bellach wedi derbyn sylwadau gan sefydliadau sy'n ymwneud â gwasanaethau cynghori ariannol, undebau credyd etc. Yr Adran Gwaith a Phensiynau sy'n darparu'r cymorth ysgrifenyddol.

Yn unol ag argymhelliad y grŵp, mae Llywodraeth Cymru bellach yn sefydlu grŵp arall a fydd yn asesu effeithiau'r diwygiadau lles ar y sector tai cymdeithasol ar rent (tenantiaid a landlordiaid). Bydd yn nodi ac yn rhannu arferion da o fewn y sector er mwyn ymdrin â'r diwygiadau. Bydd yr wybodaeth hon hefyd o gymorth i'r Tîm Rheoleiddio Tai. Bwriedir cynnal y cyfarfod cychwynnol ar 4 Gorffennaf 2013.

Edrychaf ymlaen at drafod y materion hyn â chi ar 25 Mehefin.



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2 July 2013

Dear Mr Millar,

PROGRESS IN DELIVERING THE WELSH HOUSING QUALITY STANDARD

Further to my attendance at the Public Accounts Committee on 25 June, further evidence was requested on the following key issues:

- A List of Ministerial Task Force members,
- A copy of the 'Evaluation of the Regulatory Framework for associations in Wales'.
- A few case studies on community benefits.

I have attached the relevant information as Docs 1 -3 in accordance with the list above. Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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Composition of the Ministerial Task Force WHQS

Chris O'Meara(chair)

Kathleen Kelly

Bob Smith

Peter McHugh

Keith Edwards

Mike Owen

Kath Palmer (Civil Servant - Deputy Director Homes and Places)

Pen Pictures.

Chris O'Meara (Chair)

Chairs the WHQS Task Force. Chris is Chief Executive of Cadwyn Housing Association. From April 2008 – May 2011, was a part time housing policy adviser to the Deputy Minister for Housing and (latterly Regeneration). Prior to that she was Chair of Community Housing Cymru.

Kathleen Kelly

Kathleen has been at the Joseph Rowntree Foundation for 7 years and leads UK wide programmes of research and policy development on Housing including Market Volatility, Young People and Homelessness. Kathleen provided support to the [JRF housing market taskforce](#) an interdisciplinary group of experts focussed on long term measures to promote a more stable housing market. Kathleen previously worked in central Government covering research and evaluation on a range of housing issues including the Supporting People Programme and Choice Based Lettings. She has also worked as a front line housing advice worker in private practice and for charities including Shelter and Citizens Advice.

Bob Smith

Bob is a Senior Lecturer in Housing in the School of Planning and Geography at Cardiff University. He has more than 30 years of housing research experience, much of it in relation to housing policy and practice in Wales, where he has worked since January 1988. Bob has undertaken commissioned research for a variety of organisations, including Government departments, the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, national charities, representative bodies and individual local authorities and housing associations and has published widely on housing and regeneration. In 2007-08 he was a member of the Ministerial Task and Finish Group which produced the influential report on Affordable Housing in Wales ("The Essex Review") and he has been a member of the external panels which shaped the first post devolution national housing strategy for Wales (2001) and the current national housing strategy. A corporate member of the Chartered Institute of Housing and a Board member of a community based housing association in South Wales, Bob is also a member of the advisory board for Welsh Housing Quarterly.

Peter McHugh

Peter is the Head of Housing and Community Development at Denbighshire County Council with responsibility for a portfolio including management and maintenance of the Councils Housing Stock, Housing Strategy, Regeneration and Economic Development.

Peter is responsible for steering Denbighshire towards achieving the Welsh Housing Quality Standard to all stock by December 2013. Before joining Denbighshire, Peter spent 6 years as a Consultant working with Local Authorities and RSLs in developing Joint Venture Vehicles, project managing stock transfers and delivering service improvement programmes. Prior to that Peter spent 3 years at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister working with local authorities on their stock options appraisals and advised and supported authorities in the delivery of their ALMO/PFI and Stock Transfer investment strategies. Peter has also held the position of Head of Service with 2 leading Registered Social Landlords in the North West of England.

Keith Edwards

Keith returned to his post as Director of Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) Cymru in January 2009 following a two year secondment to lead the Welsh Assembly Government **i2i** – inform to involve project.

He was Director of TPAS Cymru for 9 years before joining CIH Cymru in 2000. Prior to entering housing Keith worked in the trade union, co-operative and community development movements.

He is a member of the Welsh Housing Quarterly advisory board and a former member of the Inside Housing Editorial Panel. He sits on the Welsh Assembly Government Housing Programme Board and is a Ministerial appointee to the Wales Financial Inclusion Steering Group, National Regeneration Panel and WHQS Ministerial Task Force. In July 2009 he was made an honorary life member of the Welsh Tenants Federation.

Mike Owen

Chief Executive of Merthyr Valleys Homes since April 2011. He is a Governing Board member of the Chartered Institute of Housing. Previously Chief Executive of Carrick Housing a three star ALMO in Cornwall where he was a CLG and LGA advisor on reform of council housing financing and the redistribution of the national subsidy system for housing.

In the 1990's Mike was the Chief Executive of Birmingham Co-operative Housing Services a secondary housing co-operative setting up fully mutual and TMO's across the West Midlands.

'Evaluation of the regulatory framework for associations in Wales'

<http://wales.gov.uk/about/aboutresearch/social/latestresearch/evaluation-regulatory-framework-housing-associations-wales/?jsessionId=CF71C5FC5425569D9D01E9BEC611CB0F>

Summary Report

<http://wales.gov.uk/docs/caecd/research/130619-interim-evaluation-regulatory-framework-housing-associations-summary-en.pdf>

The Following examples are case studies of Community benefits achieved through procurement and responsible business as a result of WHQS investment from Large Scale Voluntary Transfer organisations (LSVTs).

RCT Homes has developed a number of tools to capture partner contributions and attributed training and employment opportunities. These systems evidence the impact, capturing cash, in kind and volunteering undertaken by their partners.

Over £1,000,000 in cash donations

Almost 1,000 volunteer hours

£140,000 worth of materials and labour

£200,000 open book 'pain gain' efficiency savings

£140,000 matched funding for Resident Environmental Improvement schemes

In recognition of their partners' contribution, in 2012 they launched the 'More than Awards', to recognise and thank partners. RCT Homes report the total community benefit contribution that partners have made in the form of a 'statement', with a certificate and memento.

In recognition of all their innovation and commitment in relation to securing community benefit through procurement, RCT Homes were successful in winning the 2013 Welsh Government Procurement Awards category for Community Benefit. They were also highly commended for Responsible Procurement by Business in the Community (BITC) in 2010, winning the category in 2011. RCT Homes also achieved UK recognition as finalists in the UK CIH Housing Awards for Meeting Residents Needs & Aspirations through Procurement.

Rhydfelin Amateur Football Club (AFC) Refurbishment of Derelict Changing Facilities.

RCT Homes main partner Costain Construction adopted this scheme as their principal corporate social responsibility (CSR) project occupying and refurbishing significant elements of the building instead of locating in a nearby industrial estate or using portacabins. They brought together other partners to deliver the scheme.

CSR Positive Outcomes for Rhydfelin AFC:

Secured £57,180 (to date) in donations and in kind contributions from partners,

Developed a strong network of business partners,

Developed a strong relationship with the football club and the local community,

Improved local facilities and services,

Raised aspirations and confidence among the local community,

Increased local participation, and

Changed attitudes

These all triggered a catalyst for social change

Action Camp

This is a project from RCT Homes and is delivered by Young Wales. Action Camp is a three day residential event covering a number of key Welsh Government themes. Now in its ninth year it is primarily, though not exclusively, aimed at young people aged eleven to eighteen.

The Camp is followed up by community programme Particip8 that aims to increase youth volunteering locally.

As a result of Action Camp many young people have gained experiences that they won't easily forget. It has made them more aware of the consequences of their own actions, and also taught them how they can live a much healthier lifestyle. It has given these young people very good life skills and helped them grow in confidence.

Action Camp has given 5 young people a chance to gain work experience, and has given 2 of them employment for the summer holidays. I think Action Camp has again demonstrated it is an excellent way of bringing young people together, in a safe environment.”

Many young people attending Action Camp often feel excluded from activities others enjoy. They miss the chance to swim, shop, cook and be with their friends, as well as missing the opportunity to make new friends. Published statistics estimate that one in four children and young people are affected by child poverty. Growing up in poverty can damage child development, which will have a detrimental effect on the positive outcomes in adult life. The costs, of this, are great and go well beyond the individual. It can have disastrous effects on their community.

- Action Camp tries to ensure the attendees enjoy a short break from their home environment, with the opportunity to try many new experiences.
- 98% of the Action Camp attendees achieved an NOCN Entry Level Award, accrediting their efforts. The qualification is approved within the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) at Entry Level (Entry 3) and Level 1 and encompass the principles of Foundation Learning.

The Following examples are case studies of community benefits achieved through procurement in new build situations for traditional RSL's.

St Michael's Church

Grwp Gwalia's St Michael's Church in Bohun Street, Manselton, Swansea is an example of how the repair and restoration of a Grade II listed church can be redeveloped to provide new build, residential accommodation.

The scheme has received £350,000 of Welsh Government funding from Social Housing Grant towards a total scheme cost of £601,893 for the residential element, which provides six, three person, two bedroom flats for residents over 55 and was completed in December 2012.

The scheme included the restoration works of a church building; demolition of a church hall and hut, the re-ordering of internal church building space to accommodate new community facilities and the creation of a new West elevation church door and flat accommodation which has been designed to Code 3 + of Code for Sustainable Homes.

The scheme is located within Swansea Strategic Regeneration area and has provided the following community benefits:-

- the physical regeneration of a semi derelict site of a church hall and hut
- new community facilities within the church, across a range of user groups in a multi purpose flexible space.
- 95% of the supply chain for the scheme and sub-contractors were based within a 20 mile radius of this site which has provided support to the local economy.

Turner Street

City Gardens, Turner Street, Newport is a mixed tenure housing scheme of 35 homes of which 32 are for affordable housing. The site is located in a popular area of the city and had been derelict for a number of years.

The scheme has received £349,229 of Welsh Government funding from the Social Housing Grant which contributes to a total scheme cost of £764,985, to support the provision of 6 general needs units within the scheme.

As part of the scheme, Seren group agreed to pilot 2 new affordable housing products for Newport County Council, a 4 bedroom ladder project and a flat share unit.

The ladder project is aimed at young people aged between 18 and 25 who are in or are seeking employment and are living in circumstances where their accommodation is of poor quality or where they are at possible risk of becoming homeless.

The "flat share" comprises of 2 bedroom flats and are targeted at people under 35. The flats have been designed in response to proposed changes to welfare reform.

Due to the unique nature of the “ladder project” and the “flat share” Charter and Newport County Council will be monitoring progress closely as the model could be repeated elsewhere if successful.

The scheme has provided the following community benefits:-

- Greenhill Construction employed three local apprentices and one local trainee Site Manager and giving them the opportunity to gain valuable experience and expertise working on a local site
- Renovation to sea cadets huts
- Local school involvement, poster competition and health and safety talks
- The two pilot projects directly benefit young people within the community, who would otherwise find it difficult to secure suitable accommodation
- The original derelict site has been totally regenerated, improving the outlook of the area.

NEW - Argel Extra Care Project

This new project in Johnstown, Carmarthen is being undertaken by Family Housing Association in partnership with Carmarthenshire County Council and forms part of the authority’s on-going strategy for older people.

This project provides:-

- 50 self-contained one and two bedroom apartments with the usual facilities of an extra care development, including lounge, dining room, craft and hobby room, wellbeing room and a range of sitting rooms and circulation spaces designed to encourage social interaction.
- 11 self-contained apartments for people with dementia, which have their own communal and recreational areas.
- A Day Centre for use by non-residential older persons in the community.
- A kitchen serving both the extra care development and the Day Centre. The kitchen will also form the hub of the Meals on Wheels service within the area.

The funding and partnership arrangement is innovative in that funding from the projects comes from three sources (private finance from Family Housing Association, Carmarthenshire County Council and the Welsh Government.

The Welsh Government has supported the scheme with a Social Housing Grant of £6.2m which contributes towards a gross scheme cost of £10.8m and is expected to be completed in January 2015.

This project allows tenants to live independently knowing that support is on hand should they need it. All areas including the apartments are suitable for access by people with disabilities.

The following community benefits will be delivered:-

- Working with the contractor and Carmarthenshire construction training agencies – there will be apprenticeship opportunities in a range of construction disciplines. During the construction process there will be an average of 50 people employed on site.
- the promotion of independent living will provide a much more efficient use of the Council's existing domiciliary care resources allowing more residents in the community to receive much needed care
- The location of the scheme, within an established community and adjacent to a large comprehensive school will promote social integration and interaction and reduce isolation which is a big issue for the older generation

Penucheldre Extra Care

Penucheldre Extra Care scheme in Holyhead is the first unit of its kind on the Isle of Anglesey and was developed in partnership with Anglesey County Council.

Completed in November 2012, the scheme includes 54 purpose built one and two bedroom flats developed by Cymdeithas Tai Eryri. This Extra Care development provides flexible, person centred care to support independence and social inclusion and enables older people to retain more control within their lives.

The Welsh Government provided funding of £4.76m from Social Housing Grant as part of the total scheme cost of £8.2m with the balance coming from private finance.

- The scheme also offers; accommodation for visitors, a restaurant lounge and coffee bar, hair and beauty salon, fitness room, hobbies room and communal areas for socialising. The new flats enable people to enjoy a happy and stress-free retirement with companionship and activities on hand, as well as the peace of mind that care and support is available as required.
- Many of the support workers, the chefs and kitchen staff have been recruited from the local community. The Restaurant has created an opportunity to establish a new social enterprise – “Gwledda” – which prepares meals at Penucheldra and provides an outside catering service.

Vulcan House

Wales & West Housing Association's, Vulcan House development in Bethesda Street, Merthyr Tydfil is due to complete in March 2013 and will deliver 15, 2 bedroom flats for affordable housing.

The original Vulcan house site consisted of grade II listed buildings in a dilapidated state of repair and had been vacant since 1990.

Following an extensive consultation process with CADW and the conservation officer at Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Wales & West Housing Association obtained planning approval and listed building consent to retain the main house and demolish the outer buildings within the curtilage.

The Welsh Government provided funding of £1.1m from Social Housing Grant for 15 units as part of the total scheme cost of £1.96m with the balance coming from private finance. Handover of the development is expected to take place in August 2013.

Community benefits:-

- The local community has benefited from the redevelopment of this site along with the adjacent Vulcan Brewery development which completed in 2011, has seen the regeneration of this small area of Merthyr.
- This area of Merthyr has been transformed from a depressing site with many dangerous and dilapidated buildings to a housing development which sits within the footprint of the former Vulcan House and its annex.
- Wales & West Housing are working closely with GGAT and Cyfartha Junior School to capture the history of the site and record it for others to enjoy in the future.
- There are 7 subcontracting organisations working on the project with some 18 operatives working on site. In addition the developer benefited from job opportunities and a total of 24 jobs were created over the length of the contract.

Affordable Housing Project, Rivulet Road and Kingsmills Road, Wrexham.

Wales & West Housing acquired land at Rivulet Road from the private sector (a stalled site) and further land at Kingsmills Road from the Council for the development of affordable housing comprising of a range of dwelling types.

The site was a former gas works, which was contaminated over time and has been remediated to bring into use for residential purposes.

The project also includes a refuge for women fleeing domestic violence and a fully adapted property for a specific client.

The project started on site in May 2012 and the first dwellings are due for handover on 10th May 2013.

The Welsh Government provided funding of £7m from Social Housing Grant as part of the total scheme cost of £18m with the balance coming from private finance.

In addition, a Community Resource Centre is being provided that is funded by Wales & West Housing. This provides a community centre, medical facility in partnership with the health board and a suite of office accommodation.

The properties on Kingsmills Road have had the maximum amount of PV panels placed on their roofs to give the tenants cheap electricity. This has been paid for by Wales & West Housing Association to help prevent fuel poverty.

The benefits to the community include:-

- There are ongoing job opportunities on the development for local people. 28 local people have been employed from the immediate locality. These include 16 apprentices with a wide range of skills including; Bricklayers, Plasterers, Timber Frame Joiners and Forklift Drivers.
- A new Community Resource Centre will provide a new medical centre for the local community and a new community centre to replace the old one. There will also be a large Public Open Space which will be adopted by the Local Authority on the Kingsmills Road site.

Eitem 3

Gweithredu'r Fframwaith Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gofal Iechyd Parhaus y GIG

http://www.wao.gov.uk/assets/welshdocuments/Continuing_Healthcare_Welsh.pdf

Implementation of the Framework for Continuing NHS Healthcare

http://www.wao.gov.uk/assets/englishdocuments/Continuing_Healthcare_English.pdf

Y Pwyllgor Cyfrifon Cyhoeddus

Lleoliad: Ystafell Bwyllgora 3 – y Senedd

Dyddiad: Dydd Mawrth, 18 Mehefin 2013

Amser: 09:00– 11:00

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1 Cyflwyniad, ymddiheuriadau a dirprwyon

1.1 Croesawodd y Cadeirydd yr Aelodau a'r cyhoedd i'r cyfarfod.

2 Materion sy'n codi o ganfyddiadau adroddiad Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru ar Fwrdd Draenio Mewnol Cil-y-coed a Gwastadeddau Gwynllŵg

2.1 Croesawodd y Cadeirydd James Harris, Cyn-aelod o Fwrdd Draenio Mewnol Cil-y-coed a Gwastadeddau Gwynllŵg.

2.2 Bu'r Pwyllgor yn holi'r tyst.

3 Papurau i'w nodi

3.1 Nododd y Pwyllgor sut roedd Llywodraeth Cymru a Rheolwr Cyffredinol Bwrdd Draenio Mewnol Cil-y-coed a Gwastadeddau Gwynllŵg wedi ymateb i'r camau gweithredu.

3.2 Nododd y Pwyllgor gofnodion y cyfarfod blaenorol.

3.3 Nododd y Pwyllgor ei raglen waith ar gyfer tymor yr haf 2013.

3.4 Nododd Pwyllgor longyfarchiadau ar goedd i Ian Summers ar dderbyn ei MBE.

4 Cynnig o dan Reol Sefydlog 17.42 i benderfynu gwahardd y cyhoedd o'r cyfarfod ar gyfer y canlynol:

5 Trafod y dystiolaeth ynghylch materion sy'n codi o ganfyddiadau adroddiad Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru ar Fwrdd Draenio Mewnol Cil-y-coed a Gwastadeddau Gwynllŵg

5.1 Trafododd y Pwyllgor y dystiolaeth a ddarparwyd ar gyfer ei ymchwiliad i Fwrdd Draenio Mewnol Gwastadeddau Cil-y-coed a Gwynllŵg.

6 Penodi Cadeirydd ac Aelodau anweithredol Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru

6.1 Ystyriodd y Pwyllgor ei gyfrifoldebau o dan y Ddeddf Archwilio Cyhoeddus (Cymru) a thrafododd y trefniadau ar gyfer taliadau a thelerau eraill o ran penodi Cadeirydd ac aelodau anweithredol, a phenodi i swyddi Cadeirydd ac aelodau anweithredol Bwrdd Swyddfa Archwilio Cymru.

7 Ystyried y Memorandwm Cydsyniad Deddfwriaethol ar y Bil Archwilio ac Atebolrwydd Lleol

7.1 Ystyriodd y Pwyllgor y Memorandwm Cydsyniad Deddfwriaethol ar y Bil Archwilio ac Atebolrwydd Lleol.

TRAWSGRIFIAD

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Draft Public Accounts Committee Forward Work
Programme: Summer term 2013¹

Thursday 18 April (9:30–12:30)

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Consideration of advice from the Auditor General for Wales on issues arising from the Committee's report 'Progress in delivering the Welsh Housing Quality Standard'**
 - a. Members' consideration of advice
- 3. Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**
 - a. Welsh Government– Michael Hearty and Value Wales
 - b. NHS Shared Services partnership
- 4. Motion to go into private session**
- 5. Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence

Tuesday 23 April (9:00–11:00)

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. The Consultant Contract in Wales**
 - a. Adam Cairns, Chief Executive, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and Janet Wilkinson, Director of Workforce, Hywel Dda
- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. The Consultant Contract in Wales**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence
- 5. Grants Management**
 - a. Members' consideration of draft report

¹ Explanatory note from Clerk- in line with the PAC's discussions on the use of Thursdays, a meeting has generally been scheduled on approximately the third Thursday of each calendar month. Where possible, Thursday meetings have been scheduled to:

- enable the Committee to make effective progress with work;
- avoid clashes with the Finance Committee;
- minimise potential membership clashes with the Smoking Regulations committee; and
- minimise the impact of membership clashes with the Health and Social Care Committee.

Tuesday 30 April (9:00–11:00)

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Correspondence from Business Committee**
- 3. Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**
 - a. John House, Chief Executive Cardiff County Council
- 4. Motion to go into private session (including meeting of 7 May)**
- 5. Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence
- 6. Grants Management**
 - a. Members' consideration of final report

Tuesday 7 May (9:00–11:00)

PRIVATE MEETING

- 1. Consideration of correspondence from Wales Audit Office on the Welsh Government's subsidy of the North/South Wales Air link**
- 2. Consideration of support for Committee**
- 3. Consideration of potential work to seek updates on implementation of recommendations of previous Committee reports**
- 4. Forward Work Programme**
 - a. Members' consideration of Forward Work Programme
- 5. Grants Management– Final Report**
 - a. Members' consideration of draft report

Thursday 16 May (9:00–13:00)

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report**
 - a. Welsh Government (9:00–10:00)
 - b. Natural Resources Wales (10:00–10:50)

- c. General Manager of Caldicot and Wentlooge Levels Internal Drainage Board and Association of Drainage Boards (10:55–11:45)
- d. Former Clerk and Engineer of Caldicot and Wentlooge Levels Internal Drainage Board (11:45–12:35)

3. Motion to go into private session

4. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report

- a. Members' consideration of evidence (12:35–13:00)

Tuesday 21 May (9:00–11:00)

1. Introductions

2. Advice from the AGW on WG responses to PAC reports 'Health Finances' and 'Maternity Services in Wales' (9:05 – 9:10)

3. Papers to note

4. Motion to go into private session

5. Potential opportunity for briefing on legal issues associated with River Lodge Hotel report, prior to report's publication (9:10–9:25)

6. Civil Emergencies

- a. Members' consideration of draft report (9:30–11:00)

Thursday 6 June²

1. Introductions

2. Update from Welsh Government on implementation of recommendations in Public Accounts Committee report: Hospital Catering (14:00–15:00)

3. Update from Welsh Government on implementation of recommendations in Public Accounts Committee report: A Picture of Public Services 2011 (15:00–16:00)

4. Update from Welsh Government on implementation of recommendations in 3rd Assembly Public Accounts

² Obviously, this is not the third Thursday of June. However, use of this date (rather than 20 June) is likely to minimise impact of a membership clash with the Health and Social Care Committee.

Committee report: Capital Investment in Schools (16:00–17:00)

- 5. Motion to go into private session**
- 6. Members' consideration of updates from Welsh Government on implementation of recommendations from previous Committee reports (17:00–17:30)**

Tuesday 11 June

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report**
 - a. Audit Commission (9:00– 9:30)
 - b. Wales Audit Office (9:30– 10:00)
- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence (10:00–10:20)
- 5. Civil Emergencies**
 - a. Members' consideration of final report (10:20–11:00)

Tuesday 18 June

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report**
 - a. James Harris, Former Board Member of Caldicot and Wentlooge Levels IDB (9:00 – 9:50)
- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage report**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence (9:50–10:00)
- 5. Appointment of non-executive Members and Chair of Wales Audit Office**
 - a. Members' consideration of options paper and draft job adverts (10:00–10:20)

6. Local Audit and Accountability Bill: Consideration of Legislative Consent Memorandum (10:20 – 11:00)

Thursday 20 June- Publication of Grants Management report

Tuesday 25 June

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Progress in delivering the WHQS**
 - a. Update from Welsh Government (9:00–10:00)
- 3. Briefing from Wales Audit Office on Continuing Healthcare (10:00–10:40)**
- 4. Motion to go into private session**
- 5. Progress in delivering the WHQS**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence (10:40–10:50)
- 6. Briefing from Wales Audit Office on Continuing Healthcare**
 - a. Members' consideration of potential action arising from briefing

Monday 1 July

Visit to House of Commons' Public Accounts Committee

Tuesday 2 July

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Briefing from Wales Audit Office on forthcoming report (9:00–10:00)**
- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. Members consideration of potential action arising from briefing (10:00–10:10)**
- 5. The procurement and management of consultancy services**
 - a. Members' consideration of draft report (10:10–11:00)

Tuesday 9 July

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Briefing from Wales Audit Office on forthcoming report (9:00–9:50)**

- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. Members consideration of potential action arising from briefing (9:50–10:00)**
- 5. The procurement and management of consultancy services**
 - a. Members' consideration of final report (10:00–10:15)
- 6. The consultant contract in Wales**
 - a. Members' consideration of draft report (10:15–11:00)

Thursday 20 July– Possible meeting in North Wales (tbc)

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Possible evidence sessions arising from forthcoming Wales Audit Office reports**
- 3. Motion to go into private session**
- 4. Evidence sessions arising from forthcoming Wales Audit Office reports**
 - a. Members' consideration of evidence
- 5. The consultant contract in Wales**
 - a. Members' consideration of final report (10:00–11:00)
- 6. Scoping Paper for future one-day-inquiry into senior officials pay**

Other anticipated activity before end of 2013

- One day inquiry into senior officials' pay
- Appointment of non-executive Members and Chair of WAO board

Anticipated Publication of Committee reports:

Inquiry	Evidence Sessions	Committee's consideration of draft report	Approximate publication
River Lodge Hotel	Completed	Completed	Late May (delayed due to legal concerns)
Grants Management	Completed	23 April-7 May	20 June
Civil Emergencies	Completed	Late May- Early June	Early July
The Consultant Contract in Wales	23 April	Early July	Summer Recess
Procurement and Management of Consultancy Services	18 April -30 April	Early July	Summer Recess
Issues arising from findings of WAO report on Caldicot and Wentlooge Internal Levels Drainage Board	16 May-18 June	Autumn Term	Autumn Term