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Dear Mr Griffiths

### **Chair of the Wales Audit Office**

Thank you for your letter of 9 May 2024 consulting on the proposed remuneration and terms of appointment for a new Chair of the Wales Audit Office, and the appointment of an additional non-executive member.

I note the Committee recently undertook a full comparison exercise when determining remuneration arrangements for the previous Chair in July, and the committee has proposed to maintain the same £25,000 per annum rate on a suggested commitment of 4 days a month. On that basis, I am content with the remuneration offered.

The Welsh Government's remuneration scheme for public appointments does not cover the Wales Audit Office. However, for comparison the scheme has five daily rates of pay (bands), which help differentiate remuneration based on an assessment of an organisations size, complexity, and exposure to risk. The Chair daily rates range from £114 to £478. In context the Chair's salary of £25,000 would be around £520 per day.

I do not have any further views on the terms and conditions to share, but I do note the Committee has resolved to maintain existing notice and termination provisions.

Kind regards,

**Dom Houlihan**  
**Director, People and Places**

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