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Welsh Government

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## Welsh Government Procurement of Electric Vehicles

Dear Mark,

I write concerning your predecessor's letter of 19 July 2024, responding to the Committee's queries about the Welsh Government's procurement of electric vehicles, which was appreciated. However, the Committee has further queries we would like you to address.


We note that the Welsh Government's Welsh Procurement Policy Note 07/21 specifies that the Welsh Government may not ask for more than two years of audited accounts, as part of its due diligence. We would appreciate confirmation of why this is the case and to establish whether this is based on other guidance or practice.

We would also like to know more about the Welsh Government's processes, as part of procurement due diligence, to establish the previous financial histories of individual directors associated with bidding companies. Is there a process in place for doing so and is it applied in all cases, based on set criteria, or not at all?

We would welcome a response to this letter by 18 October 2024.

Kind Regards,

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.  
We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Isherwood', written over a horizontal line.

Mark Isherwood MS

Chair of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee

