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Foreword by the Cathaoirleach



On behalf of the Committee of Public Accounts, I am pleased to present its Annual Report for 2023, which sets out the work undertaken by the Committee in 2023.

The Committee has a key role to play in ensuring that there is accountability and transparency in the way Government agencies allocate, spend, and manage their finances, and in guaranteeing that the taxpayer receives value for money.

The Committee held 39 meetings in 2023, sitting for a total of over 139 hours. Arising from its examination of audited accounts and reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General, the Committee published 3 recommendation-focused reports in 2023. The recommendations of the Committee reflect its principal concerns arising from its examinations of public expenditure, including: Exchequer expenditure on key public transport infrastructure projects such as Metro North; transparency around public-private partnership agreements; staffing and caseload management at the Tax Appeals Commission; the installation of CCTV at racecourses; and Exchequer funding to the horse racing industry.

The Committee's ongoing examination of governance at the University of Limerick was once again a key focus in 2023. The Committee sought and was granted to power to compel production of a KPMG report regarding the acquisition of property by the university and met once more with representatives of the university to examine UL's financial statements and matters related to the acquisition of property.

Examination of matters related to the expenditure of public money by RTÉ dominated the agenda for the second half of the year. In June 2023, the Committee sought and was granted an extension of remit to examine matters related to the expenditure of public money by RTÉ, following revelations relating to payments and commercial arrangements entered into by the broadcaster.

From June to October, the Committee engaged in public with RTÉ on three occasions, and held one public meeting with Mr. Ryan Tubridy and his agent Mr. Noel Kelly. Huge public interest in these meetings contributed to a doubling in the

livestreaming figures for Oireachtas Committees in 2023¹. The Committee established key facts and information during its hearings and through the extensive documentation available to it, including hundreds of items of correspondence to it from RTÉ, and other individuals.

Arising from these hearings, the Committee developed a set of 21 recommendations which were published in its report on the matter in March 2024. The Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform, on behalf of the Government, is required to respond to the Committee's recommendations and outline the steps for implementation through the Minute of the Minister.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to express my gratitude to everyone who participated in the Committee's hearings in 2023 and to all those who corresponded with the Committee and sought to assist it in its deliberations. I would also like to express my appreciation to the members of the Committee and the Secretariat for their work.



Brian Stanley, T.D.
Cathaoirleach, Committee of Public Accounts
11 July 2024

¹ Houses of the Oireachtas Commission Annual Report 2023, pp. 86.
https://data.oireachtas.ie/ie/oireachtas/corporate/reports/2024/2024-07-02_houses-of-the-oireachtas-commission-annual-report-2023_en.pdf

1. Content and Format of Report

This report has been prepared pursuant to Standing Order 218(9) of Dáil Éireann, which states:

“The Committee shall present an annual progress report to Dáil Éireann on its activities and plans.”

2. Establishment and Functions

The Committee of Public Accounts is a standing committee of Dáil Éireann², and is responsible for scrutinising departmental and certain other audited accounts and reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General. Please see Appendix 1 on page 10 for the relevant extract from Standing Orders of Dáil Éireann relative to Public Business.

The Committee plays an important role in ensuring accountability and transparency in the way government departments, offices and certain public bodies allocate, spend, and manage their finances. The Committee seeks to ensure that taxpayers receive value for money for every euro spent by the Exchequer. Further information on the role of the Committee can be found on the Oireachtas website [here](#).

3. Cathaoirleach, Leas-Chathaoirleach and Membership

Dáil Éireann Standing Order 104(2) provides for a proportion of Cathaoirligh to be allocated to each party or group by means of the D’Hondt System. Deputy Brian Stanley was appointed as Cathaoirleach of the Committee on 3 September 2020 by Order of Dáil Éireann. Deputy Catherine Murphy was elected as Leas-Chathaoirleach of the Committee on 24 September 2020.

The membership of the Committee, including any changes within the reported period, is listed at Appendix 2 (page 13).

4. Meetings, Attendance and Recording

In 2023, meetings of the Committee took place in Committee Room 3 in Leinster House 2000 on Thursdays. In the morning session the Committee engaged in public

² A standing committee is a committee required by Standing Orders of the Dáil to be established after a general election.

session with witness to examine departmental and certain other audited accounts and reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General. In the afternoon, business of the Committee was considered in public session, with some matters considered in private.

Public meetings of the Committee continued to be broadcast from the Committee rooms in Leinster House. In 2023, attendance by Members and witnesses was mostly in person. Members of the Committee still had the option to participate in public meetings remotely from within parliamentary precincts and witnesses had the option to participate remotely if required.

Public committee proceedings were broadcast live within Leinster House and also made available to RTÉ, Virgin Media and TG4. Proceedings were also webcast making them available worldwide on the internet. The proceedings of committees in public session are also broadcast on the dedicated parliamentary channel Oireachtas TV, which is available on the following channels:

- Saorview 22, Sky 574, Virgin Media 207, eir Vision 504
- Vodafone Channels 201, 207 and 208

Official Reports of the public meetings, also known as the meeting transcripts, are available on the Committee's debates webpage³.

Reports published by the Committee are also available on the Committee's reports' webpage⁴. Details of three reports published by the Committee in 2023 are set out at paragraph 7 below.

5. Meetings

The Committee held 35 public and 4 private meetings in 2023 and sat for 139 hours (133 hours 58 seconds for public meetings and 5 hours 5 seconds for private meetings).

³ <https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/committees/33/committee-of-public-accounts/debates/>

⁴ <https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/committees/33/committee-of-public-accounts/pac-reports/>

The table below provides a breakdown of the matters examined by the Committee during its public meetings.

Appropriation Accounts 2021 and 2022	17
Financial Statements and Accounts of Public Bodies 2021 and 2022	19
Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2021 and 2022 (Chapters)	16
Comptroller and Audit General Special Reports	2
Central Fund and Other Funds	2
Other *	2
Business of the Committee (Correspondence, Accounts and Financial Statements, Work Programme, etc.)	32
Total no. of public meetings **	35

Notes:

* Other refers to discrete areas of public expenditure i.e., Broadcasting and National Broadband Plan

** The overall total of matters examined exceeds the total number of meetings because many meetings considered several matters.

The subject matter of each meeting, including the organisations and witnesses who attended the meetings, as well as links to the transcripts of the meetings, are provided at Appendix 3 (page 14).

The following table provides details of sitting hours, witnesses, reports and travel:

Number of sitting hours	138.19
Number of witnesses	343
Number of reports laid in the Oireachtas library	3
Number of travel episodes	0

6. Correspondence to the Committee

The following table provides details of correspondence processed by the Committee in 2023:

Correspondence	Total
Correspondence items received by the Committee	652
Correspondence items the Committee declined to receive or demoted ⁵	44
Correspondence items issued by the Committee	380

⁵ 'Demoted' refers to a decision of the Committee - as provided for in section 92(4) of the Houses of the Oireachtas (Inquiries, Privileges and Procedures) Act 2013 - that a document given to it has ceased to be a document of the Committee and therefore no longer benefits from legal privilege. A document that the Committee 'declines' to receive never becomes a document of the Committee. Mainly concerns correspondence considered by the Committee to be outside its remit and/or matters of a criminal nature, allegations against identifiable individuals, or both.

7. Witnesses attending before the Committee

343 contributing witnesses appeared before the Committee in 2023.

Please see Appendix 3 (page 14) for details of the organisations and witnesses who attended meetings of the Committee.

When the Committee is examining Appropriation Accounts (Votes), the principal witness is the Accounting Officer of that Vote (usually the Secretary General of the relevant Government Department). An officer from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform is also in attendance.

When the Committee is examining financial statements of public bodies, the principal witness is the Accountable Person (usually the Chief Executive Officer of the public body). An officer from the relevant Government Department is also in attendance.

8. Committee Reports Published

When it concludes its examination of accounts or of interim and annual reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General, the Committee presents a Report to the Dáil.

The Committee published the following three reports in 2023:

Report	Date of publication
Report on Examination of the 2019 and 2020 Financial Statements for Horse Racing Ireland, and related financial matters	31 January 2023
Report on Examination of the 2019 and 2020 Appropriation Accounts for Vote 31 – Transport, and the 2020 Financial Statements for the National Transport Authority, and for Transport Infrastructure Ireland	4 July 2023
Report on Examination of the 2019 Appropriation Account for Vote 10 – Tax Appeals Commission, and related matters	18 October 2023

A formal reply to every Report of the Committee is prepared by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in consultation with the Department(s) and Office(s) concerned and is called ‘The Minute of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform on the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts’.

The Committee’s reports and the corresponding Minute of the Minister are published on the Committee’s reports’ webpage ⁶.

⁶ <https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/committees/33/committee-of-public-accounts/pac-reports/>

9. Financial Statements and Accounts presented to the Oireachtas Library

The Comptroller and Auditor General presents a regular report to the Committee regarding financial statements and accounts laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas. The Committee has a related standing agreement to request explanations for any significant non-compliant procurement or delays in laying accounts before the Houses of the Oireachtas. The responses are considered by the Committee.

Financial statements and accounts presented to the Oireachtas Library	234
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10. Travel

The Committee had no travel episodes in 2023.

11. Report on Functions and Powers

The Orders of Reference of the Committee are set out in Standing Order 218 of Dáil Éireann. Please see Appendix 1 on page 10.

Under Dáil Standing Order 218 the Committee of Public Accounts is established to examine accounts and reports laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas by the C&AG.

The Committee is currently satisfied with its present procedures and role.

Powers of compellability

In 2022, the Committee sought written consent from the Committee on Parliamentary Privileges and Oversight (CPPO), in accordance with Section 77 of the Inquiries Act, to issue a Direction – pursuant to the power to send for persons, papers and records conferred upon the Committee of Public Accounts by Dáil Standing Order 218(6) – to compel production of a KPMG Report regarding the acquisition of property by the University of Limerick (UL).

That written consent was granted by the CPPO on 14 February 2023, subject to conditions regarding the examination and publication of the KPMG Report. The Committee accordingly directed the President of UL to produce the Report and considered it in accordance with the conditions set out by the CPPO.

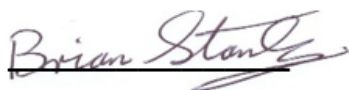
The Committee's examination of governance and associated due diligence at UL is ongoing on it is the intention of the Committee to report to the Dáil on the matter in 2024.

Extension of Remit to examine RTÉ

As RTÉ's accounts are not audited by the C&AG, examination of RTÉ's accounts falls outside the remit of the Committee of Public Accounts. Standing Order 218(1)(a) specifically excludes from the Committee's remit any examination of the accounts of a body listed in Schedule 2 of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993, which includes RTÉ.

However, the Committee of Public Accounts' Orders of Reference specifically provide for the Committee to make such an application (Standing Order 218(10)) and specifies that such extensions of remit must be for a specific matter of general public interest related to the appropriation of public monies and which isn't comprehended by C&AG accounts or reports. In the context of revelations in June 2023 relating to the transparency of RTÉ's payments to a presenter and the public misstating of RTÉ's financial position, the Committee agreed to request an extension of its Orders of Reference of the Committee to facilitate examination of these matters.

The Committee on Remit Oversight of Dáil Éireann, pursuant to Dáil Standing Orders 218(10) and 93B, granted an extension to the orders of reference of the Committee of Public Accounts until 31 December 2023 and Dáil Éireann passed a motion on 28 June 2023 permitting the Committee of Public Accounts to examine RTÉ's expenditure, and commercial arrangements entered into by the broadcaster and its presenters from 2017 to date, which have impacted on, and relate to, the expenditure of public moneys.



Brian Stanley, T.D.
Cathaoirleach
11 July 2023

APPENDIX 1: Establishment of the Committee

Standing Order 218 of Dáil Éireann provides the Orders of Reference for the Committee of Public Accounts. The adoption of Standing Orders by Dáil Éireann established the Committee of Public Accounts, which is a standing Committee of Dáil Éireann.

Extract from Dáil Éireann Standing Orders Relative To Public Business 2020 (consolidated version)

Dáil Standing Order 218 — Committee of Public Accounts

218. (1) There shall stand established, following the reassembly of the Dáil subsequent to a General Election, a Standing Committee, to be known as the Committee of Public Accounts, to examine and report to the Dáil upon—

- (a) the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by the Dáil each year to meet the public expenditure and such other accounts as they see fit (not being accounts of persons included in the Second Schedule of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993) which are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General and presented to the Dáil on an annual basis, together with any reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon;
- (b) the Comptroller and Auditor General's reports on his or her examinations of economy, efficiency, effectiveness evaluation systems, procedures and practices; and
- (c) other reports carried out by the Comptroller and Auditor General under the Act.

(2) In considering particular accounts pursuant to paragraph (1)(a), the Committee shall examine whether, having regard to changes in—

- (a) the volume or quality of services or other outputs delivered, and
- (b) associated expenditure,

over time, it can be demonstrated that value for money has or has not been achieved.

(3) The Committee shall bring conclusions and recommendations reported to the Dáil pursuant to paragraph (1)(a) in relation to particular accounts to the attention of the relevant Committee established pursuant to Standing Order 95.

(4) The Committee may suggest alterations and improvements in the form of the Estimates submitted to the Dáil and shall bring any such suggestions as reported to the Dáil to the attention of the Committee on Budgetary Oversight.

(5) The Committee may proceed with its examination of an account or a report of the Comptroller and Auditor General at any time after that account or report is presented to Dáil Éireann.

(6) The Committee shall have the power to send for persons, papers and records.

(7) Paragraphs (4) to (9) inclusive of Standing Order 96 shall not apply to the Committee.

(8) Every report which the Committee proposes to make shall, on adoption by the Committee, be laid before the Dáil forthwith whereupon the Committee shall be empowered to print and publish such report together with such related documents as it thinks fit.

(9) The Committee shall present an annual progress report to Dáil Éireann on its activities and plans.

(10) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Standing Order, the Committee shall have the power to examine and report upon a specific matter of general public interest relating to the appropriation of public moneys, which is not comprehended by appropriation accounts or reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General within the meaning of paragraph (1), subject to—

- (a) a positive determination having been made by the Committee on Remit Oversight under Standing Order 93A pursuant to a request by the Committee of Public Accounts under Standing Order 93B for an extension to its orders of reference for the purpose of examining the matter; and

- (b) the approval of the Dáil by way of an appropriate motion under Standing Order 93B to instruct the Committee in conducting its examination of the matter.

(11) The Committee shall refrain from—

- (a) enquiring into in public session, or publishing, confidential information regarding the activities and plans of a Government Department or office, or of a body which is subject to audit, examination or inspection by the Comptroller and Auditor General, if so requested either by a member of the Government, or the body concerned; or
- (b) enquiring into the merits of a policy or policies of the Government or a member of the Government or the merits of the objectives of such policies.

(12) The Committee may, without prejudice to the independence of the Comptroller and Auditor General in determining the work to be carried out by his or her Office or the manner in which it is carried out, in private communication, make such suggestions to the Comptroller and Auditor General regarding that work as it sees fit.

(13) The Committee shall consist of thirteen members, none of whom shall be a member of the Government or a Minister of State, and four of whom shall constitute a quorum. The Committee and any sub-Committee which it may appoint shall be constituted so as to be impartially representative of the Dáil.

APPENDIX 2: Membership (at 31st December 2023)

Deputy Brian Stanley (Cathaoirleach)	Sinn Féin
Deputy Colm Burke	Fine Gael
Deputy John Brady	Sinn Féin
Deputy Cormac Devlin	Fianna Fáil
Deputy Alan Dillon	Fine Gael
Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh	Green Party
Deputy Paul McAuliffe	Fianna Fáil
Deputy Imelda Munster	Sinn Féin
Deputy Catherine Murphy	Social Democrats
Deputy Verona Murphy	Independent
Deputy James O'Connor	Fianna Fáil
Deputy Alan Kelly	Labour Party
Vacancy	Fine Gael

Note re Membership history

1. Deputy Duncan Smith (Labour) was replaced by Deputy Seán Sherlock (Labour) by order of the Dáil passed on [24 November 2020](#). (Fifth Report of the Standing Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order 27F).
2. Deputy Marc MacSharry (Fianna Fáil) was replaced by Deputy James O'Connor (Fianna Fáil) by order of the Dáil passed on [21 September 2021](#). (Ninth Report of the Standing Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order 27F).
3. Deputy Seán Sherlock (Labour) was replaced by Deputy Alan Kelly (Labour) by order of the Dáil passed on [26 May 2022](#). (Fourteenth Report of the Standing Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order 27F).
4. Deputy Jennifer Carroll-MacNeill was appointed as Minister of State at the Department of Finance on 21 December 2022 and, in accordance with Dáil Standing Order 34, stood automatically discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts.
5. Deputy Matt Carthy (Sinn Féin) was replaced by Deputy John Brady (Sinn Féin) by order of the Dáil passed on [20 April 2023](#) (Twenty Third Report of the Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order 27F).

6. Deputy Neasa Hourigan (Green Party) was replaced by Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh (Green Party) by order of the Dáil passed on [20 April 2023](#) (Twenty Third Report of the Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order 27F).

APPENDIX 3: Meetings of the Committee

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Committee in 2023, including links to transcripts of the meetings. The minutes of meetings are published on the Committee's [webpage](#).

Date	Topic	Organisations who attended	Witnesses
19/01/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2020 The Housing Agency</p> <p>Financial Statements 2021 Approved Housing Bodies Regulatory Authority</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services Chapter 7 – The Housing Agency's revolving Acquisition Fund</p>	<p>Housing Agency</p> <p>Approved Housing Bodies Regulatory Authority</p> <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General <p>Department of Housing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feargal O'Coighligh, Assistant Secretary • Roger Harrington, Principal Officer <p>The Housing Agency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bob Jordan, Chief Executive • Ms. Claire Feeney, Director of Services and Inclusion • Mr. Jim Baneham, Director of Delivery and Innovation <p>The Approved Housing Bodies Regulatory Authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Susanna Lyons, Chief Executive Officer • Ms. Paula Nyland, Head of Finance and Corporate Services • Mr. Steven Sheridan, Head of Performance and Communications
26.01.2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 34 – Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Local Government Fund Account 2021</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2021 Chapter 4 – Re-allocation of voted funds. Chapter 6 – Central Government funding of local authorities Chapter 7 – the Housing Agency's revolving Acquisition Fund</p>	<p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Graham Doyle, Secretary General • Mr. Feargal O'Coighligh, Assistant Secretary, Housing, policy, Legislation and Governance • Ms. Caroline Timmons, Acting Assistant Secretary, Housing Affordability, Inclusion and Homelessness • Mr. David Kelly, Principal Officer • Ms. Sinead O'Gorman, Principal Officer • Mr. Paul Hogan, Principal Advisor, Planning
01.02.2023	Business of the Committee	N/A	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General

Date	Topic	Organisations who attended	Witnesses
02.02.2023	HSE Financial Statements 2021 (resumed)	Health Service Executive Department of Health	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Health Service Executive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Stephen Mulvany, Chief Executive Officer • Ms. Mairead Dolan, Chief Financial Officer • Mr. Damien McCallion, Chief Operations Officer • Dr. Colm Henry, Chief Clinical Officer • Ms. Yvonne O'Neill, National Director, Community Operations • Ms. Ann Marie Hoey, National Director, Human Resources Department of Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Deirdre Comiskey, Principal Officer, Disability Services Unit • Mr. John O'Grady, Principal Officer, Finance Unit
09.02.2023	Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 38 – Health Report on the Accounts of the Public Service 2021 Chapter 12 – Financial impact of cyber security attack	Department of Health Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Health Service Executive	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Department of Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Robert Watt, Secretary General • Mr. Derek Tierney, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Siobhán McArdle, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Louise McGirr, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Laura Casey, Principal Officer Department of Public Expenditure and Reform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Eoin Dormer • Mr. Daniel O'Callaghan Health Service Executive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Fran Thompson, Chief Information Officer

Date	Topic	Organisations who attended	Witnesses
16.02.2023	Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 40 – Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth (resumed)	Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration, and Youth Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Office of Public Works	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Kevin McCarthy, Secretary General Ms. Carol Baxter, Assistant Secretary Ms. Lara Hynes, Acting Assistant Secretary Ms. Laura McGarrigle, Assistant Secretary Ms. Sheenagh Rooney, Assistant Secretary Mr. Toby Wolfe, Principal Officer Department of Public Expenditure and Reform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Jennifer Lawless, Principal Officer Office of Public Works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ciaran O'Connor, State Architect
23.02.2023	Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2021 Chapter 14 – Assessment and collection of Insurance Compensation Fund Levies Report on the Administration and Movement of the Insurance Compensation Fund for the year end 31 December 2021 Comptroller and Auditor General Section 2 Report Unauthorised release of funds from the Central Fund of the Exchequer	Central Bank of Ireland Department of Finance Office of the Revenue Commissioners	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Central Bank of Ireland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. William Molloy, Director of Financial Operations Mr. Adrian Varley, Director of Prudential Analysis and Inspections Department of Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Colm O'Reardon, Head of Unit, Strategic Economic Development Division Mr. Paul Cotter, Principal Officer, Strategic Economic Development Division Office of the Revenue Commissioners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Eugene Creighton, Assistant Secretary, Large Corporate Division Ms. Angela O'Gorman, Principal Officer, C&AG and Committee Liaison
02.03.2023	Financial Statements 2021 State Claims Agency Report on the Accounts of the Public Service 2021 Chapter 20 – Management of the Clinical Indemnity Scheme	State Claims Agency Department of Health Health Service Executive	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General State Claims Agency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ciaran Breen, Director Mr. Cathal O'Keefe, Head of Clinical Risk Ms. Catherine Tarrant, Executive Head of Claims Department of Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Greg Dempsey, Deputy Secretary General Health Service Executive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Mairead Dolan, Interim Chief Financial Officer Ms. Orla Healy, National Clinical Director, Quality and Patient Safety

Date	Topic	Organisations who attended	Witnesses
09.03.2023	Financial Statements 2021 Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland	Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications Department of Transport	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. William Walsh, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Ciaran Byrne, Director of National Retrofit • Mr. Declan Meally, Director of Business, Public Sector and Transport • Ms Marion O'Brien, Director of Corporate Services • Ms Olivia O'Connor, Head of Finance and ICT • Mr. Tom Halpin, Head of Marketing and Communications Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Barry Quinlan, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Linda O'Rourke, Assistant Principal Department of Transport Ms. Aoife O'Grady, Principal Officer
23.03.2023	Financial Statements 2021 Enterprise Ireland	Enterprise Ireland Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Enterprise Ireland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Leo Clancy, Chief Executive Officer • Ms Gillian Brennan, Divisional Manager, Business Operations • Mr. Kevin Sherry, Executive Director, R&I, T&S, Investment Services and Global Markets • Ms Carol Gibbons, Divisional Manager for Regions and Local Enterprise • Mr. Richard Murphy, Department Manager for the Local Enterprise Office Centre of Excellence Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Karen Hynes, Principal Officer, Indigenous Enterprise Division

Date	Topic	Organisations who attended	Witnesses
30.03.2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 42 – Rural and Community Development</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2021 Chapter 6 – Central Government funding of Local Authorities</p>	<p>Department of Rural and Community Development</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan, Delivery and Reform</p> <p>Pobal</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General <p>Department of Rural and Community Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Mary Hurley, Secretary General • Mr. Fintan O'Brien, Assistant Secretary, Rural Development • Mr. JP Mulherin, Assistant Secretary, Corporate Support • Mr. Kenneth Jordan, Finance Officer • Mr. Paul Geraghty, Principal Officer, Community Development and the Islands <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Dermot Nolan, Principal Officer • Ms. Criona Brassil, Assistant Principal <p>Pobal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Anna Shakespeare • Mr. Martin Quigley
20.04.2023	<p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Service 2020 Chapter 14 – assessment and collection of Insurance Compensation Fund levies</p> <p>Report on the Administration and Movement of the Insurance Compensation Fund for the year end 31 December 2021</p> <p>Comptroller and Auditor General Section 2 Report Unauthorised release of funds from the Central Fund of the Exchequer</p>	<p>Central Bank of Ireland</p> <p>Department of Finance</p> <p>Revenue Commissioners</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General <p>Central Bank of Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gabriel Makhoul, Governor • Ms Sharon Donnery, Deputy Governor • Mr. William Molloy, Director <p>Department of Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. John Hogan, Secretary General • Mr. Michael McGrath, Assistant Secretary, Financial Services Division • Mr. Colm O'Reardon, Head of Division with responsibility for the Strategic Economic Development Division • Ms Scilene Scott, Head of the Corporate Office <p>Revenue Commissioners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Eugene Creighton, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Angela O'Gorman, Principal Officer

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27/04/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2021 An Bord Pleanála</p>	<p>An Bord Pleanála</p> <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Leigh Walsh, Auditor • Ms. Mary Henry, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Xia Ren, Auditor <p>An Bord Pleanála</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Oonagh Buckley, Interim Chairperson • Mr. Chris McGarry, Deputy Chairperson • Ms. Brid Hill, Chief Officer • Mr. Gerard Egan, Director of Corporate Affairs • Ms. Anne Killian, Senior Administrative Officer of the Finance Section <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Abigail Lawless, Administrative Officer, Planning Governance and Oversight Section • Mr. Paul Hogan, Acting Assistant Secretary General • Ms. Paula Donohue, Assistant Principal <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Georgina Hughes-Elders
04/05/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 30 – Agriculture, Food and the Marine</p> <p>Financial Statements 2021 Fishery Harbour Centres</p>	<p>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</p> <p>Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Aquilina Mangan, Audit Manager • Mr. Paul Southern, Deputy Director of Audit <p>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bill Callanan, Assistant Secretary General • Mr. Brendan Gleeson, Secretary General • Ms. Caroline Ball, Principal Officer • Mr. Colm Hayes, Assistant Secretary General • Mr. Gordon Conroy, Assistant Secretary General • Ms. June Fanning, Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer • Ms. Rebecca Chapman, Finance Officer • Ms. Roni Hawe, Principal Officer • Ms. Sinead McSherry, Assistant Secretary General • Mr. Paul McNally, Assistant Principal <p>Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gerry Glabby, Principal Officer • Mr. Marc Kierans, Principal Officer <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Georgina Hughes-Elders, Principal Officer • Ms. Laura Durack, Administrative Officer

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11/05/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2021 HSE (resumed)</p> <p>C&AG Special Report 114 – Emergency procurement of ventilators by the HSE</p> <p>Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 38 – Health (Subhead E.3 – The National Treatment Purchase Fund)</p>	<p>HSE Department of Health</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan, Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Sinead Foy, Audit Manager <p>HSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Anne Marie Hoey, National Director, Human Resources • Mr. Bernard Gloster, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Mark Brennock, National Director, Communications • Ms Martina Queally, Chief Officer, CHO 6 • Ms Mary Day, National Director, Acute Operations • Ms Niamh Doody, Business Manager, Office of the CEO • Ms Sara Maxwell, General Manager, Office of the CEO • Mr. Stephen Mulvany, Chief Financial Officer <p>Department of Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Derek Tierney, Assistant Secretary • Mr. Kevin Coleman, Principal Officer • Ms. Louise McGirr, Assistant Secretary • Mr. Sean Flood, Chief Executive Officer, National Treatment Purchase Fund • Ms. Tracey Conroy, Assistant Secretary <p>Department of Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Eoin Dormer, Principal Officer • Mr. Evan Coady, Principal Officer
18/05/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2021</p> <p>University of Limerick</p>	<p>University of Limerick</p> <p>Department of Further and Higher Education</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Andrew Harkness, Director of Audit • Ms. Sharon Robinson, Audit Manager <p>Department of Further and Higher Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Elaine McWeeney, Assistant Principal Officer, Programme Development, Governance and Development Unit • Mr. Paul Lemass, Assistant Secretary, Head of Corporate Services and Capital Division <p>University of Limerick</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bobby O'Connor, Director, Human Resources • Mr. John Kelly, Corporate Secretary • Professor Kirsten Mey, President • Ms. Rosemary Fogarty, Financial Controller • Professor Shane Kilcommins, Provost

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25/05/2023	Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 24 - Justice	Department of Justice Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Aliona Doran, Auditor • Mr. Paul Southern, Deputy Director of Audit Department of Justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Aonghus O'Connor, Principal Officer, Finance and Procurement • Mr. Doncha O'Sullivan, Deputy Secretary General, Civil Pillar • Mr. Eamonn O'Halloran, Principal Officer, Transparency • Mr. John O'Callaghan, Deputy Secretary General, Criminal Pillar • Ms. Oonagh McPhillips, Secretary General • Mr. William O'Dwyer, Principal Officer, Immigration Service Delivery • Mr. James Campbell • Ms. Gillian Gilleran, Private Secretary to the Secretary General Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Daniel O'Callaghan, Principal Officer

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01/06/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2021</p> <p>Vote 34 – Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Local Government Fund Account 2021 (resumed)</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Service 2021</p> <p>Chapter 6 – Central Government funding of local authorities (resumed)</p>	<p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <p>Royal Irish Academy</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Paula O'Connor, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Maria Reck, Audit Manager <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Graham Doyle, Secretary General • Mr. Niall Ó'Donnchú, Assistant Secretary, Heritage Division • Ms. Aine Stapleton, Assistant Secretary, Social Housing Delivery Division • Mr. Paul Hogan, Acting Assistant Secretary, Planning Division • Ms. Caroline Timmons, Acting Assistant Secretary, Housing Affordability, Inclusion and Homelessness Division • Mr. Brian Munnely, Principal Officer, Water Services Finance and Investment Unit • Ms. Sinead Keogh, Finance Officer • Ms. Sinead O'Gorman, Principal Officer, Local Government Division • Ms. Theresa Donohue, Assistant Principal, Housing Finance and Co-ordination Unit <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Jenny Connors, Principal Officer <p>Royal Irish Academy</p> <p>Dr. Marie Léoutre, OC&AG Researcher</p>

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15/06/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2021 Sport Ireland</p> <p>Financial Statements 2021 Sport Ireland Facilities DAC</p>	<p>Sport Ireland</p> <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Andrew Harkness, Director of Audit <p>Sport Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. John Foley, Chairman • Mr. Michael Murray, chief Operations Officer • Dr. Úna May, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Jason McLoughlin, Director of Finance and Corporate Services • Mr. Fergus Hannigan, Communications and Public Affairs Manager • Mr. Colm McGinty, Director of Governance, Risk, Compliance and Strategy • Ms. Cliona O’Leary, Director of Corporate Affairs, Communication and Marketing <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Cian Ó Lionáin, Assistant Secretary with responsibility for Sport • Mr. Micheál Ó Conaire, Principal Officer – Sports Policy
22/06/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2021 Vote 33 – Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Service 2021 Chapter 4 – Re-allocation of voted funding</p>	<p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Colette Drinan, Secretary and Director of Audit • Mr. Leonard McKeown, Deputy Director of Audit <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Katherine Licken, Secretary General • Mr. Joe Healy, Assistant Secretary (Acting), Corporate Affairs • Mr. Conor Falvey, Assistant Secretary, Arts and Culture • Mr. Cian Ó Lionáin, Assistant Secretary, Tourism and Sport • Ms. Áine Keane, Accountant • Mr. Aodhán Mac Cormaic, Stiúrthóir na Gaeilge • Ms. Breda Moynihan, Principal officer, Finance Unit • Mr. Stephen Ryan, Principal Officer, Broadcasting Policy and Governance • Ms. Triona Quill, Assistant Secretary, Broadcasting and Media <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Dermot Nolan, Principal Officer
26/06/2023	Private meeting	N/A	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General

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<p>29/06/2024 (Morning session)</p>	<p>Financial Statements 2021 Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board</p>	<p>Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board Horseracing Ireland Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Andrew Harkness, Deputy Director of Audit • Mr. Mark Brady, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Katherine Morgan, Auditor <p>Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Darragh O'Loughlin, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Niall Cronin, Head of Communications and Strategy <p>Horse Racing Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Suzanne Eade, Chief Executive • Mr. Jason Morris, Director of Racing and Strategic Projects • Mr. Jonathan Mullin, Director of Communications and Corporate Affairs <p>Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gordon Conroy, Assistant Secretary General • Ms. Caroline Bell, Principal Officer • Mr. Eoin Ryan, Senior Superintending Veterinary Inspector • Ms. Louise McAlavey, Assistant Principal Officer
<p>29/06/2024 (Afternoon Session)</p>	<p>Matters relating to the appropriation of public monies to RTÉ and the expenditure, by RTÉ, of such monies</p> <p>Commercial arrangements entered into by RTÉ and its presenters, including those underwritten by RTÉ, which have impacted on and relate to the expenditure of public monies.</p>	<p>Raidió Teilifís Éireann</p> <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Andrew Harkness, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Katherine Morgan, Auditor <p>Raidió Teilifís Éireann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Siún Ní Raghallaigh, Chairperson of the Board • Mr. Richard Collins, Chief Financial Officer • Ms Moya Doherty, Former Chairperson of the Board • Mr. Adrian Lynch, Interim Deputy Director General • Mr. Rory Coveney, Director of Strategy • Ms Anne O'Leary, Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee • Ms Geraldine O'Leary, Director of Commercial • Dr. P.J. Mathews, Board Member • Ms Paula Mullooly, Director of Legal Affairs • Mr. Robert Shortt, Member of the Audit and Risk Committee and RTÉ staff representative on the Board • Mr. Willie O'Reilly, Former Director of Commercial <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Katherine Licken, Secretary General • Ms Triona Quill, Assistant Secretary, Broadcasting and Media

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06/07/2023	Financial Statements 2021 Inland Fisheries Ireland	Inland Fisheries Ireland Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Hilary Murphy, Audit Manager • Ms. Katherine Morgan, Auditor • Ms. Mary Henry, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Mahin Fitzpatrick, Auditor Inland Fisheries Ireland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Francis O'Donnell, Chief Executive Officer • Ms. Audrey Ryder, EA to the CEO • Mr. Barry Fox, Head of Operations • Mr. Brian Beckett, Director of Eastern River Basin District • Mr. Cathal Gallagher, Head of Research and Development • Ms. Fiona Kelly, Senior Research Officer • Ms. Pauline Gallagher, HR Business Manager • Ms. Róisín Bradley, Head of Human Resources • Ms. Suzanne Campion, Head of Finance and Corporate Services Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Denis Maher, Principal Officer
11/07/2024	Commercial arrangements entered into by RTÉ and its presenters, including those underwritten by RTÉ, which has impacted on and relate to the expenditure of public monies.	Ryan Tubridy Noel Kelly	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Katherine Morgan, Auditor Private Individuals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ryan Tubridy • Mr. Noel Kelly • Mr. Joe O'Malley
13/07/2023	Commercial arrangements entered into by RTÉ and its presenters, including those underwritten by RTÉ, which has impacted on and relate to the expenditure of public monies.	Raidió Teilifís Éireann	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Katherine Morgan, Auditor • Ms. Aishling O'Reilly, Audit Manager Raidió Teilifís Éireann <p>Mr. Kevin Bakhurst, Director General Mr. Noel Curran, Former Director General Mr. Adrian Lynch, Deputy Director General Ms. Siún Ní Raghallaigh, Chairperson Mr. Conor Mullen, Commercial Director, Sales and Strategy Mr. Declan McBennett, Group Head of Sport Ms. Paula Mullooly, Director of Legal Affairs Mr. Richard Collins, Director of Finance Mr. Robert Shortt, Staff Representative</p>

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21/09/2023	Business of the Committee	N/A	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General
28/09/2023	Financial Statements 2022 National Asset Management Agency C&AG Special Report Report 116 – National Asset Management Agency – Progress on achievement of objectives as at end 2021	National Asset Management Agency	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Tony Peteh, Audit Manager National Asset Management Agency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Aidan Williams, Chairman • Mr. Alan Stewart, Chief Legal Officer • Mr. Brendan McDonagh, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Jamie Bourke, Chief Strategy and Transformation Officer • Ms. Noelle Condon, Chief Financial Officer
05/10/2023	Financial Statements 2022 Health Service Executive	Health Service Executive Department of Health	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Olivia Somers, Deputy Director Health Service Executive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bernard Gloster, Chief Executive Officer • Dr. Com Henry, Chief Clinical Officer • Mr. David Walsh, National director, Community Operations • Mr. Mark Brennock, National director, Communications • Ms. Anne Marie Hoey, National Director, Human Resources • Mr. Stephen Mulvany, Chief Financial Officer • Mr. Ray Mitchell, HSE Parliamentary Affairs • Ms. Sara Maxwell, Office of the CEO Department of Health Ms. Louise McGirr, Assistant Secretary Mr. Kevin Coleman, Principal Officer
11/10/2023	Private Meeting	N/A	Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Colette Drinan, Secretary and Director of Audit

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12/10/2023	<p>Matters relating to the appropriation of public monies to RTÉ and the expenditure, by RTÉ, of such monies.</p> <p>Commercial arrangements entered into by RTÉ and its presenters, including those underwritten by RTÉ, which have impacted on and relate to the expenditure of public monies.</p>	<p>Raidió Teilifís Éireann</p> <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Colette Drinan, Secretary and Director of Audit <p>Raidió Teilifís Éireann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Kevin Bakhurst, Director General Mr. Adrian Lynch, Director Audiences, Channels, Marketing/Acting Deputy Director General Ms. Eimear Cusack, Director of Human Resources Mr. Mike Fives, Group Financial Controller Ms. Paula Mullooly, Director of Legal Affairs Mr. Conor Mullen, Head of Strategy & commercial Compliance, RTÉ Media Sales <p>Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Katherine Licken, Secretary General Ms. Triona Quill, Assistant Secretary, Broadcasting and Media Mr. Stephen Ryan, Principal Officer
19/10/2023	<p>Financial Statements 2021 Children's Health Ireland</p> <p>Financial Statements 2021 National Paediatric Hospital Development Board</p>	<p>National Paediatric Hospital Development Board</p> <p>Children's Health Ireland</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General Ms. Elena Moldovanu, Audit Manager <p>National Paediatric Hospital Development Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. David Gunning, Chief Executive Ms. Emma Curtis, Medical Director Mr. Phelim Devine, Project Director Mr. Ronan Traynor, Interim Financial Officer <p>Children's Health Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Eilish Hardiman, Chief Executive Mr. Stephen Flanagan, Chief Financial Officer Ms. Julia Lewis, Transformation Director Mr. Robert Kelly, Head of Corporate Affairs <p>Department of Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Derek Tierney, Assistant Secretary

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26/10/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 34 – Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 3 – Central Government Funding of Local Authorities</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 4 – Accountability for Central Funding of Local Authorities</p>	<p>Uisce Éireann</p> <p>Commission for Regulation of Utilities</p> <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms Irena Grzebieniak, Deputy Director • Mr. Sean Donnelly, Auditor • Ms. Maria Reck, Audit Manager • Ms Olubukunola Nwosa, Trainee Auditor <p>Commission for Regulation of Utilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Aoife MacEivilly, Commissioner • Mr. Ben McEntee, Major Project & Connections Manager • Ms. Karen Kavanagh, Director of Networks & Economic Regulation • Mr. Karl Richardson, Communications and Public Affairs Manager • Ms. Priti Dave-Stack, Revenue Strategy & Governance Manager <p>Uisce Éireann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Niall Gleeson, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Chris McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer • Ms. Lauren Murphy, Public Affairs Manager • Mr. Richéal Drumgoole, Communications Manager • Mr. Sean Laffey, Director of Asset Management & Sustainability • Mr. Jack Mc Gee <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Graham Doyle, Secretary General • Ms. Aine Stapleton, Assistant Secretary – Social Housing Delivery Division • Mr. Brian Munnely, Principal Officer, Water Services Finance & Investment Unit • Ms. Caroline Timmons, Assistant Secretary – Affordable Housing Division • Mr. Fintan Towey, Assistant Secretary – Water Division • Ms. Fiona Quinn, Assistant Secretary – Local Government Division • Mr. Paul Hogan, Assistant Secretary (Acting) – Planning Division • Ms. Sinead Kehoe, Finance Officer <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jenny Connors, Principal Officer

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09/11/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 29 – Environment, Climate and Communications</p> <p>Financial Statements 2022 Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 8 – Performance of Certain Residential Retrofit Schemes</p>	<p>Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland</p> <p>Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Patricia Devlin, Deputy Director of Audit • Mr. Leonard McKeown, Deputy Director of Audit <p>Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. William Walsh, Chief Executive Officer • Mr. Brian O'Mahony, Head of Community and National Retrofit • Mr. Ciaran Byrne, Director of National Retrofit • Mr. Declan Meally, Director of Business, public Sector and Transport • Ms. Helena Hughes, Programme Manager, Office of the CEO • Mr. Joe Durkan, Head of Technical • Ms. Margie McCarthy, Director of Research, policy and Insights • Ms. Marion O'Brien, Director of Corporate Services • Ms. Olivia O'Connor, Head of Finance • Mr. Tom Halpin, Head of Marketing and Communications <p>Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Oonagh Buckley, Secretary General • Mr. Barry Quinlan, Assistant Secretary • Mr. Philip Nugent, Assistant Secretary • Mr. Fergal Mulligan, Director of the National Broadband Plan • Dr. Richard Browne, Director of the National Cybersecurity Centre • Ms. Deirdre King, Assistant Principal • Mr. Jim Whelan, Assistant Principal • Mr. Robert Deegan, Principal Officer • Ms. Louise Carrigan, Principal Officer • Ms. Caroline Lyon, Officer <p>Department of Public Expenditure and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Ken Cleary, Principal Officer
14/11/2023	Private Meeting	N/A	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General

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16/11/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 11 – Office of the Minister for Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform Vote 12 – Superannuation and Retired Allowances Vote 39 – Office of Government Procurement Vote 43 – Office of the Government Chief Information Officer</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 5 – Vote accounting and budget management</p>	Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Mr. Paul Southern, Deputy Director of Audit <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. David Moloney, Secretary General • Mr. John Pender, Principal Officer, Work and Pensions Division • Mr. Kevin Meany, Principal Officer, National Investment Office • Ms. Niamh Callaghan, Principal Officer, Expenditure Policy Division • Mr. David Feeney, Principal Officer • Mr. Robert Power, Finance Officer • Ms. Anne Dillon, HEO, Finance Unit • Mr. Colm Hughes, EO • Ms. Sorcha MacGabhann, EO
23/11/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 45 – Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 19 – National Training Fund</p> <p>Financial Statements 2022 National training Fund</p>	<p>Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Paula O'Connor, Deputy Director of Audit • Ms. Magda Artim, Office of the C&AG <p>Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Colm O'Reardon, Secretary General • Dr. Deirdre Lillis, Assistant Secretary General, Research, Innovation, Evidence for Policy and EU/International • Mr. Keith Moynes, Assistant Secretary General, Higher Education Policy Division • Ms. Dervila Twamley, Principal Officer, ESF and EGF Policy and Operation <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Georgina Hughes-Elders, Principal Officer

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30/11/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 7 – Office of the Minister for Finance</p> <p>Finance Accounts 2022</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 1 – Exchequer financial outturn for 2022 Chapter 2 – Reporting Ireland’s EU transactions Chapter 24 – Performance of the Ireland Apple escrow fund Chapter 25 – Irish Fiscal Advisory Council</p>	<p>Department of Finance</p> <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Ruth Foley, Deputy Director • Ms. Katie Duggan, Trainee Auditor C&AG • Mr. Reece Carvin, C&AG <p>Department of Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. John Hogan, Secretary General • Mr. Des Carville, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Emma Cunningham, Assistant Secretary • Mr. John McCarthy, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Laura Cunningham, Assistant Principal • Mr. Michael McGrath, Assistant Secretary • Ms. Scline Scott, Principal Officer <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Dermot Nolan, Principal Officer
07/12/2023	Business of the Committee	N/A	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General

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14/12/2023	<p>Appropriation Accounts 2022 Vote 34 – Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <p>Financial Statements 2022 The Housing Agency</p> <p>Report on the Accounts of the Public Services 2022 Chapter 11 – Utilisation of the Land Aggregation Scheme Sites</p>	<p>The Housing Agency</p> <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p>	<p>Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Seamus McCarthy, Comptroller and Auditor General • Ms. Maria Reck, Audit Manager <p>The Housing Agency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bob Jordan, Chief Executive Officer • Ms. Claire Feeney, Director of Services and Inclusion • Mr. Jim Baneham, Director of Delivery and Innovation <p>Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Graham Doyle, Secretary General • Ms. Áine Stapleton, Assistant Secretary – Social Housing Division • Ms. Caroline Timmons, Assistant Secretary – Affordable Housing Division • Mr. David Kelly, Assistant Secretary – Homelessness, Rental and Social Inclusion Division • Mr. Feargal O’Coighligh, Assistant Secretary – Housing Policy and Standards Division • Mr. Paul Hogan, Acting Assistant Secretary – Planning Division • Ms. Sinead Kehoe, Finance Officer • Ms. Susan Murphy, Assistant Principal – AHB Policy and Agency Governance • Ms. Theresa Donohoe, Assistant Principal – Housing Finance and Co-ordination Unit <p>Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Jenny Connors, Principal Officer

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