SL(5)277 – The Government of Wales Act 2006 (Budget Motions and Designated Bodies) Order 2018

Background and Purpose

This Order designates, in relation to the Welsh Ministers, the bodies listed in the Schedule to the Order for the purposes of including within a Budget Motion the resources expected to be used by those bodies.

The explanatory memorandum to the Order confirms, at paragraph 2.2, that:

"Inclusion of the resources of the designated bodies within the Budget Motion will minimise alignment discrepancies between the Budget, Budget Motion and consolidated accounts, but will have no effect on the resource limits of those bodies".

Procedure

Negative.

Technical Scrutiny

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

Merits Scrutiny

One point is identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument:

1. Standing Order 21.3(ii) that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Assembly.

The Welsh Ministers had a choice of procedure for this instrument pursuant to sections 126A(9) and 126A(10) of the Government of Wales Act 2006 and chose the negative procedure, which appears to be appropriate.

Implications arising from exiting the European Union

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the instrument at its meeting on 26 November 2018 and reports to the Assembly in line with the merits point above.