

# Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 3 October 2012**

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Meeting time: **09:15 – 12:00**

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## Concise Minutes:

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### Assembly Members:

**Jocelyn Davies (Chair)**  
**Peter Black**  
**Christine Chapman**  
**Paul Davies**  
**Mike Hedges**  
**Ann Jones**  
**Julie Morgan**  
**Ieuan Wyn Jones**

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### Witnesses:

**Angela Burns, Commissioner**  
**Claire Clancy, Chief Executive & Clerk of the Assembly**  
**Steven O'Donoghue, Head of Assembly Resources**  
**Peter Tyndall, Ombudsman for Wales**  
**Susan Hudson, Policy and Communication Manager**  
**Malcolm MacDonald, Financial Adviser**

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### Committee Staff:

**Gareth Price (Clerk)**  
**Daniel Collier (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Martin Jennings (Researcher)**  
**Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)**

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## 1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

1.2 Peter Black declared an interest as a Member of the Assembly Commission and would not be taking part in the scrutiny of the Assembly Commission's budget.

## 2. Scrutiny of Assembly Commission Draft Budget 2013–2014

2.1 The Committee welcomed Angela Burns, Assembly Member; Claire Clancy, Chief Executive and Clerk of the Assembly; and Steve O'Donoghue, Head of Assembly Resources.

2.2 The Committee questioned the witnesses.

#### **Action points:**

The Assembly Commission agreed to:

- Provide a note on whether contractors are upholding equality, living wage, and trade union membership standards.
- Respond to concerns raised by Mike Hedges AM on ICT investment;

### **3. Scrutiny of Public Service Ombudsman for Wales draft estimate**

3.1 The Committee welcomed Peter Tyndall, Public Service Ombudsman for Wales; Susan Hudson, Policy & Communications Manager; and Malcolm MacDonald, Financial Adviser.

3.2 The Committee questioned the witnesses.

#### **Action point:**

The Public Service Ombudsman for Wales agreed to provide:

- Further details on the rise in complaints associated with the health sector, including the budgetary implications of those complaints.

### **4. Papers to note**

4.1 The Committee noted the minutes of the previous meeting.

### **5. Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:**

### **6. Consideration of evidence received**

6.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received on the Assembly Commission's draft budget 2013–2014.

6.2 The Committee discussed the evidence on the Public Service Ombudsman's draft estimate.

6.3 Draft reports on both budgets will be considered by the Committee at forthcoming meetings.