

Finance Committee

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

Meeting date: **Thursday, 25 October 2012**

Meeting time: **09:15 – 12:00**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

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

Witnesses:

Jane Hutt, Minister for Finance and Leader of the House
Jeff Andrews, Welsh Government
Andrew Jeffreys, Deputy Director, Strategic Capital Investment, Welsh Government
Jo Salway, Welsh Government

Committee Staff:

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

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

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

2. Welsh Government draft budget proposals for 2013–14

2.1 The Chair welcomed Jane Hutt, Minister for Finance and Leader of the House; Jo Salway, Head of Strategic Budgeting; Andrew Jeffreys, Head of Strategic Capital Investment; and Jeff Andrews, Specialist Policy Adviser.

2.2 Members scrutinised the Minister.

Action points:

The Minister agreed to provide:

- Figures highlighting the low take up of Council Tax Benefit.
- Further information on the Effective Service Programme and the measures being undertaken by the Welsh Government to ensure that effective services are being delivered.

3. Papers to note

3.1 The Committee noted the response to the Welsh Government's draft budget proposals 2013/14 from the WCVA.

3.2 The Committee noted the Minutes of the previous meeting.

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

Items 4 to 8 on this agenda and the whole meeting on Monday, 5 November.

5. Consideration of draft report on the Public Service Ombudsman for Wales draft estimate

5.1 The Committee agreed its draft report on the Public Service Ombudsman for Wales draft estimate, which would be published shortly.

6. Consideration of evidence on the Welsh Government draft budget proposals 2013–14

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received on the Welsh Government's draft budget 2013/14.

7. Welsh Government draft budget proposals 2013–14 – Key themes and emerging issues

7.1 The Committee considered the key themes and emerging issues of their evidence on the Welsh Government's draft budget 2013/14.

8. Consideration of draft work programme – autumn term 2012

8.1 The Committee discussed its work programme for the remainder of the autumn term 2012.

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