

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Wednesday, 24 November
2021

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Meeting time: 10.30 – 12.35

Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS (Chair) Peter Fox MS Mike Hedges MS Rhianon Passmore MS
Witnesses:	Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and the Welsh Language Huw Morris, Welsh Government Zenny Saunders, Welsh Government Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales, Audit Wales, Lindsay Foyster, Audit Wales Nicola Evans, Wales Audit Office
Committee Staff:	Owain Roberts (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk) Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)



In accordance with Standing Order 34.19, the Chair has determined that the public are excluded from the Committee's meeting in order to protect public health. This meeting will be broadcast live on www.senedd.tv

Private pre-meeting – Informal (10.15–10.30)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the hybrid meeting of the Finance Committee.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 PTN 1 – Information from the Minister for Finance and Local Government regarding the Committee's inquiry into a legislative budget process – November 2021

2.2 PTN 2 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Finance Ministers' Quadrilateral Meeting – 9 November 2021

2.3 PTN 3 – Senedd Commission response to the Committee's report on Scrutiny of the Senedd Commission Draft Budget 2022–23 – 10 November 2021

3 Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill – Evidence session

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and the Welsh Language; Huw Morris, Director of Skills, Higher Education and Lifelong Learning; and Zenny Saunders, Deputy Director PCET Reform, on the Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill.

3.2 The Minister for Education and the Welsh Language agreed to provide further financial information on the Bill.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting.

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence and agreed to write to the Minister for Education and the Welsh Language requesting further information.

Technical break (11.40–11.45)

6 Audit Wales – Travel and Subsistence review

6.1 The Committee took evidence from Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales; Lindsay Foyster, Chair of the Wales Audit Office; and Nicola Evans, Head of Finance, Audit Wales on the Travel and Subsistence review.

7 Audit Wales – Travel and Subsistence review: Consideration of the session

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence.

8 Consideration of Forward Work Programme

8.1 The Committee considered the Forward Work Programme.