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Chair, Petitions Committee  
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Dear Jack,

Petition P-06-1437 Increase, don't cut, funding for the National Library, Amgueddfa Cymru and the Royal Commission and P-06-1455 Protect the junior departments of the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama from closure

Thank you for your letters of 26 June 2024, that relate to petition [P-06-1437](#) and petition [P-06-1455](#) respectively.

The Committee will be holding its annual budget priorities debate this year in Plenary on 17 July, where there will be an opportunity for the Senedd to mention these issues so as to influence the Welsh Government's budgetary choices for 2025-26.

The petitioners may also be interested in the Committee's consultation on the budget, which will be launched in the autumn. We would welcome responses highlighting the issues raised to inform scrutiny by Senedd Committees of the Draft Budget later in the year.

As you will be aware, the Finance Committee takes a strategic approach to the scrutiny of the Draft Budget, with policy Committees taking a lead on specific areas within their remits. I have copied this letter to the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport and International Affairs Committee so they are aware of these issues.

Yours sincerely,



**Peredur Owen Griffiths MS**  
Chair of the Finance Committee