

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 29 June 2017

Meeting time: 09.33 – 12.52

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Simon Thomas AM (Chair) Neil Hamilton AM Mike Hedges AM Eluned Morgan AM David Rees AM Steffan Lewis AM Nick Ramsay AM
Witnesses:	Dr Clive Grace, PPIW Daniel Bristow, PPIW Bethan Jones, Rent Smart Cymru Kerry Price, Qualifications Wales Philip Blaker, Qualifications Wales Alison Standfast, Qualifications Wales Suzy Davies AM, Commissioner Manon Antoniazzi, Chief Executive & Clerk of the Assembly Nia Morgan, Director of Finance
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk)



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	Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk)
	Gemma Gifford (Deputy Clerk)
	Martin Jennings (Researcher)
	Owen Holzinger (Researcher)
	Christian Tipples (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

3 National Assembly for Wales Commission budget: Remuneration Board Determination underspend

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Suzy Davies AM, Commissioner for Budget and Governance; Manon Antoniazzi, Chief Executive and Clerk of the Assembly; Nia Morgan, Director of Finance; and David Tosh, Director of Resources.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the following items:

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 National Assembly for Wales Commission budget: Remuneration Board Determination underspend: Consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

6 Inquiry into the financial estimates accompanying legislation: Evidence session 4

6.1 The Committee took evidence from Dr Clive Grace, UK Research and Consultancy Services Ltd and Dan Bristow, Deputy Director, Public Policy Institute for Wales.

7 Inquiry into the financial estimates accompanying legislation: Evidence session 5

7.1 The Committee took evidence from Philip Blaker, CEO, Qualifications Wales; Kerry Price, Head of Finance, Qualifications Wales; and Alison Standfast, Executive Director – Finance and Corporate Services, Qualification Wales.

8 Inquiry into the financial estimates accompanying legislation: Evidence session 6

8.1 The Committee took evidence from Bethan Jones, Operational Manager, Rent Smart Wales.

9 Inquiry into the financial estimates accompanying legislation: Consideration of evidence

9.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

10 Approach to Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19

10.1 The Committee considered its approach to scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19.

11 Scotland Visit: Consideration of meetings

11.1 The Committee noted the productive trip to Scotland and how useful the sessions had been.