Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 29 April 2015

Meeting time: **08.30 – 11.56**

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Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for Wales



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MeetingTitle

Assembly Members: Jocelyn Davies AM (Chair)

Peter Black AM

Christine Chapman AM

Mike Hedges AM

Ann Jones AM

Julie Morgan AM

Nick Ramsay AM

Witnesses: Eleanor Emberson, Revenue Scotland

Kay Powell, The Law Society

Mark Evans, Allington Hughes

Gerald Holtham

Committee Staff: Bethan Davies (Clerk)

Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)

Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)

Richard Bettley (Researcher)

Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)

1 Consideration of powers: Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Consideration of Draft Report

1.1 The Committee considered the draft report on the Consideration of powers: Public Services Ombudsman for Wales and agreed a small number of changes.

2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

- 2.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.
- 2.2 Apologies were received from Alun Ffred Jones.

3 Papers to note

3.1 The papers were noted.

4 Collection and management of devolved taxes in Wales: Evidence Session 3

- 4.1 The Committee took evidence from Eleanor Emberson, Chief Executive, Revenue Scotland.
- 4.2 Eleanor Emberson agreed to forward a note provided by Dr Keith Nicholson, Chair, Revenue Scotland Board in his absence.

5 Collection and management of devolved taxes in Wales: Evidence Session 4

- 5.1 The Committee took evidence from Kay Powell, Policy Adviser, The Law Society and Mark Evans, Partner, Allington Hughes.
- 5.2 Kay Powell agreed to provide the Committee with the number of people who undertake their own conveyancing and the figures around lawyers failing to pay stamp duty land tax.

6 Collection and management of devolved taxes in Wales: Evidence Session 5

6.1 The Committee took evidence from Gerald Holtham.

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

7.1 The Motion was agreed.

8 Collection and management of devolved taxes in Wales: Consideration of evidence

8.1 The Committee considered the evidenced received.

9 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Second Supplementary Budget for 2014–15: Consideration of the Welsh Government Response

9.1 The Committee noted the Welsh Government's response to the recommendations contained within the Committee's report on the Second Supplementary Budget for 2014–15.

10 Future Funding: Approach to Scrutiny

10.1 Members agreed the approach to scrutiny for the Committee's inquiry into Future Funding.