

# Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 1 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Thursday, 23 April 2015**

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Meeting time: **09.00 – 12.02**

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### Assembly Members:

**Jocelyn Davies AM (Chair)**

**Peter Black AM**

**Christine Chapman AM**

**Mike Hedges AM**

**Ann Jones AM**

**Julie Morgan AM**

**Nick Ramsay AM**

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### Witnesses:

**Lesley Griffiths AM, The Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty, Welsh Government**

**Simon White, Welsh Government**

**Ceri Breeze, Head of Housing Directorate, Welsh Government**

**Jon Rae, WLGA**

**Nick Jones, Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council**

**Gary Watkins, Cardiff Council**

**Iestyn Davies, Federation of Small Businesses Wales**

**Mark Lang, Federation of Small Businesses**

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### Committee Staff:

**Bethan Davies (Clerk)**

**Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)**

**Richard Bettley (Researcher)**

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## **1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Alun Ffred Jones.

## **2 Papers to note**

2.1 The papers were noted.

## **3 Renting Homes (Wales) Bill: Evidence Session 1**

3.1 The Committee took evidence from the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty on the financial implication of the Renting Homes (Wales) Bill.

3.2 The Chair agreed to write to the write to the Chair of the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee.

## **4 Collection and Management of Devolved Taxes in Wales: Evidence Session 1**

4.1 The Committee took evidence from the Welsh Local Government Association, Cardiff Council and Rhondda Cynon Taf Council for its inquiry into Collection and Management of Devolved Taxes in Wales.

4.2 The Welsh Local Government Association agreed to provide information on benchmarking the costs of collection of council tax and non-domestic rates.

## **5 Collection and Management of Devolved Taxes in Wales: Evidence Session 2**

5.1 The Committee took evidence from the Federation of Small Businesses Wales on its inquiry into Collection and Management of Devolved Taxes in Wales and agreed to provide information on governance.

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

6.1 The motion was agreed.

## **7 Local Government (Wales) Bill: Consideration of Draft Report**

7.1 Members agreed to draft report with a few amendments.

7.2 Members noted the additional information provided by the Minister for Public Services.