

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 8 February  
2017

Meeting time: 09.00 – 12.07

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Simon Thomas AM (Chair) Mike Hedges AM Eluned Morgan AM David Rees AM Steffan Lewis AM Nick Ramsay AM Mark Reckless AM
Witnesses:	Alun Davies AM, Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language Tania Nicholson, Welsh Government Emma Williams, Welsh Government Dyfed Alsop, Welsh Government Claire McDonald, Welsh Government Jo Ryder, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk) Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk)



	Georgina Owen (Deputy Clerk)
	Gemma Gifford (Deputy Clerk)
	Martin Jennings (Researcher)
	Owen Holzinger (Researcher)
	Christian Tipples (Researcher)
	Gareth Pembridge (Legal Adviser)
	Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser)
	Enrico Carpanini (Legal Adviser)

## **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 minutes were noted.

## **3 Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill: Evidence session**

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Alun Davies AM, Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language; Emma Williams, Deputy Director, Support for Learners, Welsh Government; and Tania Nicholson, Head of Additional Learning Needs Legislative Programme, Welsh Government on the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill (ALNET).

3.2 The Minister agreed:

- to write to the Committee outlining how the £20 million package of support for Additional Learning Needs, announced on 7 February 2017, will facilitate and

support the implementation of the ALNET Bill, including how it will be profiled for local authorities;

- to report back to the Committee on the implementation of the ALNET Bill at the end of its scrutiny, outlining how it will be monitored; and
- to write to the Committee if more resources are needed in relation to the statutory role of designated medical or clinical officer (DELCO), following consultation with the Expert Group on Health and pilots.

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

4.1 The motion was agreed.

#### **5 Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill: Consideration of Evidence**

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

#### **6 Technical Briefing: Welsh Revenue Authority**

6.1 The Committee received a technical briefing on the Welsh Revenue Authority from Dyfed Alsop, WRA Implementation Director, Welsh Government; Claire McDonald, WRA Implementation Programme Manager, Welsh Government; and Jo Ryder, WRA People Project Manager, Welsh Government.

#### **7 Oversight of the Wales Audit Office: Board Membership**

7.1 The Committee considered a paper on the remuneration arrangements and other terms of appointment of the WAO Board and agreed to consult in accordance with the requirements of the Public Audit (Wales) Act.

## **8 Financial Implications of the Trade Union (Wales) Bill**

8.1 The Committee considered the financial implications of the Trade Union (Wales) Bill and agreed to write to the Cabinet Secretary.