

Agenda – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: 9 November 2017

Meeting time: 09.15

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09.15–09.30 Informal pre-meeting

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

09.30

2 Paper(s) to note

09.30

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2.1 PTN1 – Letter from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Estimate 2018–19 – 27 October 2017

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3 Wales Audit Office and the Auditor General for Wales's annual report 2016–17 and estimate of income and expenses 2018–19: Evidence session

(09.30–11.00)

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Huw Vaughan Thomas – Auditor General for Wales

Isobel Garner – Chair, Wales Audit Office

Kevin Thomas – Director of Corporate Services, Wales Audit Office

Steve O'Donoghue – Director of Finance, Wales Audit Office

Paper 1 – Estimate of the income and expenses for the year ended 31 March 2019

Paper 2 – Business Case: Data Analytics

Paper 3 – Annual Report and Accounts 2016–17



Paper 4 – Final Audit Findings Report Year ended 31 March 2017

Paper 5 – Annual Plan 2017–18

Paper 6 – Interim Report – An assessment of progress made against our 2017–18 Annual Plan during the period 1 April to 30 September 2017

Paper 7 – Explanatory Memorandum to the Finance Committee regarding the variation of the estimate of the Wales Audit Office for the year ending 31 March 2018

Paper 8 – The complex public audit fee regime in Wales – a case for change

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from items 5–8 and item 11

(11.00)

5 Wales Audit Office and the Auditor General for Wales's annual report 2016–17 and estimate of income and expenses 2018–19: Consideration of evidence

(11.00–11.15)

6 Financial implications of the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill

(11.15–11.30)

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Paper 9 – Financial scrutiny of the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill

11.30–11.45 Break

7 Tax Statutory Instruments: Technical briefing

(11.45–12.30)

Liz Matthews, Welsh Revenue Authority Operations project manager

Gurvinder Bhakar, Lawyer, Treasury Team

Andrew Hewitt, Land Transactions Tax project manager

Sarah Govier, Devolved Tax policy project manager

Tom Taylor, Tax Administration project manager

8 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Act 2016: Statutory Instruments

(12.30–12.45)

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Paper 10 – The Tax Collection and Management (Permitted Disclosures) (Wales) Regulations 2017

Paper 11 – The Tax Collection and Management (Administration) (Wales) Regulations 2017

[The Tax Collection and Management \(Permitted Disclosures\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2017](#)

[The Tax Collection and Management \(Permitted Disclosures\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2017 – Explanatory Memorandum](#)

[The Tax Collection and Management \(Administration\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2017](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum to the Tax Collection and Management \(Administration\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2017](#)

12.45–13.15 Lunch

9 Welsh Government draft budget 2018–19: Evidence session 6 (Sustainable Development Alliance)

(13.15–14.00)

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Anne Meikle, Chair of the Sustainable Development Alliance (WWF Cymru)

Annie Smith, Sustainable Development Alliance (RSPB Cymru)

Hayley Richards, Sustainable Development Alliance (Oxfam Cymru)

Paper 12 – Written evidence: Sustainable Development Alliance

10 Welsh Government draft budget 2018–19: Evidence session 7 (Future Generations Commissioner for Wales)

(14.00–15.00)

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Sophie Howe, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

Kate Carr, Director for Partnerships, Engagement and Communication, Office of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

Paper 13 – Written evidence: Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

11 Welsh Government draft budget 2018–19: Consideration of evidence

(15.00–15.15)