23 September 2020

Dear Secretary of State for Wales

Inquiry into the implementation of the Wales Act 2014 and operation of the Fiscal Framework

I wrote to you on 1 July 2020 to notify you of the Finance Committee’s inquiry into the implementation of the Wales Act 2014 and the operation of the Fiscal Framework and to invite you to give oral evidence to the Committee in the autumn term.

As you will be aware the Wales Act, has been in operation since 2014 and we felt it was a pertinent time to consider its operation and the effectiveness of the Fiscal Framework. The Committee feels it is vital to hear from you on these matters given your role in ensuring the devolution settlement delivers a clear and strong settlement for Wales and the economic interests of Wales are promoted.

The Committee’s clerking team has been liaising with your officials to check your availability for Monday 16 November 2020. I would be grateful if you could confirm if this is suitable, otherwise we will try our best to find an alternative date. In addition, it would be helpful if you could provide a written response addressing the terms of reference at your earliest convenience (please see the Guidance for those providing evidence to committees).

Yours sincerely,

Llyr Gruffydd MS / AS
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