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Llŷr Gruffydd MS
Chair of Finance Committee
Senedd Cymru

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Dear Llŷr,

In accordance with my usual practice, and in advance of today's debate on the Final Budget 2021-22, I am writing to provide details of the consequential Wales will receive as result of the UK Government's Budget announced on 3 March, and COVID-19 spending measures to be implemented in England.

Please find attached, at Annex A, a detailed list of all Barnett consequential resulting from the UK budget for the financial year 2021-22. These consequential comprise additional funding for Wales of £735.3m revenue, almost entirely as a result of COVID-19 measures in England.

It is worth noting there is no additional capital for Wales in 2021-22, notwithstanding the Chancellor's stated intentions for an investment-led recovery. Moreover, in considering the total level of funding available to Wales in 2021-22, the Welsh Government's core budget for day to day spending in 2021-22 is still 4% lower per head in real terms than it was in 2010-11, on a like-for-like basis.

I would like to confirm my intention to make a number of early allocations based on the figures we have seen. I will set out the total package of adjustments in the 1st Supplementary Budget 2021-22.

I am awaiting final details of all of the consequential in the current year, and I will provide that to the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex A - Barnett formula consequentials 2021-22

	£m Resource
COVID-19	
Business Rates	358.9
Business grants	247.6
Vaccine deployment	97.0
Additional learning catch up funding	22.1
Museums and cultural bodies	5.3
Total	730.9
Non-COVID-19	
Extension of traineeships	4.2
Other	0.2
Total	4.4
Total	735.3