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Minister for Levelling Up  
UK Government

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Dear Dehena

**Finance Committee report: Post-EU funding arrangements**

Thank you for your [letter of 29 November](#) which clarifies the UK Government's position that there has been no change to the total quantum of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, in response to the [Welsh Government's claim](#) that the overall value of the Fund has been reduced as a result of the Autumn Statement.

As you may be aware, the Committee held a debate in [Plenary on 30 November](#) on its report on Post-EU funding arrangements. During the debate the Minister for Finance and Local Government, Rebecca Evans MS, acknowledged your letter and noted that she will be exploring the issue further.

The overriding finding from our inquiry was that the successful implementation of the new funds in Wales is endangered by a lack of engagement between the Welsh and UK Governments. The disagreement over figures alluded to in your letter reflects the type of dispute that we believe needs to be avoided if these funds are to succeed.

The Committee reiterates the need for constructive collaborative working practices between the Welsh and UK governments and the importance of transparency in funding calculations.

I would also like to thank you for your letter of [5 December](#) regarding the approval of Welsh Investment Plans for the SPF. We appreciate you keeping us informed on developments, as we intend to keep a watching brief of the situation.

I am copying this letter for the Minister for Finance and Local Government.



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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peredur Owen Griffiths'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial 'P' and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Peredur Owen Griffiths MS  
Chair of the Finance Committee

**Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.  
We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.**

