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Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2023-24

Dear Pedr

We are writing to you following our evidence session with Welsh Government Ministers on the Draft Budget for 2023-24.

As you will be aware, revenue funding for the National Library increases from £11 million in the 2022-23 final budget to £11.8 million in the Draft Budget 2023-24., while capital funding reduces from £2.5 million to £2 million over the same period. You have previously told us that there is a *"very serious risk to the collections which we deem to be totally unacceptable without additional funding."*

Could you confirm whether the additional funding in the Welsh Government's Draft Budget is sufficient to protect national treasures within the Library's collections?

We would be grateful for a response by no later than 26 January 2023 to allow us to consider the information for our report on the Draft Budget.

Yours sincerely,



Delyth Jewell MS
Committee Chair



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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.