Welsh Parliament

Finance Committee

Mick Antoniw MS.

Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

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Dear Mick,

Finance Committee's report on the financial implications of the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill

Thank you for your response to the Committee's report on the financial implications of the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill (the Bill). The Committee considered your response on 7 February and drew attention to the fact that you consider the recommendations relating to Senedd Commission costs to be a matter for the Commission.

During the Stage 1 debate last week, you said discussions between the Welsh Government and the Senedd Commission have already commenced and that you anticipate providing a more detailed response to the Committee's recommendations in due course.

As I highlighted in the debate, the Committee expects the Member in Charge of a Bill to take lead responsibility for costs. Although I very much welcome that work on this has already begun, I would nonetheless be grateful if you would confirm that you will work jointly with the Commission in response to the recommendations and will provide a further update to the Committee on this work ahead of Stage 2 proceedings.



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I am copying this letter to the Llywydd and the Senedd Commissioner with responsibility for Budget and Governance.

Yours sincerely

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

