

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: **Hybrid – Committee room 4 Ty Hywel and video conference via Zoom**

Meeting date: Wednesday, 1 May 2024

Meeting time: 09.30 – 12.27

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS (Chair) Peter Fox MS Mike Hedges MS Rhianon Passmore MS
Witnesses:	Professor Nicola McEwen, University of Glasgow Professor Michael Kenny, University of Cambridge Dr Paul Anderson, Liverpool John Moores University
Committee Staff:	Owain Roberts (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk) Christian Tipples (Researcher) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Ben Harris (Legal Adviser)



Registration

Private Pre-meeting

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Finance Committee.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 PTN 1 – Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution & Cabinet Office: Welsh Tax Acts etc. (Power to Modify) Act 2022 – 19 April 2024

2.2 PTN 2 – Letter from the Counsel General: Update on the recommendations made in the Finance Committee's report on the Financial implications of the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill – 23 April 2024

2.3 PTN 3 – Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution & Cabinet Office regarding two analytical reports which use income tax data to explore migration – 24 April 2024

2.11 PTN 4 – Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution & Cabinet Office: Response to recommendations made in the Finance Committee's report on the Second Supplementary Budget 2023–24 – 25 April 2024

3 Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations: Evidence session 3

3.1 The Committee took evidence on its inquiry into Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations from Professor Nicola McEwen, Director of the Centre for Public Policy at the University of Glasgow; and Professor Michael Kenny, Director at Bennett Institute for Public Policy, University of Cambridge.

Break

4 Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations: Evidence session 4

4.1 The Committee took evidence on its inquiry into Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations from Dr Paul Anderson, Senior Lecturer in Politics at Liverpool John Moores University.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations: Consideration of evidence

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

7 Review into the operations, processes and investigations carried out by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Terms of Reference

7.1 The Committee agreed its terms of reference and approach to its review into the operations, processes and investigations carried out by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

8 Update on the Wales Audit Office Board Membership

8.1 The Committee considered the paper relating to the Wales Audit Office Board Membership and agreed the action points included within the paper.