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Welsh Parliament

Business Committee

Peredur Owen Griffiths MS Chair, Finance Committee

10 July 2025

Budget timetable 2026-27

Dear Peredur,

As required by Standing Order 20.2, the Business Committee has been formally notified that the Government intends to publish the 2026–27 Outline Draft Budget on 14 October 2025 and the Detailed Draft Budget on 3 November 2025.

I am writing to seek the views of the Finance Committee on the proposed deadline for you to report on the draft budget, as required by Standing Order 20.4.

In determining this deadline, Standing Order 20.5(i) states that the Finance Committee must normally be given eight weeks to report on the outline budget proposals, while Standing Order 20.5(ii) requires that other committees have at least five weeks to consider the detailed budget proposals, within the timeframe set by the above dates notified to us by the Government. The Government has noted that the publication dates allow for almost nine weeks of scrutiny of the outline Draft Budget, and five weeks for scrutiny of the detailed Draft Budget.

These dates will require the Finance Committee to publish its report on the Draft Budget on or before Monday 15 December 2025 to enable the debate on the Draft Budget to take place on Tuesday 16 December 2025.



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The Government will then publish the Final Budget on 20 January 2026 and bring forward a debate in the Senedd on 27 January 2026.

I would be grateful for your views on the proposed timetable to enable the Business Committee to publish the timetable for the consideration of the budget.

Yours sincerely,

Rt. Hon Elin Jones MS

Y Llywydd and Chair of the Business Committee

