

Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 10 July 2013**

Meeting time: **09:30 – 11:15**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Jocelyn Davies (Chair)
Peter Black
Christine Chapman
Paul Davies
Mike Hedges
Ann Jones

Witnesses:

Celia Hunt, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales
Dr David Blaney, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales
Bethan Owen, Higher Education Funding Council for Wales

Committee Staff:

Gareth Price (Clerk)
Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 There were no apologies or substitutions.

2 Papers to note

2.1 Inquiry into Enterprise Zones in Wales – Feedback on Committee visits to Anglesey and Haven Waterway Enterprise Zones

2.1 The Committee noted the papers.

3 Motion under the Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business: Items 4, 5, 6 and 7

3.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

4 Financial Implications of Agricultural Wages Board Bill

4.1 The Committee discussed the financial implications of the Bill and agreed to write to the Minister (cced to all members) outlining their concerns prior to the Bill's second reading.

5 Higher Education Funding Inquiry – Briefing from Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW)

5.1 Representatives from the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW) provided the Committee with an overview of how Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Wales are funded.

5.2 HEFCW agreed to provide the following:

A note on EU funding for research and innovation channelled through HEIs in Wales.

6 Review of the year

6.1 The Committee were invited to review their work over the previous year.

7 Asset Management in the Public Sector – Consideration of draft report

7.1 The Committee considered and approved the draft report, subject to minor drafting changes.