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Dear Jocelyn

Following publication of the Finance Committee's Report on the Scrutiny of the Assembly Commission Draft Budget 2016–2017, I am writing to provide a further update in relation to recommendation 4, which was:

The Committee recommends that the issues associated with the Assembly website are reviewed as a matter of priority, and would like to receive an update on progress in this area before the end of the Assembly.

The Commission agreed with this recommendation and provided details of our plans to make improvements to the website. I am pleased to tell you that we will be going live on 22 April with the following enhancements to the website:

- a new Assembly website homepage that has a new layout that makes access to news and topical information much easier;
- increased prominence for Assembly Business;
- new navigation, by the use of 'mega menus' on the home page tabs that allow the user to easily navigate to relevant and topical information;
- a new layout for committee information, including embedded video and imagery;



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- more use of video, Senedd.tv and 'themed' information that enhances the user experience;
- improvements to the search capability;
- new Members' biographies and working pages; and
- an increase in the data and information made available online and in a reusable format.

We believe this work will make the Assembly website more interesting, useful and topical. As this phase of work draws to a close, we are starting to plan the next programme of work. This will include continuing these enhancements throughout the website, as well as making organisational changes to how we produce, manage and publish information and changing how data is stored. Our aim continues to be to transform the way we produce, use and make available all Assembly information in order to make looking for and using what we publish much easier for everyone.

We will be happy to provide further updates to the Finance Committee on progress with the website improvements during the Fifth Assembly.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Claire -". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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