

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 17 May 2017

Meeting time: 09.02 – 11.31

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Simon Thomas AM (Chair) Mike Hedges AM Eluned Morgan AM David Rees AM Steffan Lewis AM Nick Ramsay AM
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk) Georgina Owen (Deputy Clerk) Gemma Gifford (Deputy Clerk) Martin Jennings (Researcher) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The Committee noted the papers.

3 Consideration of the Draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

3.1 The Committee considered the draft Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill and agreed to write to the Ombudsman to seek clarification on the use of certain provisions.

4 Scoping paper: Legislative budget process

4.1 The Committee considered a scoping paper on a legislative budget process.

5 Amending Standing Orders: Budget Process

5.1 The Committee agreed to the Chair writing to Business Committee with the revised Budget protocol.

6 Assembly Commission Budget 2016–17 – Remuneration Board Determination underspend

6.1 The Committee agreed to write to the Commission requesting further information and to invite the new Chief Executive to a Committee meeting.

7 Oversight of the Wales Audit Office Board Recruitment

7.1 The Committee agreed to write to the First Minister and the Chair of the Wales Audit Office Board.

8 Statutory limitations on the employment of a former Auditor General for Wales

8.1 The Committee agreed the limitations and agreed to write to the Auditor General for Wales prior to publication.

9 Auditor General Wales: Natural Resources Wales Annual Accounts 2015–16: Consideration of draft report

9.1 The Committee agreed the report with minor changes.

10 Inquiry into the Great Repeal Bill and its implications for Wales

10.1 The Committee agreed to write to the Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee with areas Finance Committee will be interested in.