

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 9 May 2019

Meeting time: 09.21 – 11.52

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Llyr Gruffydd AM (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Mike Hedges AM Rhianon Passmore AM Nick Ramsay AM
Witnesses:	Julie Morgan AM, Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services Karen Cornish, Welsh Government Sarah Canning, Welsh Government Howel Jones, Local Partnerships Rosie Pearson, Local Partnerships David Ward, Tirion Group
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Ryan Bishop (Deputy Clerk) Christian Tipples (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Alun Davies AM and Neil Hamilton AM.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 PTN1 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd – Supplementary budgets 2019–20 – 30 April 2019

2.2 PTN2 – Letter from the Counsel General and Brexit Minister – Legislation (Wales) Bill – Government response to the Committee's report – 3 May 2019

2.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Counsel General and Brexit Minister in response to his letter.

3 Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill: Evidence session

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Julie Morgan AM, Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services; Karen Cornish, Deputy Director, Children and Families Division and Sarah Canning, Head of Legislation, Research and Parenting Branch on the financial implications of the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill.

3.2 The Deputy Minister agreed to provide further information on how the number of cases of reasonable punishment reported to the police was estimated and how this links to the number of prosecutions in Wales each year.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from items 5, 7–9 and the start of the meeting on 15 May 2019

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

6 Inquiry into the Welsh Government's capital funding sources: Evidence session 3

6.1 The Committee took evidence from David Ward, Chief Executive, Tirion Group; Howel Jones, Corporate Director, Programmes and Project, Local Partnerships; and Rosie Pearson, Corporate Director Business Development, and Programme Director PPP and PFI, Local Partnerships on the Welsh Government's capital funding sources.

7 Inquiry into the Welsh Government's capital funding sources: Consideration of evidence

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

8 Retention payments in the construction industry

8.1 The Committee considered the paper and agreed to write to the Chair of the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee.

9 Assembly Commission – Voluntary Redundancy Scheme Update and Relaxation of the Establishment Cap

9.1 The Committee noted the correspondence from the Assembly Commission regarding the update on the voluntary redundancy scheme and relaxation of the establishment cap.