

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 11 July 2019

Meeting time: 09.12 – 11.56

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Llyr Gruffydd AM (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Alun Davies AM Mike Hedges AM Rhianon Passmore AM Nick Ramsay AM Mark Reckless AM
Witnesses:	Jon Rae, Welsh Local Government Association Huw Thomas, Hywel Dda University Health Board Lynne Hamilton, Swansea Bay University Health Board Alan Bermingham, The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Gawain Evans, Welsh Government Rebecca Evans AM, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd
Committee Staff:	Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk)



	Samantha Williams (Deputy Clerk) Martin Jennings (Researcher) Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Ben Harris (Legal Adviser)
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 **PTN1 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd – Welsh Government
First Supplementary Budget 2019–20 – 5 July 2019**

3 Consideration of proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013: Evidence session 2

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Alan Bermingham, Policy Manager, Governments, Chartered Institute for Public Finance and Accountancy.

4 Consideration of proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013: Evidence session 3

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Huw Thomas, Director of Finance, Hywel Dda University Health Board; Lynne Hamilton, Director of Finance, Swansea Bay University Health Board; and John Rae, Director of Resources, Welsh Local Government Association.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from part of the meeting (Items 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12)

5.1 The motion was approved.

6 Wild Animals and Circuses (Wales) Bill: Consideration of financial scrutiny

6.1 The Committee considered the financial scrutiny process for the Wild Animals and Circuses (Wales) Bill.

7 The Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) Act 2017 (Reliefs) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2019

7.1 The Committee noted the regulations.

8 Code of Relationship Practice between the Auditor General for Wales and the Wales Audit Office

8.1 The Committee approved the Code of Relationship Practice between the Auditor General for Wales and the Wales Audit Office.

9 Consideration of the Welsh Government's response to the joint committee report: 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions'

9.1 The Chair of the Committee will open a debate on the joint committee report 'Assessing the impact of budget decisions' in Plenary on Wednesday 17 July 2019.

10 Consideration of proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013: Evidence session 5

10.1 The Committee took evidence from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd on the proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013.

11 Consideration of proposals to amend the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2013: Consideration of evidence

11.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

12 Welsh Government Budget 2020–21: Budget timetable

12.1 The Committee considered the timetable for the Welsh Government budget 2020–21.