

Aled Roberts

Welsh Language Commissioner

14 January 2020

Dear Aled,

The Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee discussed the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2020/21 at their meeting on 8 January with the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language.

During the meeting we discussed the budget allocations for supporting and promoting the Welsh language in general and for your work in particular.

I would be grateful if you could comment on the Welsh Government's plans for funding Welsh language support, both long term and in the coming year. Members of the Committee were concerned that the mainstreaming of funding for the language across Ministerial portfolios could lead to a lack of transparency in the draft budget, if information on this funding is not made available. I wonder if you have any similar concerns?

The Minister discussed the funding settlement for your office and the memorandum of understanding between your organisation and the Welsh Government designed to reduce duplication. I would be grateful if you could provide views on whether the capital and revenue allocations in the draft budget allow your organisation to fulfil its obligations for 2020-21.

In order to progress our work on the Draft Budget I would be grateful if you could reply by 30 January, with apologies for the short deadline.

Yours sincerely,



Bethan Sayed.

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