

Agenda – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 10 March 2021

Meeting time: 09.00

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In accordance with Standing Order 34.19, the Chair has determined that the public are excluded from the Committee's meeting in order to protect public health. This meeting will be broadcast live on www.senedd.tv

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

2 Paper(s) to note

(09.00)

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Minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2021.

2.1 PTN 1 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd regarding an amended Supplementary Budget Motion – 2 March 2021

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2.2 PTN 2 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd regarding allocated funding to support business during the pandemic – 2 March 2021

(Pages 34 – 40)

2.3 PTN 3 – Letter from the Scottish Parliament's Finance and Constitution Committee to the Chief Secretary to the Treasury: Scottish Government's Budget 2021–22 – 4 March 2021

(Pages 41 – 42)



2.4 PTN 4 – Joint letter from the Minister for Economy, Transport and North Wales; and the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd to the Chief Secretary to the Treasury regarding Freeports in Wales – 4 February 2021

(Pages 43 – 44)

2.5 PTN 5 – Welsh Government Draft Budget 2021–22 – Welsh Government response to the Finance Committee's report – 5 March 2021

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3 Finance Committee Legacy work: Evidence session

(09.00–10.20)

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Rebecca Evans MS, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd

Andrew Jeffreys, Director Treasury

Gawain Evans, Director of Finance

Debra Carter, Deputy Director, Local Government Strategic Finance

Marcella Maxwell, Deputy Director, Commercial Procurement and Group Strategy

Supporting papers:

Research brief

4 Tax statutory instrument: Evidence session

(10.20–10.30)

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Supporting papers:

FIN(5)–08–21 P1 – Report

FIN(5)–08–21 P2 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd to the Llywydd – 3 March 2021

[SUB-LD14189 – The Land Transaction Tax \(Temporary Variation of Rates and Bands for Residential Property Transactions\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021](#)

[SUB-LD14189-EM – The Land Transaction Tax \(Temporary Variation of Rates and Bands for Residential Property Transactions\) \(Wales\) \(Amendment\)](#)

[Regulations 2021 – Explanatory Memorandum](#)

Break (10.30–11.00)

5 Secretary of State for Wales: Evidence session

(11.00–12.00)

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Rt. Hon Simon Hart MP, Secretary of State for Wales

Geth Williams, Deputy Director of Constitution and Policy, Wales Office

Supporting papers:

Research brief

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting and the meeting on 17 March 2021

(12.00)

7 Secretary of State for Wales: Consideration of evidence

(12.00–12.10)

8 Finance Committee Legacy work: Consideration of evidence

(12.10–12.20)

9 Tax statutory instrument: Consideration of evidence

(12.20–12.25)

10 Draft Public Audit (Amendment) (Wales) Bill: Consideration of draft report

(12.25–12.50)

(Pages 103 – 176)

Supporting papers:

FIN(5)–08–21 P3 – Draft report on the Consideration of the consultation on the draft Public Audit (Amendment) (Wales) Bill

FIN(5)–08–21 P4 – Draft Public Audit (Amendment) (Wales) Bill

FIN(5)–08–21 P5 – Explanatory Notes

FIN(5)–08–21 P6 – Legal advice note