

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Friday, 15 January 2021

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Meeting time: 09.31 – 12.07

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Llyr Gruffydd MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Siân Gwenllïan MS Mike Hedges MS Rhianon Passmore MS Nick Ramsay MS Mark Reckless MS
Witnesses:	Steffan Evans, Bevan Foundation Gemma Schwendel, Joseph Rowntree Foundation Llŷr ap Gareth, Federation of Small Businesses Cymru Andrew Campbell, Wales Tourism Alliance Ian Price, CBI Wales
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk) Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk)



	<p>Martin Jennings (Researcher)</p> <p>Owen Holzinger (Researcher)</p> <p>Christian Tipples (Researcher)</p> <p>Owain Davies (Researcher)</p> <p>Rhiannon Lewis (Legal Adviser)</p>
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the virtual meeting of the Finance Committee.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 **PTN 1 – Letter from the Minister for Education: Response to the Committee's report on the Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Bill – 11 January 2021**

2.2 **PTN2 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd – Non-Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2021 – 7 January 2021**

3 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft budget 2021–22: Evidence session 5

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Steffan Evans, Policy and Research Officer, Bevan Foundation; and Gemma Schwendel, Senior Analyst, Joseph Rowntree Foundation on the Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft budget 2021–22.

4 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft budget 2021–22: Evidence session 6

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Andrew Campbell, Chairman, Wales Tourism Alliance; Ian Price, Director, Confederation of British Industry in Wales (CBI Wales); and Dr. Llyr ap Gareth, Senior Policy Advisor, Federation of Small Businesses in Wales (FSB Wales) on the Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft budget 2021–22.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

5.1 The motion was agreed.

**6 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Draft budget 2021–22:
Consideration of evidence**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

7 Supplementary Budget 2020–21 requests from Directly Funded Bodies

7.1 The Committee considered and approved the proposed variations to the 2020–21 budgets of Audit Wales, the Senedd Commission and the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

7.2 The Committee agreed to write to Audit Wales seeking further details on the additional cost of accrued staff annual leave.

**8 The Land Transaction Tax (Tax Bands and Tax Rates) (Wales)
(Amendment) Regulations 2020**

8.1 The Committee agreed the draft report.