

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: 7 October 2015

Meeting time: 08.45 – 12.03

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Jocelyn Davies AM (Chair) Peter Black AM Christine Chapman AM Mike Hedges AM Alun Ffred Jones AM Julie Morgan AM Nick Ramsay AM
Witnesses:	Nick Bennett, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Susan Hudson, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Office David Meadon, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Office Martin Warren, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales Jason Piper, The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) Kay Powell, The Law Society Richard Beech, Glamorgan Law LLP



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Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk)
	Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)
	Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)
	Georgina Owen (Deputy Clerk)
	Richard Bettley (Researcher)
	Helen Jones (Researcher)
	Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)
	Lakshmi Narain – Technical Adviser

## **1 Assembly Commission draft budget 2016–17: Consideration of draft report**

1.1 The Committee agreed the draft Report with some changes.

### **TRANSCRIPT**

View the [meeting transcript](#).

## **2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

2.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2.2 Apologies were received from Ann Jones AM.

2.3 Peter Black AM declared the following relevant interest under Standing Order 17.24A:

- Member is a Councillor for the City and County of Swansea Council

## **3 Papers to note**

3.1 The papers were noted.

## **4 Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Estimate of income and expenses 2016–17: Evidence session 1**

4.1 Members scrutinised Nick Bennett, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales, David Meaden, Financial Accountant, and Susan Hudson, Policy and Communications Manager on the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales' estimate for 2016–17.

4.2 The Ombudsman agreed to provide the Committee with a breakdown of the types of housing complaints received.

## **5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:**

5.1 The Motion was agreed.

## **6 Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Estimate of income and expenses 2016–17: Consideration of evidence**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received and noted that a draft report will be prepared for consideration at the Committee meeting scheduled for 5 November 2015.

## **7 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 6**

7.1 The Committee took evidence from Martin Warren, Director for Wales, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and Jason Piper, Senior Manager – Tax and Business Law, The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

## **8 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 7**

8.1 The Committee took evidence from Kay Powell, Policy Adviser, The Law Society and Richard Beech, Partner, Glamorgan Law LLP.

## **9 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:**

9.1 The Motion was agreed.

## **10 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence**

10.1 The Committee considered the evidenced received.