

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Friday, 2 July 2021

Meeting time: 09.30 – 10.52

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Peter Fox MS Rhianon Passmore MS
Witnesses:	Rebecca Evans MS, Minister for Finance and Local Government Matthew Denham-Jones, Welsh Government Andrew Jeffreys, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Bethan Davies (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk) Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)



## **Private pre-meeting – Informal (09.15–09.30)**

### **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

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

### **2 Paper(s) to note**

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 **PTN 1 – Letter from the Chief Executive and Clerk of the Senedd: Financial implications of the COVID-19 pandemic – update as at 31 March 2021 – 26 May 2021**

2.2 **PTN 2 – Finance Committee remit**

### **3 Welsh Government First Supplementary Budget 2021–22: Evidence session**

3.1 The Minister agreed to provide the Committee with a written update, outlining the difficulties in obtaining clarity from the UK Government, on the issue of Barnett consequentials.

3.2 The Minister agreed to ask the Minister for Economy to provide the Committee with:

- a detailed breakdown of the £55m funding made available for business support in May and June, including the reasons why 24 percent of businesses were not approved to receive funding, how the allocations have been evaluated and how any underspend of the £55m made available in funding has been reallocated.
- further information on future business support schemes to be funded from the Welsh Government's £200m package of support.

**4 Motion under SO17.42(ix) to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting and for future meetings, until further notice.**

4.1 The motion was agreed.

**5 Welsh Government First Supplementary Budget 2021–22:  
Consideration of evidence**

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

**6 Finance Committee procedures and ways of working**

6.1 The Committee considered the papers on Committee procedures and ways of working.