

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

This meeting can be viewed

Video Conference via Zoom

on [Senedd TV](#) at:

Meeting date: Wednesday, 15 September  
2021

<http://senedd.tv/en/12421>

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.55

## Remote, Private

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### Attendance

| Category               | Names   |
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| Members of the Senedd: | Peredur Owen Griffiths MS (Chair)<br>Peter Fox MS<br>Mike Hedges MS   |
| Witnesses:             | Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales, Audit Wales<br>Lindsay Foyster, Audit Wales<br>Kevin Thomas, Audit Wales<br>Ann-Marie Harkin, Wales Audit Office<br>Anne-Louise Clark, Audit Wales<br>Andrew Jeffreys, Welsh Government |
| Committee Staff:       | Owain Roberts (Clerk)<br>Bethan Davies (Clerk)<br>Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)<br>Georgina Owen (Second Clerk)<br>Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk)<br>Owen Holzinger (Researcher)   |



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|  | Martin Jennings (Researcher)<br>Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)<br>Ben Harris (Legal Adviser) |
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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 Audit Wales – Introductory briefing**

2.1 The Committee received a briefing from the Auditor General for Wales, Chair of the Wales Audit Office and Audit Wales officials.

## **3 Oversight of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales (PSOW) – Consideration of remuneration arrangements**

3.1 The Committee considered and agreed the remuneration arrangements for the recruitment of the next Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

## **4 Landfill Disposals Tax: Independent Review**

4.1 The Committee considered proposed scope of the independent review of Landfill Disposals Tax and agreed to respond to the Minister.

## **5 Budget Review Group**

5.1 The Committee considered the background paper on a proposed Budget Review Group.

## **6 Welsh Government Draft Budget scrutiny 2022–23: Consideration of approach**

6.1 The Committee considered its approach to scrutiny of the Welsh Government's forthcoming draft budget 2022–23.

## **7 Welsh Treasury – Introductory briefing**

7.1 The Committee received a briefing from Andrew Jeffreys, Director, Welsh Treasury.

## **8 Consideration of the Committee's Forward Work Programme**

8.1 The Committee considered its Forward Work Programme and related correspondence.