

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Friday, 14 January 2022

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Meeting time: 09.30 – 13.06

## Remote

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS (Chair) Peter Fox MS Mike Hedges MS Rhianon Passmore MS
Witnesses:	Richard Hughes, Office for Budget Responsibility Andy King, Office of Budget Responsibility David Phillips, Institute for Fiscal Studies Ed Poole, Wales Governance Centre Cian Sion, Wales Governance Centre Huw Thomas, Hywel Dda University Health Board Anthony Hunt, Welsh Local Government Association Dave Street, Association of Directors of Social Services (ADSS)
Committee Staff:	Owain Roberts (Clerk) Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk)



	Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk) Christian Tipples (Researcher) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Joanne McCarthy (Researcher)
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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](http://www.senedd.tv)

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

#### **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 and Welsh Language: Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill – 22 December 2021

2.2 PTN 2 – Letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Second Supplementary Budget 2021–22 – 4 January 2022

#### **3 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23: Evidence session 2**

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Richard Hughes, Chairman, Office for Budget Responsibility; and Andy King, Budget Responsibility Committee member, Office for Budget Responsibility on the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2022–23.

## **Break (10.15–10.25)**

### **4 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23: Evidence session 3**

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Dr Ed Poole, Wales Fiscal Analysis; Cian Sion, Wales Fiscal Analysis; and David Phillips, Institute of Fiscal Studies on the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2022–23.

## **Break (11.25–11.35)**

### **5 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23: Evidence session 4**

5.1 The Committee took evidence from Huw Thomas, Director of Finance Hywel Dda University Health Board (Representative for the Welsh NHS Confederation); Cllr Anthony Hunt, Leader, Torfaen County Borough Council (WLGSA Spokesperson for Finance and Resources); and Dave Street, Director of Social Services, Caerphilly County Borough Council (Representative for the Association of Directors of Social Services Cymru) on Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23.

### **6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting.**

6.1 The motion was agreed.

### **7 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23: Consideration of evidence**

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence.

### **8 Nomination of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – Consideration of draft report**

8.1 The Committee agreed the report.