

# Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: 1 October 2015

Meeting time: 09.02 – 14.43

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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 Jenny Rathbone AM (In place of Ann Jones AM) Julie Morgan AM Nick Ramsay AM
Witnesses:	Eleanor Emberson, Revenue Scotland Colin Miller, Revenue Scotland Neil Broadfoot, Revenue Scotland Geoff Yapp, HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) Doug Stoneham, HMRC Isobel Moore, Natural Resources Wales Rebecca Favager, Natural Resources Wales



	<p>John Cullinane, Chartered Institute of Taxation</p> <p>Claire Thackaberry, Low Incomes Tax Reform Group</p> <p>David Melding AM, Deputy Presiding Officer</p> <p>Claire Clancy, Chief Executive &amp; Clerk of the Assembly</p> <p>Nicola Callow, Director of Finance</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Bethan Davies (Clerk)</p> <p>Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Georgina Owen (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Martin Jennings (Researcher)</p> <p>Richard Bettley (Researcher)</p> <p>Joanest Varney-Jackson (Legal Adviser)</p> <p>Lakshmi Narain – Technical Adviser</p>

## TRANSCRIPT

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Ann Jones AM.

1.3 Jenny Rathbone AM attended as a substitute.

### 2 Papers to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

### **3 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 2**

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Eleanor Emberson, Chief Executive, Revenue Scotland, Colin Miller, Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Bill Team Leader and Neil Broadfoot, Communications Officer.

3.2 Eleanor Emberson agreed to provide the Committee with additional information.

### **4 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 3**

4.1 The Committee took evidence from Geoff Yapp, Deputy Director, Corporation Tax, International and Stamps, Head of Stamp Taxes, HMRC and Doug Stoneham, Senior Policy Adviser, Devolution.

4.2 The Committee agreed to write to HMRC for further information.

### **5 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 4**

5.1 The Committee took evidence from Isobel Moore, Head of Business, Regulation and Economics, Natural Resources Wales and Rebecca Favager, Waste and Resources Manager.

### **6 Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 5**

6.1 The Committee took evidence from John Cullinane, Tax Policy Director, Chartered Institute of Taxation and Claire Thackaberry, Technical Officer, Low Incomes Tax Reform Group.

6.2 Claire Thackaberry agreed to provide the Committee with additional information.

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

7.1 The Motion was agreed.

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

8.1 The Committee considered the evidenced received.

## **9 Assembly Commission draft budget 2016–17: Evidence session 1**

9.1 Peter Black AM absented himself for this item due to his role as a Member of the Assembly Commission.

9.2 Members scrutinised David Melding AM, Deputy Presiding Officer and Acting Assembly Commissioner, Claire Clancy, Chief Executive and Clerk to the Assembly, and Nicola Callow, Director of Finance on the draft Assembly Commission budget 2016–17.

9.3 Jocelyn Davies AM declared the following relevant interest under Standing Order 17.24A:

- Member is standing down at the end of the Fourth Assembly.

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

10.1 The Motion was agreed.

## **11 Assembly Commission draft budget 2016–17: Consideration of evidence**

11.1 Peter Black AM absented himself for this item due to his role as a Member of the Assembly Commission.

11.2 The Committee considered the evidence received.

## **12 Welsh Government Report on Outturn 2014–15**

12.1 The Committee noted the report and agreed to write to the Minister for Finance and Government Business.

## **13 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2016–17**

13.1 The Committee noted the correspondence and agreed to write to the Minister for Finance and Government Business.