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Dear Simon,

On 18 October, I laid the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 before the National Assembly for Wales for consultation and scrutiny. As part of the Budget package I published a Budget narrative which provides a strategic account of the Welsh Government's spending plans together with MEG Budget Action Tables.

On reviewing the documentation post publication, we have identified a limited number of transposition and/or typographical errors, both in the English and Welsh versions of the Budget narrative and the MEG Action Tables. These are mainly presentational in nature. However, I would like to bring the following changes to your attention:

- A new table, Table 8.4, has been inserted in Annex C to provide an overview of structural changes within the Education MEG that have occurred since the publication of the First Supplementary Budget 2016-17; and
- Tables 8.1 to 8.9 have been re-numbered as 9.1 to 9.9. In Table 9.1, the amount transferred from the Health, Wellbeing and Sport MEG to the Local Government MEG in respect of funding for the Food Standards Agency hygiene rating scheme should read £57,000 and not £59,000. This change also impacts on Tables 9.2. and 9.8.

In order to support the scrutiny of our plans, I have published updated versions of these documents on the Welsh Government's website.

I am copying this letter to Chairs of Committees.

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