

Concise Minutes – Finance Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 7 November
2018

Meeting time: 09.00 – 12.11

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Llyr Gruffydd AM (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Neil Hamilton AM Mike Hedges AM Jane Hutt AM Nick Ramsay AM David Rees AM
Witnesses:	Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales, Wales Audit Office Isobel Garner, Wales Audit Office Kevin Thomas, Wales Audit Office Steve O'Donoghue, Wales Audit Office Robert Chote, Office for Budget Responsibility Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services Matthew Jenkins, Welsh Government



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	Gareth Haven, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Ed Poole (Expert Adviser) Bethan Davies (Clerk) Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk) Georgina Owen (Deputy Clerk) Owen Holzinger (Researcher) Christian Tipples (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

2.1 PTN1 – Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance – Capital Investment Bonds – 24 October 2018

3 Wales Audit Office and the Auditor General for Wales's Estimate 2019–20

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales; Isobel Garner, Chair, Wales Audit Office Board; Kevin Thomas, Director of Corporate Services; and Steve O'Donoghue, Director of Finance and Human Resources.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from items 5 and 8–10

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Wales Audit Office and the Auditor General for Wales's Estimate 2019–20: Consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

6 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2019–20: Evidence session 7 (Office for Budget Responsibility)

6.1 The Committee took evidence from Robert Chote, Chairman, Office for Budget Responsibility on the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2019–20.

7 Autism (Wales) Bill: Evidence session – Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services

7.1 The Committee took evidence from Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services; Matthew Jenkins, Deputy Director, Partnerships and Cooperation; and Gareth Haven, Finance Division on the Autism (Wales) Bill.

7.2 The Cabinet Secretary agreed to provide the Committee with a note setting out:

- his views on the challenges around the way the Regulatory Impact Assessment is written and what he feels is missing; and
- the development and implementation costs of delivering the Code of Practice.

8 Autism (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence

8.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

9 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2019–20: Consideration of evidence

9.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

10 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

10.1 The Committee authorised Llyr Gruffydd AM as the new Member in Charge of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill and agreed to write to the Business Committee with a revised timetable.