

Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 5 February 2014**

Meeting time: **09:00 – 12:05**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Jocelyn Davies (Chair)

Peter Black

Christine Chapman

Paul Davies

Mike Hedges

Alun Ffred Jones

Ann Jones

Julie Morgan

Witnesses:

Carl Sargeant, Minister for Housing and Regeneration

Ceri Breeze, Head of Housing Directorate, Welsh Government

John Davies, Legal Services, Welsh Government

Geoff Marlow, Welsh Government

Professor Dylan Jones–Evans, University of the West of England

Alan Trench, Honorary Senior Research Fellow, The Constitution Unit, University College London

Jen Welsby, Welsh Government

Alyn Williams, Welsh Government

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

2 Housing (Wales) Bill

2.1 The Committee took evidence from the Minister for Housing and Regeneration on the Housing (Wales) Bill.

2.2 The Minister agreed to send a note to Committee on data sharing of Housing benefit and let Committee have advance notice of any possible amendments at Stages 2 and 3 that will seek to change any financial aspects in the Bill.

3 Finance Wales Inquiry: Evidence session 1

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Professor Jones–Evans on the Finance Wales inquiry.

4 Papers to note

4.1 The papers were noted.

4.1 Higher Education Funding: Letter from Professor Julie Williams

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

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 Draft Wales Bill: Briefing session

6.1 The Committee received a briefing from Alan Trench, Professor of Politics, University of Ulster on the draft Wales Bill.

6.2 The Committee agreed the text of a letter for the Chair to send to the Secretary of State for Wales.

7 Housing (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received from the Minister for Housing and Regeneration on the Housing (Wales) Bill and agreed to write to the Minister seeking additional information from that noted during his evidence session.