



To Consultees

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### **A call for evidence – Invest to Save**

The Finance Committee is calling for information to help inform our inquiry into the Welsh Government's Invest to Save Fund. The Fund is available to Welsh Government funded public service organisations to support their strategic improvement projects which lead to significant cash-releasing efficiency savings, while ensuring effective citizen-centred services.

#### **The inquiry's Terms of Reference**

The purpose of this inquiry is to consider how effective the Invest to Save Fund has been to date. We are particularly interested to learn whether the fund is working, and if so, are projects being copied across the relevant sector?

The Committee would welcome your views on any or all of the following points:

- What impact is Invest to Save having, is it meeting it's intended purpose - "supporting organisations involved in public service delivery make the transition to more efficient, more effective and more sustainable forms of service delivery"?
- How widely has it been taken up?
- What are the lessons learned and could examples of good practice be shared and extended more widely across the public sector?
- What savings have been achieved as a result of awards from the fund?
- Are there any barriers to entry i.e. are there any elements of the Invest to Save fund process that make it difficult to participate in the scheme?

### **Providing information to the Committee**

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[FinanceCommittee@wales.gov.uk](mailto:FinanceCommittee@wales.gov.uk)

Interested parties are invited to submit written evidence to the Clerk of the Finance Committee at the above address, to arrive by **Tuesday 6 November 2012**. If you wish to contribute but are concerned that you won't be able to meet this deadline, please speak with the Clerk of the Committee on 029 2089 8409.

If possible, please supply an electronic version in MS Word or Rich Text format, by e mail to [FinanceCommittee@wales.gov.uk](mailto:FinanceCommittee@wales.gov.uk) by **Tuesday 6 November 2012**.

### **Disclosure of Information**

*Witnesses should be aware that once written evidence has been submitted to the Committee it is treated as the property of the Committee.*

*The Committee welcomes contributions in English or Welsh, and we ask organisations with Welsh Language policies/schemes to provide bilingual submissions, in line with their public information policies.*

*It is the Committee's intention to place written evidence on its website, and it may subsequently be printed with the report. The National Assembly will not publish information which it considers to be personal data with the exception of personal opinion and personal data relating to your identity as author of the evidence and the capacity, if any, in which you provide the evidence (for example, a job title).*

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Further information about the Finance Committee and its call for information can be found at: [www.assemblywales.org](http://www.assemblywales.org)

Yours sincerely



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**Chair, Finance Committee**

## **Annex 1**

### **Local Authorities & LEAs.**

Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council  
Bridgend County Borough Council  
Caerphilly County Borough Council  
Cardiff County Council  
Carmarthenshire County Council  
Ceredigion County Council  
City and County of Swansea  
Conwy County Borough Council  
Denbighshire County Council  
Flintshire County Council  
Gwynedd Council  
Isle of Anglesey County Council  
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council  
Monmouthshire County Council  
Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council  
Newport City Council  
Pembrokeshire County Council  
Powys County Council  
Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council  
Torfaen County Borough Council  
Vale of Glamorgan Council  
Wrexham County Borough Council  
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### **Local Health Boards**

Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board  
Aneurin Bevan Health Board  
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board  
Cardiff and Vale University Health Board  
Cwm Taf Local Health Board  
Hywel Dda Local Health Board  
Powys Teaching Health Board  
All Wales Ambulance NHS Trust  
The Welsh NHS Confederation

### **General**

Forestry Commission Wales  
Countryside Council for Wales  
Environment Agency for Wales  
Care Council for Wales  
Children's Commissioner for Wales  
Older People's Commissioner for Wales  
Equality and Human Rights Commission  
Welsh Language Board  
Welsh Local Government Association  
Wales Council Voluntary Action  
National Botanic Garden of Wales  
Carbon Trust and Energy Saving Trust  
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**Universities**

Aberystwyth University  
Swansea University  
University of Glamorgan  
Bangor University  
Cardiff University  
Newport University  
Cardiff Metropolitan University  
Swansea Metropolitan University  
UW Trinity St David  
Glyndwr University  
Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama

**Further Education Colleges****South East Wales**

Barry College  
Bridgend College  
Coleg Morgannwg  
Coleg Gwent  
Merthyr Tydfil College  
Ystrad Mynach College

**South and West Wales**

Coleg Sir Gâr  
Neath Port Talbot College  
Pembrokeshire College  
Swansea College

**Mid Wales**

Coleg Ceredigion  
Coleg Powys

**North Wales**

Coleg Harlech  
Coleg Llandrillo Cymru  
Coleg Menai  
Deeside College  
Yale College Wrexham