

Finance Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 4 February 2015**

Meeting time: **09.00 – 12.14**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Jocelyn Davies AM (Chair)
Peter Black AM
Christine Chapman AM
Mike Hedges AM
Alun Ffred Jones AM
Ann Jones AM
Julie Morgan AM
Nick Ramsay AM

Witnesses:

Jim Martin, Scottish Public Services Ombudsman
Simon Rogers, Welsh Independent Healthcare Association
Sally Taber, Welsh Independent Healthcare Association

Committee Staff:

Bethan Davies (Clerk)
Leanne Hatcher (Second Clerk)
Tanwen Summers (Deputy Clerk)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the Meeting.

1.2 There were no apologies.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The papers were noted.

3 Welsh Tax Forecasts: Evidence Session 1

3.1 The Committee took evidence from Robert Chote, Chairman and Jon Riley, Senior Analyst for the Office for Budget Responsibility via Video Conference.

3.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Office for Budget Responsibility for clarification on how they calculate Landfill tax.

4 Consideration of Powers: Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Evidence Session 2

4.1 The Committee took evidence from the Scottish Public Service Ombudsman on its inquiry.

4.2 The Ombudsman agreed to provide the following:

- Records of press coverage and statistics around the governance of the complaints handling process.

5 Consideration of powers: Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Evidence Session 3

5.1 The Committee took evidence from Simon Rogers – Chair, Welsh Independent Healthcare Association and Sally Taber – Director of Independent Healthcare Advisory Services, Welsh Independent Healthcare Association.

5.2 The Healthcare association agreed to provide the following:

- Briefing on complaint trends that will feature in the forthcoming ISCAS annual report.
- A copy of last year's annual report for Members' information.
- Share a paper ISCAS has produced in conjunction with the Department of Health.

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

6.1 The motion was agreed.

7 Consideration of powers: Public Services Ombudsman for Wales: Discussion of evidence

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

8 Consideration of Scoping Papers

8.1 The Committee considered the scoping papers and agreed a way forward.

9 Consideration of Paper on Assembly Week 2015

9.1 The Committee considered a paper on Assembly Week 2015.