

Northern Ireland Assembly Committee for Finance

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Dear Peredur,

At its meeting on Wednesday, 1 September 2021, the Committee for Finance noted your correspondence of 8 July 2021 and agreed to pass on its congratulations to you as the newly elected Chairperson of the Welsh Parliament's Finance Committee.

This Committee agreed that I should write to you to indicate that it is pleased to co-operate with your Committee particularly in respect of the budget development process. Further to this, the Committee agreed to share related correspondence (enclosed) received from Her Majesty's Treasury.

By way of future co-operation, the Committee agreed to suggest a joint informal session on budget scrutiny with your Committee and the Scottish Finance and Constitution Committee. This might be scheduled after the publication of the outcome of the Spending Review, which it is hoped will be informed by analysis by the Northern Ireland Fiscal Council.

Please do not hesitate to have officials contact the Clerk to the Committee for Finance for further details.

I look forward to your response and to further engagement with your Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Aiken

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