

Mark Drakeford AM
Cabinet Secretary for Finance

29 November 2017

Dear Cabinet Secretary,

Inquiry into resilience and preparedness – questions not reached during the session on 20 November 2017

Thank you to you and your officials for appearing before the Committee on 20 November as part of our work on resilience and preparedness in the context of Brexit.

Members found the session very helpful, however, due to time constraints we were unable to cover all the questions that we would have liked to cover. I would be grateful therefore if you could please provide us with a response to the following questions:

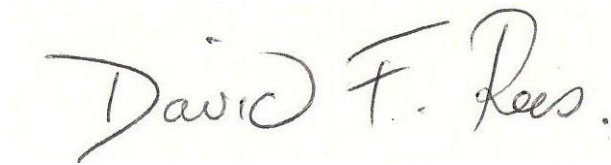
- What conversations has the Welsh Government had with the UK Government about how the Block Grant will change after Brexit;
- How will the new Welsh reserve be used to protect public services from any potential negative impacts of Brexit and to elaborate on how the £75 million draw down from the Reserve earmarked for 2019/20 might be spent;
- Whether the Welsh Government has secured a Barnett consequential as a result of the £250 million earmarked by the Treasury to prepare for the UK's exit from the EU (and referred to in **paragraph 20 of your paper**);
- Whether the Welsh Government has undertaken any detailed economic assessment of the impact on the Welsh economy of different forms of



leaving the EU (in addition to the Chief Economist's report referred to in evidence)

I would be extremely grateful if a response could be provided by 15 December if possible please, in order to inform Member's thinking.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David F. Rees." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large 'D' and 'R'.

David Rees AM,

Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

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We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

