

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Decisions from the meeting held on Tuesday 14 November 2023 at 12.15 pm

Members present:
Mrs Sharon Hodgson (in the Chair)

Mr Clive Betts
Mr Nigel Evans
Marion Fellows
Nigel Mills

Mary Robinson
David Simmonds
Mark Tami
Dame Rosie Winterton

Apologies: Craig Mackinlay

1. Matters arising and informal notes

The Committee agreed the informal notes of the meetings held on 4 July and 12 September.

2. Q2 Financial Monitoring Report

The Committee took note of the current forecasts for resource and capital expenditure in 2023/24.

3. PDS Hardware provision

The Committee endorsed the proposed new model for Members' hardware provisioning.

4. Introduction to the new Clerk of the House

The Committee welcomed Tom Goldsmith to his role and noted his priorities for the Administration.

5. Chamber and Participation Team Finance Update

The Committee took note of the update.

6. Education Subsidy Update

The Committee recommended an updated approach for the Education subsidy, and asked that it be funded where possible from existing CPT budgets, with back up from central provision and flexibility across budget headings if needed. A deep dive review of the operation of the scheme would take place in preparation for the forthcoming changes to constituency boundaries.

7. Grants to Interparliamentary Bodies

The Committee agreed to recommend to the Commission uplifts to the budgets for Interparliamentary groups.

8. Papers to note

The Committee took note of the following papers.

- **Q2 Corporate Performance Report**
- **2023/24 Corporate performance and KPI Report - Q2 Update**

9. Date and time of next meeting

The Committee agreed that its next meeting would be on Tuesday 5 December at 12.30 pm.