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Dyfed Alsop
Chief Executive
Welsh Revenue Authority

Copied to : Ruth Glazzard
Chair
Welsh Revenue Authority

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Dear Dyfed,

WELSH REVENUE AUTHORITY PARTNERSHIP 2023-24

In accordance with the Interdepartmental Agreement between the Welsh Government and the Welsh Revenue Authority (WRA), I am writing to set out the budget for the WRA for 2023-24 and to highlight some particular areas of focus for the Welsh Government's partnership with the WRA in line with the WRA's three-year corporate plan.

WRA Budget 2023-24

Following approval by the Senedd of the Welsh Government's Final Budget on 7 March 2023, I can confirm for 2023-24, the WRA's revenue budget will increase to £8,662,660 and the capital budget will be £270,000. Its non-cash budget will be £228,000.

The revenue budget includes £1,100,000 to work on Programme for Government commitments, building capability and exploring models and costs for new and existing taxes. During 2023-24 this will include leading a discovery project for a Visitor Levy. This project is being progressed through a section 83 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 Agreement.

Partnership Working

It is important for WRA and Welsh Treasury officials to continue to strengthen their partnership working and to progress the commitment in the Tax Policy work Plan to develop the 'Welsh Way of Doing Tax'.

The partnership approach should seek to achieve rounded and expert policy development - from early design through to advice to Ministers and implementation.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Specific actions to be progressed include confidentially sharing legal advice, collaborating on preparing Ministerial advice, making it easier for staff to move between the two organisations, removing barriers to successful joint working and involving each other in learning opportunities.

WRA Corporate Plan

It is also important for the WRA to continue to progress the commitments in the three-year Corporate Plan published last year, including continuing to develop its data and digital services; working with NRW to implement the new joint strategy and develop your joint approach to applying LDT to unauthorised disposals of waste; and supporting the design of potential new tax and revenue services.

Delivery against the key performance measures

In developing and progressing as an organisation, it is important for the WRA to continue to maintain its existing reputation as a reliable and trusted organisation through its performance in administering the existing devolved taxes. So, it is important to retain a focus on delivering against existing performance measures and reviewing these targets annually to ensure they remain fit for purpose.

The WRA should continue to be an inclusive organisation to work, where everyone feels valued and able to succeed and a place of best practice in inclusion and fair treatment.

During this year I expect the WRA to be:

- working with the Future Generations team in preparing to be listed under the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015;
- playing its part in delivering our commitment to improving public services, through social partnership working, promoting fair work and socially responsible public procurement; and
- continuing to promote and facilitate the Welsh language.

This letter is being copied to the Chair of the WRA, the Permanent Secretary and the Director of Welsh Treasury.

Yours sincerely,



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Minister for Finance and Local Government