Business bulletin

Finance and Resources Committee

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Dean of Guild Court Room, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh



Finance and Resources Committee

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Recent news

Barclay Review on Non-Domestic Rates

Following the earlier publication of the recommendations of the Barclay Review on Non-Domestic Rates, the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, Derek Mackay MSP, made a ministerial statement to Parliament on the Scottish Government's response on 12 September 2017. <u>This response</u> signalled an intention, subject to Parliamentary approval, to implement the majority of the Review's recommendations, including granting a year's relief for newly-constructed and expanded properties, introducing more frequent revaluations, full rates relief for childcare facilities and conducting a comprehensive review of the operation of the Small Business Bonus Scheme.

The Scottish Government will engage further with key stakeholders concerning the Review's recommendations on entitlement to charitable relief for local authority arm's length leisure and cultural trusts and independent schools, before

Background

Further information is available from:

Hugh Dunn,

Head of Finance 0131 469 3150 publishing its response to these proposals by the end of the year. Following confirmation of the Scottish Government's response to all of these recommendations, in accordance with the motion agreed at the Finance and Resources Committee's meeting on 5 September, a report setting out the main direct and indirect financial and operational impacts upon the Council will be brought to the Committee's following meeting, expected to be on 23 January 2018.

Forthcoming activities