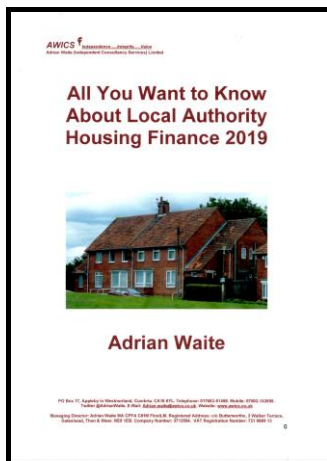


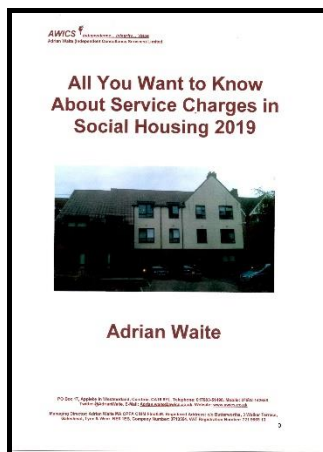
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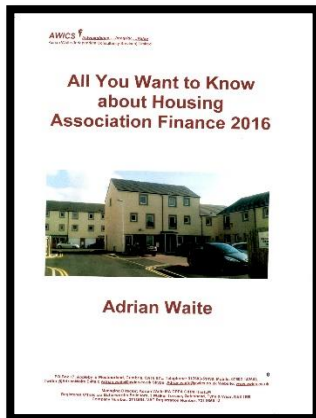


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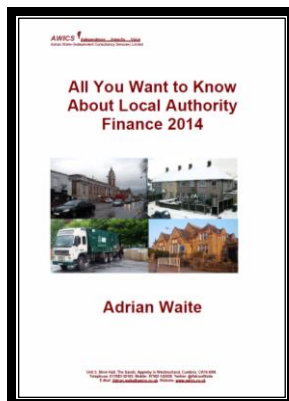
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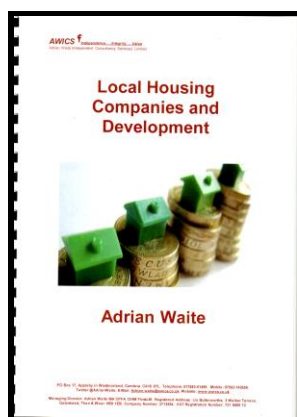


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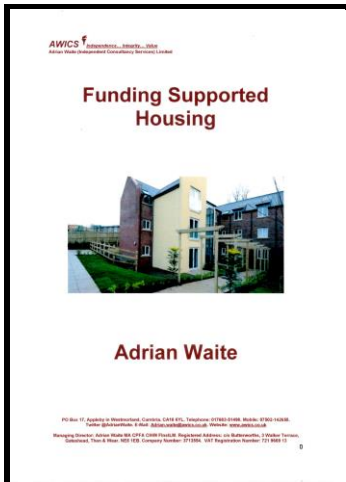


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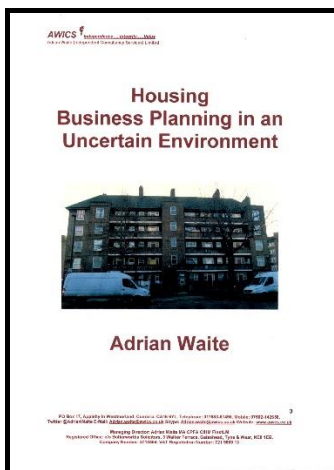
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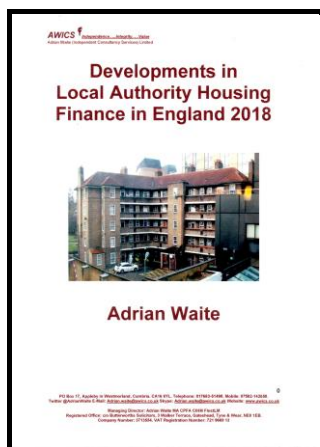
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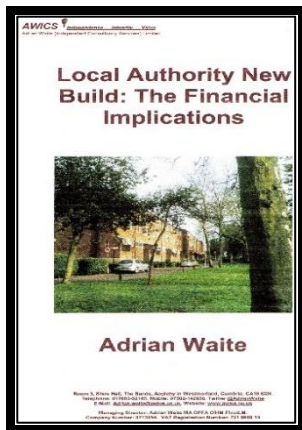


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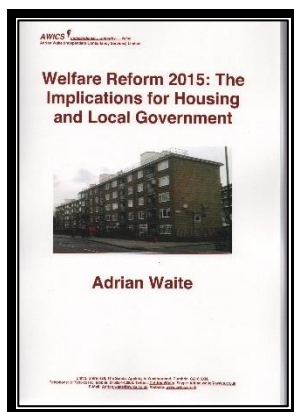
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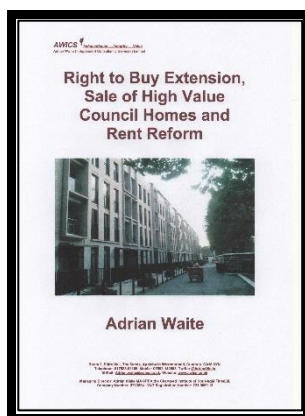
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**‘Welfare Reform: The Implications for Housing and Local Government’** - This book looks in detail at the Government’s controversial welfare reforms and their implications for claimants, social landlords, local authorities and the public finances in all the nations of the United Kingdom. The Government was elected on a commitment to reduce expenditure on welfare by £12billion. Its detailed proposals for doing this were announced in the Budget of July 2015. It has also introduced the Welfare Reform and Work Bill. It should be of interest to all those with an interest in the welfare reforms including councillors and officers of local authorities; board members and officers of housing associations; representatives of tenants and claimants; staff of voluntary bodies; academics; lawyers and civil servants. 100 pages. Published in 2015.



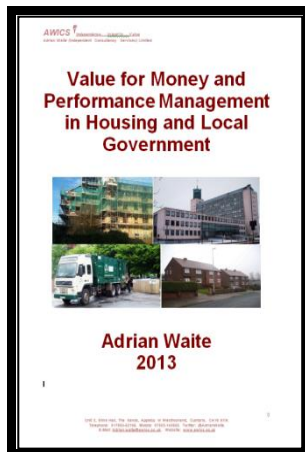
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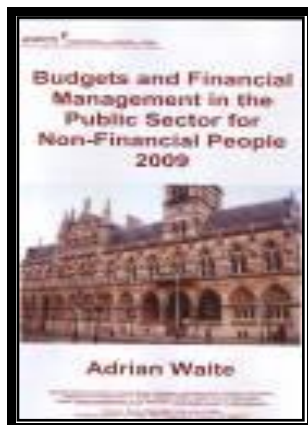
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