

Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 5 Tŷ Hywel
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 10 February
2022

Meeting time: 09.31 – 15.34

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Russell George MS (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth MS Gareth Davies MS Mike Hedges MS Jack Sargeant MS Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Nicola Stubbins, Association of Directors of Social Services Cymru Councillor Susan Elsmore, Welsh Local Government Association Allison Hulmes, British Association of Social Workers (BASW) Cymru Mary Wimbury, Care Forum Wales Mario Kreft, Care Forum Wales Sanjiv Joshi, Care Forum Wales



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	<p>Eluned Morgan MS, Minister for Health and Social Services</p> <p>Judith Paget, Welsh Government</p> <p>Chris Jones, Welsh Government</p> <p>Nick Wood, Welsh Government</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Helen Finlayson (Clerk)</p> <p>Claire Morris (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Lowri Jones (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Amy Clifton (Researcher)</p> <p>Sarah Hatherley (Researcher)</p> <p>Philippa Watkins (Researcher)</p> <p>Claire Thomas (Researcher)</p> <p>Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser)</p> <p>Aled Evans (Legal Adviser)</p> <p>Dr Paul Worthington (Researcher)</p>

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Gareth Davies MS declared that he is a member of Denbighshire County Council until May 2022.

2 Hospital discharge and its impact on patient flow through hospitals: evidence session with local authorities

2.1 The Committee received evidence from representatives of local authorities.

3 Hospital discharge and its impact on patient flow through hospitals: evidence session with Care Forum Wales

3.1 The Committee received evidence from representatives of Care Forum Wales.

4 Paper(s) to note

4.1 Response from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the reports of the Health and Social Care Committee and the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Health and Care Bill

4.1 The Committee noted the response.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from items 6, 8, 9 and 10 of today's meeting

5.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

6 Hospital discharge and its impact on patient flow through hospitals: consideration of evidence

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

7 Impact of the waiting times backlog on people in Wales who are waiting for diagnosis or treatment and Scrutiny of the Welsh Government's Health and Social Care Winter Plan 2021 to 2022: evidence session with the Minister for Health and Social Services

7.1 The Committee received evidence from the Minister for Health and Social Services.

7.2 Judith Paget agreed to share information regarding surgical capacity across health boards with the Committee.

7.3 The Minister for Health and Social Services agreed to share the findings of the review of demand and capacity in neurodevelopmental services with the Committee in due course.

7.4 The Minister for Health and Social Services agreed to provide the Committee with an update on the use of COVID passes.

8 Impact of the waiting times backlog on people in Wales who are waiting for diagnosis or treatment and Scrutiny of the Welsh

Government's Health and Social Care Winter Plan 2021 to 2022: consideration of evidence

8.1 The Committee considered the evidence received. The Committee identified areas for inclusion in its report on waiting times, and agreed to write separately to the Minister in respect of winter planning.

9 Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Nationality and Borders Bill: consideration of draft report

9.1 The Committee agreed the report subject to minor amendments.

10 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memoranda for the Health and Care Bill: consideration of draft report

10.1 The Committee agreed the report subject to minor amendments.