

Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

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

Meeting date: Wednesday, 29 June 2022

Meeting time: 09.30 – 10.31

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Russell George MS (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth MS Gareth Davies MS Jack Sargeant MS
Witnesses:	Colin Dennis
Committee Staff:	Claire Morris (Second Clerk) Lowri Jones (Deputy Clerk) Rebekah James (Researcher) Dr Paul Worthington (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Mike Hedges MS and Joyce Watson MS.



2 Pre-appointment hearing for the role of Chair of the Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust: evidence session with the Welsh Government's preferred candidate

2.1 The Committee received evidence from Colin Dennis, the Welsh Government's preferred candidate for the role of Chair of the Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust.

3 Paper(s) to note

3.1 Letter from Chair, Petitions Committee to the Chair regarding P-06-1250 Open a full hospital facility, including an A&E department in mid Wales

3.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.2 Letter from the Equality and Human Rights Commissioner to the Chair regarding the experiences from health and social care: the treatment of lower paid ethnic minority workers

3.2 The Committee noted the letter.

3.3 Letter from the Chair to Professors Kirby and Thapar with follow up questions after the mental health inequalities inquiry evidence session on 8 June 2022

3.3 The Committee noted the letter.

3.4 Response from Professor Kirby regarding follow up questions after the mental health inequalities inquiry evidence session on 8 June 2022

3.4 The Committee noted the response.

3.5 Response from Professor Thapar regarding follow up questions after the mental health inequalities inquiry evidence session on 8 June 2022

3.5 The Committee noted the response.

3.6 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services to Chair, Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee regarding a meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for UK Health Ministers

3.6 The Committee noted the letter.

3.7 Letter from the Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing to the Chair regarding the launch of a consultation on Healthy Food Environment and ending the sale of energy drinks to children

The Committee noted the letter and agreed to respond to the Deputy Minister.

3.8 Letter from Russell George MS, Chair, Cross Party Group on Medical Research to the Minister for Economy with follow up questions from the meeting on 27 April 2022

3.8 The Committee noted the letter.

3.9 Response from the Minister for Economy to Russell George MS, Chair, Cross Party Group on Medical Research regarding follow up questions from the meeting on 27 April

3.9 The Committee noted the response.

3.10 Letter from the Chair to Public Health Wales with follow up questions after the mental health inequalities inquiry evidence session on 19 May 2022

3.10 The Committee noted the letter.

3.11 Response from Public Health Wales regarding follow up questions after the mental health inequalities inquiry evidence session on 19 May 2022

3.11 The Committee noted the response.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

4.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

5 Pre-appointment hearing for the Chair of the Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust: consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

5.2 The Committee would agree its report via email, prior to publication on 01 July 2022.

6 Scoping paper – Digital Healthcare Wales

6.1 The Committee agreed the suggested approach to oral and written evidence gathering and the terms of reference.