

Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 3, Senedd
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 16 July 2025

Meeting time: 09.31 – 12.30

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peter Fox MS (Chair) Mabon ap Gwynfor MS James Evans MS John Griffiths MS Lesley Griffiths MS Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Jeremy Miles MS, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care
Committee Staff:	Sarah Beasley (Clerk) Claire Morris (Second Clerk) Philippa Watkins (Researcher) Claire Butterworth (Legal Adviser)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.



2 Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill: evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

2.2 The Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care agreed to:

–keep the Committee updated on discussions on the opt out provision within the legislation to protect clinical staff who may be expected to provide advice, options, training or be involved with any form of an assisted dying service.

–be available in the autumn term to attend a further evidence session if required prior to the reporting deadline date of 10 October 2025.

3 Paper(s) to note

3.1 Letter from Welsh Government to Chair, Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee re the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill

3.1.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.2 Letter from the Equality and Social Justice Committee regarding their meeting with Lord Timpson on Monday 14 July

3.2.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.3 Additional evidence from Cardiff and Vale University Health Board for the inquiry into Ophthalmology Services in Wales

3.3.1 The Committee noted the additional evidence received.

3.4 Additional evidence from Hywel Dda University Health Board for the inquiry into Ophthalmology Services in Wales

3.4.1 The Committee noted the additional evidence received.

3.5 Letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care re University Hospital Wales theatres internal service review

3.5.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.6 Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care re University Hospital Wales theatres internal service review

3.6.1 The Committee noted the response.

3.7 Letter from Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing regarding HMP/YOI Parc

3.7.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.8 Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care regarding pre-appointment hearings

3.8.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.9 Letter from Chief Executive of Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board to Chair of Petitions Committee re Petition P-06-1444 Women of North Wales have the right to have a Menopause Services/Clinic in Ysbyty Gwynedd

3.9.1 The Committee noted the letter.

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

4.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

5 Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill: consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received and agreed issues for inclusion in its report.

6 Technical briefing on NHS complaints

6.1 The Committee received a technical briefing from Welsh Government officials on actions to improve the handling of complaints about NHS Wales.

7 Prevention of ill health – obesity: consideration of draft report

7.1 The Committee considered the draft report, and resolved to agree amendments by email.

8 Forward work programme paper for autumn term

8. The Committee noted the forward work programme for the autumn term.