

Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 26 November 2014**

Meeting time: **09.06 – 12.09**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

David Rees AM (Chair)
Alun Davies AM
Janet Finch–Saunders AM
John Griffiths AM
Elin Jones AM
Darren Millar AM
Lynne Neagle AM
Gwyn R Price AM
Lindsay Whittle AM
Kirsty Williams AM

Witnesses:

Sarah Rochira, Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Mark Drakeford AM, The Minister for Health and Social Services
Tracey Breheny, Welsh Government
Dr Sarah Watkins, Welsh Government

Committee Staff:

Llinos Madeley (Clerk)
Helen Finlayson (Second Clerk)
Rhys Morgan (Deputy Clerk)
Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)
Amy Clifton (Researcher)

Transcript

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1 The Committee's forward work programme

1.1 The Members discussed the forward work programme and agreed to return to this item at a later date

2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2.1 There were no apologies.

3 General scrutiny of the Older People's Commissioner for Wales

3.1 The Commissioner responded to questions from Members.

3.2 The Commissioner agreed to provide a note to the Committee outlining the points of most relevance to the forthcoming Social Services Regulation and Inspection (Wales) Bill arising from her review into the quality of life and care for older people living in care homes in Wales.

4 Inquiry into new psychoactive substances ("legal highs"): evidence session 7

4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.

4.2 The Minister agreed to provide a note to the Committee outlining the estimated costs to NHS Wales of the proposed prison in North Wales.

5 Papers to note

5.0a The Committee noted the minutes of the meetings on 6 and 12 November.

5.1 Scrutiny of the Minister for Health and Social Services and Deputy Minister for Health: correspondence from the First Minister

5.1a The Committee noted the correspondence from the First Minister.

5.2 General scrutiny session with the Chief Medical Officer: additional information from the Chief Medical Officer

5.2a The Committee noted the additional information provided by the Chief Medical Officer.

5.3 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2015–16: correspondence from the Finance Committee

5.3a The Committee noted the correspondence from the Finance Committee and agreed to discuss the letter in more detail at its next meeting on the 10 December.

5.4 Inquiry into the contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales: additional information from the Minister for Health and Social Services

5.4a The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services.

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

6.1 The motion was agreed.

7 General scrutiny of the Older People's Commissioner for Wales: consideration of evidence received

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

8 Inquiry into new psychoactive substances ("legal highs"): consideration of evidence received

8.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.