

# Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday,

14 January 2016

Meeting time: 09.32 – 12.15

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	David Rees AM Alun Davies AM John Griffiths AM Altaf Hussain AM Elin Jones AM Jenny Rathbone AM (In place of Lynne Neagle AM) Gwyn R Price AM Lindsay Whittle AM Kirsty Williams AM
Witnesses:	Mark Drakeford AM, the Minister for Health and Social Services Vaughan Gething AM, The Deputy Minister for Health Dr Andrew Goodall, Welsh Government Albert Heaney, Welsh Government Martin Sollis, Welsh Government



Committee Staff:	Llinos Madeley (Clerk)
	Rhys Morgan (Deputy Clerk)
	Dr Paul Worthington (Researcher)

## Transcript

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### 1 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2016–17: preparation for oral evidence session

1.1 The Committee discussed its approach to the scrutiny of the Draft Budget 2016–17.

### 2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2.1 Apologies were received from Darren Millar and Lynne Neagle. Jenny Rathbone substituted for Lynne Neagle.

### 3 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2016–17: Ministerial scrutiny session

3.1 The Committee scrutinised the Minister for Health and Social Services and the Deputy Minister for Health on the Welsh Government’s draft budget for 2016–17.

3.2 The Minister and Deputy Minister agreed to provide:

- an outline of how the £200 million additional to support core NHS delivery has been distributed;
- a response to the figures outlined in the WAO report [Supporting the Independence of Older People: Are Councils Doing Enough?](#) (Oct 2015) which shows that – on the basis of the WAO’s analysis:
  - preventative services have experienced a 16.8 per cent cut with budgets falling from £147.3 million in 2013–14 to £122.5 million in 2014–15, with seven of the areas they have reviewed seeing their budgets reduce.
- a breakdown of the planned capital spending for 2016–17 including:
  - details of discretionary capital allocations to local health boards;
  - details of costs of 2016–17 schemes which are already being funded;

- details of new capital allocations for 2016–17.

3.3 David Rees declared the following relevant interest under Standing Order 17.24A:

- His wife is employed as a superintendent radiographer by the National Health Service.

## **4 Papers to note**

### **4.1 Minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2015**

4.1a The Committee noted the minutes.

### **4.2 Correspondence between the Minister for Health and Social Services and the Children, Young People and Education Committee**

4.2a The Committee noted the correspondence.

## **5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting and for item 1 of the meeting on 20 January 2016**

5.1 The motion was agreed.

## **6 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2016–17: consideration of evidence**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received from the Minister and Deputy Minister and agreed to write to them seeking clarification on a number of issues raised during the session.

6.2 The Committee agreed that this letter would be shared with the Finance Committee, and the Children, Young People and Education Committee to inform scrutiny of the draft budget 2016–17.

## **7 Follow-up inquiry into the performance of Ambulance Services in Wales: consideration of output**

7.1 The Committee considered and agreed the draft letter to the Deputy Minister for Health subject to minor changes.

## **8 Fourth Assembly Committee Legacy: consideration of approach**

8.1 The Committee considered and agreed its approach.

## **9 Public Health (Wales) Bill: discussion on order of consideration for Stage 2 proceedings**

9.1 The Committee agreed, in principle, the order of consideration for Stage 2 proceedings of the Public Health (Wales) Bill.