

# Health and Social Care Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 1 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 12 November 2014**

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Meeting time: **09.33 – 11.45**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**David Rees AM (Chair)**  
**Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM (In place of Darren Millar AM)**  
**Alun Davies AM**  
**Janet Finch–Saunders AM**  
**John Griffiths AM**  
**Elin Jones AM**  
**Lynne Neagle AM**  
**Gwyn R Price AM**  
**Lindsay Whittle AM**  
**Kirsty Williams AM**

### Witnesses:

**Richie Jones, Police Federation of England & Wales**  
**Gary Phillips, TARIAN, the Southern Wales Regional Organised Crime Unit**  
**Paul Roberts, Her Majesty’s Inspectorate of Prisons**

### Committee Staff:

**Llinos Madeley (Clerk)**  
**Helen Finlayson (Second Clerk)**  
**Sian Giddins (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)**  
**Amy Clifton (Researcher)**

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## Transcript

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### **1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

1.1 Apologies were received Darren Millar. Mohammad Asghar substituted.

### **2 Inquiry into new psychoactive substances (“legal highs”): Evidence session 5**

2.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.

2.2 The witnesses agreed to provide the Committee with additional information about:

- actions being taken by police forces across Wales to prevent the use of new psychoactive substances;
- actions being taken by relevant public services to collaborate and to co-ordinate support services for individuals who want to stop taking new psychoactive substances; and
- an outline of any gaps in new psychoactive substances support services provided by Community Safety Partnerships.

### **3 Inquiry into new psychoactive substances (“legal highs”): Evidence session 6**

3.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.

### **4 Papers to note**

4.1 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2015–16: follow up from 16 October 2014

4.1a The Committee noted the correspondence received from the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Welsh Government’s Draft Budget 2015–16.

### **5 Motion under Standing Orders 17.42(ix) and (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting and for item 1 of the meeting on 20 November 2014**

5.1 The motion was agreed.

### **6 Inquiry into new psychoactive substances (“legal highs”): Consideration of evidence received**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received on the inquiry.

## **7 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: consultation arrangements**

7.1 The Committee considered and agreed the consultation arrangements for the inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse.

## **8 Inquiry into access to medical technologies in Wales: consideration of draft report**

8.1 The Committee considered and agreed the draft report, subject to minor changes, for its inquiry into access to medical technologies in Wales.