

Health & Social Services Committee

Minutes (HSS(2)-08-05)

Meeting date: Wednesday 22 June 2005

Meeting time: 9.00am to 12.15pm

Meeting venue: Committee Room 2, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Constituency
David Melding (Chair)	South Wales Central
Jocelyn Davies	South Wales East
Brian Gibbons (Minister)	Aberavon
John Griffiths	Newport East
Denise Idris-Jones	Conwy
Val Lloyd	Swansea East
Jonathan Morgan	South Wales Central
Jenny Randerson	Cardiff Central
Karen Sinclair	Clwyd South
Rhodri Glyn Thomas	Carmarthen East and Dinefwr

Officials in Attendance

Name	Job title
Rosemary Kennedy	Chief Nurse Officer

Ann Lloyd	Head of Health and Social Care Department
Dr David Salter	Acting Chief Medical Officer

Others in Attendance

Name	Representing (if applicable)	Agenda item(s)
Tina Donnelly	Director, Royal College of Nursing Wales	Item 2
Alison Kedward	Chair of Nurse Consultants Cymru	Item 2
Richard Jones	Deputy Director, Royal College of Nursing Wales	Item 2
Gaynor Jones	Welsh Board, Royal College of Nursing	Item 2
Helen Rogers	Secretary to UK Board for Wales, Royal College of Midwives	Item 2
Lisa Turnbull	Policy Adviser, Royal College of Nursing Wales	Item 2

Committee Service

Name	Job title
Virginia Hawkins	Committee Clerk
Claire Morris	Deputy Committee Clerk
Peter Jones	Counsel to the Committee

Item 1: Apologies and Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

1.1 An apology was received from Lynne Neagle. Denise Idris-Jones substituted.

1.2 Val Lloyd declared an interest as a member of the Royal College of Nursing and as holding a current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council.

1.3 A verbatim record of the meeting is available.

Item 2: Nursing Issues

Paper: HSS(2)-08-05(p.1); HSS(2)-08-05(p.1a) and HSS(2)-08-05(p.1b)

2.1 The Committee considered the written and oral evidence received from the Royal College of Nursing and the Royal College of Midwives.

Action

- The Committee would prepare a report on its findings to the Minister.

Item 3: The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Wales) Regulations 2005

Paper: HSS(2)-08-05(p.2)

3.1 The Committee identified the Regulations for detailed scrutiny at its meeting on 2 March 2005. The Regulations were considered in accordance with the Committee's agreed protocol for scrutinising legislation. Five points of clarification had been raised. No amendments proposed were proposed.

3.2 The Committee recommended approval of the draft Regulations.

Action

- Chair to send the Committee's report to the Chair of the Business Committee.

Item 4: Policy Review of the National Service Framework for Mental Health - Standard 2: User and Carer Participation

Paper: HSS(2)-08-05(p.3)

4.1 The Committee agreed the draft report.

Item 5: Other Committee's Forward Work Programmes

Paper: HSS(2)-08-05(p.4)

5.1 It was agreed that time should be found in the autumn programme to discuss the report of the Deputy Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration on the "Review of Over-indebtedness in Wales".

Action

- Clerk to allocate time for discussion.
- Deputy Minister to be invited to attend the discussion.

Item 6: Minutes of Previous Meeting Papers: HSS(2)-07-05(min)

6.1 The minutes of 25 May 2005 were agreed.