Health & Social Services Committee

Minutes (HSS(2)-09-06)

Meeting date: Wednesday 24 May 2006

Meeting time: 9.30 am to 12.20 pm

Meeting venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Constituency
Rhodri Glyn Thomas (Chair)	Carmarthen East & Dinefwr
Brian Gibbons (Minister)	Aberavon
John Griffiths	Newport East
Dai Lloyd	South Wales West
Jonathan Morgan	South Wales Central
Jenny Randerson	Cardiff Central
Karen Sinclair	Clwyd South

Officials in Attendance

Job title
Head Department for Health and Social Services
Chief Medical Officer
Chief Nursing Officer
Directorate for Legal Services
Department for Health and Social Services
Department for Health and Social Services

Ian Stead	Department for Health and Social Services	
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In Attendance

Name	Job title
Dr Peter Higson	Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
Mandy Collins	Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
Angela Jones	Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
Tina Donnelly	Royal College of Nursing
Richard Jones	Royal College of Nursing
Gareth Phillips	Royal College of Nursing
Lisa Turnbull	Royal College of Nursing

Assembly Parliamentary Service

Name	Job title
Jane Westlake	Committee Clerk
Catherine Lewis	Deputy Committee Clerk
Peter Jones	Assembly Counsel

Item 1: Apologies and Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Helen Mary Jones and Lynne Neagle. Dai Lloyd substituted for Helen Mary Jones.
- 1.2 There were no declarations of interest.
- 1.3 A verbatim record of the meeting will be available.

Item 2: Annual Report of the Healthcare Inspectorate Wales 2004 - 2005

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- 2.1 Dr Peter Higson introduced the report
- 2.2 Officials from Healthcare Inspectorate Wales responded to questions from Members.
- 2.3 The Healthcare Inspectorate agreed to share the draft action plans in response to their inspection report on cancer networks with the Committee, in order to inform the review of Cancer Services.

Action

Healthcare Inspectorate Wales to forward draft action plans to the Committee.

Item 3: Royal College of Nursing: Agenda for Change

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- 3.1 Tina Donnelly introduced the Royal College of Nursing's paper.
- 3.2 Representatives from the Royal College of Nursing responded to questions from Members.

Action

The RCN to provide a paper for Committee detailing any quantitative evidence of instances where job matching had been related to finance.

Item 4: The Commissioner for Older People (Wales) Bill

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- 4.1 The Deputy Minister provided an update on the Bill's progress since the Committee had previously considered it.
- 4.2 The Deputy Minister responded to questions from Members.
- 4.3 A report of the Committee's discussion would be laid.

Action

Report of the Committee's discussion to be laid.

Papers to Note

Update from Health Commission Wales – Users' Participation in Planning Service Provision HSS(2)-09-06(p4)

In-year Changes to 2006 – 2007 HSS(2)-09-06(p5)

Promotion of Sexual Health to Covert Homosexual Men HSS(2)-09-06(p6)

Other Committees' forward work programmes HSS(2)-09-06(p7)

Minutes of the meetings on 11 May 2006 HSS(2)-08-06-min

Action

The paper on In-year changes for 2006 - 2007 would be re-scheduled for the Committee's meeting on 15 June to allow queries to be raised. It was agreed that Members should notify the Clerk in advance if they wished to raise issues on any papers to note.

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