Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee

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Time: 9.05 - 11.50

Venue: Committee Room 1, Senedd

Assembly Members in attendance

Darren Millar, Clwyd West (Chair) Ann Jones, Vale of Clwyd Dai Lloyd, South Wales West Val Lloyd, Swansea East Andrew R.T. Davies, South Wales Central Veronica German, South Wales East Irene James, Islwyn

Witnesses

Mary Burrows, Chief Executive, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (Item 2)
Neil Bradshaw, Director Planning, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (Item 2)
Sally Baxter, Assistant Director of Strategy and Engagement, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (Item 2)
Jonathan Osborne, BMA Welsh Council Deputy Chairman (3)
Dr Richard Lewis, BMA Welsh Secretary (Item 3)
Dr Chris Stockport, General Practitioner, Clarence Medical Centre (Item 4)
Dr Duncan Cameron, Consultant Paediatrician (Item 5)

Committee Staff

Marc Wyn Jones, Clerk Sarita Marshall, Deputy Clerk Steve Boyce, Members' Research Service

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.

Dr Philip Banfield, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist (Item 5)

1.2 Apologies had been received from Lorraine Barrett.

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Item 2: Inquiry into NHS Reviews – Evidence Gathering Paper: HWLG(3)-18-10-p1

2.1 The Committee took evidence from Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board on the process of engagement and consultation around changes to NHS services in North Wales, and Welsh Government guidance on the conduct of NHS reviews.

Item 3: Inquiry into NHS Reviews – Evidence Gathering Paper: HWLG(3)-18-10-p2

3.1 The Committee took evidence from the British Medical Association on service reviews undertaken by Betsi Cadwaladr UHB, and Welsh Government guidance on the conduct of NHS reviews.

Item 4: Inquiry into NHS Reviews – Evidence Gathering Paper: HWLG(3)-18-10-p3 HWLG(3)-18-10-p3 Annex A

4.1 The Committee took evidence from a North Wales GP on service reviews undertaken by Betsi Cadwaladr UHB, and Welsh Government guidance on the conduct of NHS reviews.

Item 5: Inquiry into NHS Reviews – Evidence Gathering Paper: HWLG(3)-18-10-p4

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5.1 The Committee took evidence from two consultant doctors from Glan Clwyd Hospital on service reviews undertaken by Betsi Cadwaladr UHB, and Welsh Government guidance on the conduct of NHS reviews.

5.2 Val Lloyd noted that she would like to discuss the scope of the inquiry and that she would send an e-mail to this effect to Committee members.

6: Papers Noted

6.1 The Committee noted the following papers:

HWLG(3)-18-10-p6 Interim WAG Guidance on Consultation on NHS Reviews

HWLG(3)-18-10-p7 Proposed WAG Guidance on Consultation on NHS Reviews

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