

Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Wednesday, 8 June 2022

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Meeting time: 11.17 – 12.14

Remote

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Russell George MS (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth MS Gareth Davies MS Mike Hedges MS Jack Sargeant MS
Witnesses:	Professor Amanda Kirby, ADHD Foundation Professor Anita Thapar
Committee Staff:	Helen Finlayson (Clerk) Claire Morris (Second Clerk) Lowri Jones (Deputy Clerk) Philippa Watkins (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Joyce Watson MS.



2 Mental health inequalities: evidence session with academics

2.1 The Committee received evidence from Professor Amanda Kirby and Professor Anita Thapar.

3 Paper(s) to note

3.1 Response from the Chair to Chair, Petitions Committee regarding petition P-06-1241 Welsh Government to meet with a wider audience of unpaid carers

3.1 The Committee noted the response.

3.2 Additional information from Professor Rob Poole, Centre for Mental Health and Society at Bangor University following the evidence session on 4 May

3.2 The Committee noted the additional information.

3.3 Letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to Chair, Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee regarding the UK Government's proposed legislation

3.3 The Committee noted the letter.

3.4 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Chair regarding the NHS Executive for Wales

3.4 The Committee noted the letter.

3.4 (a) The Committee agreed to write to the 34 organisations who recently wrote to the Committee regarding the establishment of an independent NHS Executive to share a copy of the Minister's letter and ask for their views on the Minister's response.

3.5 Response from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Committee's report: Waiting well? The impact of the waiting times backlog on people in Wales

3.5 The Committee noted the response.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

4.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

5 Mental health inequalities: consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.