

# Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 3 Senedd  
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 6 October 2022

Meeting time: 10.15 – 13.00

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## Hybrid

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Russell George MS (Chair) Rhun ap Iorwerth MS Gareth Davies MS Sarah Murphy MS Vikki Howells MS (In place of Jack Sargeant MS) Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Eluned Morgan MS, Minister for Health and Social Services Julie Morgan MS, Deputy Minister for Social Services Lynne Neagle MS, Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing Albert Heaney, Welsh Government Matt Downton, Welsh Government Nick Wood, Welsh Government Irfon Rees, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Helen Finlayson (Clerk) Claire Morris (Second Clerk)



	Robert Lloyd-Williams (Deputy Clerk) Dr Paul Worthington (Researcher) Amy Clifton (Researcher)
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## **1 Impact of the waiting times backlog on people in Wales who are waiting for diagnosis or treatment: Monitoring report**

1.1 The Committee discussed the monitoring report.

1.2 Members agreed to publish monitoring reports on a termly basis

## **2 Draft Mental Health Bill**

2.1 The Committee agreed to write to the UK Parliament Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill.

## **3 Forward work programme**

3.1 The Committee discussed the Forward work programme.

## **4 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

4.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

4.2 Apologies were received from Jack Sargeant MS; Vikki Howells MS attended as a substitute

4.3 Sarah Murphy declared she was a member of Unison Cymru and the GMB.

4.4 Joyce Watson declared a family member was a member of the Royal College of Nursing.

## **5 General scrutiny of Ministers with responsibility for health and social care: Evidence session with the Minister for Health and Social Services, the Deputy Minister for Social Services and the Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing.**

5.1 The Minister for Health and Social Services, Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing, Deputy Minister for Social Services and Welsh Government officials answered questions from Committee Members.

## **6 Papers to note**

### **6.1 Letter from the Chair of the Joint Committee on the Draft Mental Health Bill**

The Committee noted the letter.

### **6.2 Letter to the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Women and girls' health quality statement and plan**

The Committee noted the letter.

### **6.3 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Women and girls' health quality statement and plan**

The Committee noted the letter.

### **6.4 Letter to the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding Fifth Senedd Committee recommendations relating to physical activity of children and young people**

The Committee noted the letter.

### **6.5 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding Fifth Senedd Committee recommendations relating to physical activity of children and young people**

The Committee noted the letter.

**6.6 Letter to the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding Part 6 of the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 (health impact assessments)**

The Committee noted the letter.

**6.7 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding Part 6 of the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 (health impact assessments)**

The Committee noted the letter.

**6.8 Letter from Oxfam Cymru and Women's Equality Network (WEN) Wales regarding the Feminist Scorecard 2022**

The Committee noted the letter.

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

7.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

**8 General scrutiny of Ministers with responsibility for health and social care: Consideration of evidence**

8.1 Members considered the evidence heard during the session.

8.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Ministers to follow up on issues discussed or not reached during the session