

Agenda – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 5, Ty Hywel
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 20 March 2025

Meeting time: 09.00

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At its meeting on 5 March, the Committee agreed a motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to exclude the public from item 1 of today's meeting

Private pre-meeting

(09.00–09.30)

1 NHS waiting times monitoring report

(9.00–9.30)

(Pages 1 – 24)

Paper 1 – NHS waiting times monitoring report

Public meeting

(9.30–14.40)

2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

3 Ophthalmology Services in Wales: evidence sessions – Panel 1

(9.30–10.30)

(Pages 25 – 54)

Rhianon Reynolds, National Clinical Lead for Ophthalmology, Clinical

Implementation Network – NHS Executive

Consultant Ophthalmologist and Clinical Director, Aneurin Bevan University
Health Board

Llywydd of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists in Wales



William Oliver, Ophthalmology Clinical Implementation Network for Planned Care – NHS Wales Executive

Research brief

[The National Clinical Strategy for Ophthalmology](#)

Paper 2 – The Royal College of Ophthalmologists – Consultation response

Break

(10.30–10.45)

4 Ophthalmology Services in Wales: evidence sessions – Panel 2

(10.45–11.45)

(Pages 55 – 57)

Dr Andrew Pyott – Consultant Ophthalmologist, Clinical Lead –
Ophthalmology – NHS Highland

Paper 3 – Briefing paper: Dr Andrew Pyott, Consultant Ophthalmologist and
Clinical Lead in Ophthalmology

Lunch

(11.45–12.30)

5 Ophthalmology Services in Wales: evidence sessions – Panel 3

(12.30–13.30)

(Pages 58 – 61)

Owain Mealing, Chair – Optometry Wales

Dan McGhee, Non-executive director – Federation of Optometrists and
Dispensing Opticians

Dr Peter Hampson, Clinical and Policy Director – Association of Optometrists

Paper 4 – Optometry Wales: consultation response

Break

(13.30–13.40)

6 Ophthalmology Services on Wales: evidence sessions – Panel 4

(13.40–14.40)

(Pages 62 – 69)

Owen Williams, Director – Wales Council of the Blind

Ffion Haf Lewis, RNIB Cymru

Sara Crowley, RNIB Cymru

Marian Williams, Macular Society

Lowri Bartrum, Vision Support

Paper 5 – RNIB Cymru: consultation response

7 Paper(s) to note

(14.40)

7.1 Letter to the Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing following the Committee's scrutiny session on the Welsh Government's draft budget

(Pages 70 – 71)

7.2 Letter from the Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing in response to follow up questions from the Committee's scrutiny session on Welsh Government's draft budget

(Pages 72 – 74)

7.3 Letter from Chair of Petitions Committee re Petition P-06-1488: Establish a 'Care Society' to Tackle the Long COVID Crisis in Wales

(Pages 75 – 76)

8 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of today's meeting

(14.40)

Private meeting

(14.40–15.00)

9 Ophthalmology Services in Wales: consideration of evidence

(14.40–15.00)