

Concise Minutes – Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue:

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

Meeting date: 26 February 2026

Meeting time: 09.30 – 10.38

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Peter Fox MS (Chair) Mabon ap Gwynfor MS James Evans MS Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Andrew Morgan, Welsh Government's preferred candidate for the role of Chair of Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
Committee Staff:	Claire Morris (Second Clerk) Karen Williams (Deputy Clerk) John Hitchcock (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 Peter Fox MS declared that the candidate is known to him in a personal and professional capacity.
- 1.3 Lesley Griffiths MS declared that the candidate is known to her in a personal and professional capacity.



- 1.4 Joyce Watson MS declared that the candidate is known to her in a professional capacity.
- 1.5 John Griffiths MS declared the candidate is known to him in a professional capacity.

2 Pre-appointment hearing for the role of Chair of Aneurin Bevan University Health Board: evidence session with the Welsh Government's preferred candidate

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Andrew Morgan, the Welsh Government's preferred candidate for the role of Chair of Aneurin Bevan University Health Board.

3 Papers to note

3.1 Letter from the Petitions Committee re Petition P-06-1543: Keep weekend opening at Cardigan minor injuries unit

3.1.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.2 Supplementary evidence from Carers Trust Wales and Carers Wales to support the inquiry into improving support for unpaid carers following the Minister's evidence session on 22 January

3.2.1 The Committee noted the additional evidence.

3.3 Letter from the Petitions Committee re Petitions P-06-1551: Stop the Welsh Government's Harmful Changes to NHS Dentistry and P-06-1557: Introduce guaranteed NHS dental treatment for the population of Wales

3.3.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.4 Letter to Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) re ophthalmology services in Wales

3.4.1 The Committee noted the letter.

3.5 Response from Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) re ophthalmology services in Wales

3.5.1 The Committee noted the response.

3.6 Optometry Wales views on the Welsh Government's response to our report on ophthalmology services in Wales

3.6.1 The Committee noted the response.

3.7 RNIB Cymru views on the Welsh Government's response to our report on ophthalmology services in Wales

3.7.1 The Committee noted the response.

3.8 The Royal College of Ophthalmologists (RCOphth) views on the Welsh Government's response to our report on ophthalmology services in Wales

3.8.1 The Committee noted the response.

4 Motion under Standing Orders 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

4.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

5 Pre-appointment hearing: consideration of evidence

5.1 The Committee reviewed and discussed the evidence received.

5.2 The Committee resolved to agree the report via email, prior to publication.

6 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 4) Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill

6.1 The Committee noted the legal advice note.