

# Public Accounts Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Tuesday, 5 November 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:00 – 11:00**

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## Concise Minutes:

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### Assembly Members:

**Darren Millar (Chair)**  
**Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM**  
**Mike Hedges**  
**Julie Morgan**  
**Jenny Rathbone**  
**Aled Roberts**  
**Jocelyn Davies**  
**Sandy Mewies**

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### Witnesses:

**Adam Cairns, Betsi Cadwaldr University Health Board**  
**Kevin Flynn, Welsh Government**  
**Mark Jeffs, Wales Audit Office**  
**David Sissling, Director General for Health and Social Services, Welsh Government**  
**Huw Vaughan Thomas, Auditor General for Wales, Wales Audit Office**

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### Committee Staff:

**Fay Buckle (Clerk)**  
**Meriel Singleton (Second Clerk)**  
**Claire Griffiths (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

### 2 Health Finances 2012–13 and beyond: Evidence from the Welsh

#### Government

2.1 The Committee questioned David Sissling Director General for Health & Social Services/Chief Executive, NHS Wales, Kevin Flynn, Deputy Chief Executive NHS Wales and Martin Sollis, Director of Finance Welsh Government on health Finances 2012-13 and beyond.

Action Points:

- Mr Sissling agreed to send details of the costs incurred by Health Boards for external support with budget management.
- Mr Sissling agreed to send details of the Townsend Formula.
- Mr Sissling agreed to send a note detailing analysis undertaken of cancellation of elective procedures during winter 2012/13.

### 3 Health Finances 2012–13 and beyond: Evidence from Cardiff and Vale

#### University Health Board

2.1 The Committee questioned Adam Cairns, Chief Executive Cardiff and Vale University Health Board on Health Finances 2013-13 and beyond.

Action point:

- Mr Cairns agreed to send a note on how the Health Board had calculated the 14% figure reached regarding less effectiveness of consultant's contract.
- Mr Cairns agreed to send a note on the current number of patients in the Health Board's awaiting transfer of care

### 4 Papers to note

4.1 The papers were noted.

4.1 National Framework for Continuing NHS Healthcare: Letter from David Sissling (22 October 2013)

4.2 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from the Auditor General for Wales (31 October 2013)

4.3 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from David Sissling (15 October 2013)

4.4 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (11 October 2013)

4.5 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Professor Merfyn Jones (4 October 2013)

4.6 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from David Sissling (2 October 2013)

4.7 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (12 September 2013)

4.8 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Mary Burrows (12 September 2013)

4.9 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from David Sissling ( 2 August 2013)

4.10 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Mary Burrows (18 July 2013)

4.11 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board: Letter from Gwynedd Consultants and Specialists Committee (5 July 2013)

## **5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:**

6.1 The motion was agreed.

## **6 Health Finances 2012–13 and beyond: Consideration of evidence**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received on Health Finances 2012-13 and beyond.

## **7 Senior Management Pay**

7.1 Committee noted the paper and agreed with the suggested witnesses.

## **8 Governance Arrangements at Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board**

8.1 Time did not allow for this paper to be discussed. It was agreed that the Clerks would email the paper to Members asking for any views and Committee will return to it at the next meeting.