

# Health and Social Care Committee

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

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Meeting date: **Thursday, 7 November 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:30 – 14:00**

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## Concise Minutes:

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### Assembly Members:

**David Rees (Chair)**  
**Mohammad Asghar (Oscar) AM**  
**Leighton Andrews**  
**Rebecca Evans**  
**Elin Jones**  
**Darren Millar**  
**Lynne Neagle**  
**Gwyn R Price**  
**Lindsay Whittle**  
**Kirsty Williams**

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### Witnesses:

**Kate Chamberlain, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales**  
**Mandy Collins, Health Inspectorate Wales**  
**Alyson Thomas, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales**  
**Emma Coles, Welsh Government**  
**David Pritchard, Welsh Government**  
**Mark Drakeford, Minister for Health and Social Services**  
**Grant Duncan, Welsh Government**  
**Janet Davies, Welsh Government**

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### Committee Staff:

**Llinos Madeley (Clerk)**

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## **1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

1.1 There were apologies from Darren Millar AM. Mohammad Asghar AM substituted.

## **2 Inquiry into the work of Healthcare Inspectorate Wales: Evidence from Healthcare Inspectorate Wales**

2.1 Representatives of the Healthcare Inspectorate Wales responded to questions from committee members.

2.2 The witnesses noted that they would welcome an opportunity to re-appear before the Committee when the Inspectorate's business plan for future years is available.

## **3 Factual briefing on the future of regulation and inspection of care and support in Wales White Paper**

3.1 Members received a factual briefing from the Welsh Government on the *Future of Regulation and Inspection of Care and Support in Wales* White Paper.

## **4 Inquiry into the work of Healthcare Inspectorate Wales: Evidence from the Minister for Health and Social Services**

4.1 The Committee scrutinised the Minister for Health and Social Services on the work of the Healthcare Inspectorate Wales.

4.2 The Minister agreed to write to the Committee to clarify whether the Inspectorate's work programme is signed off by one of his ministerial colleagues.

## **5 Papers to note**

5.1 Letter from the Deputy Minister for Social Services: Revised Legislation Consent Memorandum on the Care Bill – reciprocal arrangements for local authorities in Scotland

5.1 The Committee noted the letter.

5.2 Letter from the Minister for Health and Social Services: follow-up information from the 9 October meeting on unscheduled care – preparedness for winter 2013/14

5.2 The Committee noted the letter.

5.3 Letter from the South Wales Plan Programme Board: further follow-up information from the 3 October meeting on local health board service reconfiguration

5.3 The Committee noted the letter.

## **6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting and for agenda items 1 and 2 of the meeting on 13 November**

6.1 The motion was agreed.

## **7 Consideration of the Committee's proposed inquiry into addiction to prescription and over the counter medicines**

7.1 The Committee considered the proposed inquiry into addiction to prescription and over the counter medicines. Members agreed to postpone the start of the inquiry until work outlined in the *Working Together to Reduce Harm (Substance Misuse) Delivery Plan 2013-15* - scheduled for delivery by March 2014 - is completed.

## **8 Consideration of supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum: Care Bill**

8.1 The Committee considered the supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Care Bill and agreed to consider a draft report at its next meeting on 13 November 2013.