Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 1 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 13 July 2011

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1. Introduction and apologies

1.1 There were no apologies.

2. Petitions Referred to Health and Social Care Committee (10:00 - 10:10)

2.1 The Committee considered two petitions that had been referred by the Petitions Committee: P-03-292 Public Toilet Provision and P-03-301 Equality for the Transgender Community.

- 2.2 It was agreed that the Committee would reconsider the petitions in the autumn, when its programme of work became clearer.
- 2.3 The Chair would write to the Petitions Committee, advising them of the Committee's discussion and conclusion.

3. Health and Social Care Committee - Forward Work Programme (10:10 - 10:30)

- 3.1 The Committee discussed possible topics for a short, focused inquiry to launch over the summer recess.
- 3.2 It was agreed that the Committee would launch two inquiries:
 - The contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales; and
 - Stroke risk reduction.
- 3.3 Draft terms of reference for both inquiries would be circulated to Members by email for approval, so consultation could begin over the summer.
- 3.4 The Research Service would prepare a scoping paper on residential care for consideration in the autumn as a potential longer term inquiry.

4. Minister for Health and Social Services and Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services (10:30 - 11:00)

- 4.1 The Chair welcomed Lesley Griffiths AM, Minister for Health and Social Services and Gwenda Thomas AM, Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services.
- 4.2 The Ministers outlined their priorities for the health and social services agenda and answered questions from Members on these priorities.
- 4.3 The Committee accepted the Deputy Minister's offer of a briefing on issues relating to residential care from the Director of Social Services.
- 4.4 The Chair thanked the Minister and Deputy Minister for their attendance.

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