

# Health and Social Care Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 1 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 11 January 2012**

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Meeting time: **09:45 – 11:30**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Mark Drakeford (Chair)**  
**Mick Antoniw**  
**Rebecca Evans**  
**Vaughan Gething**  
**William Graham**  
**Elin Jones**  
**Darren Millar**  
**Lynne Neagle**  
**Lindsay Whittle**  
**Kirsty Williams**

### Witnesses:

**Lesley Griffiths, Minister for Health and Social Services**  
**Dr Gwyn Thomas, Chief Information Officer, Welsh Government**  
**Roger Walker, Chief Pharmaceutical Adviser, Welsh Government**  
**Andrew Evans, Welsh Government**

### Committee Staff:

**Llinos Dafydd (Clerk)**  
**Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Joanest Jackson (Legal Advisor)**  
**Stephen Boyce (Researcher)**

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## 1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 There were no apologies or substitutions.

## 2. Inquiry into Residential Care for Older People – Discussion on the inquiry timetable and appointment of expert adviser

2.1 The Committee discussed the timetable for its inquiry into residential care for older people and the appointment of an expert adviser.

2.2 The Committee agreed the outline timetable and the allocation of key themes to individual Members. The Committee did not agree the proposed role specification for an expert adviser and, as such, was unable to nominate a preferred candidate. Members agreed to delegate further work on the role specification and possible candidates to the Chair.

### **3. Draft Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill – Discussion on approach to consideration of Draft Bill**

3.1 The Committee noted the publication of the Draft Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill.

3.2 The Committee discussed the approach it should take in considering the draft bill and agreed that it should seek a briefing from Welsh Government officials. The Committee agreed that the purpose of this briefing would be to keep abreast of developments with the draft bill as opposed to expressing a view on its content.

### **4. Inquiry into the contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales – Evidence from the Minister for Health and Social Services**

4.1 The Minister for Health and Social Services and officials responded to questions on the contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales.

4.2 The Minister agreed to provide the Committee with a copy of a paper published in the Journal of Public Health on the evaluation of a community pharmacy minor ailment scheme held in North East England.

### **5. Papers to note**

5.1 The Committee noted the minutes of the last meeting, letters from the Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services, and the additional written evidence on the contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales.

### **Transcript**

View the [meeting transcript](#).

5.1 Inquiry into Residential Care for Older People – Letter from the Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services

5.2 Letter from the Deputy Minister for Children and Social Services – Implementation of the First Steps Improvement Package

5.3 Inquiry into the contribution of community pharmacy to health services in Wales – Additional written information