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Dear Russell and Mark

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (BCUHB)

Thank you for your letter dated 7th July 2023, and please accept my apology for the delay in replying. May I ask you to send any future correspondence directly to myself at the Health Board?

In your letter, you requested consideration of the following three matters:

1. Confirmation of the status of the Special Measures Organisational Response Plan received by the BCUHB Board on 25 May 2023.

The Board considered and approved the proposed approach and the draft Special Measures Response Plan on 25 May. This represented cycle 1 (90 days) of the Stabilisation Phase. There are three phases as outlined by Welsh Government, including stabilisation, standardisation and sustainability. The first 90-day cycle included a number of reviews of specific areas with these being undertaken by Independent Advisors or individuals commissioned separately by the Welsh Government. A number of the reviews have now been received and are being considered to help inform further action to be taken by the Health Board. The Board will consider the progress made against the Cycle 1 Response Plan at its meeting on 28 September 2023. The second 90-day cycle will also be considered for approval at this meeting.

2. What the reporting processes and timetable are in relation to progress against that Plan, including any reporting against the 90-Day stages.

The reporting mechanisms are at Executive level and through the Board and its subcommittees. The Board's reports in particular provide an overview of progress, an outline of where further work is needed or underway, and identifies where there may be potential or actual delays in the work in progress. The Health Board has key interactions with the Welsh Government through the Ministerial Special Measures Forum and through the Special Measures Assurance Board.



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3. Agreement that the Board will make available to the Committees any progress reports, including reports considered by the BCUHB Board.

The Board is happy to agree to share its reports in relation to the progress of Special Measures. Should there be any specific requirements, do not hesitate to let me know.

Yours sincerely

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Dyfed Edwards Cadeirydd / Chair

Mae swyddfa'r Cadeirydd yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a bydd yn sicrhau y darperir ymateb yn Gymraeg heb oedi.

The Chairman's office welcomes correspondence through the medium of Welsh and will ensure that a response is provided in Welsh without incurring a delay.