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Russell George MS  
Chair of the Health and Social Care Committee  
Senedd Cymru

21 January 2025

Dear Russell,

### Health and Social Care (Wales) Bill – Revised Explanatory Memorandum

Following the completion of the Stage 2 proceedings in respect of the Health and Social Care (Wales) Bill, and in line with Standing Order 26.28, a revised Explanatory Memorandum (EM) has been laid, to account for amendments made to the Bill at Stage 2, in order to reflect new, amended or removed provisions. Updates have been made to Chapter 5 of the EM in order to reflect the updated position on the powers for making subordinate legislation, and to Annex 1 of the EM to ensure the Explanatory Notes reflect the Bill as amended.

In addition, the EM now also reflects my [Written Statement of 27 November 2024](#), regarding the timescale for implementing the eliminating profit element of the Bill. The impact of this on the cost estimates for the Bill has been reflected in the Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) within the EM, and I am writing to the Chair of the Finance Committee to outline this and other changes made to the RIA in light of the Committee's Stage 1 report recommendations.

I would like to take the opportunity to again thank the Health and Social Care Committee for its scrutiny of the Bill.

I have copied this letter to the Chairs of the Finance Committee and the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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