

Health and Social Care Committee

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

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 10 July 2013**

Meeting time: **09:30 – 12:35**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

David Rees
Leighton Andrews
Rebecca Evans
William Graham
Lynne Neagle
Gwyn R Price
Lindsay Whittle
Kirsty Williams

Witnesses:

Dr Helen Bedford, UCL Institute of Child Health
John Burge, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Mark Drakeford AM, Minister for Health and Social Services
Dr Sara Hayes, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board
Dr Ruth Hussey, Chief Medical Officer
Andrew Jones, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Dr Marion Lyons, Public Health Wales
Joff McGill, Sense
Dr Ian Millington, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg Local Medical Committee
Nick Morris, Sense
Dr Gillian Richardson, Aneurin Bevan Health Board

Andrew Riley, Senior Medical Officer
Dr Quentin Sandifer, Public Health Wales
Dr Andy Williams, Cardiff School of Journalism

Committee Staff:

Llinos Madeley (Clerk)
Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)
Philippa Watkins (Researcher)

TRANSCRIPT

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2 Motion under Standing Order 17.22 to elect temporary Chair

2.1 David Rees was elected as temporary Chair.

3 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

3.1 Apologies were received from Vaughan Gething and Ken Skates due to their appointments as Deputy Ministers in the Welsh Government and from Elin Jones and Darren Millar. Leighton Andrews and David Rees attended as substitutes.

3.2 Leighton Andrews declared, for the purpose of item 4b, that he is an honorary professor at Cardiff School of Journalism.

4 Inquiry into measles outbreak 2013 – oral evidence

Evidence from Local Health Boards and Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

Evidence on the role of the media

4.2 Dr Andy Williams responded to questions from members of the Committee.

4.3 Dr Williams agreed to provide a copy of the guidelines for journalists produced by the Science Media Centre.

Evidence from Sense and UCL Institute of Child Health

4.4 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

Evidence from Public Health Wales

4.5 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

4.6 Dr Sandifer agreed to provide details of the number of MMR vaccinations administered in the Swansea area following the national campaign to raise uptake in 2005-6.

Evidence from the Welsh Government

4.7 The Minister and Dr Hussey responded to questions from members of the Committee.

4.8 Dr Hussey agreed to provide clarification on the difference between the figures provided by the Welsh Government and Public Health Wales in their written evidence on the national catch-up campaign in 2005. Dr Hussey also agreed to confirm whether the letter issued from the Welsh Government to health boards in 2009 encouraging compliance with the *Welsh Health Circular 2005* was generic or geographically specific.

5 Papers to note

5.1 The Committee noted the minutes.

5.2 The Committee formally noted that it had agreed its report on Stage 1 of the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Bill, and that it would be published by 19 July.

Inquiry into measles outbreak 2013 – Written evidence from BMA Cymru Wales

5.3 The Committee noted the paper.

Inquiry into measles outbreak 2013 – Evidence from RCN Wales

5.4 The Committee noted the paper.