Health and Social Care Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 1 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 4 February 2015

Meeting time: 09.16 – 12.01

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members: David Rees AM (Chair)
Alun Davies AM
Janet Finch–Saunders AM
John Griffiths AM
Elin Jones AM
Darren Millar AM
Lynne Neagle AM
Gwyn R Price AM
Lindsay Whittle AM
Kirsty Williams AM

Witnesses: Andrew Misell, Alcohol Concern Cymru
Dr Raman Sakhuja, Royal College of Psychiatrists
Nathan David, Drugaid Cymru
Rowan Williams, Drugaid Cymru

Committee Staff: Llinos Madeley (Clerk)
Christopher Warner (Clerk)
Sian Giddins (Deputy Clerk)
Rhys Morgan (Deputy Clerk)
Amy Clifton (Researcher)
Elfyn Henderson (Researcher)
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1 Consultation on future care and support arrangements for Independent Living Fund recipients: consideration of draft letter
1.1 The Committee considered and agreed a draft letter to the Minister for Health and Social Services, subject to minor amendments.

2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions
2.1 There were no apologies.

3 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: evidence session 1
3.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.

4 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: evidence session 2
4.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.
4.2 The witness agreed to provide the Committee with additional information regarding: statistics on the success rates (in terms of numbers of patients being rehabilitated) of treatments identified during the session (such as in-patient detox treatment).

5 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: evidence session 3
5.1 The witness responded to questions from Members.

6 Papers to note
6.0a The Committee noted the minutes of the meeting on 21 January 2015.

6.1 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: Note from the reference group event held on 21 January 2015
6.1a The Committee noted the note from the reference group event held on 21 January 2015.

6.2 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: summary of survey responses
6.2a The Committee noted the summary of survey responses.

6.3 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: consultation responses
6.3a The Committee noted the consultation responses.
6.4 Consultation on future care and support arrangements for Independent Living Fund recipients: additional information from the Welsh Government
6.4a The Committee noted the additional information from the Welsh Government.

6.5 Safe Nurse Staffing Levels (Wales) Bill: correspondence from the Finance Committee
6.5a The Committee noted the correspondence.

7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting
7.1 The motion was agreed.

8 Inquiry into alcohol and substance misuse: consideration of evidence
8.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.
8.2 The Committee agreed to write to universities in Wales to seek more information about:
   • what alcohol and substance misuse policies they have in place; and
   • the support available to people at university who may be affected by alcohol and substance misuse.

9 Update on the European Commission's Work Programme 2015
9.1 The Committee considered the European Commission's Work Programme 2015.
9.2 The Committee agreed to seek more information from the European Office regarding arrangements for sharing Committee reports with European institutions.