

Y Pwyllgor Deisebau
Petitions Committee

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Our ref: P-04-625

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Petition title: P-04-625 Support for Safe Nursing Staffing Levels (Wales) Bill

Dear Mark

The Petitions Committee has received the following petition from Richard Jones MBE, which is currently collecting signatures:

Petition wording

We the undersigned call upon Members of the National Assembly for Wales Health and Social Care Committee to vote in favour of the Safe Nursing Staffing Levels (Wales) Bill once it is introduced into the Assembly.

Additional Information

Kirsty Williams AM is soon going to be introducing the Safe Nurse Staffing Levels (Wales) Bill into the National Assembly for Wales. This bill would enshrine in law Chief Nursing Officer in Wales' core principles regarding staffing levels on all medical and surgical wards. The Royal College of Nursing believes that this piece of legislation is necessary to improve patient safety and will help to restore patients faith in the Welsh NHS as well as ensuring that patients in hospitals in Wales receive the nursing care and attention they need and deserve and allows Nurses to be able to deliver care to the standard that they are trained and want to deliver.

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In advance of our first consideration of this petition the Committee would like to seek your views on the issues raised.

Please forward your response to the Clerking Team at
SeneddPetitions@assembly.wales

A copy of this letter has been sent to the Health and Social Services Committee for information as they are currently undertaking Stage 1 scrutiny of the Safe Nurse Staffing Levels (Wales) Bill.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Powell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'W' and a distinct 'P'.

William Powell AC / AM
Cadeirydd / Chair