



University Health Board Report

CHAIR'S REPORT

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Purpose of the University Health Board Report

To provide an update to the Board on relevant matters and related areas of work progressed in my capacity as Chair of the University Health Board. The report also identifies where I have affixed the Common Seal of the Health Board on relevant documents and which requires the Board's endorsement.

Governance

Link to Health Board Strategic Objective(s)

The Board's overarching role is to ensure its strategic objectives, and the related organisational objectives outlined within the 3 Year Integrated Medium Term Plan 2018-2021, are being progressed. Aligned with the 'Quadruple Aim' described within 'A Healthier Wales' (Welsh Government, June 2018) these objectives are:

- To **improve** quality, safety and patient experience
- To **protect** and **improve** population health
- To **ensure** that the services provided are accessible and sustainable into the future
- To **provide** strong governance and assurance
- To **ensure** good value based care and treatment for our patients in line with the resources made available to the Health Board.

This report focuses on all the above objectives, but specifically on **providing** strong governance and assurance.

Supporting evidence

- Chair's diary
- Documentation requiring the Affixing of the Common Seal

Engagement – Who has been involved in this work?

The Chair
Board Members
Partner organisations
Community Health Council

University Health Board Resolution To:							
APPROVE		ENDORSE	√	DISCUSS		NOTE	√
Recommendation	The University Health Board is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NOTE the report • ENDORSE the Affixing of the Common Seal to the listed Deed. 						
Summarise the Impact of the University Health Board Report							
Equality and diversity	No specific impact identified.						
Legal implications	Board endorsement of the Affixing of the Common Seal, is a requirement of the Board's Standing Orders.						
Population Health	No impact						
Quality, Safety & Patient Experience	The number one focus of the Board and its business is to ensure good quality and safe patient care across all areas of its activity.						
Resources	No impact						
Risks and Assurance	No impact						
Health & Care Standards	The 22 Health & Care Standards for NHS Wales are mapped into the 7 Quality Themes but within a Governance Framework. This report focuses mainly on Governance & Accountability but also spans many of the 7 quality themes.						
Workforce	No impact						
Freedom of information status	Open						

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1. **SITUATION / PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report aims to provide an update to the Board on relevant matters in my capacity as Chair of the Health Board. It also outlines where I have been required to affix the Common Seal of the Health Board for which endorsement is sought.

2. **BACKGROUND / INTRODUCTION**

This overarching report highlights for Board Members the key areas of activity and where appropriate any associated risks, some of which are referred to within the business of the Board meeting and also highlights topical areas of interest to the Board.

3. **ASSESSMENT / GOVERNANCE AND RISK ISSUES**

Progress is being made on a number of key areas and further update reports on related key issues feature prominently at Board and Committees of the Board which oversee and scrutinise the Board's business.

Health Board Appointments

Director of Therapies and Health Sciences – Interviews were held on the 12 June and an appointment was made. The candidate will commence post in October.

Medical Director – Interviews were held on the 2 July and an appointment was made. The candidate will commence post in September.

Board Secretary (Interim) – Georgina Galletly will be joining Cwm Taf Morgannwg UHB on 12 August as the Interim Board Secretary / Director of Governance. Georgina is a very experienced Board Secretary and she has worked in Velindre for many years. I am pleased to welcome Georgina to the Health Board.

Independent Member (Local Authority) - I am pleased to confirm that the Interviews for the post of the Independent Member (LA) has been scheduled for 19 September.

Governance and Leadership Support to the Board/Targeted Intervention (Organisation) & Special Measures (Maternity)

Members will be aware that the Minister had asked Mr David Jenkins to provide governance and leadership support to me and the Board. I have had regular update meetings with David Jenkins and he has advised that he has been meeting with all Board Members and has been regularly attending and observing the work of the Board and its Committees.

RCT Council Meeting 19 June 2019

Members will be aware that Cwm Taf Morgannwg UHB were invited to the RCT Council public meeting on 19 June to provide assurance on Maternity Services and discuss other matters of concern for the local councillors. A full and frank discussion was held on maternity services. Other issues discussed included GP recruitment and paediatric services. It was agreed that senior staff from the Health Board would attend future meetings to provide updates into the maternity review being undertaken by the Independent Maternity Services Oversight Panel and provide further assurance on the changes being implemented.

Womens Aid RCT Launch of Safer Rhondda Centre 21 June 2019

The launch of Women's Aid RCT Safer Rhondda Domestic Violence Centre took place on 21 June. Members will be aware that the Cwm Taf Public Services Board has a strong relationship with Women's Aid RCT, who provide a crucial part of our collective effort to tackle domestic abuse and to help the victims move on with their lives. I was asked to speak at the event in relation to the impact of domestic abuse and sexual violence on health services and how the new centre could benefit GP surgeries in the Rhondda developing referral pathways to access one to one support and group programmes at the centre to support emotional wellbeing.

Board Development 27 June 2019

Independent Maternity Services Oversight Panel Session

Members will recall the useful Board Development day held on 27 June 2019. The first part of the session included an overview of how the Independent Maternity Services Oversight Panel led by Mick Gianassi would work with the Health Board. Members had the opportunity to fully engage with and understand the processes being utilised as well as being able to contribute to key questions posed by Mick Giannasi.

Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) Annual report

The Board received the HIW Annual Report and received a very helpful presentation by Erica Emes and Jane Dale from HIW on the findings from the 2018-19 inspections across the Health Board which included Maternity services. The presentation sparked discussion and provided an opportunity for the Board to reflect together on the findings. The remainder of the afternoon session was then utilised to further reflect on the current position of Cwm Taf Morgannwg which led to a consensus resolution and commitment to embrace and learn from the findings of the HIW and the other external reviews.

Diary Commitments/Meetings attended since the last Board Meeting

- Attended regular meeting with AMs/PMs
- Conducted visit to Maternity in Prince Charles Hospital with AMs
- Conducted visit to Ty Llidiard, Mental Health
- Opened the Launch Event of the Cwm Taf Young People's Well-being
- Guest Speaker at Cwm Taf Carers Conference
- Attended Chairs Peer Group Meeting

- Ministerial Visits / VIP visit
- Sat on various consultant appointment panels
- Attended meetings with families affected by the Maternity Services review
- Attended a meeting of the Cwm Taf Public Service Board
- Attended RCT Council Meeting
- Attended Oversight Panel Meeting
- Attended CHC Meeting
- Attended Live Lab Workshop
- Attended Health & Social Care Leadership Group – ‘A Healthier Wales’

Meetings / discussions with Local Politicians

- Councillor Andrew Morgan, Leader, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council
- Councillor Huw David, Leader, Bridgend County Borough Council
- Chris Elmore MP, Ogmore
- Councillor Kevin O’Brien, Leader, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
- Owen Smith MP
- Ann Clwyd MP
- Vikki Howells AM
- Leanne Wood AM
- Mick Antoniw AM
- Huw Irranca-Davies AM
- Darren Millar AM

Affixing of the Common Seal

The Common Seal of the University Health Board affixed to the following document:

- **Reference :** Charity Commission

The Audit Committee received information that the written consent had been received from the Charity Commission for the proposed changes to amend the objects of the charitable funds. The effective date for this change will be 1 April 2019 and the proposed change will need to be formally accepted by the Charity Commission prior to utilising this fund.

Members should **NOTE** that this will be formally completed following the signing of the Supplemental Deed by myself as Chair of the Health Board (and the Chief Executive Officer) on behalf of the Trustees. The Deed will be submitted to the Charity Commission in order for the change to be actioned. In addition, the Charity Commission may require a copy of the minutes of the Audit Committee held on 15 July to provide evidence of the approval for the change.

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

Members of the Board are asked to:

- **NOTE** the report
- **ENDORSE** the Affixing of the Common Seal to the above listed Deed.

Freedom of information status	Open
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