

**Minutes of the "In Committee" Meeting of Cwm Taf Morgannwg  
University Health Board (CTMUHB) held on Thursday 24 November 2023  
as a Virtual Meeting Broadcast Live via Microsoft Teams**

**Members Present:**

Emrys Elias	Chair
Paul Mears	Chief Executive
Jayne Sadgrove	Vice Chair
Ian Wells	Independent Member
Nicola Milligan	Independent Member
James Hehir	Independent Member
Carolyn Donoghue	Independent Member
Patsy Roseblade	Independent Member
Dilys Jouvenat	Independent Member
Mel Jehu	Independent Member
Linda Prosser	Executive Director of Strategy & Transformation
Gethin Hughes	Chief Operating Officer
Sally May	Executive Director of Finance
Hywel Daniel	Executive Director for People

**In Attendance:**

Cally Hamblyn	Assistant Director of Governance & Risk
Stuart Morris	Director of Digital
Debbie Bennion	Deputy Director of Nursing
Sallie Davies	Deputy Medical Director
Wendy Penrhyn-Jones	Head of Corporate Governance & Board Business
Emma Walters	Corporate Governance Manager (Secretariat)

**Agenda  
Item**

**1 PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**1.1 Welcome & Introductions**

The Chair **welcomed** everyone to the meeting.

**1.2 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence had been received from:

- Greg Dix, Executive Director of Nursing
- Dom Hurford, Executive Medical Director
- Lauren Edwards, Executive Director of Therapies & Health Sciences

**1.3 Declarations of Interest**

In relation to the discussion being held in relation to Industrial Action under 'Any Other Business', N Milligan declared her role as a Member of the Royal College of Nursing.

## 2. MAIN AGENDA

### 2.1 Core Participant Status for Module 3 of the Covid-19 Inquiry

C Hamblyn shared a presentation with Members outlining the considerations for applying for Core Participant Status for Module 3 of the Covid-19 UK Public Inquiry.

Following discussion, the Board made the following resolutions:

- Resolution:
- The Board **ENDORSED** the decision that CTMUHB would **NOT** apply for **INDIVIDUAL** Core Participant Status;
  - The Board **APPROVED** that if there was an appetite in NHS Wales for Group Core Participant Status then the Health Board would join this collective, subject to robust governance and legal oversight;
  - The Board **APPROVED** that if a Group Application for Core Participant Status is progressed that the Health Board would Inform its legal team by the 28<sup>th</sup> November and agree to this information being shared internally within NWSSP Legal & Risk to facilitate such arrangements to support a joint application;
  - The Board resolved to **NOTE** that the default position if no application is put forward or subsequently approved by the Chair of the Inquiry than the Health Board will move forward with no Core Participant Status.
  - The Board resolved to **NOTE** that the Health Board will still retain its own Legal Advisors which includes Senior and Junior Counsel (from Crown Office Row) and designated Legal Advisors from NWSSP Legal & Risk Services.

## 3. ANY OTHER MATTERS

### 3.1 Any Other Urgent Business

L Prosser presented a report on the proposed Industrial Action being planned by the Royal College of Nursing and the ballots being undertaken by other Unions amongst their members.

Following discussion, Members noted that action plans had been put into place in a number of areas which would need to be risk assessed and managed via the Gold, Silver and Bronze Command Group structures, to mitigate the risks to patients, service delivery and staff during periods of industrial action.

Resolution: The Board **NOTED** the report.

## 4. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place at Thursday 26 January 2023 at 10am.