

Agenda Item

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Joint Commissioning Committee

Chair's Report

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Pwrpas yr Adroddiad / Report Purpose	For Noting
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Engagement (internal/external) undertaken to date (including receipt /consideration at Committee/Group)

Committee/Group/Individuals	Date	Outcome
Senior Leadership Team (SLT)	16/09/2026	Noted

Acronyms / Glossary of Terms

IPFR	Individual Patient Funding Request
JC	Joint Commissioning Committee
LHB	Local Health Board
NWJCC	NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee
PPF	Planning, Performance and Finance Sub-Committee

1. SITUATION/BACKGROUND

This report will provide members of the Joint Commissioning Committee (JC) with an update on key issues that have arisen since the previous JC meeting, in July, including Committee business and other topical areas of activity.

2. SPECIFIC MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2.1 JC Strategy Session – 18 August 2026

The last JC Strategy Session focussed on the following areas:

- Deep Dive Update: Individual Patient Funding Requests
- Deep Dive Update: Renal Network
- Rural Response Transport Options
- National Clinical Plan
- Independent Assessment of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board – Implications for the NWJCC
- Review of the NWJCC as a Strategic Commissioner

2.2 Key Meetings

Following my July 2026 update, I have attended the following:

- Quarterly meetings with all Lay Members
- Weekly meetings with the Chief Commissioner
- Meeting with Jacqueline Totterdell, Chief Executive of NHS Wales
- Attended the Ambulance and 111 Strategic Review meeting
- Attended 'Well Led' Meeting with NHS Wales and NHS Chairs
- Attended July and August meeting of NHS Chairs
- Meeting with Elizabeth Abderrahim, Chair of the IPFR Panel
- Planning, Performance and Finance (PPF) Sub-Committee

2.3 Individual Patient Funding Request (IPFR) Panel: Chair Contract Extension

As included above, I met with Elizabeth Abderrahim, the current chair of the IPFR Panel. The JC approved Elizabeth's appointment from November 2023 for a period of up to 3 years, with an option to extend this term by a further 12 months.

Elizabeth's initial term is scheduled to expire in October 2026 and she has agreed, up to, a further 12 month's extension whilst the NWJCC undertakes a formal recruitment exercise to secure a suitably qualified replacement at the end of her tenure.

We are grateful to Elizabeth for her ongoing support as Chair of the IPFR Panel.

2.4 Annual Attendance at Health Board Meetings

As previously reported, I am keen to ensure that we have open and transparent communication as we exercise key commissioning responsibilities on behalf of the seven Health Boards. The NWJCC Standing Orders stipulate that the Chair

will report formally, regularly and on a timely basis to the LHB Boards on the JC's activities.

To date, I and representatives from the NWJCC have attended meetings with Hywel Dda University Health Board and Cardiff and Vale University Health Board. Further meetings are scheduled with Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board and Swansea Bay University Health Board at the end of September 2026.

The NWJCC Corporate Governance team has been in communication with the remaining Health Board teams to arrange attendance at future Board and Development sessions.

I will continue to ensure that all Health Boards receive update reports throughout the year as appropriate in line with the Standing Orders.

3. ASSESSMENT

Objectives / Strategy	
Dolen i Amcan (au) Strategol CBC Link to JCC Strategic Objectives(s)	Maximise Value
Dolen i Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol – Nodau Llesiant / Link to Wellbeing of Future Generations Act – Wellbeing Goals 150623-guide-to-the-fg-act-en.pdf (futuregenerations.wales)	A Healthier Wales
Dolen i Hwyluswyr Ansawdd (Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) / Link to Enablers of Quality (Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	Leadership
Dolen i Feysydd Ansawdd (Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) / Link to Domains of Quality (Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	Effective
Effaith Amgylcheddol/ Cynaliadwyedd (5R) / Environmental /Sustainability Impact (5Rs)	No - Not Applicable

Impact Assessment		
Ansawdd Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Ansawdd? / Quality Have you undertaken a Quality Impact Assessment Screening?	Yes: ☐	No: ☒
	Outcome:	n/a
Cydraddoldeb Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Gydraddoldeb? / Equality Have you undertaken an Equality Impact Assessment Screening?	Yes: ☐	No: ☒
	Outcome:	n/a
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Enw da / Reputational	There is no direct impact on the reputation of the Local Health Boards or the Joint Committee as a result of the activity outlined in this report.	
Effaith Adnoddau (Pobl /Ariannol) / Resource Impact (People / Financial)	There is no direct impact on resources as a result of the activity outlined in this report.	

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The members of the Joint Commissioning Committee are asked to:

- **Note** the report.