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Joint Commissioning Committee

Chair's Report

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Committee/Group/Individuals	**Date**	**Outcome**
N/A		Choose an item.

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 September, including Committee business and other topical areas of activity.

2. SPECIFIC MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

2.1 Lay Members

I wish to acknowledge, with sincere thanks, Nia Roberts' resignation as a Lay Member of the NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee (NWJCC). On behalf of the Committee, I would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the time she has given to NWJCC and for her service as a Lay Member. We are very grateful to Nia and wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Work has commenced with the Welsh Government Public Appointments Committee to begin the recruitment process for her successor. Updates on this progress will be shared as they become available.

2.2 JC Strategy Session – 15 October 2026

The last JC Strategy Session focussed on the following areas:

- Value and Efficiency Update
- Mental Health Strategic Review
- Neonatal Services Strategic Review
- Ambulance Services Strategic Review
- Pathways and Referral Management
- Review of the NWJCC as a Strategic Commissioner.

2.3 Key Meetings

Following my September 2026 update, I have attended the following meetings:

- Quarterly meetings with all Lay Members
- Weekly meetings with the Chief Commissioner
- Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board's Public Board
- Swansea Bay University Health Board's In-Committee Board
- Welsh Government Health and Care Ministers and NHS Leaders
- NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee Strategy Session (above)
- Remuneration & Terms of Services Committee.
- NWJCC Staff Briefing and Away Day
- NWJCC Planning, Performance and Finance Sub-Committee
- NHS Wales Confederation
- Powys Teaching Health Board's Board Development Meeting.

I also attended the Welsh NHS Confederation Annual Conference and Exhibition, WelshConfed26, held at Cardiff City Stadium on 3–4 November 2026. The conference provided a valuable opportunity to hear from leaders across health and care, share learning and good practice, and explore the challenges and opportunities facing services in Wales. Attendance offered opportunities to strengthen relationships with partners across the NHS, social care, local government and the voluntary sector, and to consider practical insights and innovative approaches relevant to NWJCC's strategic commissioning role.

The NWJCC will continue to work closely with the NHS Wales Confederation as it re-launches itself as the Welsh NHS Alliance.

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 each Health Board on the Committee's activities.

In September, I reported that representatives from the NWJCC and I had attended meetings with Hywel Dda University Health Board and Cardiff and Vale University Health Board. Further meetings have now taken place with Swansea Bay University Health Board, Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board and Powys Teaching Health Board.

The NWJCC Corporate Governance team has been in communication with both 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**	Effective

(Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	
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.