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<b>Joint Commissioning Committee</b>
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<b>Welsh Kidney Network</b>
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<b>Pwrpas yr Adroddiad / Report Purpose</b>	For Noting
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<b>Engagement (internal/external) undertaken to date (including receipt /consideration at Committee/Group)</b>		
<b>Committee/Group/Individuals</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
NWJCC Senior Leadership Team	10/09/25	Noted

<b>Acronyms / Glossary of Terms</b>	
JC	Joint Committee
NWJCC	NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee
WKN	Welsh Kidney Network
WHSSC	Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee
SLT	Senior Leadership Team (of the NWJCC)

## 1. SITUATION/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to provide NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee (NWJCC) members with assurance in relation to actions being taken in response to an independent review undertaken on the governance and reporting arrangements of the Welsh Kidney Network (WKN).

## 2. INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Prior to the establishment of the NWJCC on 1 April 2024, the WKN acted as a sub-committee of the Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC) with an independent chair who reported to the Chair of WHSSC.

On establishment of the NWJCC, the interim operating arrangements agreed by the Committee on 9 April 2024 stated the legacy arrangements would remain unchanged, subject to a review of the Terms of Reference of the WKN Board to reflect the function and how this should be discharged within the new NWJCC governance infrastructure.

Subsequently, a review was commissioned in April 2025 and undertaken by Steve Combe, Independent Governance Advisor, to review and make recommendations relating to the governance and reporting arrangements in place for the WKN.

## 3. ASSESSMENT

The Review has been finalised and is attached at **Appendix 1**.

The NWJCC Senior Leadership Team has considered the independent report in detail, engaged with the current Independent Chair of the WKN and agreed the actions that will be taken in response which are detailed in **Appendix 2**.

<b>Objectives / Strategy</b>	
<b>Dolen i Amcan (au) Strategol CBC</b> <b>Link to JCC Strategic Objectives(s)</b>	Maximise Value
<b>Dolen i Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol – Nodau Llesiant /</b> <b>Link to Wellbeing of Future Generations Act – Wellbeing Goals</b> <a href="#">150623-guide-to-the-fg-act-en.pdf</a> <a href="#">(futuregenerations.wales)</a>	A Healthier Wales
<b>Dolen i Hwyluswyr Ansawdd</b> (Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) / <b>Link to Enablers of Quality</b> ( <a href="#">Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance</a> <a href="#">(gov.wales)</a> )	Leadership
<b>Dolen i Feysydd Ansawdd</b> (Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) / <b>Link to Domains of Quality</b>	Effective

<a href="#">(Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))</a>	
<b>Effaith Amgylcheddol/ Cynaliadwyedd (5R) / Environmental / Sustainability Impact (5Rs)</b>	No - Not Applicable

Impact Assessment		
<b>Ansawdd</b> Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Ansawdd? / <b>Quality</b> Have you undertaken a Quality Impact Assessment Screening?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome:	n/a
<b>Cydraddoldeb</b> Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Gydraddoldeb? / <b>Equality</b> Have you undertaken an Equality Impact Assessment Screening?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome:	
<b>Cyfreithiol / Legal</b>	<a href="#">National Health Service Joint Commissioning Committee (Wales) Directions 2024</a> <a href="#">National Health Service Joint Commissioning Committee (Wales) Regulations 2024</a>	
<b>Enw da / Reputational</b>	There is no direct impact on the reputation of the HBs or the JC as a result of the activity outlined in this report.	
<b>Effaith Adnoddau</b> (Pobl /Ariannol) / <b>Resource Impact</b> (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 Committee are asked to:

- **Note** the findings and recommendations within the Independent Review Report (**Appendix 1**)
- **Note** the management response to the report and actions within **Appendix 2** to strengthen the governance and reporting arrangements for the WKN in the new NWJCC operating model.