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| Cyd-bwyllgor Canolbarth Cymru ar gyfer Iechyd a Gofal / Mid Wales Joint Committee for Health and Care | | | |
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| Dyddiad y Cyfarfod: Date of Meeting: | 28 th September 2020 | | |
| Eitem ar yr Agenda: Title of Report: | Minutes and Action log of the Mid Wales Joint Committee (MWJC) meeting held on 21 st November 2019 | | |
| Arweinydd Lead: | Professor Vivienne Harpwood, Chair of Hywel Dda University Health Board and Lead Chair of the Mid Wales Joint Committee | | |
| Pwrpas yr adroddiad: Purpose of the Report: | To present the draft unapproved minutes and action log of the MWJC meeting held on 21 st November 2019. | Ar gyfer cytundeb For Agreement | ✓ |
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| <u>Crynodeb / Summary</u> A meeting of the MWJC was held in public on Thursday 21 st November 2019 at Aberystwyth, Ceredigion. The draft unapproved minutes and action log of the meeting are attached for the Joint Committee to agree. | | | |
| <u>Argymhelliad / Recommendation</u> For agreement The Joint Committee are asked to agree the minutes and review the action log of the MWJC meeting held on 21 st November 2019. | | | |

**DRAFT AND UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
MID WALES JOINT COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH AND CARE**

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| Time and date of meeting: | 2.30pm Thursday 21 st November 2019 |
| Venue: | Penparcau Community Forum, Penparcau, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, SY23 1RU |
| Present: | <p>Members Prof. Vivienne Harpwood, Chair PTHB / MWJC Lead Chair Steve Moore, Chief Executive HDdUHB / MWJC Lead Chief Executive Hayley Thomas, Director of Planning and Performance PTHB / MWJC Lead Director of Planning Jack Evershed, Chair of RHCW Management Group and Mid Wales PPEI Group Cllr. Alun Williams, Cabinet member, Ceredigion County Council Sue Darnbrook, Director of Care, Protection and Lifestyle Services, Ceredigion County Council Cllr. Myfanwy Alexander, Cabinet member, Powys County Council Vanessa Young, Corporate Director (Transformation), Powys County Council Cllr. Dafydd Meurig, Cabinet member, Gwynedd Council Morwena Edwards, Corporate Director, Gwynedd Council</p> <p>Co-opted Members Frances Hunt, Chair, Powys CHC Prof. Gabrielle Heathcote, Co-opted member Ceredigion Local Committee, Hywel Dda CHC</p> |
| In attendance: | Peter Skitt, County Director Ceredigion HDdUHB / Programme Lead MWJC Samia Saeed-Edmonds, NHS Planning Programme Director Health and Social Services department, Welsh Government Cllr. Mark Strong, Ceredigion County Council / MWJSC Plus 4 members of the public, 1 member of the press, 1 Scrutiny Officer (Ceredigion), 3 members of the Mid Wales Joint Committee Team and 2 members of the Rural Health and Care Wales team. |

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| JC(19)25 | <p>Welcome and Apologies for absence Prof. Harpwood welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Shillabeer, Chief Executive, Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) • Wyn Parry, Medical Director PTHB and Lead Clinical Director MWJC • Cllr. Rosemarie Harris, Leader, Powys County Council • Cllr. Kath Roberts-Jones, Powys County Council • Alison Bulman, Director of Social Services, Powys County Council • Katie Blackburn, Chief Officer, Powys Community Health Council (CHC) • Gary Doherty, Chief Executive, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (BCUHB) • Joy Baker, North Wales CHC • Cllr. Ellen ap Gwynn, Leader, Ceredigion County Council | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carys James, Head of Adult Social Care & Commissioning, Ceredigion County Council • Jason Killens, Chief Executive, Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust (WAST) | |
| JC(19)26 | <p>Report of the Lead Chair</p> <p>Prof. Harpwood presented the report of the Lead Chair and made particular reference to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Healthier Wales ‘A Healthier Wales’ was a very important foundation for health and social care services for which a number of announcements had been made regarding funding streams for projects which would support the delivery of this plan. Further details of those projects of relevance to Mid Wales could be found in the report for agenda item 7. Strategic Service Change Programmes. • Health and Social Care (Quality and Engagement) (Wales) Bill The report detailed the latest update on the Health and Social Care (Quality and Engagement) (Wales) Bill for which the aim was to strengthen the voice of citizens and make provision for the appointment of Vice Chairs in Welsh NHS Trusts. • Rural Health and Care Wales (RHCW) Prof. Harpwood had chaired the second day of the RHCW conference which had been a very successful event with some very moving presentations. Following a request from Mr Evershed, the Joint Committee agreed to delegate the decision regarding the future arrangements for RHCW to the Mid Wales Planning and Delivery Executive Group (PDEG) given that the existing funding arrangements were due to end on 31st March 2020 and the Joint Committee was not due to meeting until late March 2020. • Mid Wales Joint Scrutiny Group (MWJSG) The MWJSG meeting arranged for earlier that day had been cancelled and Powys County Council had withdrawn its membership from the group. Cllr. Alexander explained that Powys Council were in the middle of a major revamp of its internal structures which included a review of its scrutiny committees. As such the Council felt there wasn’t an appropriate committee from which to send representatives for this group. Cllr. Williams added that he firmly believed Powys would be involved in this group in the future. <p>The Joint Committee noted for information the written update from the MWJC Lead Chair regarding relevant matters undertaken as Lead Chair and the overview of the current key items of relevance to the MWJC.</p> | SM |
| JC(19)27 | <p>Report of the Lead Chief Executive</p> <p>Mr Moore advised that the report detailed national developments as well as regional developments which affected the whole of Mid Wales. Particular reference was made to the development of Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARCs) across South, Mid and West Wales which was a good piece of work.</p> <p>Mr Moore took great thought to his role and responsibilities as Joint Committee lead Chief Executive part of which included meeting regularly with the Aber group. Unfortunately he was unable to attend the last meeting with the group as he had a prior engagement at the new Aberaeron Integrated Care Centre but would be meeting with the Aber group the following week.</p> | |

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| | <p>Prof. Harpwood welcomed the update in the report on the Welsh Government's proposed digital developments across Wales as the digital infrastructure across Mid Wales was not very good.</p> <p>The Joint Committee noted for information the written update from the Lead Chief Executive and the key points in relation to strategic developments for health and social care in Wales, the specific activities undertaken on behalf of the MWJC that could influence or be influenced by the Joint Committee and the areas of work that were being progressed and achievements that are being made.</p> | |
| <p>JC(19)28</p> | <p>Mid Wales Joint Committee's priorities and work programme Update Report for 2019/20</p> <p>Mr Moore presented the update report and made particular reference to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He was delighted that the presentation from Aberystwyth University on its proposal for the establishment of a school of nursing was on the agenda. This was a really important development for Mid Wales. • For Social and Green solutions in Health the Director of Public Health for HDdUHB, Ros Jervis, was leading on this work with support from the other two Health Boards. • As part of the Eye Care plan, which was under development, Mr Moore was keen to progress the appointment of a Joint Clinical Eye Care lead for Mid Wales. Discussions had been held with the south of patch to ensure they were linked into this work and it was important to have this role to help with the whole clinical pathway. The current postholder for the HDdUHB Director of Operations post was leaving at the end of the following week but reassured the committee that there an immediate replacement in place for this role. Mr Moore felt that the model of clinical leadership was something which could be pushed forward in 2020. • For respiratory it was planned that the revised model would be developed in early 2020 which would focus on getting services out to the community or delivered through technology. • The Aberaeron Integrated Care Centre in Ceredigion was now operational. This was a really good development for the county in supporting the work in the community including the 200 community beds within Ceredigion. The model of care was ambitious and it would be interesting to see how this could be done elsewhere across Mid Wales. <p>Prof. Heathcote referred to the Mid Wales green health network which had been in place for a long time and enquired as to whether this would be incorporated within the work being led by Ros Jervis and the resulting framework. Mr Moore confirmed that that there was a lot of work happening in this area with a myriad of stakeholders and providers, including voluntary and statutory sectors, for which one overarching framework was being developed. Mr Evershed added that in advance of the conference in January 2020 a pre-conference planning meeting was being held in December 2019 and invited Prof. Heathcote to provide him with any comments for feeding back to this meeting. Ms Thomas added that there was a wish to bring this work together due to the ever changing landscape, especially within the care sector, and everything that was available.</p> | |

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| | <p>Mrs Edwards referred to a recent meeting facilitated by the Joint Committee to strengthen networks between health and care staff working across Ceredigion and South Gwynedd to address concerns raised regarding difficulties in discharging South Meirionnydd patients from hospitals. She extended her thanks to everyone involved in resolving these issues and the feedback received from staff was that this had been a very useful meeting. This was an example of good joint working from which the Joint Committee could learn and use to address issues relating to three Health Boards covering the area, for example use of different forms. Mr Skitt commended those teams involved in the meeting who were extraordinary in their openness around the reasons for the issues and there was a need to ensure the momentum was maintained around trust and openness.</p> <p>The Mid Wales Joint Committee noted for information the latest update on the Mid Wales Joint Committee priorities and work programme for 2018/19.</p> | |
| <p>JC(19)29</p> | <p>Mid Wales Joint Committee's priorities 2020/21</p> <p>Mr Moore extended his apologies to the Joint Committee as he had originally hoped to bring the proposed priorities and workplan for 2020/21 to the meeting. However, the timing of this work had been amended so it aligned to the development of organisational plans with the proposal being for the Mid Wales Planning and Delivery Executive Group to agree a draft delivery plan by January 2020 for presenting to the March 2020 meeting of the Joint Committee. The first step would be to focus on delivering what's currently on the list of priorities. Mr Moore wanted to ensure the Joint Committee's work continued into 2020/21 and that there was more clarity around what it wanted to achieve.</p> <p>Mr Skitt advised that it was important to understand the scope of work that the Joint Committee was trying to achieve and to focus on existing plans. Clinical bodies / colleagues were far more engaged than they had been in the past and as such there was a need to be clear in next year's plan what could and could not be delivered clinically. Ms Thomas added that there was a need to ensure alignment with Local Authority Corporate Plans and Health Integrated Medium Term Plans (IMTP)/Annual Plans. Some time and effort was needed to deliver these priorities fully and the proposed timetable of January 2020 was perfect as it aligned to the timetable for submission of plans to the Welsh Government. The Joint Committee's statement of intent was clear and there was now a need to focus on how to deliver these priorities and make a difference.</p> <p>Mr Evershed referred to the Joint Committee's role as a regional planning committee and wanted some thought to be given to its role in process. Ms Thomas advised that the former Mid Wales Healthcare Collaborative was established before the ministerial directive for regional planning committees was introduced which was the reason why the Joint Committee looked different to other regional planning committees across Wales. There were frustrations around the lack of pace for certain pieces of work and if the way the Joint Committee worked was changed then the agenda could potentially become very target driven. The statement of intent honoured the direction and role of the Joint Committee and it was felt there was a sense of joint ownership for its work programme. Prof. Harpwood agreed that in relation to the governance position this was in the spirit of partnership working with decisions reported back to organisations who provided the funding. She had worked in other similar</p> | |

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| | <p>environments where organisations worked together and any decisions required were referred back to the partner organisations. Possibly the arrangements needed to be considered and clarified.</p> <p>Mrs Saeed-Edmonds advised that for the forward look in the context of NHS planning guidance one of the messages from Ministers was that they were looking at joint regional planning forums to strengthen priorities which was reflective of the direction of travel.</p> <p>Cllr. Alexander suggested that there was an opportunity for existing forums to consider existing workplans, identify whether there were any gaps and look at the long term position. Mrs Darnbrook advised that Mid Wales was a part of other regional health and care partnerships all of which had business plans and it would be useful to align priorities as everyone was working on similar agendas with the same people doing the same work. Mr Moore added that the purpose of the work being progressed by Ros Jervis on social and green solutions in health was to align the agenda.</p> <p>Mr Skitt confirmed that the Mid Wales Clinical Advisory Group (CAG) membership included representatives from organisations within and bordering Mid Wales including Hereford and Shrewsbury. This demonstrated that organisations were working together across Mid Wales. Mr Moore sensed that the Joint Committee had come a long way but there was a need to consider what the committee now wanted to do and how it wanted to go forward. There was merit in having a more deep conversation around what more could be done beyond organisational statutory requirements.</p> <p>The following was also noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Evershed pointed out that RHCW was not included within the appendix on the Joint Committee’s governance arrangements. - Mrs Hunt asked for clarification on the role of CHCs in the Joint Committee. It was agreed that Mrs Williams would share the Joint Committee’s terms of reference with Mrs Hunt. - Mrs Edwards enquired as to whether a focus was needed on the welsh language and she would expect to see this as priority or a principle together with environment and digital. - Cllr. Williams referred to carbon management plans for which a lot of work could be done jointly to progress. - Prof. Heathcote referred to the different plans in place including the Joint Committee delivery plan. She had always raised the issue of monitoring and reviewing and was not wholly convinced enough was being done to monitor and evaluate how successful something was. It was important to show that the work being done was effective and went beyond tokenistic gestures. <p>The Joint Committee agreed the approach to the development of the Mid Wales Joint Committee’s priorities for 2020/21.</p> | NW |
| JC(19)30 | <p>Mid Wales School of Nursing at Aberystwyth</p> <p>Prof. Harpwood advised that Prof. Treasure, Vice-Chancellor, was unfortunately unable to attend the meeting and was grateful to Prof. Neil Glasser, Pro Vice-Chancellor Faculty of Earth & Life Sciences, and Debbie Prysor, Senior Projects</p> | |

Officer, from Aberystwyth University for attending the meeting to talk about the proposed establishment of a School of Nursing at Aberystwyth.

Prof. Glasser advised that historically Aberystwyth University had tended to focus on academic degrees, however, it was looking to introduce adult nursing registration courses and if successful the University would be a new entrant in the market. Prof. Treasure, as a clinician by profession, had an understanding of clinical subjects and was keen to expand the University's portfolio to include clinical subjects. There was a shortage in the area of nurses with the nearest place to train being at Carmarthen and Swansea. University representatives had held a number of meetings with various organisations including Welsh Government (WG), Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) and Health Boards around commissioning places for the next round of adult nursing which would commence in September 2022 with applications invited from candidates in 2021. The curriculum would include elements of rural healthcare and would be designed to meet the needs of the local area. The University had recently advertised for a 3 year fixed appointment role to be the principal lead for health to support the establishment of the new degree programme. It was hoped the successful candidate would commence in the role in the new year.

HEIW had divided Wales into auction lots split into regions with the North of Hywel Dda being one region with 26 adult and 7 adult mental health placements. This had been read as an opportunity for the University to bid for these numbers. HEIW have advised that they wanted the curriculum to be designed to meet the local area which was a good opportunity for the area.

Key dates were as follows:

- i) The principal lead would be appointed in the next few weeks and commence in post in early 2020.
- ii) Between May and August 2020 HEIW would open up its tendering process for nurse degree education programmes/places with all educational organisations invited to submit bids.
- iii) Organisations who had submitted bids would receive a response from HEIW in November/December 2020. If successful Aberystwyth University would at this point be able to include pre-adult nursing on its books as a degree course and would then go through the Nursing & Midwifery Council (NMC) process.
- iv) If successful the University would invite applications for its nurse degree programmes in September 2021, with confirmation of successful candidates in January 2022 and students commencing their studies in September 2022.

At the moment the University were only looking to introduce adult and adult mental health nursing courses but in the long term plan would look to explore courses for allied professions and the re-training of staff with opportunities for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and postgraduate qualifications.

Members of the Joint Committee were asked to provide the following help:

- i) Spread the word regarding the proposals.
- ii) It was envisaged that some of those undertaking courses would be on a part time basis and as such additional training numbers would be required to

make the course viable. If anyone was in to position to lobby HEIW for more training numbers then they were asked to do so.

iii) It was hoped that teaching support would come from Health Boards in the region and all were asked to advise of anyone who knew of people looking to provide support.

iv) Placements and the need for support with placements which didn't necessarily need to be in the main hospital.

The following was noted by members of the Joint Committee:

- Cllr. Williams stated that it was impossible to overstate the importance of the initiative for Bronglais General Hospital and healthcare in the area. He felt that it would be better if the area was badged as Mid Wales rather than North Hywel Dda. Prof. Glasser confirmed that it was HEIW who had badged the area as North Hywel Dda so this did present an opportunity for Aberystwyth University and the area.
- Cllr. Alexander referred to the innovative work being undertaken in health in the area e.g. telehealth, and she was aware nurses in rural areas did more. The biggest consideration was the welsh language and there was no reason why Aberystwyth could not be the centre for welsh language nurse training. Mrs Prysor confirmed that they were meeting with the welsh language services manager the following day which would be an opportune time to start having discussions.
- Mrs Hunt welcomed the presentation, she felt there was a need for many more nurse placements and enquired as to how accessible these places were going to be. She knew of many people who wanted to train as a nurse but could not due to lack of finances, lack of available places and accessibility to training. Prof. Glasser advised that the cost of the fees was out of their control. However, they were looking at dispersed learning which didn't all need to be on campus and could be through e-learning as well as offering part time learning.
- Ms Thomas stated that this was an important development which provided the case for change for a Mid Wales area. There was a need to demonstrate the environmental benefits for the region. There was also an element of what support could be provided by organisations and she was aware that GP Practices in Powys would be very interested for which PTHB could facilitate the interface with primary care. There was also a need to consider the care sector. She was keen to discuss the selection process for applicants including the criteria and commitment of candidates to continue to work in the area post qualification.
- Mrs Darnbrook advised that from a Local Authority perspective they would like to see placements in residential homes.
- Prof. Harpwood advised that this presented a wonderful opportunity to show the uniqueness of the area and available opportunities which she was sure would be reflected in curriculum. She felt there would be a greater need for part time provision and computer based learning.
- Peter Skitt stated that it was important to reflect that there was a project group in place whose membership included Health Board Directors of Workforce and key senior nurses.

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| | <p>The Joint Committee noted for information presentation on the latest developments for the proposed establishment of a School of Nursing at Aberystwyth.</p> | |
| JC(19)31 | <p>Strategic service change programmes involving the Mid Wales population</p> <p>Ms Thomas presented the report which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A summary of the funding streams funded from the Transformation Fund which had been received by Regional Partnership Boards (RPB) for projects which covered the Mid Wales area and which totalled £27m. There was a need to keep a close eye on these projects and ensure everyone was sighted on the progress made in order to ensure they linked to other developments and that they supported different ways of working. • Trauma services – The major trauma centre business case was being discussed by Health Boards at their meetings and this was moving forward. The update report recognised developments affecting Mid Wales. • NHS Future Fit – The programme was now at the stage where the business case was being developed. There was an important role for the Joint Committee around how to connect with Shrewsbury & Telford and Chester NHS Trusts for clinical networking and advice. <p>In response to a query from Mr Evershed, Mr Moore confirmed that the rehabilitation centre was not a part of the trauma services business case. Mr Evershed was concerned that this had not been considered. Mr Moore confirmed that this was seen as part of the whole.</p> <p>The MWJC noted for information the update on the strategic change programmes of importance to Mid Wales.</p> | |
| JC(19)32 | <p>Mid Wales Joint Committee Sub Groups update report</p> <p>Mid Wales Clinical Advisory Group (CAG) – Mr Skitt presented the update on behalf of Dr Wyn Parry, Chair of the Mid Wales CAG, as he was unable to attend the meeting. A presentation on the Aberystwyth University School of Nursing proposal would be arranged for a future meeting of CAG to ensure clinical engagement.</p> <p>Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement (PPEI) Forum - Mr Evershed advised that he had received an e-mail from a member of the public who was keen to get the forum re-energised and he would now be looking to use the Joint Committee’s facebook page for this purpose. Also he had attended a HDdUHB meeting, co-ordinated by Sarah Jennings the Director of Partnerships and Corporate Services, on consistent engagement across the region and the proposal to introduce a software system for consultation and engagement for use across Hywel Dda. The communications lead for Powys THB was in discussion with HDdUHB to explore using this software in Powys.</p> <p>Cllr. Alexander advised that the facebook page would require appropriate management and monitoring arrangements to be in place. Evershed confirmed he would be taking advice on this.</p> <p>Prof Heathcote asked Mr Evershed for his assessment of the forum and whether it was truly effective and reaching the whole constituency. Whilst acknowledging the forum was a virtual group, nothing was known regarding its</p> | |

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| | <p>participation and the report emphasised using existing structures for getting feedback from the public. She felt that Health Boards took engagement very seriously and had opened up its interactions with the public, however, she was aware that lots of large sections of people were still not being reached. Mr Evershed advised that since the Health Boards had taken to undertaking continuous engagement people felt they now had an avenue to express how they felt and as a result the volume of people who approached Mr Evershed had reduced. It was much easier to talk to people when they felt they were not being listened to. The Joint Committee had arranged specific drop in events and meetings but the attendance was low and as such facebook was going to be trialled as well as using existing organisational events and mechanisms with the software to be introduced within Hywel Dda being a good opportunity. The strength of the Joint Committee was that it was a lot less formal than Health Boards and its role was to channel feedback from the public. Prof Harpwood suggested bringing back a more detailed report on the work of the forum including contacts made to the next meeting.</p> <p>Cllr. Alexander referred to the Newtown Wellbeing programme for which large scale discussions were being had and suggested it would be useful to speak to Mr Evershed on his experiences around engagement. For those hard to reach group it was possible to get answers but they may not necessarily be answers to the questions asked.</p> <p>Rural Health and Care Wales (RHCW) Steering Group - Mr Evershed noted the success of two day RHCW conference which had recently been held and made particular reference to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The involvement of community hospitals in a benchmarking project for which Powys THB had indicated they did not wish to be a part of. Ms Thomas suggested that this be discussed further outside of the meeting. • Orthopaedic waiting times and the suggestion that there was a difference in waiting times between rural and urban populations. Ms Thomas advised that this work was in progress and work had been undertaken on the evidence base. • Not referred to in the report was the work being undertaken by Public Health Wales on farmers and mental health which he was pleased had received some recognition in Wales. <p>Members of the MWJC noted for information the update reports on its Subgroups.</p> | |
| <p>JC(19)33</p> | <p>Minutes/Action Log of the MWJC meeting held on 01/07/19 and Matters Arising</p> <p>The minutes of the MWJC meeting held on 01/07/19 were agreed as a correct record subject to the following change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JC(19)14 First sentence amended to '<i>Prof. Harpwood</i> presented the report of the Lead Chair.....'. <p>There were no matters arising discussed.</p> | <p>NW</p> |

JC(19)34

Listening to You

Prof Harpwood led the open agenda for members of the public to provide feedback and ask questions regarding the presentations and papers received during the meeting. The following feedback and questions were received:

a) Cllr. Strong raised the following:

- The Welsh language needed to be an integral part of the proposed school of nursing. It was important that people from the Mid Wales region, including South Meirionnydd and the Dyfi Valley, had the opportunity and that its importance was referred to the Welsh Government and HEIW.
- He was concerned regarding Glangwili General Hospital being the interim trauma centre due to the geography of Mid Wales and distance to major trauma centres. It wasn't clear in the update but he felt it was important to consider Bronglais General Hospital as a trauma centre because of the uniqueness of its location. The situation that people in north Wales have to go to Stoke for trauma causes a lot of issues and he didn't think it was fair for people to travel so far on bad and dangerous roads – this risk needed to be considered. He was not happy with the information being presented and people in the area needed assurances. People from Scotland were saying if they can do this in Scotland then it can be done in Wales and he wanted to see the service being ambitious about this.
- Performance data showed that Bronglais General Hospital was performing very well and he would like to see the statistics published so the public could see how good Bronglais General Hospital was.

Prof. Harpwood responded to the first point made that everyone was in agreement about the Welsh language being important. Mr Moore responded to the second point and clarified that Glangwili General Hospital had been designated a trauma unit and not a trauma centre. Bronglais General Hospital had a unique position in the trauma network and for a small number of major trauma patients there was a need to ensure they could be stabilised locally and moved to the main centre. Other than that this everything else would stay the same and reference was made to a recent example of a major trauma received at the hospital for which thanks were extended to the hospital staff. Mr Moore could talk to Cllr. Strong outside of the meeting regarding the concerns raised. Ms Thomas added that there had been extensive discussions regarding trauma service for the population of Wales and provided reassurance regarding investment made in major trauma services and Mid Wales residents either went to Stoke, Cardiff or Birmingham depending on where they lived.

b) Mr Evershed presented questions on behalf of Mr Tom Brooks, who was unable to be present at the meeting in person:

- The HIW inspections on two Powys Community Hospital inspections (Machynlleth and Llanidloes) took place in July 2019 for which a number of actions were listed. Could you now confirm that all of these actions have been applied and if not state by which date they will have been completed?
- One issue raised in the body of the report is recruitment and staffing being covered by agency staff. The evidence is strong that use of agency staff impacts negatively on continuity and standards of patient care. How are PTHB addressing reducing the dependence on agency staff and what success has it had?

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| | <p>Ms Thomas confirmed that PTHB had responded to the HIW inspection by letter on 31st October 2019 which HIW had evaluated and responded to advise they were assured by the Health Board's response. Nevertheless there needed to be continuous improvement. In terms of use of agency staff, nurse recruitment was a challenge in rural areas. It was difficult to get staff to work in Powys, often these were off contract which was more expensive and when using agency staff the continuity of care was not there. For the gaps in nurse recruitment the Health Board were undertaking a lot of work to address these issues including a pilot for band 4 assistant practitioner roles and managing cover through the bank. The presentation earlier in the meeting on the provision of local education and training could help to address recruitment issues. Cllr. Alexander added that the Local Authority were working with RPBs on this.</p> | |
| JC(19)35 | <p>Schedule of meeting dates 2020/21 and Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>The Mid Wales Joint Committee noted for information the latest schedule of future meeting dates for 2020/21 which had been set following checks of key meetings of Health Boards, Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust and Local Authorities in an attempt to avoid key meetings including Board, Cabinet and full Council meetings.</p> <p>The date and time of the next meeting was 11.00am Monday 23rd March 2019 at the Council Chamber, Ceredigion County Council Offices, Penmorfa, Aberaeron, Ceredigion</p> | |

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| BCUHB | Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board |
| CAG | Clinical Advisory Group |
| CHC | Community Health Council |
| CPD | Continuing Professional Development |
| HDdUHB | Hywel Dda University Health Board |
| HEIW | Health Education Improvement Wales |
| HIW | Healthcare Inspectorate Wales |
| MWJC | Mid Wales Joint Committee |
| MWJSC | Mid Wales Joint Scrutiny Committee |
| NMC | Nursing & Midwifery Council |
| PDEG | Planning and Delivery Executive Group |
| PPEI | Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement |
| PTHB | Powys Teaching Health Board |
| RHCW | Rural Health and Care Wales |
| RPB | Regional Partnership Board |
| SARC | Sexual Assault Referral Centre |
| WAST | Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust |
| WG | Welsh Government |

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TABLE OF ACTIONS FROM THE MWJC MEETING HELD ON 21st NOVEMBER 2019

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| JC(19)26 | Rural Health and Care Wales (RHCW) Mid Wales Planning and Delivery Executive Group (PDEG), with delegated authority from MWJC, to decide future arrangements for RHCW. | SW | asap | Actioned Funding arrangements for RHCW for 2020/21 have now been confirmed. The Lead CEO for the MWJC is leading on a piece of work to identify and agree the long term permanent arrangements for RHCW from 2021/22 onwards. |
| JC(19)29 | MWJC membership – CHC representation Share the Joint Committee's terms of reference with Mrs Frances Hunt, Chair of Powys CHC, in order to clarify the CHC role on the MWJC. | NW | 05/12/19 | Actioned |
| JC(19)33 | Minutes/Action Log of the MWJC meeting held on 01/07/19 and Matters Arising Minutes of the MWJC meeting held on 01/07/19 amended as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JC(19)14 First sentence amended to '<i>Prof. Harpwood</i> presented the report of the Lead Chair.....'. | NW | 05/12/19 | Actioned |