

**EITEM AGENDA / AGENDA ITEM: 8**

**Cyd-bwyllgor Canolbarth Cymru ar gyfer Iechyd a Gofal /  
Mid Wales Joint Committee for Health and Care**

<b>Dyddiad y Cyfarfod: Date of Meeting:</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022		
<b>Eitem ar yr Agenda: Title of Report:</b>	Recovery in Mid Wales		
<b>Arweinydd: Lead:</b>	Steve Moore, Chief Executive, Hywel Dda University Health Board and Lead Chief Executive for the Mid Wales Joint Committee Peter Skitt, Ceredigion County Director and Mid Wales Joint Committee Programme Director		
<b>Pwrpas yr adroddiad: Purpose of the Report:</b>	To receive a report outlining how organisational COVID-19 recovery plans are supporting the position across Mid Wales.	<b>Ar gyfer cytundeb For Agreement</b>	
		<b>Ar gyfer trafodaeth For Discussion</b>	✓
		<b>Ar gyfer gwybodaeth For Information</b>	

**Crynodeb / Summary**

Over the last 2 years, the COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted on the delivery of health and social care services with organisations required to focus their time and resources on responding to the pandemic.

The NHS Wales Planning Framework for 2022-25 was issued in late 2021 and is the first NHS Planning Framework of the new Government term. The Framework looks ahead to the next three years to deliver sustainable services for patients in Wales. The requirement for organisations was to produce a three year Integrated Medium Term Plan (IMTP) covering the period 2022-2025. The framework noted that the partnership and collaboration across the system in Wales since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic has been exceptional and that this approach needed to be harnessed to deliver the innovation and improvements needed, including for the long waiting lists that have grown significantly during the pandemic. Also regional planning remains a key Ministerial priority and should continue to be reflected as core business via the Health Boards' respective IMTPs.

Integrated Medium Terms Plans were submitted by the three Mid Wales Health Boards at the end of March 2022 and the latest status on these submissions is as follows:

- **Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board**

The plan submitted to the Welsh Government did not fully meet the requirements of the NHS Wales framework and therefore is not approved as an Integrated Medium Term Plan. However, the plan has been accepted as an Annual Plan and will be subject to ongoing monitoring. The development of the three year plan for 2023 – 2026 is therefore intended to address learning from the process and work towards submission of an approvable Integrated Medium Term Plan for this period. The Health Board continues to be under targeted intervention status for mental health, Ysbyty Glan Clwyd, vascular services, leadership , engagement, finance, strategy, planning and performance.

- **Hywel Dda University Health Board**

The Health Board has been escalated to targeted intervention status from enhanced monitoring for finance and planning because it has been unable to submit a balanced and approvable Integrated Medium Term Plan or a finalised annual plan and a growing financial deficit is being reported.

- **Powys Teaching Health Board**

Powys Teaching Health Board has an approved Integrated Medium Term Plan for 2022-25. The Health Board continues to be under routine arrangements status.

Local Authorities do not follow the same planning framework requirements as those for Health Boards, however, they do develop their own plans for social care either as recovery plans or integrated partnership plans.

At the Mid Wales Planning and Executive Delivery Group on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 it was noted that there was public interest in the alignment of recovery planning across Mid Wales and the restarting of services, in particular around scheduled care and waiting lists. Health Board plans submitted to Welsh Government are very detailed and a process was needed to clarify how all organisational plans supported the needs of the Mid Wales population. Also a mechanism was required to quantify recovery and progress and the following approach is to be taken forward.

- **Health**

It was reported at the last Joint Committee meeting that Mid Wales specific information would be extracted from the overall position reported to Welsh Government through the minimum datasets contained within Integrated Medium Term Plan submissions for Health Boards. Health Board Informatics leads would be asked to establish a mechanism for drawing out Mid Wales specific information.

Work is now being undertaken to explore support across the three Health Boards for the COVID-19 recovery programme for Mid Wales.

- **Social Care**

The report for Agenda Item 3. Future arrangements for the Mid Wales Joint Committee propose the establishment of a Mid Wales Social Care Group in order to strengthen the focus on Social Care and the alignment of plans for social care services across Mid Wales. Directors of Social Services have agreed to the establishment of such a group, if approved by the Joint Committee. The Mid Wales Social Care Group, which will report to the Mid Wales Planning and Delivery Executive Group, will lead on the alignment of social care plans and information for Mid Wales.

The process for alignment between health and social care plans for Mid Wales will be taken forward by the Mid Wales Planning and Delivery Executive Group.

**Argymhelliad / Recommendation**

**For information** - The Joint Committee are asked to discuss the latest update on recovery plans for Mid Wales.