

Reporting Committee	JCC - All Wales Individual Patient Funding Request (IPFR) Panel
Chaired by	Elizabeth Abderrahim
Lead Executive Director	Professor Iolo Doull, Medical Director
Date of last meeting	All Wales IPFR Panel meeting 17th June 2026

Summary of key matters considered by the Committee and any related decisions made.

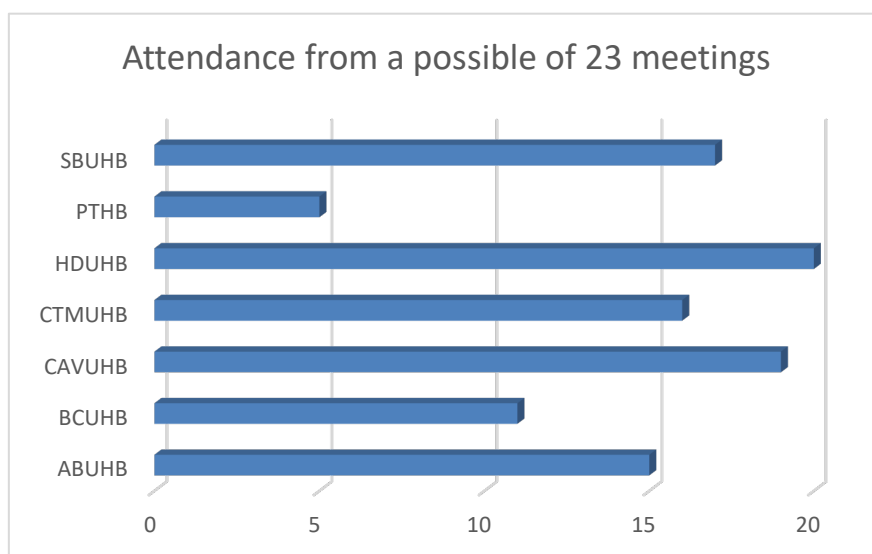
The following table demonstrates the number of requests considered at the Chair's Action Panel meetings and All Wales IPFR Panel meetings during this reporting period.

Month	Number of Requests discussed as Chair's Actions	Number of Requests discussed by JCC IPFR Panel	Number of requests approved	Anticipated costs from Panel cases
May	4	9	11	£170,950.24
June	2	12	11	£233,826.40

Key risks and issues/matters of concern and any mitigating actions

Health Board Attendance progress

No All Wales IPFR Panel meetings have been cancelled during this reporting period due to attendance. However, it does appear that some Health Boards are not providing regular representation and some meetings are continued with the minimum quoracy requirements of four Health Board representatives.



Lay Member Vacancies

Following successful appointment of the two Lay Members, the All Wales IPFR Panel welcomed Mr Samuel Dentten and Mr David Cogan as observers at their meeting on 03rd June and participated in the meeting of 17th June.

Individual Patient Funding Request (IPFR) Quality Assurance (QA) Group Audit Report – May 2026

One of the roles of this group is to consider an anonymised random sample of IPFR reports (one from each IPFR panel in Wales) in relation to their completeness, timeliness and efficiency of communication in line with the NHS Wales IPFR policy process. The full terms of reference of the group are available on the AWTTTC website. During this meeting the group considered one application from each panel considered between January and March 2026.

The report highlighted that there are no actions for NWJCC.

The QA Group noted that eight of nine applicable criteria were met for the IPFR assessed. The letter to the clinician fell outside of the five working day deadline although the team have confirmed that the clinician was informed of the decision by email on the day of the Chair's action decision. No other issues were raised by the Group in relation to the case assessed for NWJCC panel.

In the quarter January to March 2026, 83% of all cases considered by the NWJCC panel met the urgency stipulated in the application form. This compares to 98% in the previous quarter and 87% in the same quarter in 2025.

Very few issues were raised to share across all panels. The QA Group noted that three of the eight panels met all criteria assessed and six of the ten criteria were met by all panels. Whilst this represents a general fall in the number of criteria met compared with the previous quarter, no single issue was identified, and the group are confident that in general panels are providing a timely and well documented service in line with the IPFR Policy.

In most cases the decision record was clear and comprehensive. However, as in the previous quarter, in two cases the panel meeting minutes were limited and did not adequately capture the panel discussion to reflect how the panels had considered the evidence provided to reach a decision. Panels are reminded of the importance of fully capturing such discussions in the meeting record.

In one case the panel had deferred the decision pending additional information. The decision was then made by Chair's action. The Group request that where a panel has deferred their decision the meeting notes should clearly record whether the panel are content for the final decision to be made by Chair's action or if the request will require re-consideration by full panel.

During this quarter the revised IPFR Policy was formally adopted. AWTTTC and the Policy Implementation Group are planning training sessions to provide further clarity and guidance on consideration under Part 9 decision making criteria.

The Group were pleased to note that two of the panels each had two lay representatives present.

Matters referred to other Committees

- None

Confirmed Minutes for each of the meetings are available on request.

Date of next meeting

1st July 2026