



<b>Agenda Item</b>
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**Joint Commissioning Committee**

**Chairs Report**

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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>
n/a		Choose an item.

<b>Acronyms / Glossary of Terms</b>	
JCC	Joint Commissioning Committee
HBs	Health Boards
IMTP	Integrated Medium Term Plan
WG	Welsh Government
JC	Joint Commissioning Committee
JCC	NHS Wales Joint Commissioning Committee
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
SLAs	Service Level Agreements
PHW	Public Health Wales
IPFR	Individual Patient Funding Request
SFI's	Standing Financial Instructions

RSSPPP	Regional and Specialised Services Provider Planning Partnership
OCP	Organisational Change Policy

## 1. SITUATION/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to provide Joint Commissioning Committee (JC) members with an update of the issues considered by the Chair since the last JC meeting on 21 January 2025.

At each JC meeting, the Chair will present a report on key issues that have arisen since its last meeting.

## 2. SPECIFIC MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

### 2.1 New Interim Chief Commissioner

I am pleased to announce that on 1 March 2025 Huw George, Deputy CEO and Executive Director of Operations and Finance at Public Health Wales (PHW), took up the role of interim Chief Commissioner for 12 months. Initially this will be for two days per week as Huw receives a handover from Stacey Taylor before joining us full time with effect from 1 April 2025, with Stacey continuing to be the current Interim Chief Commissioner until that time.

I would like to extend my thanks to Stacey for undertaking the role on an interim basis and I am pleased that she will continue to act as the Deputy Chief Commissioner to ensure business continuity.

### 2.2 Interim Chief Commissioner Financial Limits

In readiness for the new interim Chief Commissioner starting on 1 April 2025 Members are requested to approve the financial delegation limit for the interim Chief Commissioner of the JCC, Huw George, specifically in relation to Service Level Agreements (SLAs) in line with the Standing Financial Instructions (SFI's) up to £2m, Individual Patient Funding Requests (IPFR) and Other Non-Contract Payments to £1m and organisational running costs up to £100,000.

The interim Accountable Officer authorisation is attached at **Appendix 1**. Subsequent updates to financial delegations will be discussed through the appropriate governance channels and reported to the JCC.

### 2.3 Health Board Chairs

As part of our accountability to the Health Boards (HBs) I have instituted a six-monthly meeting with the Chairs of the HBs. The first meeting was held on 27 January and attended by either the chair or vice chairs of the HBs. The feedback from this informal discussion was very positive and a further meeting will be held in July.

## 2.4 Vice Chair of the JCC

I have reluctantly accepted Nia Roberts resignation from the Vice Chair position and would like to thank her for her time and commitment in the role. I have no plans to appoint a new Vice Chair at this time.

## 2.5 Joint Commissioning Committee Strategy Workshop – 18 February 2025

On 18 February 2025 JCC members participated in an interactive strategy workshop session which focussed on obtaining members views on:

- Development of the JCC Integrated Medium term Plan (IMTP),
- The JCC’s financial plan,
- Regional and Specialised Services Provider Planning Partnership (RSSPPP)– JCC Future Commissioning Remit; and
- An update on the JCC Organisational Change Policy (OCP) process.

The day proved to be a valuable opportunity to discuss pressing issues and the feedback has been invaluable to shape the development of the IMTP.

## 2.6 Key Meetings

I have attended the following meetings:

- Meeting with Chair of the Welsh Kidney network (WKN),
- Meeting with the Cabinet Secretary and Chairs,
- Meeting with the new Interim Chief Commissioner; and
- Meeting with Lay members.

## 3. ASSESSMENT

Objectives / Strategy	
<b>Dolen i Amcan (au) Strategol CBC</b> <b>Link to JCC Strategic Objectives(s)</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Dolen i Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol – Nodau Llesiant / 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)) /	Leadership

<b>Link to Enablers of Quality</b> ( <a href="#">Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales)</a> )	
<b>Dolen i Feysydd Ansawdd</b> (Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)) / <b>Link to Domains of Quality</b> ( <a href="#">Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales)</a> )	Effective
<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:	n/a
<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 Local Health Boards or the Joint Committee as a result of the activity outlined in this report.	
<b>Effaith Adnoddau</b> (Pobl /Ariannol) /	There is no direct impact on resources as a result of the activity outlined in this report.	

<b>Resource Impact</b> (People / Financial)	
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#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Joint Committee is asked to:

- **Note** the report; and
- **Approve** the financial delegation limit for the new interim Chief Commissioner of the JCC, Huw George from 1 April 2025 until 31 March 2026.