

 GIG CYMRU NHS WALES	Iechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru Public Health Wales	Name of Meeting Board
		Date of Meeting 31 March 2022
		Agenda item PHW 7.1
Chair's Report to the Board concerning the matters considered in the Private Board meeting of the 27 January 2022.		
Chair	Jan Williams	
Date of last meeting	27 January 2022	

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<p>In line with Public Health Wales' Standing Orders, the Board conducts its meetings in public. Public Health Wales' Standing Orders make provision, at paragraph 7.5.2, for the Board to meet and discuss certain matters in private.</p> <p>The Public Bodies Act (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, section 1 (2) provides the legal basis for such Private Board Meetings to ensure that the matters under consideration are not prejudicial to the public interest – that they do not cause undue harm or influence the public unfairly.</p> <p>Public Health Wales has a Protocol for Reserving Matters to a Private Board (or Committee) meeting, which can be seen here - Microsoft Word - 5.6 BOARD 270521 Protocol for private meetings.docx (nhs.wales)</p> <p>This Chair's Report is a standing agenda item, to increase transparency and accountability. It notes the matters that the Board considered during the Private Board meeting of the 27 January 2022.</p> <p>The Standing Financial Instructions confirm that any financial decisions above £500,000 are a matter for the Board and require Board approval. Further details about our financial delegations can be seen in our Standing Financial Instructions here - Microsoft Word - PHW Standing Orders and delegation of powers - v9 - Approved May 2021.docx (nhs.wales)</p> <p>The Board approved some procurement and business case approval requests, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The submission of a full business case for sustained funding for the Test and Post e-STI testing service to Welsh Government; ○ The awarding of a contract for capital replacement and procurement of MALDI-Tof analysers (laboratory equipment). <p>The Board considered these items in private session due to the commercially sensitive nature of the content.</p>	

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- The Board considered an **Organisational Development Update** on workforce internal plans for 2022/23; these were not in the public domain at that time. Workforce issues will be included in the Integrated Medium Term Plan 2022-25 on the 31 March 2022 Public Board agenda.
- The Board received and discussed an update on relevant (non-COVID related) **health protection** issues, including an update on the TB outbreak in Llwynhendy. The 31 March 2022 Board meeting includes a further update on this.
- As part of its **COVID-19 update**, the Board considered and discussed early-stage advice on the development of a framework for Living with COVID in Wales. This work would be made public through the Integrated Medium Term Plan 2022-25 in March 2022.
- The Board considered further the internal issues resulting from the social media response to the change of screening intervals within **Cervical Screening Wales**, following on from discussions at the Public Board session.
- The Board received a **cyber security update** on the Strategic Risk Register, this element of the strategic risk agenda is taken in private session because of the sensitive nature of cyber security.
- The Board considered and approved **minutes** and **action logs** of the Private Board meeting on the 25 November 2021, taken in private to ensure appropriate record keeping from previous private sessions.
- The Board noted the update from the **Committee Chairs of Committee meetings** held in private following the Private Board session on 25 November 2021. The updates reflected only the small number of items taken in private Committee session, the majority of committee reports being taken in public session.