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Chair's Report to the Board concerning the matters considered in the Private Board meeting of the 26 March 2026	
Chair of the meeting	Pippa Britton, Chair

Summary of the key matters that the Board considered when meeting in private session, on 28 May 2026, together with any related decisions made:
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. 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. Public Health Wales has a Protocol for Reserving Matters to a Private Board (or Committee) meeting, which can be seen here - https://phw.nhs.wales/about-us/board-and-executive-team/protocol-for-private-meetings/ 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 financial delegations can be seen in Public Health Wales' Standing Financial Instructions. This Chair's Report is a standing agenda item, for the purposes of transparency and accountability. This report sets out the matters that the Board considered during the Private Board meeting of the 28 May 2026. The Board approved: - The minutes of the Private Board meeting on the 26 March 2026. - The closure of one action on the Private Action Log. - The notes of the Board Development Session on the 30 April 2026. - The notes of the Board Briefing Session on the 7 May 2026 The Board: - Took assurance on the work of the Committee meetings held in private session. Considered an update on current public health matters.



Summary of the key matters that the Board considered when meeting in private session, on 28 May 2026, together with any related decisions made:

- **Noted** an update on the Breast Test Wales Review and subsequent actions
- **Noted** an update on post-election ministerial portfolios.
- **Noted** an update on issues relating to the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)

Summary of communication items circulated to Board members electronically (via e-mail) since the Board meeting held on 28 May 2026:

Public Health Wales has a system of Board-level communications outside formal meetings, to ensure that directors have up to date information and to support the Board in discharging its role.

A summary of information sent to the Board since the May Board meeting (up to 14 July 2026) was as follows:

- Weekly Comms Forward Look information sheets
- Weekly SitRep from the Management Team
- Draft July 2026 Public and Private Extraordinary Board minutes for Review
- July Extraordinary Board Meeting Papers (including IMTP Addendum)
- Draft May 2026 and June 2026 Public and Private Board minutes for Review
- Draft May Board Briefing Notes for Review
- Draft April and June Board Development Notes for Review
- 28 May Board Agenda – including MMR attachment and updated TOR for the STI TP External Review
- IMTP Updates, including a letter from Jacqueline Totterdell, Director General for Health
- Changes to remuneration rates for NHS Wales Public Appointees
- Link to the Listening to people: NHS Wales Complaints, Incidents and redress process for Organisations.
- Draft Annual Governance Statement
- Primary Care One website moving to the new Public Health Wales website
- Update on Hantavirus incident response and Ebola
- Ministerial portfolios
- Academi Wales: Board Leadership Open Programme
- New Course on offer from Older People's Commissioner for Wales (OPcW)
- My Path Cymru announcement date change
- NHS Wales Induction Programme for Board Members