EITEM AGENDA / AGENDA ITEM: 6.2

Cyd-bwyllgor Canolbarth Cymru ar gyfer lechyd a Gofal / Mid Wales Joint Committee for Health and Care	
Enw'r Is-Grŵp: Name of Sub-Group:	Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Forum
Cadeirydd y Is-Grŵp: Chair of Sub-Group:	Jack Evershed, Chair of the Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Forum
Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Is- Grŵp diwethaf: Date of last Sub-Group Meeting:	Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Steering Group - 16 th April 2021
Cyfnod Adrodd: Reporting Period:	October 2020 to May 2021

Y Penderfyniadau a'r Materion a Ystyriodd yr Is-Grŵp:

Key Decisions and Matters Considered by the Sub-Group:

One key outcome from the Mid Wales Planning virtual workshop held on 24th November 2020 was that rather than Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement being a designated priority that it should instead be an enabler for all of the Joint Committee's priorities to be led and coordinated by the Chair of the Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Forum. Also, that there should be a focus on engaging with hard to reach groups, in particular young people.

Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Steering Group

Members of the Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Forum are those members of the public who have shown an interest in the work of the Joint Committee and the Forum. The Forum operates as a virtual group with no formal meetings. As such there is in place a Mid Wales Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Steering Group comprising Engagement and Involvement Leads for partner healthcare organisations, Local Authorities and CHC representatives. This group discuss and agree how best to engage and involve the public and patients in the work of the Joint Committee using existing organisational mechanisms and specific Joint Committee events and to ensure they complement each other.

The Steering Group has met twice since the last MWJC meeting in September 2020 to share updates on engagement and involvement work undertaken. Key points to note are as follows:

- Organisations across Mid Wales have separately undertaken some valuable engagement across the region on the impact of Covid-19 for which the outputs will be reviewed to identify any key emerging themes in relation to service provision across Mid Wales.
- Following feedback from the Mid Wales Planning workshop that the Forum focuses on engagement with young people, the group agreed to undertake a pilot engagement project with the Penglais Youth Council through a questionnaire focused on the Joint Committee's priorities.

• The Joint Committee's social media sites have been used to continue to share key information with the public during the covid-19 pandemic with feedback relayed back to relevant personnel and actioned where necessary.

Mid Wales Joint Committee Website

The Joint Committee website was moved to a new content management system in September 2020 as part of the NHS Wales new arrangements. This new content management system supports NHS organisations to ensure their websites comply with the new accessibility regulations which place a legal duty on all public sector organisations to ensure their websites and apps meet the accessibility requirements.

Forum Chair engagement activities

The Chair of the Public and Patient Engagement and Involvement Forum has been continuing to undertake engagement activity during the Covid-19 pandemic including the following:

- On-going communication and engagement with the public through the Joint Committee's social media accounts.
- Mid Wales Joint Committee team updates / briefings.
- Rural Health and Care Wales Management Group meetings and team updates / briefings.
- Wales School for Social Prescribing Research (WSSPR) Forum on the evaluation of social prescribing interventions, in order to strengthen the evidence base and determine how social prescribing may have an impact upon health and well-being.
- Rural Health and Care Wales Conference (2 days).
- Penglais School Youth Council meeting to discuss opportunities for engagement with young people.
- Administrative Data / Agricultural Research Collection (AD/ARC) Stakeholder Reference Group. The AD/ARC project builds from the 'Supporting farming communities at times of uncertainty' report published by the Public Health Wales Research Evaluation Division in September 2019.
- Promotion of the Covid-19 vaccination and providing support with the running of local vaccine clinics.

Materion sydd angen eu cytuno neu trafod ymhellach gan y Cyd-Bwyllgor: Items to be referred to the Joint Committee for agreement or discussion:

 To note for information the proposal that a pilot engagement project be undertaken with Penglais School Youth Council.

Gwaith Cynlluniedig yr Is-Grŵp ar gyfer y cyfnod nesaf: Planned Sub-Group work for the next period:

- Development of a questionnaire for the pilot engagement project with the Penglais School Youth Council.
- Review the organisational engagement on the impact of Covid-19 to identify any key emerging themes in relation to service provision across Mid Wales.
- Agree on-going actions for members of the Steering Group to use existing organisational mechanisms to engage and involve the public and patients in the work of the Joint Committee.
- Share best practice and sight each other on any upcoming developments across Mid Wales.