

# Virtual Audit & Risk Assurance Committee Meeting



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University Health Board

## Agenda

Date 10 February 2026  
Time 09:30 - 13:00  
Location Virtual via MS Teams; HDD Picton - Dolau Cothi  
Title Virtual Audit & Risk Assurance Committee Meeting

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### 1 - Introductions

09:30,

#### 1.1 - Apologies

*For information*

09:30, Rhodri Evans (Hywel Dda UHB - Independent Member)

#### 1.2 - Declaration of Interests

*For information*

09:30,  
All

### 2 - Governance

09:30,

#### 2.1 - Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 December 2025

*For approval*

09:30, Rhodri Evans (Hywel Dda UHB - Independent Member)

#### 2.2 - Table of Actions

*For assurance*

09:30, Rhodri Evans (Hywel Dda UHB - Independent Member)

#### 2.3 - Matters Arising not on Agenda

*For discussion*

09:35, Rhodri Evans (Hywel Dda UHB - Independent Member)

## **2.4 - Escalation Status Update Report**

*For assurance*

09:35, Philip Kloer (Hywel Dda UHB - Chief Executive), Lee Davies (Hywel Dda UHB - Executive Director of Strategy and Planning), Shaun Ayres (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Delivery)

## **2.5 - All Wales NHS Audit Committee Chairs' Meeting Update**

*For information*

09:50, Rhodri Evans (Hywel Dda UHB - Independent Member)

## **2.6 - Scheme of Delegation**

*For approval*

09:55, Joanne Wilson (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Corporate Governance/Board Secretary)

## **3 - Audit Wales**

10:00,

### **3.1 - Audit Wales Update Report**

*For assurance*

10:00, Anne Beegan, Urvisha Perez, david.williams@audit.wales

### **3.2 - Review of Investment in Digital Systems**

*For assurance*

10:05, Anne Beegan, Urvisha Perez, Huw Thomas (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Finance)

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### **3.3 - Review of the Management of Outpatients**

*For assurance*

10:05, Anne Beegan, Urvisha Perez, Andrew Carruthers (Hywel Dda UHB - Chief Operating Officer)

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### **3.4 - Review of Radiology Services**

*For assurance*

10:05, Anne Beegan, Urvisha Perez, Andrew Carruthers (Hywel Dda UHB - Chief Operating Officer)

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#### **4 - NWSSP – Audit and Assurance Services - Internal Audit**

10:05,

##### **4.1 - Internal Audit Plan Progress Report**

*For assurance*

10:05, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

##### **4.2 - Escalation Governance (Substantial Assurance)**

*For assurance*

10:10, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit), Philip Kloer (Hywel Dda UHB - Chief Executive), Joanne Wilson (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Corporate Governance/Board Secretary)

##### **4.3 - Operational Governance Arrangements**

*For assurance*

10:20, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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##### **4.4 - Managed Practices (Reasonable Assurance)**

*For assurance*

10:20, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit), Andrew Carruthers (Hywel Dda UHB - Chief Operating Officer), Rhian Bond (Hywel Dda UHB - Assistant Director of Primary Care)

##### **4.5 - Theatre Stock System Implementation**

*For assurance*

10:30, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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##### **4.6 - Vaccination and Immunisation (Limited Assurance)**

*For assurance*

10:30, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit), Ardiana Gjini (Hywel Dda UHB - Executive Director of Public Health), Bethan Lewis (Hywel Dda UHB - Assistant Director of Public Health Strategic Business and Operations)

**4.7 - Level 3 and 4 Directorates**

*For assurance*

10:50, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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**4.8 - Decision Making for High Cost Drugs**

*For assurance*

10:50, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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**4.9 - Departmental / Local IT systems management**

*For assurance*

10:50, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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**4.10 - Patient Experience (Reasonable Assurance)**

*For assurance*

10:50, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit), Sharon Daniel (Hywel Dda UHB - Executive Director of Nursing, Quality & Patient Experience), Louise O'Connor (Hywel Dda Health Board - Assistant Director)

**4.11 - Estates Assurance – Space Utilisation**

*For assurance*

11:00, James Johns (NWSSP - Internal Audit)

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**5 - BREAK**

11:00,

**6 - Financial Focus**

11:10,

**6.1 - Financial Assurance Report**

*For assurance*

11:10, Huw Thomas (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Finance)

**6.2 - Annual Statement of Financial Procedures** *For information*  
11:20, Huw Thomas (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Finance)

**6.3 - Counter Fraud Update** *For information*  
11:25, Benjamin Rees (Hywel Dda UHB - Local Counter Fraud Specialist)

## **7 - Assurance and Risk**

11:30,

**7.1 - External Recommendations and Welsh Health Circulars Assurance Report** *For assurance*  
11:30, Joanne Wilson (Hywel Dda UHB - Director of Corporate Governance/Board Secretary)

## **8 - Post Payment Verification**

11:40,

**8.1 - Post Payment Verification (PPV) Annual Report** *For assurance*  
11:40,  
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**8.2 - Primary Care PPV Report** *For assurance*  
11:40,  
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## **9 - For Information**

11:40,

**9.1 - ARAC Workplan 2025/26** *For information*  
11:40,

**10 - Any Other Business**

11:40,

**11 - Review of Meeting**

11:40,

**11.1 - Matters and Risks for Escalation to the Board**

*For discussion*

11:40,

**12 - Date and Time of Next Meeting**

11:40,

9.30am, 14 April 2026