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Subject:	Bronglais General Hospital (BGH) roof repairs
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Requested:

Following on from your press release dated 11 July 2024 regarding Bronglais Hospital emergency roof repairs, could you please confirm at what date did you become aware of the problem?

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that the roof replacement project in BGH was identified as part of the Major Infrastructure long list of priority schemes in 2019. At the time, a 'spend to save' Photovoltaic (PV) installation project was explored to address the issue; however, as it did not meet the criteria and eight (8) year payback requirements for the Welsh Government (WG) carbon scheme, the project was not progressed.

Originally, both the front of house and medical block roofs were to be replaced. However, for the reasons provided above, only the front of house roof was replaced. The medical block roof replacement scheme remained on the Major Infrastructure long list of priority schemes but was not progressed as it is subject to WG business case scrutiny and approval, and the capital funding requirements on the programme were significantly reduced.

The significant concern was identified in early 2024, when leaks became more apparent. Following investigation, a decision was made in mid-May 2024, that Meurig Ward should be closed, and repairs should be made to the entire medical block roof; it was agreed to empty the ward by Friday 31 May 2024.