

Reference:	FOI.4420.20
Subject:	Penally Camp
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Requested:

1. Please provide us with copies of any correspondence you have had with the UK Government and the Home Office in particular about the use of the Penally Camp to house asylum seekers.
2. Please provide us with any assessments that have been completed regarding the health care provision for asylum seekers at the Penally Camp.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that some of this information is already within the public domain, as it was published as part of a paper taken to the UHB's Quality Safety & Experience Assurance Committee (QSEAC). The UHB has therefore applied an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as the information is accessible by another means.

For ease of reference please click on the link below, which will take you directly to the QSEAC meeting paper that provides an update on health provision at the Penally Camp and incorporates a copy of the open letter, dated 25 September 2020 at Appendix 1:

<https://hduhb.nhs.wales/about-us/governance-arrangements/statutory-committees/quality-safety-and-experience-assurance-committee-qseac/qseac/extraordinary-quality-safety-and-experience-assurance-committee-meeting-13-november-2020/item-2-3-health-response-to-the-use-of-the-mod-tra/>

As requested, the UHB provides copies of additional correspondence between the UHB and the Home Office in relation to the use of the Penally Camp to house asylum seekers, at Attachments 1, 2, 3 & 4.

2. The UHB has provided copies of the assessments listed below, which were undertaken as part of the UHB's responsibility to provide health care for individuals housed at the Penally Camp:
 - Penally Infection Prevention Control site visit assessment, at Attachment 5.
 - Penally site issues and recommendations, at Attachment 6.
 - Penally Coronavirus Risk Assessment, at Attachment 7.
 - Penally Violence and Aggression Risk Assessment, at Attachment 8.

Additionally, the UHB provides the COVID-19 Infection Prevention Control (IPC) Action Cards being utilised to manage COVID-19 within the Penally Camp:

- IPC Action Card on managing a suspected (possible) case of COVID-19 in a service user (asylum seeker) in Penally (Asylum) Camp, at Attachment 9.
- IPC Action Card on managing a confirmed (positive) case of COVID-19 in a service user (asylum seeker) in Penally (Asylum) Camp, at Attachment 10.