

CYFARFOD BWRDD PRIFYSGOL IECHYD UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD MEETING

DYDDIAD Y CYFARFOD: DATE OF MEETING:	14 December 2023
TEITL YR ADRODDIAD: TITLE OF REPORT:	Withybush Hospital (WGH) Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) – Internal Major Incident Red RAG Rated Remedial Work at Outpatient Department A and Main Kitchen, WGH
CYFARWYDDWR ARWEINIOL: LEAD DIRECTOR:	Andrew Carruthers, Executive Director of Operations Lee Davies, Executive Director of Strategy and Planning
SWYDDOG ADRODD: REPORTING OFFICER:	Lee Davies, Executive Director of Strategy and Planning

Pwrpas yr Adroddiad (dewiswch fel yn addas) Purpose of the Report (select as appropriate) Ar Gyfer Penderfyniad/For Decision

ADRODDIAD SCAA SBAR REPORT Sefyllfa / Situation

This report set out the position with regards to Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete Planks (RAAC) at the Withybush Hospital (WGH) site.

The surveys undertaken to date of RAAC at the WGH site have identified critical planks in need of intervention works across the hospital site. It includes the remedial works associated with Outpatient Department A (OPD A) and Main Kitchen in response to the risks identified and the costs to provide corrective action across the 2023/24 and 2024/25 financial years.

Funded by Welsh Government support, approval is sought to award the contract to deliver the main contract work for OPD A and Main Kitchen, in line with Welsh Government guidance.

Cefndir / Background

RAAC is a material used in construction in many buildings between the 1960s and 1990s. Its presence has been confirmed in a range of National Health Service (NHS) properties across the United Kingdom (UK) and includes several properties in Wales. All actions now being undertaken by Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDdUHB) are fully aligned to revised industry guidance which was updated in early 2023.

This new industry guidance is based on more intensive research which has shown that this material has a far lower structural loading capacity than other generic reinforced concrete products. Due to this fact, there is a risk of structural collapse should the product fail. The condition of RAAC Planks has been shown to deteriorate if water is present due to roof leaks, etc, which can compromise the reinforcement bars contained within these planks.

The outcome of the survey to date for the ground floor is that critical planks have been found in concerning numbers. When critical planks are found, the affected areas are urgently supported with temporary propping to make the areas safe for reoccupation. Where this is not possible due to the number and location of temporary propping, areas will remain empty and closed until remediation is complete. We are working closely with specialist engineers to ensure that we have appropriate systems in place to give assurance as we move forward with this discovery phase.

In addition, we have decommissioned the main kitchen at WGH and made arrangements for the temporary reprovision of service until full remediation.

Asesiad / Assessment

The award of capital funding from Welsh Government to HDdUHB in respect of the mitigation of risks identified due to the presence of RAAC at WGH was gained on 29 August 2023, in the sum of £12.8m.

The Contract will be funded via the £12.8m WG funding and is in line with NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership's ("NWSSP") Construction Framework West: HDdUHB - £200k to £2million is compliant with UK/EU procurement legislation.

This Contract Award is also in line with Section 10 of the NHS Wales Infrastructure Investment Guidance. Paragraph 13 (3) of Schedule 2 to the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 requires Local Health Boards to obtain Welsh Ministers' consent to acquire and dispose of property and enter into contracts. Contract approvals over £1m for individual schemes will be sought as part of the normal business case submission process where funding from the NHS Capital Programme is required.

The HDdUHB Estates, Facilities and Capital Management directorate seeks to establish a single call-off contract for the provision of a RAAC remedial work, WGH at OPD A and Main Kitchen.

HDdUHB and Swansea Bay University Health Board (SBUHB) established a framework to appoint suitably qualified construction contractors to undertake various packages of minor/intermediate and major works across the Health Boards' entire geographical area via compliant construction frameworks.

The framework is capable of delivering construction projects up to £2m net construction works value threshold and in addition, offering a consistent and predictable programme of work of sufficient scale to attract market interest.

The budget for the contract works is £1,178,670.00 (excluding VAT). This includes the following:

- Outpatients Department A: £715,000.00
- Temporary kitchens enablement works: £150,000.00
- Lower ground floor kitchen area: £263,670.00
- Temporary kitchen reinstatement: £50,000.00

Phase 1 OPD A & Main Kitchen Works	£554,109.07
Phase 2 – Main Kitchen RAAC Support Works	£478,816.48
Adjustment following financial correction	£309.60
Provisional Sums	£95,000.00
Performance Bond	£12,500.00
Contingency (reduced for financial correction)	£29,690.40
Agreed Contract Sum	£1,170,425.55

The outcome of the suppliers' bid based on their written response resulted in a recommendation to award the contract to 'Lewis Construction Ltd', as their bid offered the best fit with the key criteria, could meet the required timescales and offered the best overall value for money.

Lewis Construction submitted a tender for the works for OPD A and Main Kitchen in the sum of \pm 1,170,425.55 (excluding VAT).

Argymhelliad / Recommendation

The Board is requested to:

- **APPROVE** award of the contract at £1,170,425.55 (excluding VAT) to 'Lewis Construction Ltd', with call-off agreement to be prepared and executed by the Health Board
- **NOTE** that, as the continued structural surveys take place at WGH, the construction framework suppliers will be asked to provide framework costs for the works required on a rotational basis as the requirements at each phase are confirmed

Amcanion: (rhaid cwblhau)	
Objectives: (must be completed)	
Cyfeirnod Cofrestr Risg Datix a Sgôr	1382
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Datix Risk Register Reference and	1707
Score:	
Parthau Ansawdd:	Not Applicable
Domains of Quality	1. Safe
Quality and Engagement Act	2. Timely
(sharepoint.com)	4. Efficient
Galluogwyr Ansawdd:	Not Applicable
Enablers of Quality:	
Quality and Engagement Act	
(sharepoint.com)	
Amcanion Strategol y BIP:	4. The best health and wellbeing for our individuals,
UHB Strategic Objectives:	families and communities
Amcanion Cynllunio	5a Estates Strategies
Planning Objectives	C C
Amcanion Llesiant BIP:	10. Not Applicable
UHB Well-being Objectives:	
Hyperlink to HDdUHB Well-being	
Objectives Annual Report 2021-2022	

Gwybodaeth Ychwanegol: Further Information:	
Ar sail tystiolaeth:	Within report
Evidence Base:	
Rhestr Termau:	Within report
Glossary of Terms:	
Partïon / Pwyllgorau â ymgynhorwyd	Health & Safety Committee
ymlaen llaw y Cyfarfod Bwrdd lechyd	
Prifysgol:	
Parties / Committees consulted prior	
to University Health Board:	

Effaith: (rhaid cwblhau) Impact: (must be completed)		
Ariannol / Gwerth am Arian: Financial / Service:	Capital Funding in place to deliver the RAAC remedial works.	
Ansawdd / Gofal Claf: Quality / Patient Care:	Direct impact on patient environment.	
Gweithlu: Workforce:	Staffing impacts being mapped out by operational site teams with full HR support.	
Risg: Risk:	The risk is identified on the corporate risk register. Targeted meetings being arranged to manage the programme, to include development of project specific risk register.	
Cyfreithiol: Legal:	Not applicable	
Enw Da: Reputational:	High potential for media and political interest. Communication team supporting the programme.	
Gyfrinachedd: Privacy:	Not applicable	
Cydraddoldeb: Equality:	Not applicable	