



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

ATISN 15208

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Dear

ATISN 15208 – Plans for new UHW and Velindre Cancer Centre

Thank you for your request to the Welsh Government for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) received on 9 June. You asked for the following information in relation to plans for the new UHW and Velindre Cancer Centre:

- 1. Have the plans for the new UHW considered the new Velindre Cancer Centre?*
- 2. Has there been consultation between the Welsh Government, C&V UHB UHW and Velindre NHS Trust regarding how these two separate development plans will operate together. Please provide the date of any consultations between the Welsh Government and both C&V UHB and Velindre NHS Trust.*
- 3. Request for all information regarding consultation of how these two plans will operate together including information held on computer, email, printed or hand written documents, images, video or audio recordings.*

Response

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (C&VUHB) submitted a Programme Business Case for its future hospitals programme on 1 March. This Programme Business Case is an overarching document identifying the organisational plans for transforming clinical services including the need for new infrastructure. As such there is no specific developed business case for a new University Hospital of Wales and nothing has been approved by Welsh Ministers. The submission of a Programme Business Case does not constitute an approved plan to construct a new hospital. This is the first stage in a very long process and would be subject to further specific business cases should the Programme Business Case be endorsed in future.

There has not been any formal consultation process or any specific meetings to determine the relationship between Velindre University NHS Trust's Outline Business Case for the new Velindre Cancer Centre and C&VUHB's Programme Business Case for its Future Hospitals Programme.

In light of point above, there is no recorded information held by us regarding consultation between Velindre NHS Trust about its Outline Business Case for the new Velindre Cancer Centre and C&VUHB's Programme Business Case for its Future Hospitals Programme.

However, whilst the Welsh Government has no recorded information on this matter, this does not mean that discussions have not taken place between these organisations. In developing their Programme Business Case, the expectation would be that C&VUHB would have engaged with a range of stakeholders, including Velindre University NHS Trust, on its overarching strategy. There is already a Cancer Collaborative Leadership Group looking at how the South East Wales region will work as a whole to deliver cancer services which includes C&VUHB clinicians. Part of this picture is the development of the new Velindre Cancer Centre, but other hospitals and locations will also contribute to a network of cancer services. The role of a new University Hospital of Wales in this overall picture will be developed at a future point if the case is taken forward.

Next Steps

The request you sent me contains personal information about you - for example, your name and address. The Welsh Government will be the data processor for this information and, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation, it will be processed in order to fulfil our public task and meet our legal obligations under the Act to provide you with a response. We will only use this personal information to deal with your request and any matters which arise as a result of it. We will keep your personal information and all other information relating to your request for three years from the date on which your request is finally closed. Your personal information will then be disposed of securely.

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- to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) who is our independent regulator for data protection

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Cathays Park
CARDIFF
CF10 3NQ
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Next Steps

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Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
CARDIFF,
CF10 3NQ
Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

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Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
CHESHIRE,
SK9 5AF.

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Yours sincerely,