

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/21/267
Plans for the new UHW and the new Velindre Cancer Centre

Request details

1. I would like to know if the plans for the new UHW have considered the new Velindre Cancer Centre.

A new UHW is in its earliest stages of planning and has not been given any kind of formal go-ahead. A number of business cases will require writing in order to develop UHW into a scheme that could be developed. The first business case, a Programme Business Case has been prepared and is awaiting completion of Welsh Government scrutiny. Completing this phase will not result in a firm plan to replace UHW. The Programme Business Case does not detail how C&V UHB will work with any of the Health Boards and Trusts in South Wales of which, Velindre Cancer Centre is one, more it acknowledges that any new UHW will need to fit within the overall Wales health landscape. This work will take place at a later date.

2. If there has been consultation between C&V UHB UHW and Velindre NHS Trust regarding how these two separate development plans will operate together.

There has not been a formal public consultation on how these two facilities could/would work together. However, both organisations continue to work very closely together as new models of care are developed. The relationship is actively managed via both the Cancer Care Leadership Group (CCLG) which is a regional forum of all CEOs across Velindre, Cardiff & Vale, Cwm Taf, AB and Powys Health Boards and the Cardiff & Vale and Velindre Executive partnership team.

Both forums' work is being shaped by the recommendations made in the recent Nuffield report "*Advice on the proposed model for non-surgical tertiary oncology services in South East Wales*" by Nigel Edwards and Hilary Wilderspin, December 2020.

This document is publicly available on the internet here: [Advice on the proposed model for non-surgical tertiary oncology services in South East Wales | The Nuffield Trust](#)

3. If there has been consultation between the Welsh Government and C&V UHB regarding how these two separate plans will operate together.

There has not been any consultation/formal communication between WG and C&V UHB as to how these proposed facilities will operate together – such assurance would emerge as the C&V business cases are developed.