

Mr Len Richards
Chief Executive Officer
Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board (UHB)

Dear Len,

The Bevan Commission is pleased to support the Cardiff and the Vale UHB application for the new University Hospital of Wales 2 which we believe has the potential to provide a landmark development for Wales as a whole and internationally.

The Commission, the leading independent Think Tank for health and care in Wales, draws from the expertise of its 24 Bevan internationally renowned Commissioners to inform its thinking. We are reassured that this application is consistent with its values and guidance to date and are particularly pleased to see the Prudent Principles central to the proposal. This will help ensure that local people and professionals are a critical component to its design, meeting greatest needs first and supporting innovative and effective use of all skills, resources and evidence.

Demonstrating a sound understanding of the wider context of other support services and social factors impacting on the health and care of people will be fundamental to this as will a sustainable ethos, bringing the Well-being and Future Generations Act into reality in the future.

This proposal demonstrates the importance of transformation through integrated, innovative and collaborative thinking based upon the future health and care needs, not just more of the same. Combining a social model of health and care alongside maximising technological developments and use of data will be key in any future health and care provision. This proposal sets out the foundations from which to realise this and will be an exciting and ambitious opportunity to be a beacon of good practice across the principality.

The Bevan Commission will be happy to formally engage with Cardiff and the Vale Health Board and offer its independent, authoritative advice to the ongoing development of the proposal as it continues to evolve through its planning phases.

We look forward to continuing to work alongside the UHW 2 team to ensure this proposal achieves its potential as a significant ground-breaking proposal for Wales which builds on the vision of the founding father of the NHS, Aneurin Bevan.

Yours Sincerely,

Helen Howson


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