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| **TITLE**  | **Appointment of the Chair of the Citizen Voice Body for Health and Social Care, Wales** |
| **DATE**  | **31 March 2022** |
| **BY** | **Eluned Morgan, Minister for Health and Social Services** |

Following my previous statement, published on 10 January 2022, I am pleased to announce, after a successful recruitment campaign, the appointment of Professor Medwin Hughes DL, as Chair of the Citizen Voice Body for Health and Social Care, Wales. Professor Hughes’ tenure will run for four years until 31 March 2026.

This is an extremely important leadership role for the body responsible for representing the interests of the public in respect of health and social services from 1 April 2023. The next year will be spent building the required relationships, systems and foundations and I look forward to announcing the appointment of the remaining non-executive members in the next few weeks.

Professor Hughes has significant senior leadership experience and has been the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Wales Trinity St David since 2011, although is due to retire from this position shortly.

I look forward to working with Professor Hughes. I am confident that his experience will enable him to establish the Citizen Voice Body for Health and Social Care, Wales as a leading organisation in representing the voices and opinions of the people in respect of health and social care services and support the continuous improvement of person-centred services.

About his appointment, Professor Medwin Hughes has said:

‘I very much value the opportunity to serve in this role and the chance to establish a new national body that focuses on what matters most to people and ensures that the views of individuals and communities are at the very centre of health and social services. I look forward to working with the many partners and people involved in engaging with citizens and delivering their care as we develop the new body.’