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CTM Health Board

Capital Programme Update 2025/26

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Operational Delivery Committee	28/10/2025	Noted

Acronyms / Glossary of Terms	
ECMG	Executive Capital Management Group
IRCF	Integration and Rebalancing Care Fund
DPIF	Digital Priorities Investment Fund
FEN	Fire Enforcement Notice
CRL	Capital Resource Limit



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AWCP	All Wales Capital Programme
NBV	Net Book Value
WG	Welsh Government
PCH	Prince Charles Hospital
RGH	Royal Glamorgan Hospital
PoW	Princess of Wales Hospital
YCC	Ysbyty Cwm Cynon
YGT	Ysbyty George Thomas
TEF	Targeted Estates Fund



1. Situation /Background

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the current Capital resource limit for 2025/26 and expenditure commitments made to date. The report also covers the actual capital expenditure as at Month 6 and a brief update on all current major capital projects

2. Specific Matters for Consideration

2.1 25/26 Capital Funding Position

The latest capital funding position for 25/26 is shown in **Table 1** below comprising £7.375m discretionary and £80.747m All Wales Capital funding.

Table 1 Confirmed CRL funding 2025/ 26	Current CRL £'000
Discretionary allocation 2025/2026	7,375
Prince Charles Hospital Refurbishment - Phase 2	32,607
National Imaging Academy Wales Discretionary	200
Princess of Wales Hospital replacement of roof covering, Fire Enforcement Notice and Electrical Upgrades	10,077
Works at Ysbyty George Thomas - Linked to PCW Roof	139
Works at Ysbyty Owm Cymon - Linked to PCW Roof	853
Diagnostic and Medical Equipment 2024-25	169
Uantrisant Health Park – Site Demolition Costs	700
Uantrisant Health Park – RIBA Stage 3	1,056
Uantrisant Health Park – OBC Phase 1 – Community Diagnostic Hub	2,828
Efab - Fire	136
Efab - Decarbonisation	339
Backlog Maintenance - 2024-25	1,079
TEF - Fire	1,071
TEF - Infrastructure	4,403
TEF - Decarbonisation	1,205
TEF - Mental Health	1,782
TEF - Infection Prevention Control	1,052
TEF - Decontamination	1,366
Interventional Radiology (IR), Royal Glamorgan Hospital	1,571
Pharmacy Robot, Royal Glamorgan Hospital	1,200
Non-Radiology Ultrasound Replacement	474
Mental Health Quality and Safety Schemes	593
Radiology Ultrasound Replacement	858
DPIF	
DPIF - single clinical record within mental health and learning disabilities' (MHLD)	250
DPIF - Digital Maternity Cymru Implementation 2024-25	50
DPIF - Medicines & Prescribing: Electronic Prescribing & Medicines Administration (ePMA)	1,417
DPIF - RISP funding for National Imaging Academy Wales	53
DPIF - RISP	422
IRCF	
Bridgend Health & Wellbeing Centre	12,085
Maesteg Health and Wellbeing Park	712
All Wales Capital Funding	80,747
IFRS 16 Funding	-194
Total WG Funding	87,928
Disposal of Assets with NBV	
Government granted/Donated income	197
Total Capital Funding as at 10.10.2025	88,125

The highlighted schemes shown in Table 1 have received funding approval since the last reported position, adjustments have also been made to existing schemes where required to match the latest cashflow forecast for the year.

Similar to last year's position, the Health Board currently has the highest level of capital funding across Wales with a 23% share of the available funding.

The capital team are working on confirming accurate full year forecasts, particularly for the PCH refurbishment project and Bridgend Health and Wellbeing Centre. Allocation adjustments for these schemes will be requested by early November 2025 to bring allocations in line with the latest forecasts.

Additional allocations are anticipated for recent funding approvals for improvements to helicopter landing sites as well as additional fees for Maesteg Health and Wellbeing Park.

In addition, slippage bids were submitted to WG for consideration at the end of September and early October totalling £15.2m. This includes £0.625m for backlog maintenance schemes, £4.621m for equipment and £9.954m for digital priorities. There have been clear messages from WG that funding would be available to allocate to slippage bids, hence the level of bids submitted. From more recent discussions however it is unclear if this is still the case, an update is expected over the next few weeks.

The spend to 30th September is £35.1m which is equal to 39% of the total committed spend. This is in line with financial planning assumptions.

2.2 Discretionary Programme Commitments 2025/26

As noted above there is £7.375m of Discretionary Capital available in 2025/26. In addition to this the ECMG agree each year to over commit the programme to assist with managing inevitable year end slippage on capital schemes. Last year this was set at 13.5% however this did not cover the slippage encountered and hence a c17.5% overcommitment was agreed for 2025/26. This is based on the initial allocation before deductions such as TEF contribution and hence equates to £2.1m for this year. When slippage is confirmed it is managed appropriately to ensure a balanced outturn position at the end of the financial year.

Table 2 below shows all approvals and commitments as at October 2025 against the areas of ICT, Equipment, Backlog Maintenance, Statutory Compliance and Service Redesign.



Cwm Taf Morgannwg Discretionary Capital Plan 25/26 M6		
Table 2 - Discretionary Funding and Allocations		October Opening Position
Funding Sources		
Discretionary Capital Funding		12,000
TEF Top Slice		-3,196
All Wales Capital Scheme Commitments B/F		-1,429
Property Disposals		0
17.5% Over commitment		2,100
Total Funding (Including over-commitment)		9,475
Department Allocations		-
IT	Funding	1,795
	Expenditure Allocations	1,800
	Contingency Allocation	-
	Overcommitment against allocation	5
Statutory Compliance	Funding	1,486
	Expenditure Allocations	1,486
	Contingency Allocation	-
	Overcommitment against allocation	-
Backlog Maintenance	Funding	2,401
	Expenditure Allocations	2,401
	Contingency Allocation	-
	Overcommitment against allocation	- 0
Equipment	Funding	2,106
	Expenditure Allocations	1,981
	Contingency Allocation	125
	Overcommitment against allocation	-
Service Redesign	Funding	1,563
	Expenditure Allocations	590
	Contingency Allocation	972
	Overcommitment against allocation	- 0
	Contingency b/f disc schemes	-
Sub Total Committed Expenditure		8,258
Subtotal amounts remaining to commit		1,097
Total anticipated Spend		9,355
Position against Funding (including planned overcommitment)		120
Position against actual funding under/(Over)		- 1,980

The table shows that the position is currently £1.980m overcommitted if all funding is fully allocated. Following the re-distribution of funding approved at the last ECMG, it is now in line with the planned overcommitted position to allow for natural slippage on schemes. Currently £1.097m of the above is not yet committed, consequently there are sufficient opportunities within the programme to phase works if required to reduce spend should it be necessary.

2.2.1 Statutory Compliance and Backlog Maintenance

Funding has been fully allocated to high-risk backlog maintenance priorities and statutory compliance with no contingency remaining.

There are a number of outstanding requests for funding, and these were included in the bids recently submitted to WG. Unfunded priorities for this financial year total £0.625m and include a chiller replacement in PoWH, works to North Cornelly Clinic, works to the RGH generator containment and flooring replacements in RGH and PoWH.

If further WG funding is not received a decision will need to be made re timing of these works based on the risk.

2.2.2 Service Driven Schemes

Works schemes are presented and discussed at Operational Capital Group meetings attended by Care Group Directors. There are a significant number of priorities escalated however there is insufficient capacity within the Capital and Estates team to progress all schemes.

Given the extensive number of schemes to develop the works are being carried out on a phased basis. The priority schemes currently being progressed are the Air Handling Unit replacement in the RGH Gynaecology Hub and the Blast chillers replacement in the Central Production Unit. The funding currently being held for these, and other minor schemes is in line with the expected spend this financial year. A number of the schemes will then continue into 2026/27 and advance commitments on next year's discretionary capital are being made to ensure timely delivery.

2.2.3 Equipment Allocation

Operational Capital Group (OCG) met on the 25th September 2025 to discuss equipment priorities to be submitted to WG for funding. The list of equipment totalling £4.621m was submitted to WG early October for consideration. If funding from WG is not forthcoming it is likely that many of these priorities will require alternative funding before the end of the financial year.

The number one priority is for replacement scopes and stacks for Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatography (ERCP) at a cost of c£650k, procurement are engaged to support the service and when they are in a position to progress, a decision on funding will need to be made.

This may be short term hire to cover to the end of March 2025, with a purchase then required from discretionary capital in 2026/27 . An option could also be utilising some slippage funding from AWCP funded schemes in 2025/26 which would then require repayment from discretionary capital in 2026/27. If this option is utilised, then a decision will be required early November before funding is returned to WG.

There are a number of risks to manage over the remaining 6 months of the year but also a number of opportunities available. The position will need further discussion on how best to manage once a steer from WG has been provided on potential funding availability.

Digital bids totalling £9.954m were also submitted to WG for consideration and as with the equipment bids, some of these may need to progress if not funded by WG.

2.3 Major Capital Schemes

The update on the major capital projects is provided in **Appendix 1**.

2.4 Disposals

The disposal of Pontypridd Health Centre is progressing with a sale expected to complete late in 2025. Proceeds from the sale will be reinvested in the digital programme as directed by Executives when setting the capital programme for 25/26.

The disposal of Bryncethin Clinic is also anticipated to complete in November 2025, this is part of the land swap arrangement with Linc Cymru for the land on which Bridgend Health and Wellbeing Centre is being built.

Plans for vacating Pontypridd Cottage Hospital are under review

3. Key Risks / Matters for Escalation

- 3.1 The uncertain funding position with regards to additional approvals from WG means that the allocated programme may need to be adjusted and/or commitments made from next year's discretionary capital.

4. Assessment

Objectives / Strategy	
Dolen i Nod (au) Strategol BIP CTM / Link to CTMUHB Strategic Goal(s)	Improving Care
	If more than one applies please list below:
Dolen i Feysydd Strategol BIP CTM / Link to CTMUHB Strategic Areas	Living Well
	If more than one applies please list below:
Dolen i Ddeddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol – Nodau Llesiant / Link to Wellbeing of Future Generations Act – Wellbeing Goals 150623-guide-to-the-fg-act-en.pdf (futuregenerations.wales)	A Healthier Wales
	If more than one applies please list below:
Dolen i Hwyluswyr Ansawdd (<i>Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)</i>) / Link to Enablers of Quality (<i>Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales)</i>)	Whole-systems Perspective
	If more than one applies please list below:
Dolen i Feysydd Ansawdd (<i>Canllawiau Statudol Dyletswydd Ansawdd (llyw.cymru)</i>) / Link to Domains of Quality	Safe
	If more than one applies please list below: Effective Efficient



(Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance (gov.wales))	
Effaith Amgylcheddol/ Cynaliadwyedd (5R) / Environmental /Sustainability Impact (5Rs)	No - Not Applicable
	If more than one applies please list below:

Impact Assessment		
Ansawdd <i>Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Ansawdd? /</i> Quality <i>Have you undertaken a Quality Impact Assessment Screening?</i>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome:	If no, please include rationale below:
Cydraddoldeb a'r Gymraeg <i>Ydych chi wedi ymgymryd â Sgrinio Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Gydraddoldeb a'r Gymraeg? /</i> Equality and Welsh Language <i>Have you undertaken an Equality and Welsh Language Impact Assessment Screening?</i>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Outcome for Equality (delete as appropriate): POSITIVE/NEUTRAL NEGATIVE Outcome for Welsh Language (delete as appropriate): POSITIVE/NEUTRAL NEGATIVE	If no, please include rationale below:
Cyfreithiol / Legal	Yes (Include further detail below)	
	Legal implications of the capital programme are assessed for each project and advice sought accordingly but 1 programme is linked to a Fire Enforcement Notice	
Enw da / Reputational	Yes (Include further detail below)	
Effaith Adnoddau <i>(Pobl /Ariannol) /</i> Resource Impact <i>(People / Financial)</i>	Yes (Include further detail below)	
	The paper discusses the use of capital resources	

5. Recommendation

5.1 The Board are asked to:

NOTE the funding position for 25/26, commitments made against this allocation and the bid submitted to WG for additional year-end funding

NOTE the spend to date and risk if further funding is not available from WG

NOTE progress on Major Capital Schemes

NOTE planned disposals in 2025/26

Appendix 1 – Major Capital Schemes Update

1.1. PCH ground and first floor Phase 2

CRL funding for 25/26 for phases 2 and 3 is £32.607M. This now includes an additional £1.3m for the asbestos strip work moved from phase 3 to phase 2. The forecast spend on both phases in 25/26 is currently £28.866M which is £3.7m below the agreed CRL for this year. Further adjustments are however expected to this position in the coming weeks.

Following planning permission being received, a request was submitted to WG to purchase the modular buildings at PCH currently rented as part of the scheme (units 2 and 3). If this purchase is completed this year funding of £3.24m will be required which will offset some of the slippage above.

The full scheme is due to complete in October 2026 and the current forecast is that there will be a £2.5m overspend against the total budget of £221.575m. This overspend is caused by inflationary pressures and it is hoped to mitigate most of this with final VAT recovery and gain share although this will be later after the scheme has completed.

The scheme is split into 7 sections (6 approved within this phase) Sections 1, 2, 3 and 6 have completed.

Construction work is ongoing concurrently in the 2 remaining work sections, namely Sections 4 & 5.

The remaining contingency balance on the total scheme is currently £0.438m.

Final accounts have been agreed on sections 1, 2 and 6 and the gainshare for these is confirmed at £2.6m. However, the remaining gainshare figure is yet to be determined as Section 3 final account is yet to be agreed and Sections 4 & 5 are still in progress. A request to retain the confirmed gainshare to date to cover inflationary pressures on the scheme has been made and agreed with WG.

The scheme has currently committed 96.2% of the available contingency. This is being kept under close review with NWSSP-SES and Welsh Government and will be linked to discussions around retention of the gain share and VAT reclaim.

1.2. PCH ground and first floor Phase 3

The draft Full Business Case for Phase 3 was submitted to WG on the 30th September following support from the Board to submit for technical scrutiny.

The document was being submitted as 'draft' to expedite the scrutiny of clinical and technical aspects of the case and strive for maximum overlap of the Phase 2 and Phase 3 schemes on site.

The funding ask in the draft case is based upon the original scope as per the Programme Business Case. Options to re-programme and reduce the funding ask (but maintain scope) are being explored in parallel to the commencement of the technical scrutiny. The re-programming and adjustment of cost is targeted for completion in November to allow a Final Full Business Case to be submitted to WG by end of December 2025.

1.3. **Bridgend Health and Wellbeing Centre**

On site works are progressing however a further delay has been reported by the contractor and a revised programme has been provided with a forecast completion date of 31st March 2026 (moved from January 2026).

The primary reasons given for the programme delay are: Incomplete stage 3 designs, inadequate service voids, impact of decarbonisation requirements, room use (RDS) amendments, technical submittal approvals and access control RFI timescales. Following discussion and advice from the Health Boards consultants, a deed of variation is being progressed by Linc Cymru on behalf of the Health Board to agree this date with no financial penalty for the HB or for the contractor.

Discussions regarding a pharmacy provider are continuing through the Pharmacy Advisor although this can be a long, complicated process and is not expected to be resolved in time for the opening of the centre which has a revenue impact. A request for expressions of interest is about to be sent out to providers. Advice has been received re the proposed size of the pharmacy following concerns that the space may exceed requirements. The advice concluded that the space is considered appropriate and hence no changes will be made at this time.

The name of the Health Centre has been confirmed as the Bridgend Health & Wellbeing Centre and the new adjacent access road name confirmed as Llys Maen Hir (Standing Stone Court).

Approval has been received from WG for the disposal of Bryncethin, Bryntirion and Quarella Road Clinics. The transfer of Bryncethin has been expedited and legal documents are currently being prepared. A proposed date of November 14th is being targeted for the transfer.

Whilst this is part of the land swap arrangement with Linc Cymru, initially Bryncethin will be purchased by Linc at the value agreed in the business case. On completion of the Health Centre and hence transfer of land to the Health Board, the 2 remaining clinics will transfer to Linc along with repayment of funds received.

1.4. **POWH – Roof and Compliance Programme**

The handover of Neo Natal, Wards 11 and 12 together with the new (temporary) 6 Bed ITU Unit was achieved on Monday 13th January 2025. The works were witnessed by NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Specialist Estates Services. SCBU resumed service on site Mon 10th Feb and Maternity resumed service Mon 17th Feb. ITU returned to its original location 12th June.

Internal works in Ward 5,6,7 and 8 were completed with handover on 24th July

Overall completion date of 13th August was achieved with handover of main Theatres and the roof. All scaffolding has been taken down and the contractor has vacated the site offices. The site offices, compound and fencing were removed from site by the end of August.

Additional cleaning/maintenance to the roof of Phase 2, MPEC and the Eye Unit continued into Sept/early Oct however Scott's and WRS have now fully vacated the site.

The additional works in YGT and YCC are both complete and approval received to utilise the underspend from YCC to fund overspend in YGT and the main roof programme.

The final account on the main roof programme has been agreed with the contractor and is in line with the forecast position. The other expenditure items are being finalised, but the outturn position is expected to remain within the revised allocation.

RGH Temporary Theatres

As a consequence of the works, alternative capacity of 4 theatres and 2 endoscopy rooms was sourced for R Glam. Endoscopy returned to PoWH 6th June. Theatres returned to PoWH beginning of September.

The Health Board are currently in discussion with the supplier over the final account for the enabling works. There are a number of variations included that the Health Board consider should already be included as part of a turnkey solution and hence these requests for additional fees are being challenged. A meeting is scheduled for November to discuss in detail with the supplier.

1.5. **Maesteg Health and Wellbeing Centre**

Due to business sensitivities the update on the Maesteg Health and Wellbeing Centre is being received in closed session.

1.6. **Targeted Estates Funding (TEF) Schemes**

Background

The Welsh Government has approved £23.63M of schemes over 2 years as part of its TEF programme to upgrade and replace significant elements of the Health Board's Estates infrastructure across various sites. The Health Board must contribute 30% of this funding, which is top sliced from the opening discretionary position.

A total of 52 schemes have been approved all of which come under one of six headings: Infrastructure, Fire Safety, Mental Health, Decarbonisation, IPC & Decarbonisation. By their very nature, each scheme is technically complex and significant external mechanical and electrical engineering expertise is required to ensure appropriately designed schemes are prepared for competitive tender and experienced contractors are appointed to ensure delivery. In some cases, however, procurement of contractors will be via direct ward to ensure compatibility with existing systems and processes (this is particularly the case regarding our fire and BMS systems).

RGH AHU Replacement Theatres 1-4

This package of works is the most significant and incorporates four TEF bids with the principal project to replace end of life air handling unit plant feeding theatres 1-4 at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital. While the theatres are vacant we will also look to upgrade the emergency and general lighting in Theatres 1 and 2 as well as cosmetic upgrades to all four theatres. We will utilise the temporary Vanguard mobile theatre provision already on the RGH site giving us a timescale of works, beginning in mid-November 2025 and completing in February 2026. The programme will, however, be confirmed once a main contractor has been appointed at the end of October 2025.

Whilst the theatre works are being undertaken, we will also be upgrading the UPS (uninterruptible power supply) battery backup and installing IPS (isolated power supply) to the ITU department to bring it in line with current standards. We will also take the opportunity to replace the obsolete nurse call currently serving the area.

The final element of this works package is to introduce new UPS and IPS to the Coronary Care Department at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital. This will provide flexibility and resilience to the site, as well as providing a safe and resilient electrical system for our patients ensuring they remain safe by removing the risks of electrical failure or electrical faults that may cause them harm.

The works have been split into three phases, Phase 1 theatre works, Phase 2 CCU works and Phase 3 ITU works.

The Planned Care Group have agreed that Theatres 1 – 4 inclusive will transfer to the Vanguard mobile theatres by Friday 7th November.

Whilst this programme is currently on track, each milestone in this scheme is critical in ensuring the works are complete in time for the end of the Vanguard contract. Once the tenders have been evaluated the total forecast outturn for all elements will be assessed against the current budget to ensure this is sufficient to progress.

POWH Centralised Scope Decontamination

Funding has been approved to centralise scope decontamination in POWH. The principal driver is to retain JAG accreditation for Endoscopy as the current non-compliant layout has led to the loss of accreditation, but the scheme includes decontamination for all the flexible endoscopes on site in other services such as Urology and ENT. A provisional layout has been agreed with the users and this informed the brief.

A design team was appointed in August and hence design is progressing. This scheme will potentially mean the old, vacant modular building (former Booking Clerks' office) will be demolished and replaced like for like (thus not requiring a planning application) to be able to decant the occupants of the former Histopathology laboratory that will be refurbished for the scope decontamination department. A service lead to co-ordinate the revenue implications between several clinical services needs to be nominated. Project Team meetings will commence in October.

Ty Llidiard Extra Care Areas (ECA)

Lead Consultants for this scheme have worked closely with the Care Group to progress the detailed design. Specialist anti-ligature & anti-barricade doors with associated access control systems are an essential requirement for this environment and have been incorporated into the detailed design however these may be unaffordable within the current allocation and hence additional funding may be required. An allowance for this has been made within the service redesign funding however based on the pre-tender estimate provided the full extent of the proposed works will not be affordable and may need to be risk assessed and value engineered.

Tender returns for the main contractor appointment are due back Friday 18th October

PoWH HSDU AHU Replacement

Following a mini competition on the C&V framework, a main contractor has been appointed to replace the air handling unit in PoWH HSDU. Detailed discussions

were held with the service on the contingency plan to vacate HSDU in PoWH and transfer to R Glam HSDU. Whilst the dept is vacant it has been agreed to bring forward the purchase and installation of the 2 porous load steam sterilisers (also TEF funded) into the AHU scheme to avoid a second period of disruption. An additional washer disinfecter will also be installed during the period as well as adjustable sinks that were previously approved from discretionary capital. Work commenced mid-October and is due to complete Feb 2026. Following completion of this work and the return to PoWH, minor works are planned for RGH including a replacement steriliser, racking and drying cabinet.

Mental Health works – YCC and Angelton

The capital team have been working with the Care Group to establish a viable programme of works for the IP&C works in Angelton along with the two phases of work to develop fit for purpose Older Adult Wards. It has recently been agreed that these works will be packaged together with one contractor to give maximum flexibility with the order in which the works progress, given the uncertainty around access to these areas. This has delayed the programme slightly but this is being managed in conjunction with care group leads, slippage on this funding is anticipated.

PoWH Roof works

Whilst the funding for remaining roof replacements/upgrades is programmed into 2026/27 urgent works have been identified that will be progressed in year. The works were scoped following recent water ingress in Ward 16 and Y Bwythyn Newydd. Awaiting confirmation of procurement support for direct award to undertake these works prior to winter. This will bring forward spend programmes for next financial year.

Other TEF Schemes

Project managers are working on a further 28 TEF funded schemes including nurse call replacements, lift upgrades and significant fire safety works. Updates will be provided in future months based on risk. Discussions have commenced regarding a number of key 26/27 schemes that have a service impact, as a reminder some of the are listed below.

RGH

- Negative pressure isolation room - **on hold pending service confirmation re location**
- A&E IPS/UPS to resus and majors

PoWH

- Negative pressure isolation room- **on hold pending service confirmation re location**
- A&E IPS/UPS to resus and majors

- Main entrance toilets

In addition, there are significant Mental Health related schemes to deliver in Pinewood and PCH Emergency Department.

A full programme of works planned for PoWH was discussed with the General Manager and estates lead for awareness of the significant number of schemes progressing on the site. This programme of work will be regularly updated and shared with the site team to ensure awareness as schemes progress. This is also in development for RGH.

1.7. **Llantrisant Health Park**

The Phase 1, Community Diagnostics Hub and supporting infrastructure was submitted to WG in draft format on 5th September 2025. Following approval at CTM Board and endorsement at both AB and CAVUHB Boards this was confirmed to WG as the final version on 25th September 2025. Scrutiny is ongoing but IIB is scheduled for the 16th October and work is ongoing with regional partners to prepare for the same.

The site wide planning application went to planning committee on 18th September where it was recommended for approval. The documentation is awaited however conditions were not expected to be too onerous. There will need to be a non-material amendment made to reflect small changes made as a result of the phasing on phase 1 and for the changes to phase 2 later on in the process. An outcome to the SAB application is awaited and should be received by the 20th October.

An application for Phase 2 fees to support the development of the OBC for the orthopaedic hub is awaited. Some clarifications were requested, and a meeting was held with WG on 6th October. It is hoped that an approval letter will be forthcoming imminently. In order to maintain programme work has commenced at risk otherwise an OBC could not be delivered in November.

Following the approval at Programme Board for Phase 2 to be a regional orthopaedic hub there has been some re-design works commenced by MTX and the OBC will be based on the outcomes of a revisited RIBA 2 with 1:200 drawings available. The current programme indicates an immediate recommencement of a revisited RIBA 3 during the OBC approval period. It should be noted that the main changes will be architectural as the changes are not expected to materially impact on the structural or M&E solutions originally proposed. Alongside this the first phase of the orthopaedic plan has been developed and was approved by all 3 regional boards in September. This has provided the demand and capacity modelling to support the right sizing of the Phase 2 orthopaedic hub.

As part of the Phase 1 scrutiny process, WG have requested an indicative programme cost, the programme will focus on the two priority phases as outlined

above. Any plans for a 3rd phase will be scoped out and considered separately and will require further regional consideration of the service to be included.

Demolitions have now completed with the contractors having left site as of the 3rd October. A small number of snagging issues remained, and completion is expected to be confirmed by 16th October. After adjusting for the change to the programme to accommodate car parking, the programme delivered within the agreed cost envelope. Although slightly over the original timeframe this did not cost the Health Board any additional prelims or costs. Due to delays in the main programme associated with phasing this has also not impacted on the critical path.

The site currently remains in use as overflow parking during the day however if phase 1 remains on programme this will need to vacate by January 2026.

1.8. **Llanilid Health and Wellbeing Hub**

An initial application including a 'concept paper' was submitted for IRCF Funding for the above. The project is at a very early stage but a very high-level estimate of c£17m has been forecast based on advice from consultants working on other similar projects across Wales. The application was supported at the RPB Integrated Leadership Board on 23rd May and submitted to IRCF Panel for consideration at the 16th July meeting. The application was supported at the 17th September IRCF Panel and subsequently approved by the Cabinet Secretary early October. Fees were requested for business case development across 2025/2026 and 2026/2. A formal funding letter is awaited however given the delays, minimal funding is expected to be required in 2025/26

Discussions have commenced with NWSSP-SES on appointing a Supply Chain Partner.

1.9. **Kier Hardie Health Park**

IRCF capital investment is also being sought by the Local Authority to redesign and extend the existing footprint and facilities of the Learning Disabilities Unit based at the Integrated and Health Wellbeing Hub at Keir Hardie Health Park in Merthyr Tydfil. The building is owned by the Health Board but the service is run by the LA hence they are leading on developing the case. If fees are awarded though this scheme will need to be run by the Health Board. To add to the complexity the scheme has not been merged with another project in one bid.

The bid has been completed by the Regional Capital Project Manager, signed by the Health Board and submitted on the 10th July for consideration. Scrutiny questions were received and responded to in September.

The project is due to be present to the IRCF panel on the 19th November 2025.