

A Local Conversation

The Future of Health and Social Care in Merthyr Tydfil

On 21st October 2024, Llais Cwm Taf Morgannwg hosted a Public Forum in Merthyr Tydfil to discuss the future of health and social care services.

Representatives from Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board and Merthyr Tydfil Social Services presented their vision for the future of services in Merthyr.

The public who attended had an opportunity to share their views and experiences.



Insights from the Local Conversation in Merthyr Tydfil

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Demand on services is very high - concerns about waiting lists and ambulance and emergency department wait times

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There are not enough GP appointments - the health board is thinking about reshaping services so GP practices can work more closely together

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Concerns about services for an ageing population - Hospital at Home and preventative models are planned to achieve better outcomes from older people

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Hospital isn't always the best place to be - early interventions and integrated services can prevent and shorten hospital stays where possible

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Accessing services can be confusing - better signposting is needed to make things clearer

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Llantrisant Health Park - plans for the new site should have a positive impact on wait times for orthopedic surgeries

A Local Conversation is an opportunity to bring communities, service providers and decision makers together to share views and experiences.

The voice of the public is used to help shape the future of health and social care services locally, regionally and nationally.

Llais Cwm Taf Morgannwg would like to thank **Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board** and **Merthyr Tydfil Social Services** for their presentations and the members of public who came along to ask questions and share their views.



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