



# Board Paper

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<b>Paper Title:</b>	CEO Report
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<b>Purpose of Paper:</b>	<b>Information</b>
<b>Recommendation:</b>	To provide the Board with an update of activity since the last Board meeting

1. **NRW Transformation – Case for Change**: on 20 April we published our NRW ‘Case for Change’ document to staff. This is the overarching business case for the changes that will be delivered through the Business Area Reviews (BARs) and Senior Management Review (SMR). The links have been sent to Board Members. The direction of travel on the BARs is an agenda item for the Board meeting (development session). The SMR proposal is for consultation, with a closing date for comments of 9 May – an update will be given at the Board meeting.
2. **People Survey 2016** – was launched on 11 April; full results will be available at the end of May, and an update provided at the Board meeting (development session).
3. **Welsh Government**: Preparations are underway for initial engagement with the incoming Welsh Government. An analysis of manifesto commitments has been carried out, and a programme of engagement is being developed.
4. **Meetings**: I have undertaken the following meetings since the last Board:

Coal Authority – discussing data / evidence and ongoing policy issues, including metal mine remediation (on Board agenda).

Future Generations Commissioner, South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable – with the Chair and Gareth O’Shea, to discuss the emerging approaches and issues for the Public Services Boards in South Wales.

Universities Wales – On 19 April I signed a Memorandum of Understanding between NRW and Universities Wales, with Prof Colin Riordon as the UW co signatory. This follows the initial approach by NRW in December 2014 outlining areas for engagement, now confirmed as being evidence provisioning; learning and training; facility sharing; developing business and innovation. Work is ongoing on HEI / NRW evidence platform, which should be formalised later in May.

Health & Safety Executive - business priorities of mutual interest, including major incidents.

Coastal Practitioners Conference 27/28 April – introductory speaker at UK conference organised by NRW; Chair and Deputy Chair also attending.

Heads of Government Offices – regular 6 month meeting.

5. **Site Visits** – I have undertaken the following site visits since the last Board meeting:

Clawddnewydd – discussing and seeing the NRW harvesting operation at Clocaenog.

Swansea – to visit progress in NRW trial area.

Wye Valley – to visit conservation and access issues.

6. **Cwrs Gloywi Iait** – I have attended the first session of the course to improve Welsh language writing and oral skills.

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