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ADSS Cymru

**To be the professional and strategic
leadership organisation for Social
Services in Wales**

- Independent unincorporated association
- Launched in 2007
- A membership organisation
- Managed by an Executive Council



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Strategic themes

- Models of Care
- Safeguarding and Prevention
- Resources and Commissioning
- Workforce and leadership Development
- Objectives include:

Work with all partners to lead on the
transformation of Social Services in Wales

Develop and strengthen relationships between
commissioners and providers



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Challenges

- Comprehensive Spending review
- Local services review
- Paying for Care
- Independent Commission in Wales
 - need to lighten the load around policy initiatives
- Law commission reform of Adult Social Care
- Supporting Carers



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Opportunities?

- Legislative competency orders (LCO)
 - Carers
 - Non Domiciliary Care charging
- Citizen Directed Support
 - Still emerging in Wales BUT Different approach to England
 - Direct payments continued emphasis
 - Greater emphasis on Community support
- Services based on outcomes NOT tasks



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Managing more with less

- Demographics
- Reviewing eligibility criteria
- Smarter commissioning
 - SSIA involvement in N Wales
- Re-ablement
- Care Monitoring



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The home of the mythical generic worker?





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Collaboration

- Social Services Improvement Agency
 - Re ablement
 - Working with North Wales Authorities
 - Commission individual work with John Bolton
 - Role of telecare/telehealth
 - Supporting people funding
 - Low level services
 - Intermediate care
- Academic collaboration
 - National
 - Local



Thank you very much

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