## Health and Wellbeing Group December 2021

The December meeting of the Patient and Public Involvement Senate of the Innovation Agency received one new presentation and one update which are described below.

## Morecambe Bay Reusable Hood (Neville Clokey)

https://www.uhmb.nhs.uk/news-and-events/latest-news/game-changing-personal-protective-equipment-developed-protect-nhs-staff-fight-against-covid-19

The aerospace company BAE systems have teamed up with the Lancashire-based firm Lancastle to develop the 'Morecambe Bay Hood' which is a full-face protective hood to be worn by medical staff as PPE in place of FFP3 facemasks. It is said to be more comfortable to wear and because of the relatively large area of clear plastic around the face, it is easier for patients to see the facial expressions of clinicians. A lot more information can be found by accessing the link above.

## Wellheeled.

## https://www.wellheeled.net/

Some of the members of the group attended the meeting in person enabling the speaker from last month to demonstrate the socks that he has developed. I was unable to be there but could see and hear that the product was well received. It is hoped that the socks will be available from February 2022.

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