

AGENDA

One Newport Public Services Board – 3 October 2019

10.00 am

Newport City Homes, Nexus House, Mission Court, Newport, NP20 2DW

Indicative times

<i>times</i>	No	Item
10.00	1	Welcome and Introductions
	2	Apologies
	3	Minutes of the meeting held 11 June 2019

Strategy

10.10	4	G10 Update – Chair
10.15	5	Western Powerhouse – Beverly Owen, Newport City Council (verbal update and questions)
10.30	6	National Development Framework 2020-2040 – Tracey Brooks, Newport City Council (Presentation); Consideration of PSB response (Newport City Council response to draft NDF consultation attached for information)

Delivery

10.50	7	Scrutiny letter on the Well-being Plan Annual Report - Chair
10.55	8	i) Local Well-being Plan Q1 Performance Reports– reports from Intervention Leads (Reports attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Newport Offer: Beverly Owen b) Strong Resilient Communities: Nicola Prygodzicz and CS Ian Roberts c) Right Skills: Guy Lacey and Martin Featherstone d) Green and Safe Spaces: Ceri Davies e) Sustainable Travel: Ceri Doyle and Craig Lane
		ii) Minutes of the Strategy and Performance Board held 21 st August 2019: Ceri Doyle / CS Ian Roberts

- 11.45 9 Fairness Commission Training for PSB member employees – Gideon Calder, Chair of the Fairness Commission
- 11.55 10 Building a Healthier Gwent – Will Beer, Public Health Wales (report attached)

Items to note for information

- 11 Community Well-being Profiles (report attached)
- 12 Minutes of the Regional Partnership Board held on 25th July 2019 (minutes attached)
- 13 Forward Work Programme (attached)
- 14 Meeting Dates:
- 10 am Tuesday 10 December 2019. The Friars, Royal Gwent Hospital

Meeting dates in 2020

- 10 am Tuesday, 10 March 2020
- 10 am Tuesday, 9 June 2020
- 10 am Tuesday, 8 September 2020
- 10 am Tuesday, 8 December 2020

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Minutes Newport Public Services Board

Date: 11 June 2019

Time: 10.00 am, University of South Wales, Newport City Campus

Present:

Statutory Partners:

Newport City Council: Cllr D Wilcox (in the Chair) W Godfrey (Chief Executive)

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (ABUHB): N Prygodzicz; K Dew

South Wales Fire and Rescue Service: N Jones

Natural Resources Wales: C Davies

Invited Partners:

Welsh Government: A John

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner: D Garwood-Pask

Heddlu Gwent Police: CI Richard Blakemore

Coleg Gwent: G Handley

University of South Wales: M Cadwallader

Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations: M Featherstone

Newport Third Sector Partnership: C Lane

RSLs: R Lynbeck

Newport Live: S Ward

Officers:

N Dance (PSB Co-ordinator), T McKim, S O'Brian (Newport City Council)

Apologies: CC J Williams, CS I Roberts (Gwent Police), J Cuthbert (Police and Crime Commissioner), S Aitken (Public Health Wales), C Doyle (RSLs), CFO H Jakeway (SWFRS), L Plechowicz (Probation Service)

No	Item	Action
1	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Mark Cadwallader and Darren Garwood-Pask to their first meeting of the PSB.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of the meeting held 12 March 2019</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2019 were confirmed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters arising</p> <p><u>Minute 2 (4) – Regional Partnership Board</u> The Chair and Will Godfrey updated the PSB on work to ensure engagement between the RPB and PSB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The PSB Chair had met with the Chair of the Regional Partnership Board on 13th March and attended a Welsh Government event on 20th March bringing together representatives of RPBs and PSBs. - Discussions were underway at G10 regarding RPB and G10 reciprocal attendance at regional meetings. - The Chair of the RPB will be attending G10 on 18th June. <p><u>Minute 7 – Local Well-being Plan Delivery</u> The Scrutiny Chair was considering the possibility of a Scrutiny member being linked to each Intervention.</p> <p><u>Minute 11 – PSB and Sub-Group Terms of Reference</u> The Third Sector Partnership was meeting in July, with a view to agreeing representatives for intervention boards.</p>	
3	<p>Annual Appointment of Vice- Chair</p> <p>Ceri Davies was appointed Vice- Chair.</p>	
4	<p>Draft Wellbeing Plan Annual Report</p> <p>The Board considered its draft Annual Report 2019-20. Intervention leads presented progress against their respective interventions during the year. It was noted that progress was being made on all interventions. Leads commented on the need to address crossover of activity between interventions and to identify performance measures that relate directly to PSB activity through Well-being Plan steps.</p> <p>The PSB endorsed the vlog outlining the work of the Green and Safe Spaces Integration as an alternative way of presenting the Annual Report. It was considered that this was a positive way forward for all interventions in communicating progress and aiding engagement. Members commented on the need for effective communication and engagement and that this should be an agenda item on all intervention board agendas. The vlog</p>	

	<p>would be shared with the Future Generations Commissioner.</p> <p>C Lane noted the presence of third sector organisations within the vlog and that the Third Sector Partnership would support this intervention.</p> <p>Reference was made to the M4 relief road decision and the Terms of Reference for the new M4 Commission, which did not reference Newport. It was noted that the Council would be raising this with Welsh Government to seek to ensure Newport is part of the solution. PSB partners could also support this approach.</p> <p>Noting that this was his last full PSB meeting, the Chair thanked G Handley for his contribution to the Right Skills intervention and the Board. Guy Lacey would be representing Coleg Gwent on the Board from the autumn. It was noted that a new PSB lead would be required for the Right Skills Intervention Board alongside M Featherstone.</p> <p>Reference was made to a petition made to the Council regarding the city centre. Members were supportive of a PSB response to the petition, and the same approach with future requests and issues.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) to endorse and agree the report. ii) intervention leads to refocus delivery plans on the steps within the wellbeing plan, and identify and address crossover of activity between interventions. iii) Intervention leads to include communication and engagement on intervention board agendas. iv) PSB Members to share the Green and Safe Space vlog with their networks. 	<p>C Lane</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>N Dance</p> <p>W Godfrey</p> <p>Intervention Leads</p> <p>Intervention Leads ALL</p>
5	<p>Minutes of Strategy and Performance Board held 15th May 2019</p> <p>W Beer noted that the S&P Board had agreed the PSB's Communications Plan on 15th May and that potential PSB communications items would be considered at each S&PB meeting going forward.</p> <p>WB is the new Vice-Chair of S&P.</p>	<p>N Dance</p>

	Agreed – To note the minutes.	
6	<p>Safer Newport</p> <p>The Board received a paper updating on progress on the Safer Newport work as the city’s Community Safety Partnership.</p> <p>Members commented on the positive preventative and collaborative focus of this work and that it would be useful to receive figures from other comparable cities on levels of crime and perceptions of crime. D Garwood-Pask will circulate information.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) To note the positive work of Safer Newport since it was established in July 2018 ii) Request that Safer Newport and the sub groups continue to develop performance measures that demonstrate progress against the agreed actions iii) Request a further progress report to the PSB in December 2019 	<p>D Garwood</p> <p>NCC/ I Roberts</p>
7	<p>Early Years Integration Transformation Programme – Ratification of Newport as a Pathfinder</p> <p>The Board received a report outlining Newport’s bid to be a Pathfinder area for the Integration of Early Years Transformation Programme.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) To endorse the proposal for Newport to be involved in the Welsh Government Pathfinder Programme. ii) To report this work through the Strong Resilient Communities Intervention Board. 	<p>S O’Brian. H Williams, C James (NCC)</p>
8	<p>Engagement</p> <p>The board received a report outlining the PSB engagement activity in Newport, particularly young people’s participation and engagement. Members commented on the value of using the bus WiFi to gather the views of local residents.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. To note the work on engagement of children and young people 	<p>ALL</p>

	<p>outlined above and where necessary make any recommendations.</p> <p>II. To confirm the continued need for the Engagement Group, and PSB members to suggest nominees from their organisations.</p> <p>III. To note the support for engagement and resources that the Council's Partnership team can offer to partners e.g. advice on engagement, access to the Youth Council, use of bus wifi surveys, access to schools councils/pupil voice.</p> <p>IV. To task the Engagement Group to undertake a feasibility study of online engagement systems.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>Engagement sub group</p>
9	<p>Partnership Evaluation 2019</p> <p>The board considered proposals for the next PSB self-evaluation exercise. Members commented that the Academi Wales Healthy Boards workshop had been useful and the evaluation questionnaire used at the workshop would be an appropriate tool for the next partnership evaluation.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <p>i) To use the Academi Wales Healthy Board's questionnaire for the 2019 Partnership Evaluation for PSB members</p> <p>ii) To include questions related to the five ways of working</p> <p>iii) To complete the anonymous online survey when circulated.</p> <p>iv) To note progress against the 2017 Action Plan.</p>	<p>N Dance / W Tucker</p> <p>ALL</p>
10	<p>Welsh Government Regional Support Funding 2019-20</p> <p>Agreed to note the report</p>	
11	<p>Minutes of the Regional Partnership Board held on 9th May 2019</p> <p>Agreed to note the minutes</p>	

12	<p>Community Council representation on the PSB</p> <p>Agreed to note Welsh Government’s intention to add a representative from community councils to the list of required ‘invited participants’ on Public Services Boards. One Newport PSB had invited community councils to be part of the Green and Safe Spaces Network and invited the sector to nominate a representative to sit on the Third Sector Partnership and the Engagement Group.</p>	
13	<p>Forward Work Programme</p> <p>The Chair reminded partners that they have the opportunity to submit items for the agenda.</p>	ALL
14	<p>Meeting Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 am Thursday, 3 October 2019. Newport City Homes, Nexus House • 10 am Tuesday, 10 December 2019. The Friars, Royal Gwent Hospital <p><u>Meeting dates in 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 am Tuesday, 11 March 2020 • 10 am Tuesday, 10 June 2020 • 10 am Tuesday, 9 September 2020 • 10 am Tuesday, 9 December 2020 	
15	<p>AOB – Public Health Wales event: 16th July</p> <p>It was noted that Public Health Wales is holding an event on 16th July focused on looking at gaps in life expectancy. All PSB members are welcome to attend.</p>	ALL

Newport City Council Response to [National Development Framework 2020-2040](#)
Consultation Document

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1. NDF Outcomes (chapter 3)

The NDF has proposed 11 Outcomes as an ambition of where we want to be in 20 years' time.

- Overall, to what extent do you agree or disagree the 11 Outcomes are a realistic vision for the NDF?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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- To what extent do you agree with the 11 Outcomes as ambitions for the NDF?

Agree with all of them	Agree with most of them	Agree with some of them	Agree with none of them	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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- If you disagree with any of the 11 Outcomes, please tell us why:

Consideration could perhaps be given to merging some outcomes or perhaps adding an outcome on 'air quality'. Considering the importance of good air quality and it's a topical subject at present, it is given very little acknowledgement and consideration throughout the document. Although a minor point, 11 outcomes is an odd total.

The 11 outcomes set out on page 18 are worded slightly differently to those set out on pages 20/21 – consistency of headings would help.

2. Spatial Strategy (policies 1 - 4)

The NDF **spatial strategy** is a guiding framework for where large-scale change and nationally important developments will be focused over the next 20 years.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the spatial strategy and key principles for development in...

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
Urban areas (Policies 1, 2 & 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rural areas (Policy 4)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- If you have any comments on the spatial strategy or key principles for development in urban and rural areas, please tell us:

Spatial Strategy. Newport Docks has not been identified as a strategic port. Although not a strategic port for ferries, it is argued that it is of national importance in terms of trading goods. The Docks has an ambitious masterplan and keen to develop further. This should be recognised by the NDF.

The illustrative map labels the main urban clusters of 'Wrexham and Deeside' and 'Swansea Bay and Llanelli' (echoing the text on page 24), however the 'Cardiff, Newport and the Valleys' label is not repeated on the illustrative map. It is simply shown as Cardiff and South East Wales. Newport should be identified and the map should include the same text as shown on page 24 for consistency purposes.

Intra-urban connectivity should also be shown as moving between east and west in the SE Wales region between Cardiff and Newport and not just from the Valleys heading southwards.

Page 22 - 'Co-locating homes, jobs and services means focusing on cities and large towns as the main development areas' – this is agreed. However, it could be interpreted as greenfield development should be avoided. Greenfield development and controlled expansion into the countryside is inevitable as there is simply insufficient brownfield land within urban boundaries. The Council agrees with the principle of developing brownfield land first, but this section of the NDF should include some policy text relating to urban extensions and sustainable development on the peripheries of settlements.

Policy 1 - The focus on sustainable travel is welcome, however the wording needs to be stronger to support car free development as a priority.

Policy 2 – Town centres traditionally have good transport links. Concentrating services in the city centre can maximise the use of sustainable travel options.

Policy 3 - This policy focuses upon transport - Air quality is not mentioned. A holistic approach that concentrates on the source of pollution is required. As a starting point the policy should state "All developments that generate road traffic has the potential to damage the environment. In areas of high population density developments that support sustainable travel methods (active travel and public transport) should be prioritised over the more traditional car centric design".

Policy 4 - Supporting our rural areas – it is appreciated that a large number of visitors come to Wales every year from around the world. However, the world needs to reduce the pollution caused by travel and visitors to Wales will expect this to be sustainable. There seems to be no plan to support this promotion of sustainable tourism in Wales, in particular transport. Tourists are more likely to see travel information and be agreeable to this one off behaviour change. Two resources that could benefit both the local community and tourists that visit –

1. Bespoke bus services that service areas of accommodation (campsites and hotels) and tourist attractions.
2. Car clubs – encouraging tourists to travel by train to rural Wales, once they arrive at the train station, a pool of low emission hire cars are available (as well as the option of the bus) to their respective accommodation.

Supporting and promoting car clubs across rural Wales in this manner will 1 – provide critical mass for private companies to consider this a viable business opportunity and 2 – support rural communities having access to car clubs that would normally only be supported in urban areas. Another policy could also encourage the regeneration of old disused petrol stations into electric vehicle charging hubs.

Rural suppliers – delivery hubs: limiting the use of large polluting HGVs by developing delivery hubs on main routes. The HGVs are able to deliver goods to a delivery hub and these are then transferred to the rural suppliers by low emission vehicles. The low emission vehicles pick up the products to be transported to the delivery hub to be transported out of the area. Supporting high-speed internet and community office space should be a priority to reduce vehicle movements.

3. Affordable Housing (policy 5)

The NDF sets out the approach for providing affordable housing, encouraging local authorities, social landlords, and small and medium-sized construction and building enterprises to build more homes.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the approach to increasing affordable housing?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF approach the delivery of affordable housing?

The first sentence in the policy supporting text notes that the Welsh Government will increase delivery of affordable homes by ensuring that funding for affordable homes is effectively allocated and utilised. The use of this wording is queried as this appears to be more of a political manifesto promise rather than a policy within a development plan?

The NDF advocates a regional approach. Whilst taking a regional approach to housing need is sensible, as it is a better reflection of how housing markets work rather than adhering rigidly to local authority boundaries, this should not be done at the expense of detail at a local level. It is vital that sustainable housing solutions are developed in areas where they are most needed. Working as a region should also not be a way for local authorities to divest themselves of meeting locally identified need in the hope it will be addressed elsewhere in the region.

Following the outcome of the recent independent review into the supply of affordable housing in Wales we are awaiting revised guidance on the production of Local Housing Market Assessments. It is difficult to comment of how LHMA's can support the delivery of this policy until we know what form they will take in the future.

The policy talks about delivering affordable housing where it is needed. We would caution against just using the figures from the LHMA as an indication of need. People don't necessarily ask for housing in areas where they know there is limited availability. Also, there will be areas with low levels of identified need for additional affordable housing units but where there are still housing issues that need to be addressed. For example, there will be areas where people are living in housing they can afford but it is poor quality, unsuitable for their needs or the community they live in is need of regeneration to make it more sustainable. This kind on information is better captured in our Local Housing Strategy and we would advise also using this as a source of evidence of need.

In terms of Policy 28, we welcome the recognition of the strategic importance of Newport within the South East Wales region. We have evidence that the provision of new housing and associated infrastructure in Newport has attracted both people from neighbouring local authorities where property prices are higher and people from other areas of the region seeking to be closer to employment, transport links and services that the city provides. Working at a regional level will better reflect the impact Newport has on the region as a whole.

4. Mobile Action Zones (policy 6)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree the identification of mobile action zones will be effective in encouraging better mobile coverage?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF improve mobile phone coverage in the areas which currently have limited access?

The principle is supported, but when will these zones be identified? Is some form of supplementary planning guidance going to be prepared or is it for the SDPs to identify? Should the zones actually be identified as part of the NDF the same way as wind and solar potential areas have been identified?

5. Low Emission Vehicles (policy 7)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree that policy 7 will enable and encourage the roll-out of charging infrastructure for ultra-low emission vehicles?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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- If you disagree, in what other ways can the NDF enable and encourage the roll-out of charging infrastructure for ultra-low emission vehicles?

There is no mention of air quality.

The lack of charging infrastructure for ULEV vehicles limits their uptake, but also the current cost of the vehicles. The environmental consequences of electric vehicle batteries is yet to be fully realised. A privately owned vehicle is only used for 5% of its entire life. In addition to promoting ULEV, it is suggested that supporting and promoting car clubs is one method to increase the uptake of electric vehicles and at the same time reduce car ownership. Reducing car ownership will increase public transport and active travel usage. Pooling the use of car clubs from local authorities, businesses and transport hubs should be a priority and listed alongside or in addition to this policy.

Emphasis on a nationally consistent approach to ULEV charging points could be something that the NDF could promote as well.

6. Green Infrastructure (policies 8 & 9)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the approach to maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and ecological networks?

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Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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The policy wording for Policy 8 is inconsistent with the other policies where it specifically states 'development plan strategies and policies'. Other policies have been more specific and refer to an SDP/LDP. The policy ignores the air quality impact road traffic and industrial emissions have on ecological receptors. Major planning decisions in England have been refused due to road traffic emissions on ecological receptors.

The acknowledgment of a national forest in Policy 9 is welcomed, but there is no indication of where is will be planted.

7. Renewable Energy and District Heat Networks (policies 10-15)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the NDF's policies to lower carbon emissions in Wales using...

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
Large scale wind and solar developments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
District heat networks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- If you disagree with the NDF's approaches to green infrastructure, renewable energy or district heat networks, what alternative approaches should we consider to help Wales to enhance its biodiversity and transition to a low carbon economy?

Page 36 – Cumulative impacts of solar/wind should not only be assessed against settlements, but landscapes as well. In Newport, the internationally recognised and valued Gwent Levels have been and are subject to applications for large-scale proposals. The cumulative impact on this landscape is just as important as the impact on the settlement. The ability to mitigate these types of projects is not for LPAs, but Welsh Ministers as significant scale renewable energy developments are considered Developments of National Significance (DNS). Therefore is it considered appropriate to deal with such impacts at the NDF level.

Policies 10/11/12– how does this now impact non priority areas? – this is no different to the stance set out in PPW. The introduction to the NDF states that this document will not duplicate National Policy but this seems to be the case. The proposal to exclude Natura 2000 sites, National Parks and ANOB is not in accordance with PPW e.g. Paragraph 5.9.17 states that 'only the direct irreversible impacts on statutorily protected sites and buildings and their settings (where appropriate) should be considered'. It is understood that PPW will need to be modified following the adoption of the NDF.

Definition of 'large scale' should be considered, or an acknowledgement that 'large scale' is DNS.

It is suggested that Policy 13 (Other Renewable Energy Developments) could be integrated with Policy 11 (Wind and Solar Energy Outside of Priority Areas). What weight will the Energy Atlas have? Should the findings not be presented in the NDF? Could the Energy Atlas conflict with the priority areas identified in the NDF?

The policies are written with no consideration of the temporary nature of the development, which has been a key consideration particularly in terms of solar development. Guidance on what constitutes a temporary development is therefore sought. The current position seems to suggest that if the proposal is reversible on completion of the renewable energy supply then it is considered temporary. There is clear pressure for such developments to move from 25 years to 40 years permissions which raise the question of whether they remain temporary in nature. The environmental benefits and the need for such schemes are understood but it is considered more appropriate to consider these types of development in line with mineral planning principles without the over-reliance on the temporary nature of the scheme.

Policy 14 – This policy duplicates the requirement of PPW which states in paragraph 5.9.7 that, 'Development plans should support identified opportunities for district heating, local renewable and low carbon energy generation schemes, and the co-location of new proposals and land allocations with existing developments, heat suppliers and heat users'. The introduction to the NDF states that this document will not duplicate National Policy but this seems to be the case.

Policy 15 – We have limited experience with regard to District Heat Networks though fully understand that they will be required in order facilitate decarbonisation and that local authorities will play a key role in facilitating scheme development. There will need to be clear guidance for developers on preparing Energy Masterplans as well as supporting legislation that discourages standard gas heating systems and conversely to incentivise low carbon alternatives. There is a lack of policy direction with regards to low carbon heating systems.

There is no mention of tidal lagoons for the SE Wales region.

8. The Regions (policy 16)

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the principle of developing Strategic Development Plans prepared at a regional scale?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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The NDF identifies three overall regions of Wales, each with their own distinct opportunities and challenges. These are North Wales, Mid and South West Wales, and South East Wales.

Policy 16 – Strategic Policies for Regional Planning should include a ‘Sustainable Travel Strategy’ (Newport’s Sustainable Travel Strategy as an example).

9. North Wales (policies 17-22)

We have identified Wrexham and Deeside as the main focus of development in North Wales. A new green belt will be created to manage the form of growth. A number of coastal towns are identified as having key regional roles, while we support growth and development at Holyhead Port. We will support improved transport infrastructure in the region, including a North Wales Metro, and support better connectivity with England. North West Wales is recognised as having potential to supply low-carbon energy on a strategic scale.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed policies and approach for the North Region?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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10. Mid and South West Wales (policies 23-26)

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Swansea Bay and Llanelli is the main urban area within the region and is our preferred location for growth. We also identify a number of rural and market towns, and the four Haven Towns in Pembrokeshire, as being regionally important. The haven Waterway is nationally important and its development is supported. We support proposals for a Swansea Bay Metro.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed policies and approach for the Mid and South West Region?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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11. South East Wales (policies 27-33)

In South East Wales we are proposing to enhance Cardiff's role as the capital and secure more sustainable growth in Newport and the Valleys. A green belt around Newport and eastern parts of the region will support the spatial strategy and focus development on existing cities and towns. Transport Orientated Development, using locations benefitting from mainline railway and Metro stations, will shape the approach to development across the region. There is support for the growth and development of Cardiff Airport.

- To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposed policies and approach for the South East Region?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	<i>Don't know</i>	<i>No opinion</i>
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If you have any comments about the NDF's approach or policies to the three regions, please tell us. If you have any alternatives, please explain them and tell us why you think they would be better.

Page 63: The existing Green Belt between Cardiff and Newport is missing. This is an established Green Belt designated in the Newport Unitary Development Plan 1996-2011 and should be reflected in this diagram. It is considered there should also be intra-urban connectivity between Cardiff and Newport. It is unclear why the 'Metro Symbol' is located above Barry.

It is understood that the precise boundary of the Green Belt will be set as part of the SDP. However, prior to the adoption of the SDP, how much weight will this indicative Green Belt hold? The Green Belt is positioned north of the M4, but how far north? Newport has experienced pressure from candidate sites in the Langstone area in the preparation of previous development plans. It is unclear whether Langstone is part of the Green Belt or not. Any Green Belt may also act as an obstacle to further development at the Celtic Manor Resort, which we would seek to avoid. Should this Green Belt remain in the NDF, it is considered that its boundaries should become less defined and text should clarify the status of the proposed Green Belt prior to the adoption of an SDP.

Policy 28. Newport's potential has been acknowledged and this is welcomed. However, it also needs to be acknowledged that some form of controlled expansion into the countryside on greenfield land will need to occur in Newport to meet growth potential, and consequently the NDF should have some reference and policy text on expansions into the countryside.

Policy 28 –page 64. It is noted that the document states that the SDP will need to consider the interdependence between Cardiff and the wider region. The fact that the existing Newport-Cardiff Green Belt is missing from the spatial diagram, combined with the sentence on interdependence is concerning. The existing Green Belt should be added to the diagram.

Page 66. '71,200 additional new homes are needed in the region until 2038'. This figure is not particularly aspirational considering the current batch of adopted LDPs have a housing requirement in excess of 110,000. The required 48% of additional homes being affordable is ambitious.

In general, Newport is pleased with the inclusion of Policy 28. However, it should be noted that significant parts of Newport remain in flood zones and we have serious transport constraints, namely the congested M4 and the troublesome Brynglas Tunnels. Air quality is also an issue around areas of the M4. Therefore, if Newport is expected to accommodate additional growth as set out in the draft NDF, we will need to work in partnership with Welsh Government to improve the infrastructure in Newport so the city is properly equipped to cater for the growth. Conversations with Welsh Government about investment in infrastructure, sustainable travel, are going to be key if Newport is to become a centre of national growth. The draft document notes that 'Welsh Government will maintain its commitment to tackling congestion on the M4'. This is reassuring to hear, but swift action is required and the situation cannot be allowed to continue indefinitely. It is understood that Welsh Government are considering alternative options and progress will be made shortly. Any commitments to new routes/sustainable travel alternatives should be covered in the NDF.

On page 65, under Policy 28 Newport, there is a drawing of Cardiff's Millennium Centre. It is unclear why this drawing is within the Newport policy section. Please can this be replaced with an appropriate drawing of Newport (perhaps the International Convention Centre for Wales?).

Policy 32 – Cardiff Airport. Whereas the Council understands the economic benefits of supporting the growth and development of Cardiff Airport, the Welsh Government has

recently declared a climate change emergency. Therefore there is a contradiction in messages here. Perhaps the negative environmental impacts should be considered and the NDF should set out how they could be mitigated (see comments on ISA below).

12. Integrated Sustainability Appraisal

As part of the consultation process, an Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) was conducted to assess the social, economic and environmental impacts of a plan. The report identified a number of monitoring indicators, including health, equalities, Welsh language, the impact on rural communities, children's rights, climate change and economic development.

- Do you have any comments on the findings of the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report? Please outline any further alternative monitoring indicators you consider would strengthen the ISA.

- Paragraph 1.1.43 notes that 'Significant negative effects in the long-term were identified for policies P32 and P20 as they would encourage and support the expansion of Cardiff airport and the Port of Holyhead, both of which would be expected to lead to a potentially significant increase in greenhouse gas emissions as a result of increased air and shipping movements and associated vehicles. It is recommended that these proposals be subject to more detailed analysis of their contribution to emissions, which could then inform measures to mitigate these impacts. Confirmation as to what has happened with the recommendation is sought. It is also noted that the need to consider emission contributions is not referenced in the supporting text of Policy 32, which is surely a factor to mitigate this identified environmental impact.
- There were a number of recommendations from the ISA to the NDF. One of which was that the NDF 'could include greater focus on flood risk in Wales and how this will change as a result of climate change, particularly as the NDF seeks to support development in various regions where there is extensive flood risk such as Newport, Cardiff and Deeside'. There is not much in the NDF related to flood risk and increased housing development.
- Another recommendation was that 'the NDF could more closely consider the potential impact of dense development in urban locations on air quality and the

extent to which this can be managed through the design and layout of development.’
There is not much in the NDF related to air quality and increased housing development.

13. Habitats Regulations Assessment

As part of the development of the NDF, a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) was undertaken. The purpose of the HRA process is to identify, assess and address any ‘significant effects’ of the plan on sites such as Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protection Areas for birds.

- Do you have any comments on the Habitats Regulations Assessment report?

The Habitat Regulations Assessment process notes that other development plans will need to take into account the HRA of the NDF to ensure the mitigation measures are adequately covered. It has been made clear in the LDP process that mitigation measures are to be set out in the development plan but in this case they have been left in the HRA report. This is not an obvious or previously recognised approach and leaving mitigation text within the HRA report is not considered appropriate. The current approach is not clear as to the mitigation measures required at other plan levels. It is proposed that relevant mitigation required for other levels of plan development are either set out in the NDF itself or a specific chapter/table is supplied in the HRA Report so that all measures are clearly set out.

14. Welsh Language

We would like to know your views on the effects that the NDF would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

- What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

Please also explain how you believe the proposed NDF could be formulated or changed so as to have:

- I. positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, and
- II. no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

15. Further comments

- Are there any further comments that you would like to make on the NDF, or any alternative proposals you feel we should consider?

Chapter 1:

Whilst there has been much work undertaken to seek the development of a SE Wales SDP, it will not be in place for a number of years. An LDP would not be considered 'sound' if it were to base its strategy on a process yet to be defined. The weighting of the policies in the NDF prior to the adoption of an SDP is something that needs further clarification.

How do Area Statements fit in, is it not a requirement of development planning to have regard to these documents?

Chapter 2:

Page 14 'Our visitors' - this section notes the value of tourism but it would be useful to note that this comes from our high class environment and heritage/cultural offers. This will assist in prioritising impact on these valuable areas from an economic perspective as well as for the usual social and environmental worth.

Page 14 'Our place in the world' - the loss of the M4 relief road and the continued transportation difficulties around the Newport area will not assist in achieving this objective of the NDF. Improvements to the traffic flow in this area will not only impact positively on the local population, but Nationally and indeed internationally, with trade from Ireland to mainland Europe.

Page 15 - Shoreline Management Plans have been mentioned, however, the update of these documents has not been a clear objective. For example, the current Severn Estuary SMP is being updated on only the English side of the border. The National Marine Plan and this document place an emphasis on this non-statutory document that should be kept up to date to reflect its importance.

Page 15 'Travel' - the support of only planned improvements to the National Cycle Network is short sighted and unlikely to look to 2040. Therefore, the text should be amended to look to the long-term improvements beyond those planned.

The challenges raised in this chapter are relevant for all levels of development plan development. Therefore it would be very useful for sources of information behind the headline issue to be referenced e.g. footnotes, to allow planning professionals to take a detailed look into the information and provide consistency of data sources.

- The lack of paragraph numbering (and pages in some instances) make the document difficult to reference.
- Page 17 'Prosperity and reducing inequality' - the first sentence does not read well.
- The manner in which policy text and supporting text are set out can be confusing e.g.
 - It is not clear why the text on page 30 comes before Policy 5 is set out?
 - It is not clear why Policy 27 is set out before the overview of South East Wales?
 - It is not clear why the supporting text for Policy 29 is after Policy 30?
- Definition of 'large scale' on page 43 to reflect 100+ residential units may have a big

impact on understanding of policies that look for 'significant or large scale' development. There is a potential concern that a precedent could be set in relation to what 'large scale' means.

- The text on page 65, second paragraph is confusing. A sub heading is required before the paragraph. It doesn't appear part of supporting text to Policy 28.
- Pages 70 & 71 – it would be useful to have a similar table listing how the policies link with the wellbeing targets.

16. Are you...?

Providing your own personal response	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submitting a response on behalf of an organisation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Responses to the consultation will be shared with the National Assembly for Wales and are likely to be made public, on the internet or in a report. If you would prefer your response to remain anonymous, please tick here	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Summary

This is a letter from the **Performance Scrutiny Committee - Partnerships** to the **Public Services Board** following the meeting of the Committee held on 26 June 2019 with comments upon the:

- **Public Services Board – Well-being Plan Annual Report 2018-19.**

Dear Chair of the Public Services Board,

Comments upon the Public Services Board - Well-being Plan Annual Report 2018-19

I am writing to submit the Performance Scrutiny Committee - Partnerships' comments upon the Public Services Board – Well-being Plan Annual Report 2018-19, to the Public Services Board.

This Committee has within its Terms of Reference the statutory duty placed upon the Council by the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2014 for the Scrutiny of the Public Service Board.

At the meeting of the Performance Scrutiny Committee - Partnerships held on 26 June 2019, the Committee considered the Well-being Plan Annual Report 2018-19 and the PSB Intervention Leads presented progress upon the 5 Interventions, received and answered the Committee's questions. The full summary of the discussion can be found in the **attached** Minute of the meeting and is submitted formally as the Committee's comments to the Public Services Board.

If you have a query regarding the content of the letter please contact:
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Yours sincerely,

Councillor Majid Rahman
Chair of Performance Scrutiny Committee – Partnerships

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Attendees:

- **Will Godfrey, PSB Intervention Lead for The Newport Offer** (Chief Executive NCC);
- **Supt Ian Roberts, PSB Intervention Lead for Strong Resilient Communities** (Gwent Police);
- **Gary Handley, PSB Intervention Lead for Right Skills** (Coleg Gwent);
- **Ceri Davies, PSB Intervention Lead for Green and Safe Spaces** (Natural Resources Wales);
- **Ceri Doyle, PSB Intervention Lead for Sustainable Travel** (RSLs)

The Chief Executive presented an overview of Chapters' one and two of the annual report and explained that the mid-year Well-being Plan had been reported to the Committee in January. The Well-being Plan was the most physical outcome of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act, and was created with partners and adopted formally in May 2018. It was coming to the end of the first year, and the annual report aimed to unpack the activity around the interventions. He also took the time to remind the Committee that while this report looked at the first year performance of the Wellbeing Plan, some interventions were working at different speeds and some had definitive outcomes that could be completed in a short space of time, whereas others had more long-term goals.

The report presented an overall picture of the performance for each of the interventions, each of which would be presented by the Lead Officer for the related intervention.

The Newport Offer

The Intervention Lead for The Newport Offer, the Chief Executive of Newport City Council explained that the intervention was aimed at attracting and retaining businesses to the City. Of the six steps outlined in the report, the first was the most defined. The vision of the city was being pursued with the creation of an Investment Brochure that would be published in a number of weeks, the City Centre Masterplan and a new website for the City. A working group had been created to implement actions within this intervention. The convention centre and chartist tower hotel were highlighted as key projects, both due for completion in September. Throughout the five interventions, case studies were included which highlighted cases of best practice.

Members asked the following questions:

- **Performance Measure - '*% people saying Newport is a good place to live*'.** Members asked how the target was set and would that target be used long term?

The Committee were informed that the target would move over time, the target was based on surveys conducted over previous years. The public's perception of the City peaked in 2015, corresponding with the opening of the Friars Walk, and it was hoped that with future investment the figure would improve. It was explained that that they would look to increase the target to more aspirational

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levels each year, they were only nine months into a five year programme and perceptions of the city needed to change to enable these performance measures to improve.

- Members stated that it was difficult for them to see the finished product when reading the Annual Report, but conceded that this might have been due to the short time frame since the programme began. The Committee discussed communication with the public from the partnership and how this could be utilised to increase positive stories and perceptions of the City.

The Intervention Lead advised that there was a need to create a balance between what came within the domain of the partnership and what should stay as an individual organisation's responsibility. The Newport Offer was not yet at a level of maturity, but as the Investment Brochure and the City Centre Masterplan took effect, this would change.

- A Member commented that the report needed to be clearer and more easily understandable by the public and there was a need to communicate the positives.

The Intervention Lead assured Members that the city website would present what was trying to be achieved through partnership working and how, and would go live soon.

He advised Members of surveys undertaken across Newport, which had highlighted that people aged between 20 and 30, had a better perception of Newport than those who were older. It was the partnership's role to highlight and promote the positives such as: the Food Festival; Newport Marathon; new hotel, and; convention centre.

- The Committee enquired where the relatively new intervention would focus in the future. A Member commented that Maindee Festival, Pill Carnival, the running and cycling events were not included and asked would future reports showcase the multicultural and diverse city.

The Intervention Lead replied that when defining the work and focusing the intervention in the future there was more work to be done. This was the case for sharpening the vision and using more effective performance measures. He explained that it was tempting just to pour everything into the intervention but by highlighting examples of best practice and aiming for jobs creation etc. the intervention becomes more meaningful. This is why the annual report looked at the major events in the city, as these major events were where the partnership level working is important and can help deliver outcomes across all five interventions.

The Intervention Lead stated that the economic growth of the city could improve with the publishing of the Investment Brochure. The hope was that the Brochure would drive up investment by directly targeting business.

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Strong and Resilient Communities

The Intervention Lead for Strong and Resilient Communities, Chief Superintendent of Gwent Police introduced the Strong and Resilient Communities intervention to the Committee and the key points upon which they were trying to achieve a relationship with the public. This relationship would aim to engage, consult and understand their issues and those of their local area. The plans used in the Strong and Resilient Communities work plans were co-produced with members of the public. The intervention had short, medium and long term plans in place to develop neighbourhood hubs. In terms of activities last year the intervention engaged with communities and Mutual Gain, and received some Home Office funding for areas affected by crime. The Chief Superintendent informed the Committee that at their first event in February there had been 45 attendees, the attendees saw that something was starting to happen in their area and encouraged active citizenship, which was one of their goals. Most of the people who attended fed back that they had never attended a public meeting before. The main outcomes important to those that attended were the lack of provision for young people and more support for vulnerable adults who were isolated in the community. The goal of trying to get the community more involved, to create stronger networks, both physical and on social media had begun.

The Participation Panel, of 100 people from Ringland and Alway, was granted £150,000 to spend on their local area. The panel received bids from a number of local projects linked to the issues raised at the initial meeting. The projects the panel agreed to support included the local boxing gym, radio station, Cadets and Samaritans. Partnership events had been held since to see who else was able to provide support. Money was available for the CAMHS model and further work with communities. Action plans were being developed to establish how agencies and stakeholders could work together. The Chief Superintendent acknowledged that the focus of the work had been on Ringland and Alway, work was still ongoing in other areas but to maintain the level of detail the annual report looked only at these two areas. Examples of the additional work included all comprehensive schools had a crime education programme for year 7 and 9 pupils. Once this model of joint working had proven itself they would start to look for additional investment.

Members asked the following questions:

- Members raised concern of the safety of Newport citizens, and questioned whether the perception of high levels of crime was accurate.

The Intervention Lead for the Intervention spoke positively of the safety of Newport and explained that when compared to other comparable cities, Newport had lower levels of serious crime, more visible things such as rough sleeping and groups of young people on bikes, and negative stories from the media fuelled perceptions of problems in the city. There had been big improvements related to safety, the Police communicated this message through multiple mediums, but was not the public's perception. Newport's homicide rate compared to others was really low, but that was not visible, so hadn't impacted upon public perception.

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- The Committee commended the work done upon this Intervention by the partners. They were pleased to the difference being made on the ground to the people of Newport. The work done would have had a positive effect on people's perception of Newport.

The Intervention Lead agreed and stated they were including those people that were spreading the narrative that impacted on how people saw Newport.

- The Members enquired how money and resources were allocated in the Partnership and how the different organisations were working together.

The Intervention Lead explained that there had been multi-million pound investment in the second intervention. The Police had brought funding from the Home Office, the Council and Newport City Homes had invested resources, as well as a number of other agencies. Welsh Government had been involved in the planning of workshops. All partners were contributing money from different funding streams, this included committing existing resources and new sources. Looking at new ways of working across communities included, Community and Psychology Teams devising a new model of mental health interventions for adults and young people. The main aim was to avoid duplication of work and create a synergy between projects.

- The Committee asked what had been the most challenging aspect of the last 12 months for the intervention.

The Intervention Lead believed that sustainability had been the most challenging. This he explained was due to some of the organisations that were commissioned to undertake the work being funded in the short term only. Funding in the short term was a risk to all those involved. Another challenge presented to the Committee was how one negative headline could destroy the positive work undertaken. An example of this was Pill, where it had been a difficult area to gather community support, but they had been gaining support and momentum.

Right Skills

The Intervention Lead for Right Skills, Coleg Gwent Campus Director introduced the Intervention to the Committee and advised that the different interventions were incredibly linked in terms of development of the Ringland Hub, and Hubs elsewhere in the city. It was important to assure that the funding provided the people with the right skills to enter further and higher education in Newport. Discussions taking place online were examined to inform the action taken in the communities. One aspect of this was training people on social media use to promote and present their local community in the best light possible. He highlighted another challenge was ensuring that citizens had access to the education and training that would allow them to take advantage of the employment opportunities available in Newport.

The partnership was working with local companies to identify pots of funding that could be used to deliver projects in the local areas. One example given was the retail park in Spytty, each of the shops there had charitable funds and the partnership had looked at ways of coordinating the local communities to bid for

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money. It was important for the partnership to ensure that the work being done was sustainable, to allow the work and its impact to be felt. Future work in this area would see more events taking place in the city to draw attention to the opportunities available, with a specific focus on the digital sector. To support this the partners were looking at primary school children learning to code so they would have the skills they needed in the future.

- The Committee enquired whether the Partnership was working with Community Councils.

It was explained that resources were an issue for the partners, especially when it came to staff attending meetings across the city. Community Councils had been invited to attend the Public Services Board Intervention and Engagement group. Longer term objectives included the Community Councils being more involved with the Public Services Board. The attendees all agreed that improving the communication network across the city would have benefited the relationships and engagement of all stakeholders.

- The Committee expressed concern regarding the education system in Newport and asked what work was being undertaken by the partners.

The Intervention Lead explained that one piece of work was identifying who was delivering what across the city, and what gaps in provision there was. One of the large gaps in education across the city related to computing, there was a lack of training and skill attainment at the secondary level, which went far beyond A-levels. He advised that a centralised facility that provided a state of the art environment for staff and young people was needed. Schools needed to work together to ensure young people had the education that would allow them to take advantage of further education and employment opportunities in Newport.

Green and Safe Spaces

The Intervention Lead for Green and Safe Spaces, a representative from Natural Resources Wales, introduced a video that had been produced to explain the intervention and the work undertaken. She informed the Committee that the intervention's vision was to reconnect citizens of Newport with the green assets of the wider area. Newport benefitted from an influx of people travelling from surrounding areas to these green areas. Green and Safe Spaces had a network of 30 organisations and around 90 individuals for support and had a budget to use as seed funding for projects, and a Green and Safe Spaces Project Officer in post while the Public Services Board aligned its work streams.

The Intervention Lead explained that they were unable to put all of the green spaces of Newport into the annual report due to its size, but referred the Committee to its Green Asset List. The example given was the Mon Brecon Canal and how the intervention was establishing ways of partnership working and ways of promoting the canal.

Members asked the following questions:

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- The Committee enquired whether Keep Wales Tidy not having a representative in Newport had hindered the intervention.

The Committee was assured that they had not been affected by this and that Keep Wales Tidy representatives regularly attended events.

- The Committee referred to page 42 of the report and how Growing Spaces, the mental health charity, were reliant on funding and resources from external sources and struggled with long-term sustainability.

The Intervention Lead advised that one of the aims of the intervention was to pull together organisations that could support each other to provide the sustainability required. The Partners were looking at ways of grant funding and strategic partnership projects that would further support the sustainability of projects and charities like Growing Spaces. This they believed was a key challenge and vital for success.

- The Committee were surprised that the green spaces in Newport were so under-utilised. One problem with an increase in human traffic was the litter it generated and asked did the intervention have a long-term solution to littering.

The Intervention Lead explained that they were trying to galvanise community groups and then using a zero tolerance approach. The more people took ownership and looked at their own actions the more chance of people changing their behaviour. Increasing Newport citizen attendance at Newport green spaces was done through ensuring that the facilities were free to use, open access for all and easily accessible. The partnership stated that looking at ways of engaging private business, especially those that had a greater chance of being littered in solving the problems at a local level, was a future issue they wished to overcome.

- The Committee raised concerns about how some community groups were willing to undertake voluntary work to keep their local area clean and tidy but were unable to because of lack of equipment and funds to purchase essentials like insurance. The Committee enquired whether there was anything that could be done to enable volunteers to help the partners deliver their work programme.

The attendees explained that they were always looking to establish links with key people and physical assets in areas across Newport, and making these connections increased the level of support provided to an area and lessened the burden on the partners. The Intervention Lead advised that they would be looking at ways of recognising the good work members of these local communities did.

With regard to fly tipping the attendees explained that they were working with the local council and there was a need to push for greater penalties, which would hopefully act as a deterrent.

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- The Members queried the Key Performance Measure – Community Green Flag Applications, and if the five applications were successful and what was being done for more sites to achieve green flag status.

The Intervention Lead explained that they needed to move quickly to foster more community support and groups to get green flags in their area and work needed to be done post award to maintain the required standard.

Sustainable Travel

The Intervention Lead for Sustainable travel, the representative from Newport City Homes, introduced the intervention. She explained that their priority was to diversify the intention, measures and how they calculated what was existing in Newport already. The purpose of the intervention was to provide safe and accessible transport, in the long term. One of the first focuses of the intervention was holding the partners to account for their use of low emission vehicles. The decision to not build the M4 relief road had been taken and the partnership would look at the impact on the city and how best to go forward. Other areas of focus for the intervention were: planning guidance; air quality, and; starting to look at transport measures that can be used in planning guidance. Work would be enhanced by securing 5.2 million pounds in funding under *Creating an environment where public transport, walking and cycling is prioritised*, (Step two in the report). Active travel routes, were not listed in the report, but were something that would have been monitored. This key area would be supported by the completion of on-street bike hire.

Work was being undertaken in primary schools to improve young people's knowledge and understanding of the importance of sustainable transport. These education projects would be expanded on going forward.

Another aspect of the sustainable travel intervention was the introduction of the Civil Parking Enforcement beginning on the 1 July 2019. This the attendees believe would have an impact all across the city. Medium and long-term plans include looking at the electric fleet of the partners and establishing a network of charging points across the city, and what this would look like. The Department of Transport had funded Newport Transport to obtain a fleet of electric buses. These electric buses would be battery powered, a lot of the work had been already undertaken, but they were a long way from making the intervention as impactful as it could be.

Members asked the following questions:

- The Committee enquired as to how the removable batteries in the buses would work. They were informed that the batteries would be recharged in a large 'battery farm' overnight when the busses were no longer in service.
- The Members wished to have more information on Clean Air Zones in the City. The Attendees explained that the clean air zones were areas of the City where they have large amounts of standing traffic. These included the M4 motorway and Caerleon.
- The Committee enquired as to what potential funding and plans the partners were aware of and where the allocation would be best used to overcome some of the issues in the city. The Attendees explained that they it would have been a failure if they did not integrate plans and funding into the existing

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plans and infrastructure of the city. The Council would be responsible for ensuring that all planning developments took into account the sustainability principles and their implications. Sustainable transport is not just an issue for Newport, one that needed to be looked at a regional level and broader again.

The Chair thanked the Invitees for attending.

Conclusions:

1. The Committee **noted** the Public Services Board Well-being Plan Annual Report 2018-19.
2. The Committee **noted** that the Minutes of the Public Services Board held on 11 June 2019 would be circulated to the Committee once approved.
3. The Committee **agreed** to forward the Minutes to the Public Services Board as a summary of the issues raised and in particular wished to make the following comments to the Public Services Board:
 - The work undertaken in the first 9 months was very positively received by the Committee and they wished to commend all those involved for their hard work.
 - The 'Vision' for Newport was not clear enough in the Annual Report, which the Members believed made the scrutiny of the Public Services Board's performance more difficult.
 - The Members felt that the Annual Report was not easily accessible for lay people and would require additional knowledge or background reading to fully understand the report.
 - The performance measures used to monitor the performance were not fit for purpose. The Committee felt that they were not aspirational enough, that there were enough of them, they were subjective when they should have been objective and were not linked to the overall vision for Newport. The Committee stated that they believed the Performance Measures should be directly linked to the thirteen priorities of the One Newport Public Services Board Well-being Plan.
 - There was a lack of timescales in the Looking Forward section of the Annual Report. The Committee would have liked to have seen an '*in five year, in ten year, and in twenty years*' aspect to these sections. This would have fed into the aspirational vision aspect of the Annual Report.
 - The Committee felt that the sometimes negative perception of Newport needed to be countered by the Public Services Board with more force and consistency. Good news stories and successes needed to be promoted to the citizens of Newport.
 - The Committee were enthused to hear about the partnership working between schools, colleges and universities to improve the prospects of young people in Newport. Especially those around Computing, which the Committee believed would increase the attraction of Newport to companies.
 - With regard to the Relationship between the Green and Safe Spaces intervention and those individuals and groups who were already working in

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their local areas, the Committee felt that recognition of these individuals or an awards event would be a beneficial and warmly received.

- The Committee raised concern regarding Fly tipping and more needed to be done to push for greater penalties.
 - The Committee requested an information report on the Clean Air Zones in Newport.
 - With regard to Sustainable Travel the Committee requested more information on what guidelines were available to define what constitutes as sustainable.
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Public Services Board

03 October 2019

Local Well-being Plan – 2019-20 Q1 Performance Reports

Purpose

This report is to update on the progress made in the delivery process for the Local Well-being Plan up until 30th June 2019.

Background

The statutory guidance on the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (WFG Act) ‘Shared Purpose – Shared Future’ sets out a requirement for each PSB to prepare and publish the Local Well-being Assessment for the local area no later than a year before it publishes its Local Well-being Plan.

The Local Well-being Assessment was published on 3rd May 2017. In Newport these have been named [Community Well-being Profiles](#) and are in the process of being reviewed for 2019. The [Local Well-being Plan](#) was published on 3rd May 2018.

A [Delivery & Performance Framework](#) is in place to monitor performance going forward. There are five cross-cutting interventions in the Plan which will be reported on a quarterly basis. A delivery plan is attached for each of the five interventions for the period April – June 2019:

- Green & Safe Spaces;
- Right Skills;
- Strong Resilient Communities;
- Sustainable Travel; and
- The Newport Offer.

Recommendations

Members are asked to review and critically analyse each intervention delivery plan by considering the:

- Progress made to date against the steps and actions in the plan.
- Five ways of working (long term, prevention, integration, collaboration, involvement).

Timetable

Task	Strategy & Performance Board	PSB	Scrutiny	
Q1 Performance Report	21 st Aug 2019	3 rd Oct 2019	N/A	
Q2 Performance Report	20 th Nov 2019	10 th Dec 2019	Jan 2020 (TBA)	
Q3 Performance Report	26 th Feb 2020	Mar 2020 (TBA)	N/A	
Annual Report	May 2020 (TBA)	Jun 2020 (TBA)	June 2020 (TBA)	

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

The Local Well-being Plan and the Delivery & Performance Framework were developed using the Shared Purpose: Shared Future guidance. The plan is framed around the sustainable development principle (long term; prevention; collaboration; integration; involvement).

Communication

The One Newport website has a page for each intervention and these pages can be used to update the partnership of the progress made against each of the interventions.

Background Papers

[Delivery & Performance Framework 2019-20](#)

[Local Well-being Plan](#)

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Intervention	Newport Offer		Green	Current progress on target		
			Amber	Progress behind target but still achievable		
Lead	Will Godfrey	Reporting Period	Qtr.1 2019-20	Red	Progress well behind target	
Key Achievements & Successes			Key Performance Measures			
New bilingual branding developed for the City of Newport to support promotion			Percentage of people saying Newport is a good place to live (Bus Wi-F)	Above 45%	Under 25s 58%; Over 25s 46%	G
New investment brochure published and work underway on destination website.			Percentage of people saying Newport is becoming a better place to live (Bus Wi-Fi)	Above 49%	Under 25s 56%; Over 25s 42%	A
Development of a draft destination management plan for consultation by the Destination Management Group. The plan seeks to grow Newport's visitor economy and improve perceptions of the city.			Percentage of people proud to say they are from Newport (Bus Wi-Fi)	Above 45%	Under 25s 54%; Over 25s 42%	A
Successful Newport Marathon with an expected contribution of £1.1M to the local economy and a similar amount for charities. The route of the Marathon showcased Newport's tourism, heritage and green assets and took in the city centre to ensure benefits to business.			Visitor economy	£396.53 million	End of year figure	
Chartist Hotel on track to open before Christmas 2019. PSB partners investing in new city centre homes, diversifying the offer within Newport Market (loan agreed to support this) and bringing heritage asset Market Arcade back into productive use (tenders received for this regeneration project).			Number of visitors	4.78 million	End of year figure	
Scoping study undertaken to assess opportunities for heat networks (district heating systems) across the city.			Number of visits to Destination website	TBC		
Main Risks / Barriers to progress			Plans for next quarter and the future			
Status (H/M/L)	Mitigating Actions / Support Req'd		Destination website to go live by end August 2019			
Failure to agree a shared vision for Newport / co-ordinate activity	M	Ongoing discussions between lead, NEN and DMG	A "Destination Day" in October 2019 to develop the Destination Management Plan, achieve stakeholder buy in and raise city profile as a visitor destination.			
Failure to create a positive impression for visitors to the city	L	Partners work together to ensure a safe, clean and welcoming environment	Big Splash – July 2019; British Transplant Games – July 2019; Newport Food Festival – October 2019			
			Workshop in September to consider potential for developing a "Wigan Deal" model for Newport with a number of PSB partners.			

Intervention	Strong Resilient Communities		Green	Current progress on target	
			Amber	Progress behind target but still achievable	
			Red	Progress well behind target	
Lead	Nicola Prygodzicz / Chief Supt Ian Roberts	Reporting Period	Qtr.1 2019-20		
Key Achievements & Successes			Key Performance Measures		
<p>SRC Board agreed to focus short term attention on a place based approach in the East of Newport. We are working with the local community in Ringland to develop social capital with a view to improving well-being and quality of life. The Board meets on a bi-monthly basis and held a well attended stakeholder workshop in April to inform the delivery plan. Progress is being made in developing a delivery plan aligned with the Integrated Wellbeing Networks programme.</p>			Target	Actual	RAG
<p>The Mutual Gain Project to increase social capital and community resilience to serious and organised crime in Ringland is complete and evaluation is underway. This included a community engagement event called a “connecting café” and a successful participatory budgeting scheme to fund community projects. Both received positive feedback and the overall process has been well received by stakeholders.</p>			% of people who feel safe in their local area (day/night).	TBA	
<p>Ringland Community Campus – includes 3 strands: health and well-being centre, Neighbourhood Hub & Newport City Homes masterplan regeneration programme. The hub is on track to open in the autumn according to plan.</p>			% who feel able to influence decisions affecting their local area.	TBA	
<p>Volunteering programme – a participatory budgeting fund is in place to fund community projects and boost volunteering. Provision of coaching to individuals to develop their abilities and to support the capacity of the Ringland voluntary sector.</p>			% people satisfied with their local area as a place to live.	TBA	
<p>Adverse Childhood Experiences – PSB to consider holding a stakeholder workshop to develop a strategic and integrated approach to the ACEs agenda. Early Action Together Programme rollout – ACEs training for all Police Officers and key public services employees aligned with training by the ACEs Support Hub being delivered in schools.</p>			% of people who volunteer.	TBA	
Main Risks / Barriers to progress			% of people who are lonely.	TBA	
Status (H/M/L)			Social capital measures for Ringland in development		
Mitigating Actions / Support Reqd			Plans for next quarter and the future		
Place based approach is a new way of working and will need cultural and organisational change.			Develop delivery plan for the intervention		
L			Develop place based action plans for the neighbourhood hubs		
PSB oversight and Intervention Board leads come from across partners organisations i.e. Health and Police.			Develop performance measures and targets		
			Run second Participatory Budgeting programme in a school setting. (Ringland Primary or Millbrook)		
			Hold community action day in Ringland/Alway		
			Continued implementation of the Community Campus programme		

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Lead	Gary Handley and Martin Featherston	Reporting Period	Qtr.1 2019-20	Red	Progress well behind target																								
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<p>Successful delivery of the Youth Engagement and progression Framework. Figures published in May 2019 show that the percentage of young people not in education, employment and training (NEET) in Newport is well below the Welsh average with outcomes of 1.1% of year 11 leavers being NEET (target 1.5%) and 1.7% of year 13 leavers being NEET (target 2.6%).</p> <p>Adult Learners Week held in June. More partners involved than in previous years and significantly more visitors to the main event in Kingsway Centre on 21st June.</p> <p>Work began on the Restart Refugee Integration Project for refugees and asylum seekers including assessment of an individual's English language skills and signposting to appropriate support, and employment training. Hub established at Newport Library. Mapping of ESOL provision across Newport undertaken.</p> <p>Community benefit booklet produced by NCC to secure training and employment opportunities for people in Newport as a result of procurement contracts / development opportunities.</p> <p>Discussions underway to involve partners in providing employment and training support through neighbourhood hubs.</p>			<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Key Performance Measures</th> <th>Target</th> <th>Actual</th> <th>RAG</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>% of year 11 leavers not in education, employment or training</td> <td>TBC Sept 2019</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>% of year 13 leavers not in education, employment or training</td> <td>TBC Sept 2019</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Number of city employment / skills events</td> <td>3</td> <td>1</td> <td>G</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Restart project: Individuals assessed for English language skills and signposted to support (June 2019 – March 2020)</td> <td>52</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Attendance at Right Skills Employment / Skills events</td> <td>2,000</td> <td>450</td> <td>G</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Key Performance Measures	Target	Actual	RAG	% of year 11 leavers not in education, employment or training	TBC Sept 2019			% of year 13 leavers not in education, employment or training	TBC Sept 2019			Number of city employment / skills events	3	1	G	Restart project: Individuals assessed for English language skills and signposted to support (June 2019 – March 2020)	52			Attendance at Right Skills Employment / Skills events	2,000	450	G
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PSB partners unable to sign up to shared apprenticeships scheme (e.g, due to different terms and conditions)	M	Identify opportunities for PSB partners to join the scheme over time	Further develop Newport Commitment proposal																										
Lack of buy in from providers / learners.	M	Identify engagement & communication opportunities.	Review Right Skills action plan																										
			Engage with Newport Youth Council and other stakeholders as part of an ongoing communications / engagement plan																										

Intervention	Green and Safe Spaces			Green	Current progress on target
				Amber	Progress behind target but still achievable
Lead	Ceri Davies and Huw Jakeway	Reporting Period	Qtr.1 2019-20	Red	Progress well behind target
Key Achievements & Successes				Key Performance Measures	
Green and Safe film produced, promoting the Green and Safe network and case studies.				Number of community green flag applications submitted.	Target: 5, Actual: 5, RAG: Green
Green and Safe offer document and delivery plan collaboratively produced by network partners. This document is evidence based, using Sustrans mapping tool.				Level of engagement from partners.	Target: TBA, Actual: , RAG:
NRW and officers from NCC (including LDP planning team and countryside team) are progressing the PPW 10 requirement for a Green Infrastructure Assessment.				Number of organisations engaged within Green and Safe network.	Target: TBA, Actual: , RAG:
Green and Safe Community Engagement Officer role extended to July 2020. This person is tasked with supporting the Green & Safe theme and helping deliver aspects of the GI strategy.				Plans for next quarter	
Main Risks / Barriers to progress	Status (H/M/L)	Mitigating Actions / Support Req'd		Greening of Strong and Resilient Neighbourhood Hubs, integrating wellbeing benefits into service delivery.	
Lack of funding to progress network priorities (e.g city centre greening).	Medium	Investigate funding streams.		Further investigation into safety in green spaces (this was feedback from the April Green and Safe network workshop).	
Resulting GI vision is not actively used by community.	High	Deliver GI vision collaboratively, in a format relevant and accessible to the community.		Investigate how to fund GI in the city centre (supporting BID).	
Green Infrastructure vision is not actively used in planning.	Medium	An additional SPG will be created to deliver the GI vision.		Green Infrastructure Assessment, to take place in 2019/2020.	
				Support and facilitate ongoing network partner projects.	
				Continue to support partners in articulating and demonstrating benefit of GI to their services.	

Intervention	Sustainable Travel (ST)		Green	Current progress on target		
			Amber	Progress behind target but still achievable		
Lead	Ceri Doyle / Craig Lane	Reporting Period	Qtr.1 2019-20	Red	Progress well behind target	
Key Achievements & Successes			Key Performance Measures			
<p>STEP 1: PSB to become champions of ST: Gwent ultra-low emission vehicle (ULEV) fleet feasibility study undertaken by Energy Saving Trust (including grey fleet) is complete. Organisations have improved technology to enable agile working and reduce travel. A public consultation of the Air Quality (AQ) / ST Strategy is complete.</p>			Number of schools undertaking an active travel programmes	9	3	Red
<p>STEP 2: Create an environment where public transport, walking and cycling is prioritised: £5.2m of funding has been obtained for active travel infrastructure projects across the city. Draft ST supplementary planning guidance (SPG) has been developed. On street bike hire feasibility study is complete. Awaiting the final report. Newport Bus has funding for ULEV buses which will make up 15% of the fleet.</p>			Increase in active travel for schools undertaking an active travel programme	10%	9.4%	Amber
<p>STEP 3: Encourage the use of ULEV: The Gwent wide ULEV feasibility study is complete and has identified appropriate locations for charging points. A funding bid was successful to install points in car parks near residential areas. ECO Stars continues to be offered to fleet operators in the city.</p>			Organisations signed up to Eco Stars	30	18	Amber
Main Risks / Barriers			Status	Mitigating Actions		
Not utilising the opportunities arising from the M4 relief road refusal.			High	PSB to be fully engaged in the process to investigate alternatives to the M4 relief road and promote a ST approach.		
Lack of continued funding for active travel interventions in schools			Medium	A bid for funding to roll an approach out to all primary schools over a 4 year period was unsuccessful. Look for further funding sources.		
Only one PSB organisations has signed up to ECO stars			Medium	If the PSB are to be seen to be leading by example, more PSB organisations need to sign up to the scheme. To be discussed at the PSB as part of this update.		
Plans for next quarter and the future						
<p>STEP 1: Implementation of recommendations and learning from the fleet review. Clear agile working procedures need to be developed by individual organisations. Results of the AQ/ST strategy consultation to be analysed and strategy to be adopted. Investigating the possibility of implementing a Healthy ST charter similar to the Cardiff area.</p>						
<p>STEP 2: Implementation of all the infrastructure projects. ST SPG to go out for public consultation. Infrastructure changes in and around St Davids School relating to the Safe Routes in Communities project. Civil parking enforcement will be put in place across the city from July. This will improve the usability of walking and cycling routes.</p>						
<p>STEP 3: Installation of charging points in car parks near residential areas. Continuation and expansion of ECO Stars. To investigate ULEV car share schemes.</p>						

Minutes

Newport Public Services Board (PSB) Strategy & Performance Board

Date: Wednesday 21st August 2019
Venue: Coleg Gwent, City of Newport Campus, Nash Road, Newport
Time: 2.30pm

Present: Will Godfrey (Chief Executive, Newport City Council); Chief Superintendent Ian Roberts (Gwent Police); Gary Handley (Coleg Gwent); Sara Garland (Head of Service, Newport Locality, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board); Craig Lane (Chief Executive Officer, Newport Citizens Advice); Ceri Doyle (Chief Executive, Newport City Homes); and Nick Jones (South Wales Fire & Rescue Service).

Also in Attendance: Tracy Mckim (Policy, Partnership & Involvement Manager, Newport City Council); Emma Wakeham (Senior Policy & Partnership Officer, Newport City Council); Gemma Burrows (Principal Public Health Practitioner, Public Health Wales); Matthew Sharpe (Planning Policy Manager, Newport City Council); Holly Butterworth (Natural Resources Wales); and Wayne Tucker (Partnership Officer, Newport City Council).

Apologies: Will Beer (Consultant in Public Health, Public Health Wales); David Letellier (Operations Manager for South East Wales, Natural Resources Wales); Eric Bellew (Group Manager, South Wales Fire & Rescue Service); and Huw Jakeway (Chief Fire Officer, South Wales Fire & Rescue Service).

No	Item	Action / Decision
1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Will Godfrey welcomed everyone to the meeting, with introductions given.</p> <p>It was reported that this was both Will Godfrey and Gary Handley's last meeting, with both leaving their roles shortly.</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting (15th May 2019) & Matters Arising</p> <p>The minutes were agreed as an accurate record with the following matters arising discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Scrutiny Chair gave his response to the groups suggestion that members could have closer links with the Interventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – no direct link between a Scrutiny member and an Intervention but could potentially hold briefings to the Scrutiny Committee on the work of an intervention if the PSB agrees e.g. a briefing on one of the interventions in January (i.e. ahead of Q2 as a pilot) to trial this approach. • Further discussion took place around the WFG Act guidance and the groups concerns with this suggested approach e.g. reporting separately when work should be cross cutting and issues with over reporting. This also links into the wider annual reporting process and how this could be improved for next year. 	

No	Item	Action / Decision
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness (Rough Sleepers) Group – Inspector Nigel Lewis sits on both groups (<i>update following the meeting: reports to Safer City Centre Safer Newport sub group</i>). • Holly Butterworth has been in contact with a Police analyst regarding crime and ASB data related to Green and Safe Spaces. <p>It was agreed</p> <p>Carry out further work around Scrutiny reporting and bring back to the next Board meeting for discussion.</p>	NCC – TMcK / EW
3.	<p>The National Development Framework (NDF)</p> <p>Will Godfrey (with support from Matthew Sharpe, NCC Planning) explained the Welsh Government Framework, with the following points raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NDF is the overarching framework, with the regional Strategic Development Plans (SDP) sitting underneath, and more Local Development Plans below these. • Planning is split into three regions, including the South East Wales region. • Newport is strongly stated as one of the key centres for growth. • There are some issues across the city region with regard to the SDP e.g. voting share per LA, which affects an areas influence on the decisions made. The current situation for Newport (only 2 votes) would be difficult to get through Council. Conversations will continue to take place across the region. • The NDF consultation ends on 1st November 2019. • The next PSB meeting (October) will receive a presentation in order for the PSB to collectively give a response to the consultation in addition to each organisations own personal feedback. <p>It was agreed</p> <p>Partners to look over the NDF consultation document and feedback any comments towards a PSB response.</p> <p>NDF to be added to the next PSB agenda.</p>	<p>Board members</p> <p>NCC - Nicola Dance / NCC Planning to attend</p>
4.	<p>Well-being Plan Performance – Qtr.1 (2019-20)</p> <p>Progress by each intervention was reported to the group.</p> <p><u>Green and Safe Spaces (update from Holly Butterworth)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been 2 full Green Flags awarded in Newport along with 2 Community Green Flags at Lysaghts Institute and Maindee Edibles. • Work will take place on the greening of the Neighbourhood Hubs. • Support will be provided to ensure Newport is awarded Bee Friendly accreditation. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Green Infrastructure Assessment will be taking place during the next quarter. <p><u>Right Skills (update from Gary Handley)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group will be signing up to reasonable targets in September including what the long-term targets should be. • There has been good buy in from partners who are moving forward with the steps in the delivery plan. • There will be conversations with other interventions about cross collaboration e.g. with Strong Resilient Communities regarding ACE's work (Step 7). • Members of the Youth Council will be spoken to about Right Skills to gather their views. <p><u>Strong Resilient Communities (update from Chief Supt Ian Roberts)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The work in Alway has gained traction with an agreed action plan. Swansea University are evaluation this work. • They are looking to extend this approach to other areas e.g. Bettws, Pill, etc. • It is important to work better with local businesses to involve them in how their communities are shaped. <p><u>Sustainable Travel (update from Ceri Doyle)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The intervention recognises the need to look at the next 3-5 years so will therefore be holding a workshop in November to look at this in more detail. • It was reported that funding has been secured to install charging points in car parks across Newport. • The recent news story regarding electric buses was raised, which was seen as positive. <p><u>Newport Offer (update from Will Godfrey)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Destination Management Plan will be going out for consultation soon. • The Place (destination) website will be up and running at the end of this month. • The Chartist Hotel and Convention Centre are due to open soon. • A workshop is to be held in September regarding developing a 'Wigan Deal' model for Newport. <p>It was agreed</p> <p>New Lead to be identified for Newport Offer e.g. a PSB member who is also on the Newport Economic Network/Destination Management Group (Newport Live suggested).</p>	<p>NCC – WG / NCH - CD</p>

No	Item	Action / Decision
5.	<p>Process to Improve Integration within Well-being Plan</p> <p>The reasons for having better integrated interventions were discussed by the Board. It was stated that there was a need to fully understand the interdependencies between Interventions and that it may be helpful to hold a half-day for leads and key reps to discuss further.</p> <p>It was agreed</p> <p>Work up a proposal for a half-day workshop including how this is funded.</p>	NCC Partnerships Team
6.	<p>Community Well-being Profile Update</p> <p>Emma Wakeham explained that the Community Well-being Profiles are currently being updated and will be released in sections, with the Population section recently released.</p> <p>The long-term aim is for the profiles to be available using an online solution, which can be updated as data is released.</p>	
7.	<p>Communication Plan</p> <p><u>Review Progress 2019-20</u></p> <p>Current progress was highlighted, with the only actions marked as amber being Community Well-being Profiles and Well-being Plan Summary.</p> <p><u>Identify News Stories to Communicate</u></p> <p>In order to improve how we communicate good news stories within each Intervention, leads will be asked to identify anything they would like promoted.</p> <p>It was agreed</p> <p>Contact leads to ask them to identify any stories they want communicated to the public.</p>	NCC - WT
8.	<p>PSB Work Programme</p> <p>The current list of agenda items for the PSB meeting in October was highlighted. A few more items have been added including ‘Building a Healthier Gwent – Outcomes of Community Engagement’.</p> <p>Will Godfrey noted ‘Western Powerhouse’ and that the original concept has been broadened out to include 7 authorities.</p> <p>The Board stated that the current agenda needed to be reduced, with suggestions given for changes.</p>	
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Will Godfrey thanked everyone for all their help and support during his time as the Council’s Chief Executive.</p>	
10.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 20th November 2019, 2pm @ Committee Room 4, Civic Centre</p> <p>Items for the agenda to Wayne Tucker.</p>	Board members

Public Service Board (PSB)

03 October 2019

Building a Healthier Gwent – Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019

1. Purpose

- To provide a summary of the themes and content of the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019 ‘Building a Healthier Gwent.’
- To set out the programme for involving the public, professionals, senior managers and system leaders in ‘Building a Healthier Gwent’
- To ask Public Service Board Members to support the involvement programme and provide active and visible leadership

2. Background

The Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019 ‘Building a Healthier Gwent’ highlights the health inequalities gap that exists across Gwent and proposes a set of system wide preventive actions to close that gap. The publication of my ‘Building a Healthier Gwent’ report will be the beginning of a largescale programme to involve the public, professionals, and senior managers and systems leaders in achieving the ambition of Building a Healthier Gwent by 2030.

3. Key Considerations

3.1 The Ambition: A Healthier Gwent in 2030

In 2030 the places where we live, work, learn and play make it easier for people in our communities to live healthy, fulfilled lives.

All our children and young people live in smoke free environments and consider not smoking to be the norm. More of our children and young people live in an environment that supports being a healthy weight. We have vibrant, connected communities with people preferring to walk and cycle for local journeys. Families and children are active in our shared open spaces and getting the most out of our abundant, natural environment.

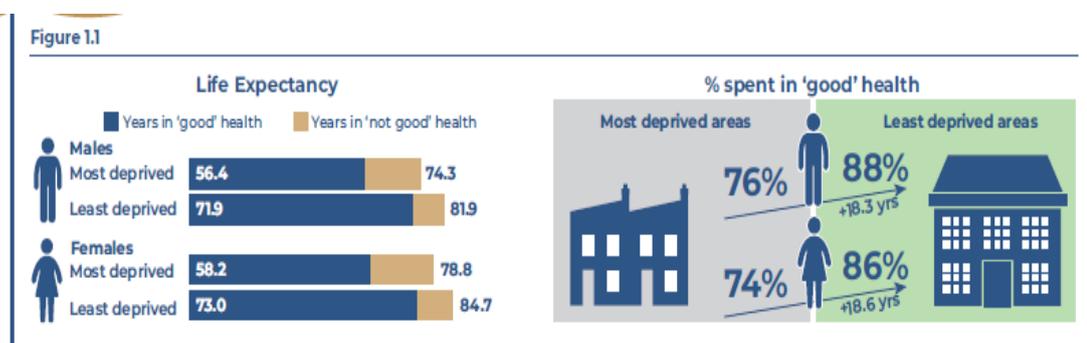
We live, learn and work in strong and mutually supportive, resilient communities - both real and virtual. We are taking concerted action to improve mental well-being because we understand that there is no health without good mental health.

All partners are focussing their collective efforts on the main things that create greater equity, and we are starting to see greater equity in the determinants of health. **A Healthier Gwent** is at the heart of what we all do.

3.2 The Challenge (Chapter 1)

People in some communities in Gwent live more of their life in good health and live longer than in other communities in Gwent. (figure 1)

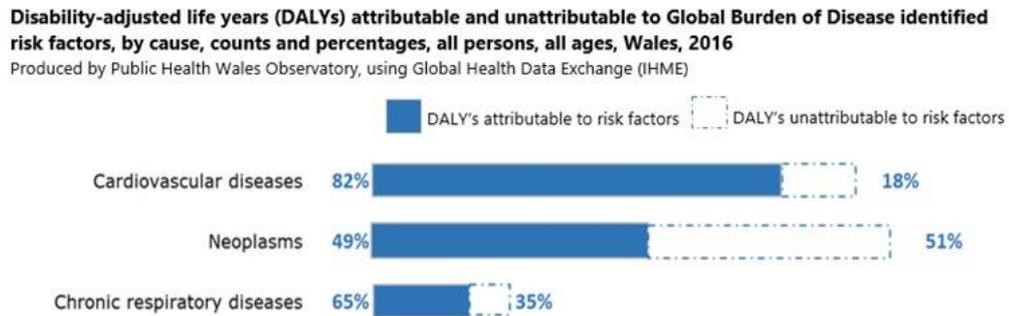
Figure 1 Life expectancy and healthy life expectancy at birth in the most and least deprived areas of Gwent: 2010-14



Source – Public Health Wales

Major diseases that cause people not to be in good health include cardiovascular diseases, cancers and respiratory diseases. The development of a large percentage of these diseases can be attributed to risk factors including clinical and behavioural ones (figure 2 & 3). These risk factors are largely preventable, and this explains the major part of the health differences we see across the population.

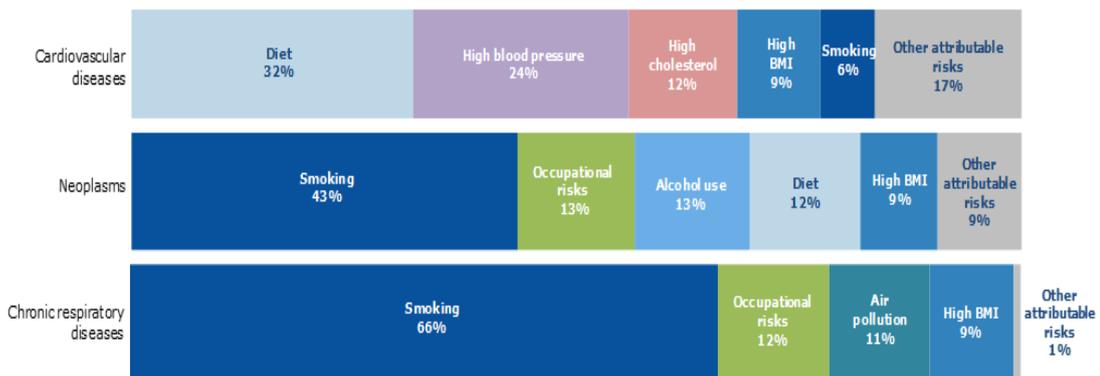
Figure 2 Percentage of ill-health that can be related to risk factors



Source – Public Health Wales

Figure 3 Percentage contribution of risk factors for three major illnesses

Global Burden of Disease identified risks for the three causes with the largest number of attributable disability-adjusted life years (DALYs), percentage, all persons, all ages, Wales, 2016
 Produced by Public Health Wales Observatory, using Global Health Data Exchange (IHME)



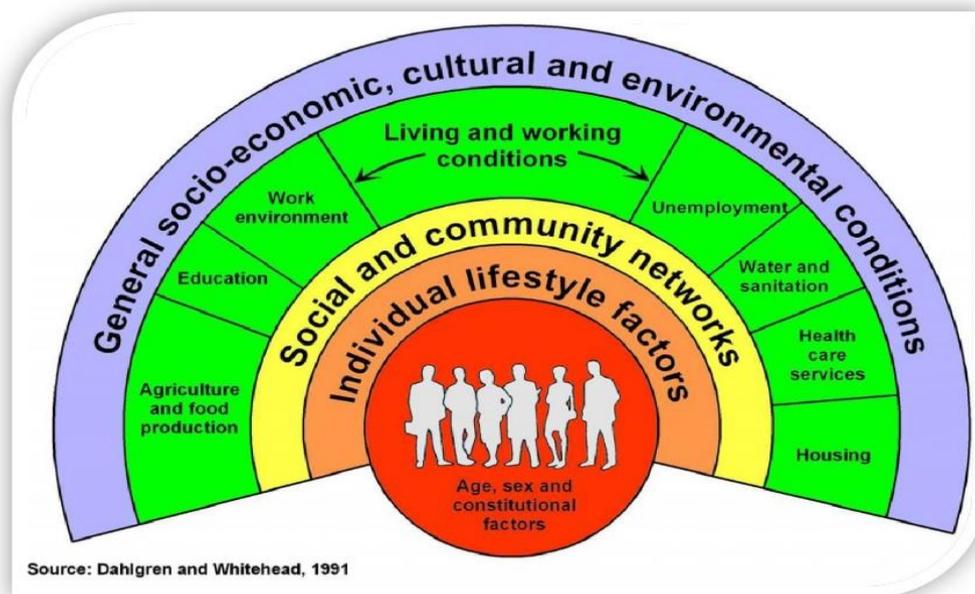
Please note: The total number and proportion of DALYs that can be attributed to known risk factors varies substantially by cause (see slide 38).

Source – Public Health Wales

3.3 The ambition is achievable (Chapter 2)

A range of factors classified as modifiable and non-modifiable influence people's health and wellbeing. The non-modifiable factors include age, sex, ethnicity and genetic makeup. The modifiable factors include individual lifestyle factors, social and community networks and the physical, social and economic environments around us (Fig. 4). Collectively, these factors (widely known as the determinants of health) explain the health gap across Gwent.

Figure 4 The determinants of health



The Marmot Review concluded that to reduce health inequalities needs systematic action to:

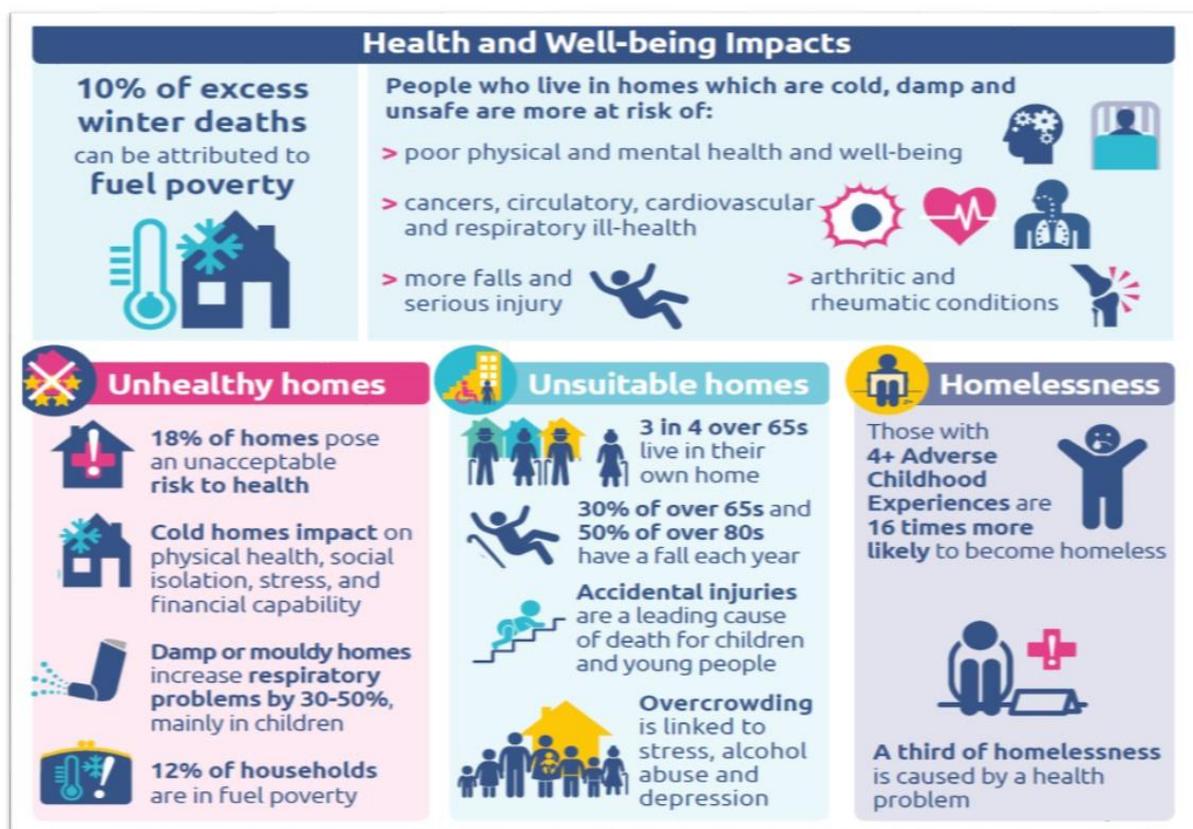
- Give every child the best start in life
- Enable all children, young people and adults to maximize their capabilities and have control over their lives
- Create fair employment and good work for all
- Ensure a healthy standard of living for all
- Create and develop sustainable places and communities
- Strengthen the role and impact of ill-health prevention

Some actions can only happen at a national level, including legislation, but many actions are within our control at a local level in Gwent if the public sector, communities and individuals all commit to acting together to build a Healthier Gwent.

3.4 Healthy homes, places and spaces (chapter 3)

People need good quality homes that are safe, warm and suitable for their needs. Evidence tells us that poor housing impacts on the health and wellbeing of people (fig. 5). Improving housing quality, providing suitable and safe housing, preventing and reducing homelessness, providing more equitable access to good quality homes and cross sector collaboration would all contribute to reducing health inequalities across Gwent.

Figure 5. Health and wellbeing impacts of poor housing



Source: Making a Difference. Housing and Health: A Case for Investment Public Health Wales (2019)

Six areas that the built and natural environment can positively impact on health and wellbeing are:

1. Inclusive infrastructure that prioritises walking and cycling and improves road safety
2. Accessible and well-maintained green infrastructure, open green spaces and blue spaces
3. Local food growing and retail environment that enhances access to healthy food choices
4. Community, health and social care services provided from local facilities
5. Low levels of air pollution.
6. Building design that promotes health and wellbeing

A case study is the 'APPROPRIATE and RIGHTSIZING STUDY'

Undertaken on behalf of the Gwent Health, Social Care and Housing Partnership to identify housing solutions that would enable older people in Gwent to live happily, healthily, safely and independently in later life in their own homes. Work is now

underway to implement the recommendations from the study in an integrated model across Gwent (figure 6).

Figure 6. The APPROPRIATE and RIGHTSIZING STUDY

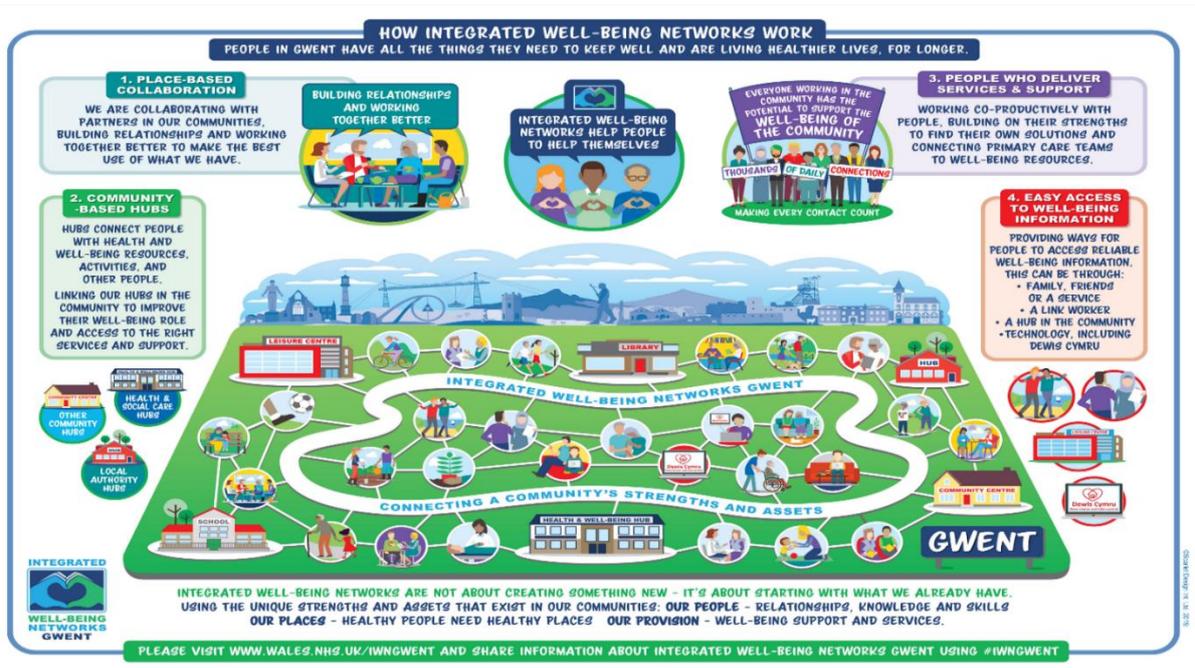


3.5 Healthy people and communities (Chapter 4)

Enriching social connectivity in communities to enable people to feel safe in the community where they live would have a positive impact on health and wellbeing. Good social relationships and support are protective of health. Strengthening social relationships and community networks help to build vibrant and resilient communities.

Achieving the ambition of Building a Healthier Gwent will require creating the conditions to enable strong community networks to support people to preserve, maintain and improve their own health and wellbeing. The Gwent Integrated Wellbeing Network programme (figure 7) has been established to build this crucial element of Building a Healthier Gwent.

Figure 7. Gwent Integrated Wellbeing Network



3.6 Health promoting services

The Gwent Clinical Futures programme (fig. 8) is a whole system approach that will lead to a more effective, efficient and equitable health and social care system. Implementing the actions outlined in this report will contribute to the 'Staying Healthy' element of the Gwent Clinical Future programme.

Figure 8. The Gwent Clinical Futures



The challenge will be to provide proven health promoting interventions at sufficient scale and population reach to have a measurable impact on health inequalities. For example, one in five women smoke during pregnancy (fig 9). In addition to the

substantial harm arising from exposure to tobacco smoke in pregnancy, having parents who smoke is the single biggest risk factor for becoming a smoker in later life.

Figure 9. Smoking in pregnancy in Wales



Helping pregnant women and their partners to stop smoking during pregnancy has a positive impact across subsequent generations. Evidence shows that establishing maternity smoking cessation services through employment of dedicated Maternity Support Workers increases the number of women accessing support to quit smoking.

Poor diet and physical inactivity are the next largest contributors to poor health outcomes in Wales. Together they are contributing to the rising levels of obesity across Wales. There has been significant under investment in reducing obesity across Wales and greater investment is needed in evidence-based interventions including the National Exercise Referral Scheme, commercial weight management and programmes targeted at maternal obesity.

Primary and community services can play a vital role in minimising the impact of clinical risk factors and enabling people to stay as health as they can for as long as they can and reduce people's need for healthcare services by identifying and supporting people to:

- Maintain a normal blood pressure
- Maintain a normal blood glucose
- Optimise their body mass index
- Reduce their levels of cholesterol

3.7 The Involvement Programme

Learning from what went well and not so well after the publication of my 2018 Director of Public Health Annual Report, the publication of this year's will be the start of the of an extensive programme of events, online activities and other opportunities to involve as wide a range of people as possible in 'Building A Healthier Gwent.' In addition to the report itself, this year will see the addition on 'Building a Healthier Gwent' webpages to the ABUHB internet site for people to become involved directly. The publication of the report will be the start of a planned communication campaign through traditional media and social media platforms.

Involvement programme timeline

Publication of 'Building a Healthier Gwent' DPH report	6 th August
Initial 'Building a Healthier Gwent' events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bedwellty House, Tredegar • Lysaghts Institute, Newport 	6 th August(am) 7 th August(am)
Public events: Seldom Heard Groups In each local authority area	7 th – 15 th August 2 nd – 20 th September
ABUHB Board briefing Session	21 st August
Regional Partnership Board Briefing	5 th September
Building a Healthier Gwent Webpages going live Building a Healthier Gwent online survey going live	5 th September 5 th September
Building a Healthier Gwent Events – (Professionals/Leaders/Senior Managers/Public) In each local authority area	September/October (dates TBC)
Public Service Board Briefing In each local authority	September/October (dates TBC)
Elected Members Seminar In each local authority	October (dates TBC)
Children and Young People involvement programme	September/October
'Building A Healthier Gwent' Conference	6 th November

4. Recommendations

The Board is asked to:

- note the contents of the report
- provide leadership in building a healthier Gwent; and
- actively participate in the involvement plan and promote it

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Public Services Board

03 October 2019

Review of the Assessment of Local Well-being (Community Well-being Profiles)

Purpose

This report is to inform the PSB of the process for reviewing and updating the Community Well-being Profiles.

Background

The [Well-being of Future Generations \(Wales\) Act 2015](#) sets out a statutory requirement for local authority areas to prepare a Local Well-being Plan by 2018.

To support this process an assessment of local well-being was developed to include:

- which communities are in the area
- analysis of the state of well-being of Newport as a whole and of each community
- predictions of likely future trends in the economic, social, cultural and environmental well-being of the area
- any other related analytical data and information that the Public Services Board considers appropriate

The Newport assessment resulted in the development of community well-being profiles that brings together a range of information about Newport.

The profiles were produced in collaboration with a wide range of partners and were based on the former ward profiles, which were reviewed and refined to become community well-being profiles.

Twenty community well-being profiles were developed along with a community well-being profile for Newport as a whole. These profiles incorporate the previous work undertaken within the ward profiles but meet the needs of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

The first iterations of the community well-being profiles were published on 3rd May 2017 following a consultation with a number of statutory consultees including partners, local authority scrutiny committee, voluntary sector organisations and the public.

Update & Review

Two years on from the first community well-being profiles it is now time to review and update each profile.

The update will focus on:

- Revisiting the guidance.
- Updating to latest data.

- Reviewing and consolidating content.
- Improving layout and data display.
- Revisiting the consultation feedback received in 2017.
- Moving to an online interactive solution for 2020.

The timetable below sets out the adopted phased approach to update and review the profiles.

Recommendations

PSB Members are asked to note the report.

Timetable

Phase	Section	Sub section	Proposed Completion Date
1	Preface	N/A	Already complete
	Population	Age & gender	
		Ethnicity, country of birth, religion	
		Population density	
		Population changes	
2	Cultural Well-being	Welsh language	Nov 2019
		Cohesive communities	
		Arts and heritage	
		Sports	
3	Social Well-being	Housing	Oct 2019
4		Community safety	Nov 2019
5		Health	Dec 2019
6	Economic Well-being	Economy and income	Nov 2019
		Skills	
		Deprivation	
7	Environmental Well-being	Landscape diversity	Dec 2019
		Air quality	
		Water quality	
		Flooding	
		Carbon & ecological footprint	
8	Summary Section	N/A	Jan 2019

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

The Community Well-being Profiles developed using the Shared Purpose: Shared Future guidance. This review will revisit the guidance

Communication

The One Newport website has a page for each intervention and these pages can be used to update the partnership of the progress made against each of the interventions.

Background Papers

[Community Well-being Profiles](#)

[Local Well-being Plan](#)

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**Gwent Regional Partnership Board – Thursday 25th July 2019
Committee Room 2/3, Floor 2, Civic Centre, Pontypool NP4 6YB**

Present: Phil Robson (Chair, ABUHB), Sarah Aitken (ABUHB), Nick Wood (ABUHB), Mel Laidler (ABUHB), Emily Warren (ABUHB), Chris Commins (ABUHB), Ann Lloyd (ABUHB), Katija Dew (ABUHB), Richard Bevan (ABUHB), Glyn Jones (ABUHB), Damien McCann (Blaenau Gwent CBC), Cllr John Mason (Blaenau Gwent CBC), Dave Street (Caerphilly CBC), Cllr Carl Cuss (Caerphilly CBC), James Harris (Newport CC), Cllr Paul Cockeram (Newport CC), Cllr Penny Jones (Monmouthshire CC), Keith Rutherford, (Torfaen CBC), Cllr Mandy Owen (Torfaen CBC), Melanie Minty (Regional Provider Forum Rep/Care Forum Wales), Chris Hodson (Citizen's Panel Rep), Lynn Tanner (TVA), Martin Featherstone (GAVO)

Apologies: Judith Paget (ABUHB), Julie Boothroyd (Monmouthshire CC), Andrew Belcher (Regional Provider Forum Rep/Mirus), Lorraine Morgan (Citizen's Panel Rep), Edward Watts (GAVO)

In attendance: Sian Millar (ABUHB/GASP), Nicola Prygodzicz (ABUHB/WCCIS), David Williams (Regional Team), Claire Selmer (Regional Team – minutes)

1. Introductions and apologies

Chair welcomed all to the meeting and apologies were noted.

2. Election of vice-chair for 2019/20

Cllr Carl Cuss (CC) was nominated as the new Vice Chair. **Agreed**

3. Report from Gwent Adults Strategic Partnership (GASP)

Keith Rutherford (KR) and Sian Millar (SM) gave an update on GASP, which started in June 2017 and meets on a monthly basis. The work programme has been circulated to all, and this is updated on a six monthly basis. Membership is also reviewed and refreshed, as appropriate.

Feedback is given from other groups in relation to work which impacts on GASP work streams; including the Dementia Board, GWICES and Workforce Development.

One of the challenges is the number of people with long-term conditions with increased complexity. KR noted how the consultants in Frailty have kept a number of people in the community who would otherwise have gone into care.

GASP have made a positive contribution to the work around DTtoC, and KR hoped this would be recognised. Although he emphasised that GASP do not take full credit for what has been achieved collectively.

GASP are also looking to make the best use of ICF investment including looking at existing projects and making decisions on bids for new ones. This takes time, but they try to ensure that decisions are made wisely, based on the information available. It is also about how we put in services that help prevent the health and wellbeing decline.

SM noted we need to ensure activities relating to the Transformation Fund programme make best use of monies and resources where they link to GASP. We need to make sure there is support for citizens and they receive the right service at the right time. We need to make well informed decisions in relation to our responsibility.

GASP have been charged with looking at those with a health need, physical disability or sensory impairment. The remit is wide regarding what we class as adult services, and they are working with local integrated partnerships regarding the commissioning of services and workforce development.

The Frailty Service is undergoing a review, so there is a better fit for the future and an effective use of resource. There will also be improved monitoring of the service e.g. who is providing the service, what is it, how long for and are there appropriate ongoing services afterwards. The OCG group has also been revised and refreshed.

A lot of work has gone into SPA, and they are ready to pilot a different way of working in Blaenau Gwent from September 2019. This will run alongside the existing SPA initially, and there will be a link to IAA. SM noted if someone wants to access the SPA it needs to be easy, especially for GPs, and we need to avoid hand offs.

An audit of GP referrals is being carried out at the front of hospital, to see what Frailty could do to support.

SM noted the Delivery Unit want to do a pilot into community services etc, and they have asked if we want to help with this.

There are strong links between Frailty and Home First. Once we understand what Frailty looks like, we will know a better and more efficient way of providing care. Frailty has not changed over the years, and we need to understand what the right size is for Frailty and other services.

KR noted there is a lot of work going on, but there is more still to do e.g. how we work with Welsh Ambulance Service Trust (WAST). Where there are vacancies in residential homes, these could be a safe haven for an overnight stay while a package of care is put in place; this helps keep people out of hospital. Chair noted we have been talking about vacancies for the past 3 years. KR agreed, but added that the model needs to be Home First, and we need to try and get people home the next day.

Lynn Tanner (LT) goes into nursing and residential homes regularly, and she noted that some people do not want to stay at home, they either want company or do not want to be a burden to their family. We need to think about what that individual wants. KR agreed and noted there is always a place for residential and nursing homes. There is eligibility criteria for need, and if someone does not meet this, a bed would not be made available. LT noted there need to be empty beds available to allow people to go into respite. KR advised there is a lot of capacity, and it is about filling these beds appropriately.

Mel Minty (MM) noted she is pleased to hear we are looking at capacity in care homes. As part of the funding, there should be a budget to train care homes to do reablement. She noted we do not want people to lose abilities when they go in for overnight stays. This work will be added to the GASP agenda.

KR noted the acute sector needs to be remodelled, and there is real opportunity with the new hospital in Llantarnam and changes to other hospitals. This is the right time to look at our approach. We could scale up Frailty, but this needs to be researched beforehand. Chair suggested that KR and SM come to Regional Partnership Board (RPB) with a plan as to how they would scale up. **KR/SM**

SM felt we need to look at hospital discharge and how we use resources in integrated wellbeing networks. There is a more social approach in GP surgeries now, and

mentoring and coaching has been brought in to help teams develop e.g. Community Connectors and GP staff.

GASP also need to consider developing solutions for housing for older people.

SM and KR are both interested in the use of assistive technology, and how we guide ICF in that direction.

Supporting carers is another GASP priority; we need to look at barriers and how we address them.

Workforce, especially domiciliary care, continues to be an issue. The Career College Consortium is an exciting piece of work, which is looking to demonstrate that a career in health and social care is positive, and to dispel myths. SM noted there was £500,000 slippage this year, and this is to be kept aside to look at and test initiatives for recruiting to domiciliary care. Initiatives so far have included palliative care proposals, a career enhancing children's book (Billy the Superhero), changes to the DBS scheme by reducing the need for health and social care students to reapply, time credits, taster sessions, pooled cars or help to buy, carer insurance schemes and an assimilation and skills programme.

Cllr Penny Jones (PJ) agreed that workforce is a vital area. Chair queried whether the colleges are on board, and when this work will be starting. KR advised that the work is currently in development, and will be starting this academic year. David Williams (DW) advised that work is mainly being done with Coleg Gwent.

Cllr Paul Cockeram (PC) referred to the consultation around registration in 2020. He noted we pay people low wages, and we need to start paying people their worth. He also referred to the mention of carers, and noted if we do not start looking at respite, these people will be coming into the acute side. He visited Oaklands recently and noted that we need to look after children, and if there is no respite, they could then be sent to a different area.

Chair noted there has been a lot of work, and this is the widest service area and remit. He felt that one danger is the Adapt to Change model, and spreading ourselves too thin. He suggested we identify 3 or 4 priority areas, which we can achieve fairly quickly, and focus on these. He understands GASP is out there on the frontline, but felt we need more pace in terms of outcome; other colleagues noted outcomes do take time.

Nick Wood (NW) advised that fundamentally work streams are moving at pace, and work is being done around an integrated approach, and getting away from the acute sector. He noted culturally it will take a long time to get there, but the work we are doing to deliver around integrated discharge and putting services in is positive. There are also organisation barriers, but we will deal with these over time. This year's winter guidance is around primary and community care, which is positive. Chair noted we have been on this journey for many years, and there have been a number of meetings he has attended to get us to this stage.

NW advised that we told the Minister what we would deliver by 1st September 2019, and that we would deliver a pathway with additional resource. This is to be done quickly across the six organisations, and the benefits for the patient will be huge. He noted this work is still on track.

ML noted the way we work together with Home First is a real enabler, and work has been done with Heads of Service and the Group which is ground breaking, and there is real commitment to this work. Ann Lloyd (AL) queried whether we also monitor the gate keepers who use it. She noted there is enormous variation and this is inexplicable.

Chair recognised the work that has been done so far, and welcomes the 1st September 2019 target date. He requested a report on outcomes, and on the detail of how this works for people coming out of hospital.

SM noted the MDTs will look at discharge and ensure the right care is given for people, and that support can be maintained at home. ML advised that Blaenau Gwent are the first area, but this will cover the Royal Gwent hospital, and Nevill Hall. ML agreed to write a report for GASP as to how this works across Gwent. **ML**

Actions:

- 1) Bring a plan to RPB as to how Frailty could be scaled up. **KR/SM**
- 1) Write a report for GASP as to how the SPA model works across Gwent. **ML**

4. Regional strategic links – G10 & RPB

G10 membership includes Chief Executives of Public Services across Gwent, Police, Fire Service and National Resources Wales. There was a query about two months ago to look at connects across the public sector, including the RPB

The current Deputy Minister is keen that RPBs and PSBs should have a stronger link, and is looking at G10 as that link. Chair attended a meeting, and G10 have asked for a seat on RPB in a non-voting capacity; this request is now being considered.

Sarah Aitken (SA) noted there is an overlapping area around wellbeing, and she will soon be publishing this year's annual report 'Building a Healthier Gwent'. This looks at place based working, communities and how we come together. She asked if this report can be added to the next agenda, Chair agreed. **Agreed**

SA noted there will be a conference in November 2019, and all will be invited. Chair agreed this would be helpful.

Action:

- 1) Building a Healthier Gwent report to be added to next RPB agenda. **Agreed**

5. RPB and LG Development Programme with the Bevan Commission and Social Care Wales

The first meeting was held last week and went well. Chair noted this is open to all RPB members, and is not a closed meeting; he hopes this can be prioritised going forward. Please contact Emily Warren (EW) if you need any more information on sessions. **All**

PJ noted she was unable to attend due to other diary commitments, but hopes to attend the September and October 2019 dates. PC suggested we need to make sure we set meetings in the diary well in advance.

Martin Featherstone (MF) felt the first session was helpful, and queried how we reflect on emerging learning/any 'wins' and how we can apply learning quickly before the end of the sessions.

Action:

- 1) Contact EW if you need more information on the sessions. **All**

6. ICF report

a) Investment plan and slippage

ML thanked the Directors and SM for their support to Roxanne Green (RG), during a challenging time.

The Investment Plan has been sent to Welsh Government (WG), and we have been commended on our approach. 97% of the current revenue has been spent across regional programmes.

RG has made significant links with WG, and they have helped with the ICF infrastructure and planning.

ML noted what we need to do is evaluate each of the programmes. At Regional Leadership Group (RLG) on 8th August 2019, we will look at an overview of evaluation. New ICF staff will be starting shortly and will receive bespoke training about the evaluation process; WG are keen to support, and are sitting in on this. There is assurance people will understand how the evaluations need to be done, and they can share the knowledge.

Following feedback from the Wales Audit Office last year, there was a press release last week. ML noted need to assess the recommendations, and this will be taken to RLG in August 2019. **ML**

Chair asked if the report can then be brought to September 2019 RPB meeting. **ML**

Lynn Tanner (LT) noted item 2.2 in the report. She said that she had not been aware of the workshop, and is disappointed that the outcome is not what was suggested (for CVCs to have some ICF for third sector distribution), and a small amount of money could make a difference to organisations. ML advised that the paper is to go to RLG for endorsement, and she will delegate for more active involvement in the locality.

PC felt the report was difficult to read, and needs to be presented in a better way. ML offered reassurance that all proposals have been through the strategic partnerships for scrutiny and to avoid duplication. She was happy to have further discussion outside of the meeting, if helpful.

Actions:

- 1) Assess and report on press release recommendations at August 2019 RLG. **ML**
- 2) Report from RLG to come to September 2019 RPB. **ML**

b) Capital proposals

A workshop on ICF Capital was held on 18th July 2019, and discussed strategic direction. ML noted aim is for all partners to be aware of what funding is available.

WG are adding another layer of review, but 75% of proposals have gone straight through at present. 3 x projects have been approved by WG so far, these are the Carer Hub, Older Persons Hub and Cwm Gwelly Lodge.

ML noted there has been an issue with the proposal for the behavioural support for the children's project. James Harris (JH) advised he has had three interactions regarding this. It is a project which fills a gap, and he believes this proposal should be supported. ML advised there has been feedback some in Children and Families Partnership are against this. JH advised all partners believe this is the right way to go, and this is fully supported by the Partnership. He noted it is a shame the gestation period is so long.

PC noted it can take 3 – 4 months to hear back from WG, and then we need to spend the money quickly. He has spoken to Albert Heaney about this also. ML advised she has spoken to WG on numerous occasions, and the position is the same across Wales. KR noted need for consistency in naming projects, and will endeavour to do some work on this across GASP.

Chair advised that he met with RG and suggested we look at the evaluation model and run some projects through it. We can then decide what we need to scale up/down and look at how we measure outcomes.

c) Staff recruitment

The recruitment of additional staff has been challenging, and people are yet to start in post. Posts are fixed-term to help measure the impact in the office.

ML noted as they are temporary, she is not sure all posts will be filled. Katija Dew (KD) queried whether ML has taken advantage of secondment. She also noted there is some valuable training available online. ML advised all secondment is being secured through the local authorities.

7. Transformation Fund

a) Challenge and Support Sessions feedback

All were invited to the four Challenge and Support sessions in July 2019, and the last one takes place next week. EW advised that the sessions reflect on early impact and how we feel engaged to represent what the Transformation Fund is doing.

b) Current position report

EW advised we are in a position of strength, and there has been positive feedback from WG regarding the reporting on Quarter 2.

EW is a member of GSWAG and links there. Gemma Burrows and Will Beer gave a presentation on Integrated Wellbeing Networks at the recent meeting, and there was conversation around how we develop models. ABUHB Values Team are aligned with this. EW noted if we upscale, we need to look at the values and approach of each programme, and need to engage with the wider stakeholder.

The Transformation Fund is one-off funding and we need to consider how we continue to fund out of core resource going forward. There has been a conversation with WG internally regarding post 2020, and it is presumed there will be no further funding. Work is being done on a sustainability report, and this will be brought to the RLG meeting in September 2019. **EW**

There is an evaluation of the tender across each of the four programmes. EW noted there is a critical link to the ICF work over the next 10 – 15 years. The evaluation tender is out this week.

A market and engagement event was held recently, attended by about twenty people, and there was 1:1 conversation with interested providers.

There are now five Service Development Leads linked to the Integrated Wellbeing Network programme, they are in place and developing delivery plans.

WG are showing a lot of interest in the Iceberg Model, and there is to be some filming as part of the model case study and how we have changed things for one family. Chair queried when the filming will start. EW advised this should be starting soon. Chair felt

it was positive that we are working with service users on a film, ensuring that there is appropriate ethical consideration.

AL noted she assumes data is being collected on client, staff and carers, and the baseline is already known. ML advised they have already started to collect this as part of Home First. EW advised this will be done pre-work and then as part of the evaluation, as this is a critical and separate part.

Chair noted that as RPB are being held accountable for this work, we need information from one project at a time to be brought to upcoming meetings. EW agreed she can bring this information back. **EW**

Damien McCann (DM) noted that across the region there are regional service models, but there is a slightly different approach in each locality. He queried what the long-term vision is, and whether this will stay as a regional model or evolve into a Welsh model. EW advised she is not in a position to answer that, but thinks we will be expected to scale up. She noted that if the model works, there is no reason why others can't use it, as the principles will be similar across Wales. However, she noted there could be an issue with branding.

Dave Street (DS) advised there was a national event in Llandudno recently, and there were similar things with different names. He noted as long as there are the same outcomes, WG are not worried about standardisation. If things are not equivalent, there may be some challenge. We are sharing learning with North Wales regarding the CAMHS approach. He noted there are four programmes in Gwent, and in other areas they have more programmes and therefore more pressure.

Actions:

- 1) Information on each project to be brought to future meetings. **EW**
- 2) Sustainability Report to be brought to September 2019 RLG meeting. **EW**

8. Regional Commissioning

a) Report

The second meeting of the Joint Commissioning Group took place on 9th July 2019. The progress report is around the work plan which was previously discussed. Work which is already completed can be seen in the plan.

There was some discussion around a common specification, and this has been agreed and has gone out to providers.

Two areas are to move to a jointly commissioned approach around domiciliary care. We are moving to a more 'plan' based approach, rather than 'time and task'.

The next meeting will review the work plan, how we share learning, and the best approach for the local authorities and health board. Domiciliary care is now a key focus.

b) High level plan

There has been a long conversation regarding step up/step down capacity; we need more step up beds to make homes more sustainable. Good progress is being made, and the group will continue to meet quarterly.

Mark Saunders has developed the work plan, which is helpful and shows where we are.

Chair queried whether there is a link to GASP. SM confirmed there is and they have received a report.

c) Children's Services Commissioning Summary

DS attended a meeting facilitated by IPC to look at commissioning good practice with children with complex needs. He noted this was not a well-attended session, but that JH attended to represent the Children and Families Partnership.

The main challenge for Gwent, from a local authority perspective, is funding. It is also about finding suitable people and a placement at a local or regional level, which is difficult. Often we are placing away from home, and this is clearly vexing WG.

We need to consider how we can overcome the challenges and how we bring collected resources and opportunities together. Similar to the adult perspective, there is an ongoing link with the Children and Families Partnership.

Chair noted one of the Ministers has queried whether it would be beneficial to the third sector to link in to this, as he felt there is a gap there. JH agreed there needs to be more of a link, to bring balance.

Children's spend is high, and Chair queried whether it is due to the live placements and increased LAC (looked after children). He noted this is good work, and thanked DS and NW.

DM advised that a recent example is secure accommodation for 1 x child (1 x bed that 27 were trying to access) is £5,000 a week.

9. WCCIS implementation

Position report

Nicola Prygodzicz (NP) attended the meeting to update us. She is Chair of the WCCIS Programme Board, with DS. The Board is well-attended and well-represented.

ICF funding of just under £300,000 was previously allocated, and this is now being increased to £550,000.

We did not have a security model, and this has been developed as a region and all are now signed up to it and to sharing information. Other areas are also looking to adopt the Gwent model.

One of the main issues is the duplication of records; there are 100,000 across Wales and 40,000 are in Gwent. These are multiple records for the same person. As a region we are committed to addressing this, and are putting additional staff in to resolve it. NP noted that when ABUHB go live, we want to ensure duplicates have been cleared.

ABUHB note need (with staff work patterns) to bring the WCCIS function to a mobile app, rather than having to use a laptop.

ABUHB were due to go live last week, and this has been postponed, as Careworks (provider organisation) did not meet a number of requirements. They will not go live until these are in place, as WCCIS needs to replace the current mental health IT system. NP advised they are working with the national team regarding a go live date, but this is yet to be confirmed - June 2020 is thought to be the possible timeframe. She noted this is the biggest hub taking on WCCIS, and they are integrating old systems into new.

There has been broader debate about the role of this group, and how the regional groups feed in. NP queried what the expectation is from RPB. Chair advised that Albert Heaney has commented he will be holding RPB to account for WCCIS. Chair raised concern that ABUHB will be waiting at least a year to go live, but noted there is not much we can do if we are waiting for the software provider. However, he noted this is about accountability, and felt we should write to Albert Heaney regarding the reason for the delay. We need it on record that this is due to a software issue, and is no fault of ours. **RPB**

NP has reported problems to WG on a 6 monthly basis for the past 2 years.

Chair suggested we need to write to the national team, so that we have it on record; the difficulty with system technicalities is the reason ABUHB have not gone live. **RPB**

DS advised that four local authorities went live some time ago, and with the help of additional funding, Monmouthshire are near to going live.

Chair queried whether Careworks are primarily for local authorities. DS advised that this is not the case. NP advised they are designing a quite bespoke system which meets all our needs. The mobile app can also bring about a different way of working.

Chair asked to meet with NP outside the meeting, for further discussion on WCCIS from a health board perspective. NP agreed. **PR/NP**

Actions:

- 1) Write to Albert Heaney regarding the reason for delay in ABUHB going live. **RPB**
- 2) Write to national team regarding delay in ABUHB going live. **RPB**
- 3) Catch up outside of this meeting to discuss WCCIS. **PR/NP**

10. Minutes of previous meeting (May 2019) and matters arising

The minutes were agreed to be a fair reflection of the previous meeting.

11. Regional Partnership Board Annual Report

The report has been circulated to all for information.

12. Gwent VAWDASV Annual Report (2018/19)

The report has been circulated to all for information.

13. Annual Carers report and cover note

The report and cover note were circulated to all for information.

14. AOB

No additional items were raised.

15. Next meeting –

Thursday 5th September 2019 - 2pm

Conference Room 1/2, ABUHB Head Quarters, St Cadocs, Lodge Road, Caerleon
NP18 3XQ

Forward Work Programme

10 th December 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019/20 Well-being Plan Q2 Performance updates • Expectation of reduction in the number of Looked After Children • Safer Newport • Partnership Evaluation & action plan • Data and Intelligence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vulnerable Intelligence (SWFRS) ○ Newport Intelligence Hub • Building a Healthier Gwent – Engagement outcomes • VAWDASV Annual Report • Engagement Group minutes • Strategy and Performance Board minutes • Regional Partnership Board minutes
10 March 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019/20 Well-being Plan Q3 Performance updates • Scrutiny letter • Strategy and Performance Board minutes • Regional Partnership Board minutes
9 June 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Well-being Plan Annual Report • Strategy and Performance Board minutes • Regional Partnership Board minutes

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