

# Minutes Newport Public Services Board

**Date:** 3 October 2019

**Time:** 10.00 am Newport City Homes

**Present:**

**Statutory Partners:**

**Newport City Council:** Councillor Debbie Wilcox (Chair); B Owen. S Davies attended the meeting as an observer.

**Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (ABUHB):** K Dew

**South Wales Fire and Rescue Service:** E Bellew

**Natural Resources Wales:** C Davies

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**Invited Partners:**

**Welsh Government:** A John

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

**Heddlu Gwent Police:** CS I Roberts

**Probation Service:** L Plechowicz

**Coleg Gwent:** G Lacey

**Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations:** M Featherstone

**RSLs:** C Doyle

**Newport Live:** S Ward

**Public Health Wales:** W Beer

**Officers:**

N Dance (PSB Co-ordinator NCC); Tracey Brooks (NCC); M Sharpe (NCC) Tracy McKim (NCC); Louise Postill (NCC).

G Calder (Chair of the Fairness Commission) attended for item 9

**Apologies:** C Lane (Newport Third Sector Partnership), N Prygodzicz (ABUHB), S Aitken (Public Health Wales), CFO H Jakeway (SWF&RS), M Cadwallader (USW)

No	Item	Action
1	<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed Guy Lacey, Coleg Gwent, to his first PSB meeting.</p>	
2	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting held 11 June 2019</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 11 June 2019 were confirmed as a true record.</p> <p><b>Matters arising</b></p> <p><u>Minute 2 Matters Arising</u> – On the basis that he wished all Scrutiny members to have the same access to information and knowledge of PSB work, the Scrutiny Chair did not consider that there should be a direct link between a Scrutiny member and a Well-being Plan Intervention. The Scrutiny Chair had also noted that the Committee should not be involved with PSB interventions on a decision making level.</p> <p>The Strategy and Performance Board will consider Scrutiny reporting at its next meeting.</p> <p><u>Minute 9- Partnership Evaluation-</u> The Chair reminded members to complete the partnership evaluation survey.</p>	ALL
3	<p><b>G10 Update</b></p> <p>The Chair reported on discussions at G10's September meeting, which is a meeting of the Leaders and lead officers of statutory partners across Gwent. The Chair advised that Beverly Owen is now a member of the M4 Commission.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b> As part of the regional work, the Sustainable Travel intervention leads take forward the possible Travel Charter for Gwent and the fleet review, which is in partnership with the Energy Saving Trust.</p>	C Doyle; C Lane
4	<p><b>Western Powerhouse</b></p> <p>B Owen gave an update on progress regarding the Western Powerhouse.</p> <p>The main priorities of the Western Powerhouse are an industrial strategy; Great Western Crossrail; trade and investment; productivity; and inclusive growth.</p> <p>Members commented that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• divergent skills agendas should not be a barrier to progress;</li> <li>• policies and practices need to be flexible to avoid operational barriers e.g. in the allocation of grant funding for housing initiatives;</li> <li>• noting connections between Newport and Bristol on crime, it would be beneficial to build policing partnerships in the Severnside area alongside consideration of the economy.</li> </ul> <p>A John offered to make connections between departments within Welsh Government on grant funding if that would be helpful. S Davies would work within the Western Powerhouse partnership to avoid duplication and conflict in these areas.</p>	A John; S Davies

<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>National Development Framework (NDF)</b></p> <p>T Brooks presented the National Development Framework consultation and Newport City Council's response, with the aim of the PSB considering a collective response.</p> <p>Members commented as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affordable Housing – The NDF does not draw out a policy against mono tenure. A range of tenure types in all new developments would give flexibility.</li> <li>• Climate change – In terms of the hierarchy of the challenges facing us, climate change seems low down in the list although WG has declared a climate emergency. The PSB would like to see more commentary around public transport and active travel to support this.</li> <li>• The links between climate change, air quality, biodiversity and sustainable management of the land could be better made within the Framework.</li> <li>• Newport is part of regional consortia (Cardiff Capital Region and Western Powerhouse). Differences in policies and practices, particularly between Wales and England, should not be a barrier to growth across regions.</li> </ul> <p>It was considered that a health impact assessment of the NDF on Newport would provide useful context for a PSB response.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b> To submit a PSB response based on the comments above and any further comments submitted by individual PSB members by 18<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	<p><b>W Beer</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Scrutiny Letter on the Well-Being Plan Annual Report</b></p> <p>The PSB considered a letter from Cllr Rahman, Chair of the Performance Scrutiny Committee – Partnerships.</p> <p>The letter noted that the work undertaken by the PSB in the first 9 months had been positively received and the Scrutiny Committee commended those involved for their hard work.</p> <p>The Committee had commented on individual interventions and responses to these would be prepared by intervention leads supported by the Partnerships Team.</p> <p>Scrutiny had also commented more generally on the report as a whole.</p> <p>Intervention leads commented that the Scrutiny Committee meeting had felt more positive than the Chair's letter implied. Leads would take the Scrutiny comments on board when reporting this year. Plans to report in alternative formats such as video should help make the 2019/20 Annual Report more accessible and agendas for intervention board meetings should include Communications as a standing item so that project-based news stories and successes could be identified and promoted.</p>	

	<p>An error in the Scrutiny Committee minutes was noted: the Participation Panel had been granted £15,000 to spend on their local area and not £150,000 as recorded in the minutes.</p> <p>The Chair thanked the intervention leads for attending the Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Intervention boards to include Communications on their agendas</li> <li>ii. Intervention leads, supported by the Partnerships Team, take forward the Scrutiny comments when reporting this year.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Scrutiny</b></p> <p><b>Intervention leads and Partnerships Team</b></p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>Local Wellbeing Plan Q1 Performance Reports</b></p> <p>Intervention Board leads updated on the progress made in delivering the Local Well-being Plan in Quarter 1. Performance dashboards were presented.</p> <p>Regarding the Newport Offer, B Owen noted that PSB members would be requested to complete a questionnaire regarding their use of low carbon energy.</p> <p>Members commented that the positive perception targets under the Newport Offer were quite low. It was noted that the targets were based on the outcomes of perception surveys carried out in recent years; the National Survey for Wales might offer comparisons regarding citizens being happy with where they live.</p> <p><b>AGREED -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. PSB Members to complete a low carbon energy survey to be circulated</li> <li>ii. The PSB's December agenda to include a report on lessons learnt from neighbourhood hubs</li> <li>iii. The new Newport Destination website be presented at a future meeting</li> </ul>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>IR / NP</b></p> <p><b>B Owen</b></p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>Minutes of Strategy and Performance Board</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> August were noted.</p>	
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Fairness Commission Training</b></p> <p>Gideon Calder, Chair of the Fairness Commission outlined the Commission's offer to train employees of PSB partners.</p> <p><b>AGREED -</b> PSB members to consider Fairness Commission training for their staff.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>Building a Healthier Gwent</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report summarising the themes and content of the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019 'Building a Healthier</p>	

	<p>Gwent' and outlining the programme for involving the public, professionals, senior managers and system leaders.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. To note the contents of the report</li> <li>ii. To provide leadership in building a healthier Gwent</li> <li>iii. To actively participate in the involvement plan and promote it</li> </ul>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Community Wellbeing Profiles</b> – Report noted	
<b>12</b>	<b>Minutes of the Regional Partnership Board</b> Minutes of the July meeting noted.	
<b>13</b>	<b>Forward Work Programme</b> – Programme noted	
	<b>AGREED:</b> All members to propose agenda items.	<b>ALL</b>
<b>14</b>	<p><b>Meeting Dates</b> 10 am Tuesday, 10 December 2019. The Friars, Royal Gwent Hospital</p> <p><u>Meeting dates in 2020</u> 10 am Tuesday, 10 March 2020 10 am Tuesday, 9 June 2020 10 am Tuesday, 8 September 2020 10 am Tuesday, 8 December 2020</p>	<b>ALL</b>