

Minutes Newport Public Services Board

Date: 8th September 2020

Time: 10.00 am - Online Teams Meeting

Present:

Statutory Partners:

Newport City Council: Cllr J Mudd (Chair); B Owen (Chief Executive)

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

South Wales Fire and Rescue Service: C Hadfield

Natural Resources Wales: S Morgan

Invited Partners:

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

Heddlu Gwent Police: Superintendent M Richards

Probation Service: A Lewis

Public Health Wales: Will Beer

Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations: S Tiley

Newport Third Sector Partnership: C Lane

RSLs: C Doyle

Newport Live: S Ward

University of South Wales: M Cadwallader

Officers:

N Dance (PSB Co-ordinator), T McKim (Newport City Council), B Hanks (NCC), M Ryan (NCC), Caroline Stock (NCC),

Apologies:

CFO H Jakeway (SWFRS), G Lacey (Coleg Gwent), C Davies (Natural Resources Wales), J Cuthbert (OPCC), A John (Welsh Government)

No	Item	Action
1	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Amanda Lewis as the new representative for the Probation Service and Superintendent Michael Richards of Gwent Police who were attending their first meeting.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of the meeting held 9th June 2020</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 9th June 2020 were confirmed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <p>Re Minute 8, the Chair reiterated the importance of facilitating Newport Youth Council's (NYC) engagement with the PSB and thanked Steve Tiley and Craig Lane for their work on this. The Chair confirmed NYC have appointed two representatives (with one vote), Chair Maisy Evans and Vice Chair Poppy Stowell-Evans. The Board expressed their support for NYC's work and their contribution on behalf of young people.</p> <p>The Chair requested nominations for the role of PSB link with NYC and proposed that the timings of PSB meetings be moved from 10.00am to 4.30pm with effect from 8th December 2020 to facilitate the attendance of NYC representatives</p> <p>Agreed :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i.</i> Steve Tiley and Craig Lane to be the PSB links with NYC. <i>ii.</i> Board meetings to commence at 4.30pm with effect from 8th December 2020. 	<p>S Tiley / C Lane All</p>
3	<p>Update on G10 work</p> <p>a) Regional PSB</p> <p>The Board received the draft G10 paper regarding options to establish a regional PSB. The Chair had requested that the paper be shared with PSB members so that the perspective of all representatives on the Board could be presented at the G10 meeting in late September, reflecting the importance of Newport's partnership working. The Chair invited members to arrange to discuss further if required.</p> <p>There was general consensus that a regional PSB in Gwent is likely, however, members had some reservations regarding this. These were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a need to retain local accountability and a voice for local people through local structures, which should support the regional body; • it was important to maintain the momentum of achievements to date in Newport; • important to acknowledge Newport's uniqueness and that all local authority areas are different; • there is strength and confidence in partnership working in Newport; • 2021 considered to be too soon to establish a regional PSB with confidence in the sub-structures. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive community engagement was undertaken in developing the One Newport Well-Being Plan, which was also developed in line with the needs identified by the wellbeing assessment. <p>Members agreed that there were advantages to regional working but that the benefits to Newport of the local partnership are clear – as also outlined in the annual report item.</p> <p>The Chair assured the Board that all views would be given due consideration during discussions at G10.</p> <p>It was questioned whether a change in legislation could be considered which would allow for a regional PSB and a local PSB to co-exist where this was desired. In the event of a regional PSB being established, the need for all partners to continue to support an effective local partnership in Newport was noted – along with the challenge that this presents without a Newport Well-Being Plan</p> <p>Other G10 Work</p> <p>The Chair delivered an overview of other G10 discussions at the meeting in June. These focused on COVID recovery work; the JIGSO programme; recovery work and planning; contact tracing; and Black Lives Matter.</p> <p>The Chair noted that she has attended several round table meetings with representatives of the Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME) Group to discuss Newport City Council working in partnership to respond to this important agenda.</p>	
4	<p>Local Wellbeing Plan</p> <p>The Board received the Annual Report 2019-20 for approval prior to publication. The report will go to the Scrutiny Committee in October. The Chair thanked all who led on the work for this report. Members commented positively on the content and presentation of the document.</p> <p>The Chair referred to the work that intervention leads had undertaken on the Local Wellbeing Plan and thanked the team at Newport City Council for their work on the report, which is also now available in Sway.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i.</i> B Owen to provide further information the “good jobs” and “deprivation” data in the Thriving Places information on page 68 of the report. <i>ii.</i> To approve the content of the report. <i>iii.</i> That intervention leads review their interventions and Wellbeing Objectives in light of Covid-19, taking account of the Future Generations Commissioners Report and Journey Checkers <i>iv.</i> N Dance to contact PSB intervention leads to ensure partners are represented at the meeting to answer Member questions and take feedback. 	<p>B Owen</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>N Dance</p>

5	<p>Strategy & Performance Board</p> <p>The Board received the minutes of the Strategy and Performance Board and the Chair requested items for items for discussion by the S&P Board.</p> <p>No suggestions were submitted. The Board noted the ongoing work to review objectives/ interventions.</p>	
6	<p>Sustainable Travel Intervention</p> <p>The Board received a paper outlining proposed changes to the Sustainable Travel Intervention. Revisions had taken account of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Agreed –To endorse the changes to the Sustainable Travel Intervention.</p>	C Doyle/ C Lane
7	<p>Safer Newport Update</p> <p>The Board received an update on the work of the Safer Newport Community Safety Partnership during the COVID 19 pandemic. The Chair referred to ongoing issues with anti-social behaviour and tensions in the Pill area which were concerning. It was agreed that accelerated work was required to address this with input from partners.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i.</i> B Owen, M Richards, A Lewis and C Doyle to meet to further discuss issues around anti-social behaviour in Pillgwenlly. <i>ii.</i> PSB members to note the positive work of Safer Newport over the last six months and continue to support this partnership approach through their own organisations. 	BO/MR/AL/CD All
8	<p>Homelessness</p> <p>The Board received a presentation on the response to COVID-19 in terms of homelessness:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency/temporary accommodation increased by 67%; 395 households accommodated; 100 of 140 rough sleepers identified were offered accommodation. • Phase 2 – Bid submitted to increase supported housing and support for homeless people with complex needs, substance misuse and mental health issues; 6 projects being developed to provide over 50 units of supported housing. <p>Members thanked the teams and partners for the work undertaken on this issue during the pandemic, particularly the rapid prescribing of housing for vulnerable people. It was commented that homelessness is still a major issue with supply of homes not meeting demand. Retrofitting available vacant capacity is not funded by Welsh Government.</p> <p>Agreed – Presentation slides to be circulated to PSB.</p>	N Dance

9	<p>Natural Resources Wales (NRW) Strategic Allocated Funding Grant</p> <p>The Board received a paper on the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) strategic allocated funding grant. The funding allocation of £25k must be spent within this financial year and a decision on what to spend the money on must be made by 9th October.</p> <p>The Board noted that regional discussions are underway to ensure that the funding aligns with existing priorities. The Board also agreed that local priorities would also be funded in line with the One Newport Well-Being Plan work programme.</p> <p>Agreed - the Board to take the full allocation of the NRW funding grant.</p>	All
10	<p>Gwent VAWDASV Partnership Board Annual Report 2019-20</p> <p>The Board received the Gwent VAWDASV Partnership Board Annual Report 2019-20.</p> <p>Agreed –To note the annual report.</p>	
11	<p>Community Wealth Building</p> <p>The Board received a paper outlining a Community Wealth Building project which the Welsh Government wished to take forward with regional clusters of PSBs including PSBs in Gwent. The project will focus on progressive procurement by PSB members identified as “anchor organisations” for facilitating wealth building within the community.</p> <p>Agreed – To note the work and report progress through the Newport Offer.</p>	
12	<p>Review of Strategic Partnerships</p> <p>The Board received the Welsh Government’s report on its Review of Strategic Partnerships.</p> <p>Agreed – To note the Review</p>	
13	<p>Regional Partnership Board Minutes</p> <p>The Board received the minutes of the Regional Partnership Board meetings held on 21st May and 16th July 2020.</p> <p>Agreed – To note the minutes.</p>	
14	<p>Western Gateway Partnership</p> <p>The Board received an update on the Western Gateway Partnership work</p> <p>Agreed – To note the report.</p>	

15	<p>Forward Work Programme</p> <p>The Board received the PSB's Forward Work Programme. The Chair reminded the Board that any member can propose an item for inclusion on the programme.</p> <p>Agreed – Members to advise N Dance of any items to add to the Forward Work Programme</p>	ALL
16	<p>Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 8th December 2020 at 4.30pm</p>	ALL to note
17	<p>Meeting Dates in 2021:</p> <p>Tuesday 16th March 2021 at 4.30pm Tuesday 8th June 2021 at 4.30pm Tuesday 14th September at 4.30pm Tuesday 14th December 2021 at 4.30pm</p>	ALL to note
	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Rights Skills intervention – S Tiley reported that the Right Skills Intervention Board was reviewing its activity in the light COVID-19 and recommendations relating to the “Future of Skills” contained in the Future Generations Commissioner’s Annual Report. This work suggested that the PSB’s Well-being Objective relating to skills was too narrowly focused on economic well-being and should be broadened to address other aspects. The Right Skills leads will make recommendations for the Board to consider.</p> <p>Agreed – agenda item for next meeting.</p>	S Tiley; G Lacey