

# Minutes Newport Public Services Board

**Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019

**Time:** 10.00 am, Friars Education Centre

**Present:**

**Statutory Partners:**

**Newport City Council:** Cllr Jane Mudd (Chair); Sheila Davies (Interim Chief Executive)

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

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

**Natural Resources Wales:** C Davies

**Invited Partners:**

**Welsh Government:** A John

**Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner:** J Cuthbert

**Heddlu Gwent Police:** CS I Roberts

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

**Newport Third Sector Partnership:** C Lane

**RSLs:** C Doyle

**Newport Live:** S Ward

**University of South Wales:** M Cadwallader

**Public Health Wales:** Dr S Aitken

**Officers:**

N Dance (PSB Co-ordinator), Sally Jenkins (Newport City Council); Tracy McKim (Newport City Council)

**Apologies:**

CFO Huw Jakeway (SWFRS) G Lacey (Coleg Gwent)

No	Item	Action
1	<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>Ceri Davies (NRW) took the Chair for the start of the meeting.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Cllr Jane Mudd, Leader of Newport City Council, to her first meeting of the PSB.</p>	

	A John declared for the record that she had been co-opted onto the Newport City Homes Board.	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Appointment of Chair</b></p> <p>Cllr Jane Mudd was appointed Chair.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting held 3 October 2019</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2019 were confirmed as a true record.</p> <p><b>Matters arising</b></p> <p>The Chair and S Davies updated the PSB on the G10 meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. G10 had discussed the potential for a regional PSB. This is still in very early stages, with options for a regional model being explored. Members noted that Newport has particular challenges as a city, which are often different to the wider region.</p> <p>Other G10 discussions included the Western Gateway, secure accommodation for children, the 'Building a Healthier Gwent Delivery Plan' and a regional Travel Charter, which has links to the Sustainable Travel intervention in Newport's Well-being Plan.</p>	
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Local Wellbeing Plan Q2 Performance Reports</b></p> <p>Intervention Leads updated on the progress made in delivering the Local Well-being Plan for the period April - September 2019.</p> <p>As part of the Newport Offer work, S Davies presented a discussion paper on Newport's role in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. The importance of working in partnership with the Newport Economic Network was noted. Members commented that the Newport Offer is an overarching theme to which the other four interventions contribute.</p> <p>Regarding Strong Resilient Communities (SRC), the Leads reported that they would be revisiting ideas put forward by the community in Alway and Ringland with a view to considering options for funding small-scale projects. The SRC Board was also looking to expand the Mutual Gain work into Pill, noting that BCT funding could still be available.</p> <p>Members discussed pooling resources to fund community projects, with the suggestion that NCC could be the accountable body for PSB funding in general, with GAVO potentially being an accountable body for funding only accessible by the community sector. The Board agreed to review individual members' criteria for funding projects with a view to potentially developing shared funding criteria and governance by which the PSB could jointly operate.</p> <p>Members noted the potential for linkages between some of the Green and Safe Spaces and Right Skills work, and the intention to hold a workshop on integration using lessons learnt from the Ringland Community Campus development.</p> <p>The Chair reported that a new Sustainability Cabinet portfolio had been created by NCC, which could have relevance for the Green and Safe Spaces work.</p>	

	<p>Members were encouraged to sign up to the Travel Charter and the Eco Stars programme for their fleet as part of the sustainable travel work.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The Chair, Cllr J Mudd, to lead the Newport Offer.</li> <li>ii. S Davies to work with partners on the vision for Newport as part of the Newport Offer</li> <li>iii. Consider Newport Offer's function as an overarching intervention as part of the annual review of the Wellbeing Plan.</li> <li>iv. C Davies to lead on reviewing members' criteria for funding community projects with a view to developing shared funding criteria and governance for the PSB</li> <li>v. Further information be sought on the criteria for releasing BCT funding.</li> <li>vi. C Davies to brief NCC's Cabinet Member for Sustainability on Green and Safe Spaces and relevant projects</li> <li>vii. PSB members consider taking part in the Eco Stars initiative.</li> </ul>	<p>S Davies</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>C Davies</p> <p>I Roberts</p> <p>C Davies</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Minutes of the Strategy and Performance Board held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November were noted.</p>	
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Safer Newport</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report on progress to date of the Safer Newport community safety partnership.</p> <p>It was noted that the work in Newport had been commended as an exemplar of good practice.</p> <p>Members commented on the potential value of combining data held by partners to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly in developing preventative, collaborative approaches.</p> <p><b>AGREED</b> – To bring together data professionals within partner organisations to consider the data held and opportunities for collaboration.</p>	<p>I Roberts</p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>Expectation of Reduction in the Number of Children who are Looked After</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report on Welsh Government's expectation for Local Authority Children's Services to work towards a reduction in the numbers of looked after children (LAC), the role of partners in this work and the challenges this may pose.</p> <p>It was noted that interventions across all public sector organisations should focus on ensuring that children are less likely to become LAC.</p> <p>Members expressed support for this work and considered that a workshop using case studies would be beneficial to explore how partners could engage individually and collectively. It was noted that the NRW Chair had experience in this area.</p> <p><b>AGREED</b> – To::</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Ensure there is a shared understanding for all of the likely outcomes for children in care particularly older children</li> <li>ii. Work across agencies to mitigate the need for children to be looked after with early intervention and prevention with a focus on the needs of those at the “edge of care”</li> <li>iii. Emphasise safe reduction of the numbers of looked after children as a working objective.</li> <li>iv. Further consideration be given to how PSB members can engage with this work, potentially through a workshop</li> <li>v. C Davies to extend an invitation to NRW Chair, Dr David Henshaw, to be part of this discussion.</li> </ul>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>S Jenkins</p> <p>C Davies</p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Building a Healthier Gwent – Involvement Programme</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report on the themes emerging from the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2019 ‘Building a Healthier Gwent’ involvement programme.</p> <p>S Aitken noted that she had been invited by G10 to put together a draft delivery plan, which would take account of the 5 Wellbeing Plans in the region.</p> <p><b>AGREED</b> – To note the report.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Partnership Evaluation / WAO Review of PSBs</b></p> <p>The Board considered an action plan to address the outcomes of the PSB’s self-evaluation questionnaire and the recommendations of the Wales Audit Office (WAO) review of Public Services Boards.</p> <p><b>AGREED</b> – To:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Note the outcomes of the Partnership Evaluation Exercise</li> <li>ii. Note the recommendations of WAO’s review of PSBs</li> <li>iii. Approve the draft action plan for Board development</li> <li>iv. That the Strategy and Performance Board monitors implementation of the Plan</li> </ul>	N Dance
<b>10</b>	<b>Minutes of the Engagement Group held on 9 October 2019</b> - Noted	
<b>11</b>	<b>Minutes of the Third Sector Partnership held on 9 October 2019</b> - Noted	
<b>12</b>	<b>Minutes of the Regional Partnership Board held 5 September 2019</b> - Noted	
<b>13</b>	<b>PSB response to the Welsh Government Consultation on the National Development Framework</b> - Noted	
<b>14</b>	<p><b>Forward Work Programme</b></p> <p><b>AGREED</b> - All members to propose agenda items.</p>	<b>ALL</b>

15	<p><b>Meeting Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 am Tuesday, 17 March 2020 (changed from 10<sup>TH</sup> March)</li> <li>• 10 am Tuesday, 9 June 2020</li> <li>• 10 am Tuesday, 8 September 2020</li> <li>• 10 am Tuesday, 8 December 2020</li> </ul> <p>Members were asked consider hosting these meetings</p>	ALL
16	<p><b>Future Generations Xchange - 10<sup>th</sup> January at ICCW</b></p> <p><b>AGREED</b> - PSB members to email N Dance if they are interested in attending.</p>	ALL