

# Minutes **Newport Public Services Board**

**Date:** 2 October 2018:

**Time:** 10.00 am, Civic Centre, Newport

**Present:**

**Statutory Partners:**

**Newport City Council:** Councillor D Wilcox (in the Chair), W Godfrey (Chief Executive), T McKim (Partnership Manager), N Dance (PSB Co-ordinator), Councillor Majid Rahman, D Price.

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

**South Wales Fire and Rescue Service:** E Bellew, S Jenkins

**Natural Resources Wales:** C Davies

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**Invited Partners:**

**Welsh Government:** A John

**Public Health Wales:** W Beer

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

**Heddlu Gwent Police:** I Roberts

**Probation Service:** L Plechowicz

**University of South Wales:** T Griffin

**Coleg Gwent:** Gary Handley

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

**Newport Third Sector Partnership: C Lane**

**Newport Live: S Ward**

**Apologies:** H Jakeway (South Wales Fire and Rescue), S Aitken (Public Health Wales) H Williams (University of South Wales), CC Julian Williams (Gwent Police), C Doyle (RSLs)

No	Item	Action
1	<p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 12 June, 2018 were confirmed as a true record.</p> <p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p><u>Minute 2 (Matters Arising) - Anti-social Behaviour Film</u></p> <p>N Dance advised that the ASB film and supporting programme were still being evaluated and a Welsh version would be produced. Feedback from schools involved in the programme to date had been very positive. The link will be shared with PSB members as soon as it becomes available.</p> <p><u>Minute 2 (Matters Arising) – Newport Youth Council</u></p> <p>N Dance advised that the PCC's attendance at a Youth Council meeting would be re-scheduled following cancellation of the August meeting.</p> <p><u>Minute 2 (Matters Arising) - G9</u></p> <p>W Godfrey updated on G9 discussions regarding a regional PSB for the Gwent area. Rather than moving to a regional PSB at this time, it was considered that G9 could be extended to include NRW and re-positioned to discuss strategic issues across Gwent. This approach would maintain local connections while minimising duplication, and recognised that local well-being plans for each area had recently been published. There would be an opportunity to review this at the end of the cycle of well-being plans.</p> <p>Members noted Newport's distinctiveness within the Gwent area, including in policing where Newport is different both in type and prevalence of crime.</p> <p>J Cuthbert noted that G9 recognised the need to explore options for enhanced cooperation. Members commented on the value of including other regional bodies in regional discussions.</p>	<p><b>N Dance</b></p> <p><b>Youth Offending Service</b></p> <p><b>N Dance</b></p>
2	<p><b>Serious and Organised Crime (SOC) Co-ordinator</b></p> <p>The Board received a report on the development of Serious and Organised Crime intervention work in Newport, led by the SOC Coordinator and funded by the Home Office.</p>	

	<p>Members commented on links between this and other areas of work e.g. Safe and Green Spaces, ABUHB's work and NCC's work with Barnardos.</p> <p>J Cuthbert advised that the crime plan was being refreshed to reflect current circumstances. It was hoped that the revised plan would be ready in April 2019.</p> <p>E Bellew noted the value of recent ACEs training held in Monmouthshire and the potential for similar learning in Newport.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. To promote the need to address serious and organised crime risks across the PSB partnership – demonstrating the links with the Newport Well-being Plan.</li> <li>ii. To support the SOC Funded programme(s).</li> <li>iii. To approve appropriate governance and links with other programmes through 'Safer Newport'.</li> <li>iv. To receive a future presentation on SOC from CI Paul Davies.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Partnership Team</b></p> <p><b>I Roberts</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>Scrutiny letter</b></p> <p><i>Councillor Majid Rahman, Chair of the Scrutiny Performance Committee – Partnerships, attended for this item.</i></p> <p>The Board considered the letter from Scrutiny Chair, Councillor Rahman, regarding the SIP Annual Report.</p> <p>The Scrutiny Committee had noted progress generally against the Report and had made a number of requests for additional information. To ensure transparency, the Committee's full comments would accompany the published SIP Annual Report.</p> <p>Councillor Rahman noted that the Committee was now well-established and wished to support as well as scrutinise the work of the PSB.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> -To note the Scrutiny Committee's letter.</p>	
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>Flexible Funding</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report on Flexible Funding and a review which will inform how it will operate in Newport.</p> <p>The Welsh Government's Flexible Fund would draw together a number of funding programmes, allowing local authorities to integrate the programmes, remove duplication and focus funding on priorities identified by local authorities and their PSB partners.</p> <p>C Lane requested that the review takes account of the effects on the third sector overall in Newport and noted potential impacts on the</p>	

	<p>viability of some of third sector organisations.</p> <p>Members commented on the need for a multi-agency approach going forward.</p> <p>D Price advised that partners will be consulted on the proposals.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. To note the proposed review</li> <li>ii. Partners to be consulted on the proposals</li> </ul> <p>[Note: Since consideration of this report by the PSB, Welsh Government has announced that the Flexible Fund grant will be divided into two elements, Children and Communities and Housing Support]</p>	<b>D Price</b>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Local Well-being Plan Delivery – Feedback from Intervention Leads</b></p> <p>The Board considered updates from intervention leads on progress in delivering the Local Well-being Plan.</p> <p>The Chair emphasised the importance of making progress on delivery.</p> <p>C Davies noted the challenge of tying up the links between interventions e.g. cross over between the Newport Offer and the desire of the Green and Safe Spaces Board to market green space in the city.</p> <p>Intervention leads were asked to consider providing co-ordination and support for the interventions from within their own organisations. NCC's Partnership Team would continue to link with each of the themes and could provide coordination for Sustainable Travel and Newport Offer where they have lead roles.</p> <p>C Davies noted that coordination arrangements were in place for Safe and Green Spaces.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> – To nominate and agree co-ordination support for each of the Well-being Plan Interventions.</p>	<p><b>C Davies &amp; C Doyle</b></p> <p><b>Intervention Leads</b></p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>PSB Apprenticeships Scheme</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report outlining the findings of a survey of PSB members regarding apprenticeships and proposing a way forward for a shared scheme.</p> <p>A John noted the possibility of including placement at Welsh Government in the scheme.</p> <p>C Lane noted that third sector organisations could possibly host but</p>	

	<p>not pay for an apprentice.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The Right Skills Intervention Board to develop a working model of approach</li> <li>ii. Once the approach is finalised, each PSB member wishing to be part of the scheme directly employs an apprentice, under their personal terms and conditions, allowing for development of the 'shared opportunity'.</li> </ul>	<p><b>G Handley, M Featherstone, D Price</b></p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Partnership Evaluation Action Plan</b></p> <p>The Board considered a report reviewing progress on the improvement plan developed from the Partnership Evaluation process.</p> <p>It was noted that a protocol had been developed to facilitate communications about partnership work, which members were requested to sign up to.</p> <p>The Chair referred to #porthour on Twitter as a vehicle for pushing out positive stories about Newport (<i>Mondays 8pm-9pm</i>)</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <p>PSB members to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. brief their Communications Teams on the work of Newport PSB</li> <li>ii. nominate a contact within their organisation for PSB communications</li> <li>iii. implement the communications protocol.</li> </ul>	<p><b>All</b></p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Community Well-being Profile Review</b></p> <p>A paper was submitted for information on plans for updating the Community Well-being Profiles. Members agreed to support the process.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<p><b>PSB Support Funding Update</b></p> <p>An update was submitted on regional support funding for PSBs.</p> <p>The Chair drew members' attention to the Futures Conference on 12 November. The conference will help PSB members across Gwent to understand how they can better prepare and plan for the future.</p>	<p><b>All</b></p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Links between Regional Partnership Boards and PSBs</b></p> <p>The Chair highlighted the key points made by the PSB in its response to the Future Generations Commissioner on links between PSBs and</p>	

	<p>Regional Partnership Boards and how these could be improved.</p> <p>N Prygodzicz suggested that there be a future agenda item on the work of the RPB.</p>	<p><b>N Prygodzicz</b></p> <p><b>N Dance</b></p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Forward Work Programme</b></p> <p>The Forward work programme was submitted for information.</p> <p>The Chair reminded partners that they have the opportunity to submit items for the agenda.</p>	<p><b>All</b></p>
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business – Severn Bridge Tolls</b></p> <p>W Godfrey advised that Secretary of State for Wales had announced that that the Severn Bridge tolls would be abolished from 17<sup>th</sup> December.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> – To issue a joint PSB communication regarding abolition of the Severn Bridge tolls</p>	<p><b>W Godfrey</b></p>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Meeting dates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 am 11 December 2018 – Coleg Gwent, Nash campus</li> <li>• 10 am 12 March 2019</li> <li>• 10 am 11 June 2019</li> <li>• 10 am 12 September 2019 (please note change of date)</li> <li>• 10 am 10 December 2019</li> </ul>	<p><b>All to note and consider hosting meetings</b></p> <p><b>N Dance</b></p>