



Vale of Glamorgan Public Services Board Meeting

31st January 2024 @ 2-4pm

Minutes

In attendance:		
Name	Title	Organisation
Rachel Connor (RC)	Chief Executive Officer	Glamorgan Voluntary Services
Rob Thomas (RT)	Chief Executive Officer	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Judith Cole (JC)	Deputy Director Local Government Finance and Workforce Partnerships Division	Welsh Government
Claire Beynon (CB)	Executive Director of Public Health	Cardiff and Vale UHB
Fiona Hourahine (FH)	Operations Manager South Wales Central	Natural Resources Wales
John Treherne (JT)	Group Manager	South Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Clr Shirley Hodges (SH)	Nominated Town and Community Council Representative	Barry Town Council
Mark Brace (MB)	Assistant Commissioner	South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
Daniel Jones (DJ)	Head of Community Safety and Violence Prevention Unit	South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
Charles Janczewski (CJ)	UHB Chair	Cardiff and Vale UHB
Abigail Harris (AH)	Executive Director of Strategy and Planning	Cardiff and Vale UHB
Natalie Rees (NR)	Head of Sustainable Development and Climate Change	Transport for Wales
Sarah Tipping (ST)	Head of Partnerships and Engagement	Cardiff and Vale UHB
Rebecca McCool (RM)	Senior Probation Officer	National Probation Service
Paula Ham (PH)	Director of Learning and Skills	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Tom Bowring (TB)	Director of Corporate Resources	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Marc Attwell (MA)	Head of Communities and Partnerships	South Wales Police
Also in Attendance:		
Helen Moses (HM)	Operational Manager Strategy and Insight	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Andreas Pieris-Plumley (APP)	Policy Officer	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Dafydd Sedgwick (DS)	Strategy and Partnership Intern	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Mathew Lewis (ML)	Superintendent, Force Lead for Right Care Right Person	South Wales Police
Oliver Williams (OW)	Speciality Registrar in Public Health	Cardiff and Vale UHB

Louise Denham (LD)	Food Vale Coordinator	Cardiff and Vale UHB
Apologies:		
Eirian Evans (EE - NPS)	Head of South Wales One	National Probation Service
Suzanne Rankin (SR)	Chief Executive	Cardiff and Vale UHB
David Letellier (DL)	Head of Operations South Wales Central	Natural Resources Wales
Cllr Lis Burnett (LB)	Leader	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Estelle Hitchon (EH)	Director of Partnerships and Engagement	Welsh Ambulance Service Trust

No.	Agenda Item	Actions
1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>MB introduced and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the PSB.</p>	
2.	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Please see full list of apologies above.</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of the Public Services Board 22nd November 2023</p> <p>Minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate reflection.</p>	
4.	<p>South Wales Police Right Care Right Person</p> <p>ML introduced himself as the force lead for Right Care Right Person (RCRP). ML explained that RCRP originated with Humberside Police who implemented the initiative and is about individuals receiving the correct support from the right agency which may not always be the police. There are responsibilities that the Police have which outline a legal duty to act under certain circumstances. The Police do not generally owe a duty of care under common law to protect individuals from harm. However, they may owe a duty of care where the police have assumed responsibility, as well as under the Human Rights Act. Under the legislation and advice in regard to dealing with young people, there are also additional considerations. There are also lots of considerations around power of entry for the police. ML provided a data overview about concern for welfare incident reports, noting an average of 36 reports per day. This is then broken down into concern for welfare incidents attended by South Wales Police (SWP), and which incidents SWP would/would not attend under RCRP and then analysed further to show which other agencies should attend under RCRP. ML explained the implementation of RCRP will have four phases starting with engagement & data. ML highlighted that there are still certain calls which the police will still attend such as a threat to life or of serious harm. The next steps will be sharing data, continued engagement, identifying how agencies can respond to RCRP and internal briefings within partner agencies.</p>	

	<p>MA reiterated this is not about a retreat to statutory service provision but is about people getting the right care. In the Cardiff PSB there is a working group being established to monitor the implementation of RCRP.</p> <p>AH highlighted that issues around attendance at A&E when it is not necessary is a part of ensuring people get the right care. There need to be pathways for people to get into the right service of care and partners working together to ensure this, so that incidents are not being escalated to services that aren't required.</p> <p>ML noted that attendance at A&E when it is not necessary is recognised by the Police and conversations are ongoing to look at how this can be addressed from their perspective.</p> <p>CJ highlighted how this connects with the refreshed strategy of the health board which aims to ensure individuals receive the right care in the right place. CJ expressed his support of RCRP and the working group within Cardiff PSB</p> <p>RT expressed his support of RCRP, noting that monitoring how this works and evolves is important, to make sure that people receive the right care and agencies take responsibility. Partnership working will be vital to achieve this.</p> <p>ML explained that there will be a briefing with the police and partners are invited. It is planned for the first 2 weeks of going live to get an understanding from the police and partners point of view. An evaluation will be done and this will influence phases 2, 3 and 4.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Director of Public Health Annual Report</p> <p>CB introduced the report and explained that independent reports for the population are developed in partnership rather than organisational reports. This report is used to highlight issues that need a spotlight at that moment.</p> <p>OW explained the report is about reconnecting with and restoring nature for biodiversity and health. Biodiversity is the variety of all life on earth, and 69% of global biodiversity has been lost over the past 50 years (1970-2018). Biodiversity is decreasing due to many reasons such as human land use (housing, infrastructure, farming), climate change and pollution, species exploitation (overhunting), and invasive non-native species (plant, animal or insects brought by humans into a non-native environment). OW explained the land use in Cardiff is mainly urban, whereas the Vale is greener but mainly farmland, and some pockets of woodland. OW explained the second half of the report focuses on health aspects, and how decreased biodiversity affects health. Research has shown significant health outcomes associated with nature and biodiversity. Individuals are more likely to be consistently active in a green space area. Food comes from nature, with a majority of animals being livestock not wild. Social interaction is</p>	

	<p>improved in/near green areas, and they also improve mental wellbeing by being relaxed and calming. Addressing the nature crisis will help tackle the climate crisis and green spaces improve air quality. Greater biodiversity improves the body's health by strengthening immune systems, with spending time in woodland improving the body's microbiome. Nature connectedness has decreased significantly within the UK which could be because individuals are not living around nature as much anymore. OW explained how to reconnect with nature by having nature close as much possible and spending time in nature but not being passive while there, instead noticing the surroundings. In order to restore nature, it is important to understand the current environment, and protect this from further harm and loss. The report includes a set of recommendations for people living in Cardiff and the Vale with a recommendation specifically for PSBs. Vale PSB members are invited to support the DPH report and the implementation of its recommendations.</p> <p>FH expressed her support for the report and recommendations as being consistent with Natural Resources Wales' (NRW).</p> <p>MB asked if this could be used as a follow up session with TCCs on nature, biodiversity and climate.</p> <p>HM invited OW to present at next PSB-TCC exchange meeting. HM also noted the nature partnerships work and that the PSB climate change and asset management subgroup could take this work on biodiversity forward as part of the review of the climate emergency charter and to include a greater emphasis on nature if partners are all supportive.</p> <p>All partners happy to note recommendations and endorse the way forward.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>Food Partnership Food Strategy</p> <p>CB introduced the new Food Strategy and welcomed partners' thoughts.</p> <p>LD explained Food Vale is the local food partnership for the Vale which works with lots of partners, community groups, and businesses. It is part of the sustainable food places programme which gives access to resources and good practice. LD explained they are producing a food and farming strategy for the Vale, noting Cymru Can was recently published by the Future Generations Commissioner and this outlines areas of focus with a food system being one. Food Vale would like to make this strategy an extension of the work from the WBP/PSB and link to Cymru Can. The strategy will be 5-years in length and refreshed after this period with an aim to create a food system that will meet the needs of future generations using a 100-year vision. There was an engagement event held in November 2023 to think about how the strategy should look using the 3 horizons framework and facilitated by Natural Resources Wales (NRW). This looked at 'where we are now', 'where we want to be' and 'how we will get there'. Horizon 1, is the</p>	<p>Partners are to feedback to LD by 9th February</p>

	<p>current system ‘where we are now’, with a lack of skills, health issues, businesses, data, and evidence gaps. Horizon 3 is ‘where we want to be’ with good health, planning and policy, good food access and business support/supply chains, a good culture and education, and a circular economy. Horizon 2 is ‘how we will get there’ using education, improving food access and local supply chains, and making system changes. Lots of the themes carried across the different horizon discussions. LD asked for initial thoughts from partners on the 100-year vision.</p> <p>RT commented the vision is good and relevant, however, suggested it could be summarised into a more concise statement to use alongside the longer vision.</p> <p>SH expressed support for the strategy praising the ambition.</p> <p>RT explained the Vale council leadership team recently had a session with the Future Generations Commissioners office to look at starting to frame the next corporate plan 2025-30, and a vision for the Vale looking at 2030 and beyond. In this session food was a key focal point.</p> <p>LD explained there are three strategy goals – fair and healthy, circular food economy, community resilience. LD asked partners for initial thoughts.</p> <p>HM commented it is good to have these more summarised goals as engagement has often picked up how we can communicate objectives as easily as possible.</p> <p>RT expressed support for the goals, and asked if community resilience is about access to food for vulnerable communities and providing them with support.</p> <p>LD explained it is, as well as about empowerment of people to have the skills and access to good food. The Strategy outcomes are aligned with objectives and priorities from other plans e.g. WBP. The next steps are getting feedback on the vision and outcomes from key partners. A public consultation will take place in March 2024 and 1-1 meeting with key partners to co-produce actions. The final draft will be circulated April 2024 with opportunity for final comments.</p> <p>MB partners are to feedback to LD by 9th February.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Vale of Glamorgan Council Reshaping Programme</p> <p>TB explained the Council is looking at the ambition for the organisation’s future, and how to take a longer-term view to build strong communities with a bright future. A session with the Future Generations Commissioner office looked at this long-term thinking. In the session they discussed food access, transport connectivity, community connection/belonging, fairness to enable people to achieve</p>	

	<p>their ambitions, and greater opportunities for fair employment. Current challenges in the way of that vision were considered, such as budget issues that Local Authorities are experiencing. The strategy needs to look at what residents need and how to get through this challenging time. There were five themes identified to get to this vision:</p> <p>Target Operating Model – Looking at processes, people, structure, and governance and technology;</p> <p>Service Transformation- Transform specific services to improve outcomes, e.g. social care models, day services, a place-based approach;</p> <p>Strengthening Communities – The Council taking an enabling role, for example work with Cwmpas consultancy has started to reach out to TCCs, third sector and social enterprises to redefine the relationship. Also using a community focused school model;</p> <p>Digital – improving citizen interaction, the website, use of data and AI;</p> <p>Economic Resilience – Placemaking is happening across the four major towns (Barry, Penarth, Llantwit Major and Cowbridge), as well as Barry regeneration and the levelling up delivery.</p> <p>ST questioned if there is an opportunity for partners to pool resources through an engagement sub-group to undertake engagement with the public so that activities are aligned, especially as there is lots of engagement already planned.</p> <p>HM responded that the PSB have previously considered an engagement subgroup, and this could be the time to revisit its creation.</p> <p>RT highlighted engagement work within organisations may be relevant to partners, so alignment and sharing knowledge gained through engagement between organisations is important.</p> <p>ST to discuss with HM the setting up of an engagement subgroup.</p>	ST/HM
8.	<p>Forward Work Programme 2024</p> <p>HM partners to send potential agenda items to HM or APP to be included on forward work programme.</p>	All
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>SH asked if someone could come to Barry Town Council to discuss the funding streams for Barry regeneration and development.</p> <p>RT confirmed and committed to bring information to the PSB also. There are several streams of funding for different projects within Barry, and this will be brought to the PSB to discuss how to take this forward.</p> <p>HM highlighted the PSB shared learning event in Wrexham coming up, and all partners should have received invite and registration details.</p>	
10.	<p>Date of next meeting – 9th April 2024</p>	

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