



## Vale of Glamorgan Public Services Board

### 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016

### Minutes

<b>In attendance:</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Cllr Neil Moore (NM)	Leader	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Rachel Connor (RC)	Executive Director	Glamorgan Voluntary Services
Victoria Harris (VH)	Head for Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan	Community Rehabilitation Company
Mark Brace (MB)	Assistant Commissioner	South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
Vaughan Jenkins (VJ)	Group Manager	South Wales Fire & Rescue Service
Gareth O'Shea (GOS)	Director of Operations (South)	Natural Resources Wales
Nicola Campbell (NC)	Cardiff and Vale Community Learning Partnership Co-ordinator	Cardiff and Vale College
Sharon Hopkins (SH)	Executive Director of Public Health	Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Judith Cole (JC)	Deputy Director Reforming Local Government Programme: Finance	Welsh Government
Bryan Heard (BH)	Detective Chief Inspector	South Wales Police
Cllr Mike Cuddy (MC)	Nominated Town and Community Council Representative	Penarth Town Council
Hayley Selway (HS)	Head of Housing and Building Services	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Huw Isaac (HI)	Head of Performance and Development	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Helen Moses (HM)	Strategy and Partnership Manager	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Anne Wei (AW)	Strategic Partnership and Planning Manager	Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
Fran Howorth (FH)	Business Support Officer	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Lloyd Fisher (LF)	Policy Officer	Vale of Glamorgan Council
<b>Apologies:</b>		
David Bebb	Head of Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan	Wales Community Rehabilitation Company
Rob Thomas	Managing Director	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Martin Jones	Superintendent	South Wales Police
Emil Evans	Vice Principal	Cardiff and Vale College
Peter Greenhill	Head of Local Delivery Unit	National Probation Service Wales
Bob Tooby	Head of Operations (Cardiff and Vale)	Welsh Ambulance Trust



<p>AW asked if it would be acceptable to share the report with the Cardiff PSB as an example of a report to produce at PSB level. This was agreed.</p>	<p>AW</p>
<p><b>5. Well-being Assessment update</b></p> <p>HM provided an update on work being undertaken for the Well-being Assessment. She advised that work was progressing with the common data set and to identify other relevant data. The Board were asked to flag up any areas that they particularly want to be considered as part of the Well-being Assessment which may not be reflected in the common data set. This could for example be an issue which is complex to resolve even if it is not a high volume issue.</p> <p>HM advised that there had been over 600 responses to date to the well-being survey, which would run until the 10<sup>th</sup> August. Work had now begun to plan focus groups in September and also events over the summer. As a starting point there will be focus groups in each of the three community areas plus one with older people and one with young people. A specific one may also be held in the Communities First area of Barry. As soon as HM has firmer details she will circulate and ask for assistance from partners as the more people who can get involved the greater capacity there is to run more focus groups or attend events. HM advised that where possible work is being combined with the population needs assessment and ideas developed with the Cardiff PSB.</p> <p>HM also asked the Board to continue to promote the survey - she will circulate a poster and hard copy version of the survey shortly. Partners were asked if they are planning any events or engagement activities that could also be utilised as part of the engagement programme to let Helen know.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>HM</p> <p>All</p>
<p><b>6. Community Safety update</b></p> <p>DG updated the Board on the restructuring of the Council's Community Safety service. The new structure should facilitate a multi-agency approach and give the community greater confidence in services.</p> <p>The new structure enables links to be made across complex issues including domestic abuse, prolific offenders and anti- social behaviour and to identify any patterns e.g. common victims/perpetrators/family members. This in turn can inform the necessary interventions and preventative services.</p> <p>Work is also being undertaken to produce community profiles.</p> <p>The restructuring of the team and its being based at the police station mean that there is access to police systems and close working relationships. In addition, being part of the Council's Housing and Building Service has meant that there are better working relationships with Housing staff, and awareness raising sessions e.g. on domestic abuse have been run for Building Services staff.</p> <p>Work is planned to develop a new Community Safety Prevention Strategy and this will be presented to the PSB. It will be developed to complement the Well-being Assessment and Plan.</p>	<p>DG</p>

<p>VH confirmed that Probation Services were also benefitting from the co-location of services at the police station.</p> <p>MB advised that the direction in the Vale and focus on prevention is very positive. He also reiterated the need to understand the poverty and deprivation that exist in the Vale and to work together to tackle these issues.</p>	
<p><b>7. Vale of Glamorgan Council Corporate Plan 2016-20 – animation</b></p> <p>The Board were given hard copies of the Council’s new Corporate Plan and shown a short animation that has been produced by a local firm with input from the Youth Forum. HI advised that the animation will be used to engage staff, partners and customers with the plan and to help communicate the Council’s priorities. The animation is also being broken down in to a series of vignettes that can be promoted through social media.</p>	
<p><b>8. Environment Act</b></p> <p>GOS advised that the Environment Act which was enacted in March 2016 is intrinsically linked to the Well-being of Future Generations Act. Natural Resources Wales was created through the Environment Act and their role is to manage Wales’s natural resources sustainably. This includes land, air, water, wildlife, soil and plants.</p> <p>In September 2016 a report on the state of our natural resources will be produced. This will be a high level report at Wales level detailing the threats and opportunities related to our natural assets.</p> <p>This report will be followed by a policy statement from Welsh Government and then in 2018/19 area statements will be produced. GOS showed a draft map which splits Wales in to seven areas for the purpose of these statements. The Vale will be grouped with Cardiff, Gwent and the valleys. Information will also be included in the reports at different geographical levels as appropriate.</p> <p>GOS emphasised that the environment underpins all that we do. He wanted to take the opportunity to highlight to the Board that the environment needs to be viewed as an asset and that NRW can play a role in assisting with a range of problems, including health and well-being and environmental crime.</p> <p>GOS then talked about three projects where NRW had played a key role in resolving some local area issues. In RCT they had worked with the Fire Service and police regarding wildfires and identified that land management issues were contributing to the problem. In Swansea they have worked with the Council to create sand dunes and help alleviate a costly problem of sand blowing off the beach and into the town. The final project was the creation of a community woodland in Bridgend which will bring a much needed community facility, help improve life expectancy in a deprived area and help to manage local flood risk.</p> <p>GOS emphasised that NRW are keen to be active members of the PSB. HM highlighted the need to ensure that the environmental issues and assets are reflected in the Well-being Assessment and Plan.</p> <p>MC suggested that linking to Town and Community Councils would be a good way</p>	

<p>for NRW to get involved in local projects.</p>	
<p><b>9. EU Referendum</b></p> <p>An email from Welsh Government had been circulated for the meeting regarding a statement by the First Minister advising that ‘The Welsh Government will make every effort to ensure that decisions taken by the UK Government fully address Welsh interests and our concerns about the impact on jobs, growth and the economy.’</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding the potential implications of the result of the EU referendum. HI highlighted the implications of losing European funding for projects including Creative Rural Communities. SH advised that there may also be implications for research funding at the university.</p> <p>The UHB have concerns regarding recruitment and implications for staff and have been taking steps to reassure staff in light of the uncertainty following the referendum result. The UHB have also sent out a message to staff reminding them of the importance of working together and respecting diversity.</p> <p>DG advised that they are continuing to monitor any tension within the community but to date there has not been an increase in reported incidents. MB advised that where incidents do occur people should be encouraged to report them.</p> <p>JC to send HM links to a House of Commons and Welsh Assembly report which can be circulated to partners for information.</p>	<p>JC/HM</p>
<p><b>10. Forward Work Programme</b></p> <p>NM introduced the forward programme for the PSB. AW advised that the item on major trauma services would now be later in the year. Other potential items proposed by the board included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Safety Strategy</li> <li>• South Wales Programme</li> <li>• Independent Living</li> <li>• Housing Act</li> <li>• UHB Transformation Programme</li> </ul> <p>HM to amend and circulate with the minutes.</p>	<p>HM</p>
<p><b>11. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>MC queried the community areas for the Well-being Assessment and whether these were the precursor for any changes to Town and Community Councils. HI advised that these had been agreed as the most practical way forward for dividing the Vale into community areas for the Assessment in terms of data and service delivery.</p>	
<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> 27<sup>th</sup> September 2pm, Committee Room 2, Civic Offices, Barry</p>	