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**NORTH WALES** SOCIAL CARE AND WELL-BEING  
SERVICES IMPROVEMENT COLLABORATIVE

## Notes of the North Wales Regional Partnership Board Meeting

10 May 2019

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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Present:	Teresa Owen (chair), Bethan Jones Edwards, Alwyn Jones, Morwena Edwards, Charlotte Walton, Chris Stockport, Clare Budden, Cllr Joan Lowe (JLo), Cllr Liz Roberts, Ffion Johnstone, Jennie Lewis (JLe) (arrived at 10:30 am), Jenny Williams (arrived at 9:30am), Kevin Roberts, Marian Wyn Jones, Mary Wimbury (MWim), Neil Ayling, Mark Armstrong (in attendance for Sacha Hackett), Nicola Stubbins, Peter Williams, Rob Smith, Dave Worrall, Lynda Colwell, Shan Lloyd Williams, Llinos Medi Huws, Judith Greenhalgh, Liz Hughes (in attendance for Estelle Hitchon), Mark Wilkinson (MWil)
Apologies:	Bethan Jones, Cllr Bobby Feeley, Cllr Christine Jones, Cllr Dafydd Meurig, Wendy Jones, Sacha Hackett, Estelle Hitchon, Cllr Christine Jones, Lesley SingletonAdd names here
In attendance:	Iwan Trefor Jones (Corporate Director, Gwynedd Council) for agenda item 3

### 1 Welcome, introductions and apologies

The chair extended a warm welcome to everyone. Introductions were made and apologies noted as above.

### 2 Notes and actions of last meetings

The chair advised members of the Regional Partnership Board are permitted to send a nominated representative to attend in their place. However, it is requested that representatives have been fully briefed about the work of the Board. When a nominated representative is to attend the Chair must be informed prior to the meeting.

The chair also took the opportunity to thank RPB members who attended the meeting with the Minister for Health & Social Services 2.5.2019 which considered the developments a year on from the publication of A Healthier Wales and the issue of delayed transfers of care. The discussion reflected well on the work

completed in North Wales and the Minister was encouraged by the work and the progress of the RPB.

TO also reported on being a member of the National Advisory Transformation Board, invited by the Director General, Andrew Goodall which consists of a cross sector membership across Wales.

The role of the Advisory Board is to support delivery of the Transformation Programme through providing robust advice and challenge, ensuring that stakeholder interests are considered in a balanced way, at a strategic whole-programme level.

Actions from the last meeting:

- Actions from February/March meetings have now been completed.

All actions have been completed from the April meeting:

- Social Value agenda item:
  1. JW has advised of the updated figures for the Social Value Forum report.
  2. LC has forwarded updates from meetings to the report.
  3. TO has action BCU rep on the Social Value Group – Glyn Roberts.

BJE reported on an e-mail received from Ann Woods, Chief Officer FLVC, following her attendance at the last NWRPB meeting, requesting the RPB to consider nominating 'Social Value Champions' within each of the six local authorities and the health board, for ease of a two way discussion between partners.

BJE noted there are officers in each authority who are involved in social value as part of their role.

ME reported Gwynedd would favour this contact through the third sector group, Mantell Gwynedd.

NA also favoured this contact through the compact group in FCC.

As a result of the workshop at the last meeting, BJE and TO are preparing a report to take to the North Wales Regional Leadership Board 31.05.2019 which will provide an update on the work of the RPB and future work programme.

#### *Actions*

- Presentation from meeting with the Minister 2.5.2019 to be circulated to RPB – RW
- LA's to forward named person involved in social value as part of their role to BJE

### **3 North Wales Economic Ambition Board**

The Board received an update from ITJ on the work of the North

Wales Economic Ambition Board, and in particular the North Wales Growth Bid.

ITJ reported the NWEAB governance and structure is evolving with work delegated to sub-boards, with the private sector being important partners in this work.

The NWEAB is progressing with establishing a Business Delivery Board to represent the private sectors across North Wales. One of the function of this board is to challenge and steer the EAB, providing a robust system and giving a voice to the private sector.

#### The Growth Vision

The Growth Vision, a lobbying document, is a single, joined-up vision for economic and employment growth for North Wales, and the driver of the activity for the NWEAB. The Growth Vision involves around 7 or 8 strategic projects to deliver the strategy - Infrastructure, Integrated Transport, Strategic Sites and Premises, Digital and Housing.

The aims behind the vision are:

- To improve the economic, social, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of North Wales;
- To support and retain young people in the region's communities;
- To address worklessness and inactivity across the region;
- To support and enable private sector investment in the region to boost economic productivity and to prove the economic and employment performance of North Wales

#### Growth Deal

The Growth Deal itself is a part of the wider Growth Vision for North Wales, and elements of this work has progressed significantly with the Heads of Terms document with both UK and Wales Government and moving forward to full business case working in July 2019 – Digital, Land and Property, Employment Sites, Employment and Energy. The remaining projects will follow in the second phase from September 2019.

Work on establishing and embedding values and culture across the region is also being developed through the NWEAB. A document is being created to inform individuals of the values and culture to enable positive participation and

contribution to the discussion as individuals are dealing with issues that affect the whole of North Wales i.e. infrastructure, strategic transport.

TO thanked ITJ for his informative update on the NWEAB and noted the evident progress seen since the last update. Work on the values and culture is also encouraged as we are all striving for the same outcome.

MWJ asked ITJ to explain the timeline for these projects, if the projects will be funded fully this next year and if there is a rolling timetable.

ITJ advised the first 6 projects have a clear timetable and profile in place, and will be implemented over a period of 3 or 4 years. The budget and funding will be in place for these 6 projects once the Head of Terms have been signed by both Government.

None of the projects mentioned are listed in any priority order, the NWEAB has stepped away from prioritising projects.

MWJ was very heartened to learn of the work being done on developing culture as this reiterates work currently done by the sector and everyone will benefit from this work and lessons learned.

NA enquired how digital connectivity would be provided across the four transformation projects in North Wales.

ITJ confirmed arrangements are already in place for engagement across the region, with an established digital team led by Denbighshire looking at fibre connectivity in the region, which will provide huge opportunities to transform services and areas of growth across North Wales.

CB enquired on the priorities in relation to Housing to maximise on the Growth Deal. Housing is only part of one elements and noted the importance of connecting with other elements to succeed – leisure, transport, specialist posts, links with education.

ITJ agreed and reported the balance between promoting the foundation economy is crucial, engaging appropriate partners and the high value economy. Housing Associations have an important contribution to engage towards the preventative agenda.

MWim noted the importance not to see H & SC sector just as providing employment, but also providing care to enable other people to work. One particular need of the sector will be moving towards the compulsory registration of all domiciliary care workers.

ITJ reported training programmes to meet the needs of the region are being informed by the work done by the EAB.

TO enquired where NWRPB members could access a copy of the Growth Vision/Growth Deal. TO also noted the North Wales Economic Ambition Board is vital to the prosperity of the region; with all the projects central to the preventative agenda.

#### *Actions*

- ITJ to provide digital team information to BJE
- ITJ to send a website link of the Growth Vision/Growth Deal for circulating.
- ITJ to forward document on values/culture once completed.

## **4 A Healthier Wales**

### Reporting timescales

The chair again emphasised the importance of each transformation programme adhering to the specified reporting timescales. The next claim is due 15.07.2019 and partners are requested to ensure claims are processed and forwarded on time, as consolidation timelines by the Head of Regional Collaboration and the chair of NWRPB, who have overall responsibility for the transformation programmes will be required within 2 or 3 days, presenting very tight deadlines.

### Together for Mental Health in North Wales (T4MH)

The board received an update from MWJ on the T4MH update in Lesley Singleton's absence.

Main highlights include:

- The full Project Team are now in place with newly appointed three Business Managers in post.
- The Commissioning Framework is now in place and the evaluation partner has been agreed.
- A further update will be provided after the T4MH board this afternoon.

MWil again emphasised the importance of a consistent approach to evaluation across all transformation programmes, which has already been taken into consideration and ChS reported that the CCTH/Community Transformation and the Children's Transformation have completed a joint evaluation tender, working to the same criteria as the T4MH and LD Transformation Programmes.

All partners are fully aware of WG grant conditions and challenges faced by all four transformation programme i.e. quarterly claims in arrears along with evidence of spend, claims made on defrayed payments only (i.e. money which has been cleared through the bank) and activity reporting.

Cllr LR enquired if Housing colleagues were members of the T4MH

Board.

LH enquired if WAST were represented on the T4MH Board and will discuss with Claire Bevan and advise.

#### North Wales Together: Seamless Services for people with Learning Disabilities

The board received an update from NA and Kathryn Whitfield on the LD transformation programme.

A full compliment of staff have now been appointed to the LD Transformation team.

A programme launch date has been arranged 14.06.2019 in Venue Cymru. Discussions will involve how the success of the programme will be measured and sharing of best practice across the region.

#### Integrated Early Intervention and Intensive Support for Children & Young People

The board received an update from NS, who noted North Wales are the only region with a programme on Children and Young People as part of the transformation programme, which is clearly linked to the NWRPB priorities, identified through the population needs assessment.

The Children's Transformation Programme is at an early stage, following approval of funding from WG in March 2019. The transformation work has progressed, at risk, with the recent appointment of the Programme Manager.

It has been agreed the delivery of the programme will take place through the existing Children's Transformation Group, reconstituted to include local authority partners, and now titled Children's Partnership Priorities (ChPP). This group is jointly chaired by NS (partnership agenda) and Bethan Jones (health agenda). The Terms of Reference has been re-visited and updated, with the infrastructure support and expectation from the regional recruitment for the three Project Officers to be considered.

SLW noted housing does not seem to be represented in the transformation programme boards. NS confirmed this issues has already been raised and is currently being actioned.

JLe enquired how the people themselves are being represented at the Children and Young People Transformation Board.

NS confirmed operational work delivered is very much locality based. Directors and the third sector have a role to play in relation to engaging with existing groups and representing children with the work delivered being unique to each area.

Cllr LR noted the need to involve leisure services as part of the transformation programmes.

NS informed the Children and Young People Transformation involved very niche practitioners. There are specific deliverables where leisure will be included.

#### Care Closer To Home (Community Services) Transformation Programme (CCTH)

The board received an update from ChS on the update of the CCTH Board which is also at an early stage, following approval of funding from WG in March 2019. The transformation work has progressed with the recent appointment of the Programme Manager.

It has been agreed the delivery of the programme will take place through the Area Integrated Service Boards (AISBs) in order to capture local need, and the CCTH Board will provide strategic direction to ensure robust plans for sustainability at the end of the programme.

The board membership has been challenged to ensure the board consists of appropriate individuals to tackle issues and monitor progress.

It has been agreed to tender for evaluation of the CCTH transformation as part of a joint tender with the evaluation of the Children's Transformation bid, which will imminently be circulated.

JLe enquired if the CCTH Board consisted of citizen and carer representatives.

CS confirmed that citizens and carer representatives are not members on the board at present, but believes there is an expectation, and the Citizen Panel would assist to supplement this role.

## **5 Integrated Care Fund**

The board received an update from NA on the ICF Quarter 4 2018/19 Report and the Draft Revenue Investment Plan 2019/20.

#### ICF quarter 4 2018/19

Full spend has been reported across all themes including Capital, with some alterations to overall allocations across themes within Revenue and Dementia. Ultimately the allocations tie back to the initial allocations received from WG.

ICF Capital Plan – A re-formatted three year Programme has been received from WG, including new dashboard style report. The plan will be reviewed and updated and forwarded to WG by 31.05.2019.

#### Draft Revenue Investment Plan 2019/20

The draft ICF Revenue Investment Plan document was submitted to WG at the end of March deadline:

- There are currently unallocated amounts in each of the funding streams i.e. Dementia, Early Intervention, LD CCH & Carers and OP, which will be allocated to projects for the final version.
- The dashboard (summary overview of plan) includes regional themes & descriptions, identifying agreed outcomes. There are around 98 projects in the plan demonstrating local delivery of the regional outcomes.
- Due to the complexity of the WG Plan template, it has been difficult to roll up projects. However, work is continuing with WG to agree the best way forward.
- Members of the RPB endorsed the draft revenue investment plan.

DW enquired how much of the ICF funding is allocated to Social Value organisations. Referring to the recent announcement from WG 20% of the transformation funding will be given to SVF.

NA confirmed all partners across the region are aware of this requirement

NS emphasised each local authority already engage with social value as part of their role, which may have been overseen by WG.

MWim reported private sector organisations also offer social value. Any organisation can offer social value, what is important is making a difference within the region.

#### *Actions*

- ICF full report to LG in May, RPB in June - RW

## **6 Update on the regional response on the Consultation on the code of Practice on the delivery of Autism Service**

This agenda item has been deferred to the meeting in June.

#### *Actions*

- June agenda - RW

## **7 NWPB Annual Report**

BJE reminded RPB members' feedback on the Annual Report template will be required as soon as possible, deadline was 3rd May 2019. The report will be drafted now so that it can be completed, agreed and translated in readiness for submission to WG end of June.

#### Formalising process for Vice-Chair

A paper will be presented at the June meeting outlining the process for selecting a Vice-chair.

*Actions*

- Outstanding feedback for the annual report to be forwarded asap to RW
- Formalising process for vice-chair on the June agenda - RW

**8 For info:**

NS reported Measuring the Mountain is seeking to review stories by those with lived experiences.

MWim again raised concern on the unsustainability of the nursing home sector due to the lack of fee setting by the BCU.

TO confirmed this has been brought to the attention of BCU senior colleagues but has nothing further to add at this stage.

JLe enquired if we are closer to appointing citizen representatives on to the RPB.

BJE confirmed the closing date is the end of June.

KR enquired on the WG Hospital to Home Programme, on improving patient flow allowing patients to return home to a safe environment.

LC confirmed this project is funded through Care and Repair, providing adaptations for discharge, has proved successful in North Wales and given an extension till September 2019.