



2.00pm, Tuesday 2 February 2021
Microsoft Teams Meeting

MINUTES

Present

Name	Organisation
Barry Liles (Chair)	University of Wales Trinity Saint David
Cllr Emlyn Dole	Carmarthenshire County Council
Huwel Manley	Natural Resources Wales
Prof. Jean White	Welsh Government
Supt Gary Phillips	Dyfed Powys Police
Carys Morgans	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Ruth Mullen	Carmarthenshire County Council
Andrew Cornish	Coleg Sir Gâr
Kevin Jones	Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Martyn Palfreman	West Wales Regional Partnership Board
Huw Thomas	Huwel Dda University Health Board
Marie Mitchell	Carmarthenshire Association of Voluntary Services
Christine Harley	National Probation Service
Menna Davies	Department for Work and Pensions

In attendance

Name	Organisation
Gwyneth Ayers	Carmarthenshire County Council
Kate Harrop	Carmarthenshire County Council
Wendy Phillips	Carmarthenshire County Council
Noelwyn Daniel	Carmarthenshire County Council
Amy Richmond-Jones	Mid and West Wales Fire & Rescue Service
Alun Harries	Carmarthen Town Council
Cllr Gareth John	Carmarthen Town Council
Mark Galbraith	Llanelli Rural Council
Darren Rees	Llanelli Rural Council
Clare Hale	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Phil Rowe	Dyfed Powys Police

1. Welcome and Apologies

Barry Liles, Chair, PSB welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting and introduced two new members, Supt Gary Phillips and Huw Thomas.

Apologies	
Name	Organisation
Cllr Jan Curtice	Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service Authority
Maria Battle	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Ros Jervis	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Anna Bird	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Beth Cossins	Public Health Wales
Julian Atkins	Brecon Beacons National Park Authority
Rhian Dawson	Hywel Dda University Health Board

2. Minutes and Matters arising

15 December 2020

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Action Log

Updates were provided on the previous actions.

3. Well-being Assessment Development Plan

The next Well-being Assessment is due to be published by May 2022. The first assessment was developed with Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire in 2016. There was also partnership working with the Regional Partnership Board to undertake a Population Assessment.

All Members agreed with the proposed regional approach, to utilise the WG funding for an officer post and collaboration with the Regional Partnership Board.

4. Carmarthenshire Well-being Plan Updates

Foundational Economy Challenge Fund Public Sector Food Procurement Project

The funding is ending at the end of March and is progressing well.

- Procurement – Reports with recommendations have been completed by CLES and provided to the organisations. They will have an opportunity to consider these prior to relevant officers reconvening to identify possible areas for collaboration. Feedback will then be presented to the PSB, with an opportunity for other Members to join discussions going forward.
- Food supply chain – The current focus is mapping organisational demand against the local supply currently available, particularly fresh food. Also looking at best practice elsewhere where public sector procurement has influenced local supply. Two large stakeholder events will be held in March and these dates will be shared.

WG recently announced that there will be additional funding for the scaling up of current Challenge Fund projects.

A discussion was had on TOMs (Themes, Outcomes & Measures) and it was agreed for that to be added to the Foundational Economy Challenge Fund Workplan.

Natural Resources Wales funding update

Two projects had been approved for the allocated funding. The tree planting project is progressing well. However, it is not feasible to complete the Green Infrastructure master planning work for Jacksons Lane and Newcastle Emlyn before the end of March deadline. As

a result, only elements of the project will be delivered and it is hoped that, if funding is available, the work will continue next year.

Partners were invited to contact Jean White to follow up on funding constraints with WG. Ruth Mullen added that she will also be responding to correspondence received requesting feedback on the barriers and challenges resulting in the low numbers of applications for NRW/WG funding relating to the National Forest and Sustainable Ecology. Both have tight timescales and difficult criteria.

Coronavirus Volunteering Recovery fund project

Approval was received mid-January with funding to be spent by end of March. The tendering process had been completed prior to confirmation, resulting in appointments being made quickly for the on-line portal and training which are progressing well. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to appoint a consultant for the Volunteering Strategy work which has now be separated into three pieces of work: PSB development part of project, crisis volunteering, and local volunteering. The project was endorsed by all Partners.

Workplan

This has been developed to keep track of the numerous projects and initiatives that the PSB are involved in. This will be a standing agenda item and updated as appropriate.

The Progressive Procurement project is a regional project, on the Swansea Bay City Deal footprint, funded by WG. An initial workshop will be held on 11 February, facilitated by CLES and supported by Wales Co-op. WG have commissioned CLES to work with PSBs over the next 10 months to challenge the thinking on progressive procurement principles. An element will duplicate the Foundational Economy project with the advantage of working with other organisations and collaborating on a different footprint.

ACTION	
Circulate invites to the Foundational Economy Challenge Fund Stakeholder Events – 16 March pm and 18 March am	PSB Support Team
CLES Procurement Report to be brought to a future meeting	PSB Support Team
Themes, Outcomes & Measures (TOM's) to be added to the Foundational Economy Challenge Fund Workplan	PSB Support Team
Provide update on the NRW Funding at the next meeting	Kate Harrop / Huwel Manley
Partners invited to contact Jean White to follow up on funding constraints with WG	All
Workplan to be standing agenda item	PSB Support Team

5. New priorities focus – outline of arrangements

Vulnerabilities

Vulnerability accounts for 80% of police demand. The Vulnerability Hub was established at HQ to ensure a consistent approach across the force area. A whole system approach to vulnerability was developed and the Safeguarding Board ethos of 'the right help at the right time' was adopted. The Hub has been running for 12 months and is currently being evaluated. One of the key developments is the introduction of the Triage and Assessment Desk. In terms

of vulnerability and safeguarding there are no concerns around information sharing but improvements are needed for corporate intelligence sharing.

The strong links with the Safeguarding Board were welcomed, however the PSB has a role in terms of preventing the lower-level issues from escalating. It was agreed to link with the Safeguarding Board in terms of the adoption of the approach, similar to the Powys cluster approach to information sharing with schools. It was also agreed to hold a strategic workshop to review corporate intelligence sharing and agree next steps.

Town Centre Public Services Hubs

A meeting was recently held between MAWWFRS, DPP, HDUHB and CCC to share information on new and smarter ways of working post COVID. It was agreed to undertake initial scoping in terms of workforce, ICT, communication, accommodation and property. The aim is to identify opportunities for collaboration for town centre hubs and potential visibility in rural towns. An invitation was extended to all members to join the conversations.

ACTION	
Link with Safeguarding Board in terms of the Powys cluster approach to information sharing with schools	Gary Phillips / PSB Support Team
Hold a strategic workshop to review corporate intelligence sharing and agree next steps	PSB Support Team
Partners to contact Gwyneth Ayers to become involved in the Town Centre Public Service Hub work	All
Town Centre Public Service Hubs to be standing agenda item	PSB Support Team
Ensure links between Welsh Government Community Hubs work and the Town Centre Public Service Hubs	PSB Support Team

6. Regional Partnership Board update

The delivery plans for the Transformation Fund programmes are being progressed and funding has been received for a further transitional year. Confirmation has also been received on the Integrated Care Fund allocation for next year and conversations are ongoing with WG about successor funding. An overview was provided on the Rebalancing Care and Support White Paper, which was recently published. The consultation closes on 6 April.

ACTION	
Share briefing paper on the Rebalancing Care and Support White Paper and RPB consultation response with members	Martyn Palfreman
Provide update on outcomes from the Technology and Connected Communities Project and planned activity during the transitional year	Martyn Palfreman
Corporate Joint Committee briefing to be provided at the next meeting	Gwyneth Ayers

7. Town & Community Council Annual Reports

Llanelli Rural Council

Darren Rees, Community Development Officer provided an overview of how they met the Carmarthenshire Well-being Objectives. The initiatives progressed during the year include: Litter Picking Hub, Street Buddies, Time Credits and the Llwynhendy Hub project where a

feasibility study is being undertaken. Mark Galbraith, Clerk, provided an overview of the plans for Swiss Valley Reservoir where the short-term focus will be on installing a pontoon and the refurbishment of the toilet block.

Carmarthen Town Council

Alun Williams, Clerk, provided an overview of the developments during the COVID pandemic which provided challenges in ways of working. The focus has been on looking after the vulnerable, many of which were reached through a new Facebook page. The Town Council has also supported the provision of 150 hanging baskets, 500 safety visors (in conjunction with the Round Table), and hand sanitisers. Key element of community well-being is Carmarthen Park which has a range of facilities and holds various events such as the Winter Wonderland which attracted 62,000 people to the town.

ACTION	
Link with Huwel Manley for discussion on funding opportunities	Mark Galbraith / Darren Rees

8. Any Other Business

Census

21 March 2021 is Census day and any organisations who want to be involved in promoting the Census should contact Gwyneth Ayers.

Race Equality Action Plan

The Race Equality Action Plan will be out to consultation shortly and is to be shared when published.

Public Health Wales Daily Update

It was agreed to recirculate the link to the Public Health Wales daily COVID update document.

ACTION	
Organisations who wish to be involved in the promotion of the Census to contact Gwyneth Ayers	All
Share Race Equality Action Plan Consultation when published	PSB Support Team
Recirculate link to sign-up for the Public Health Wales Daily COVID Update	PSB Support Team