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RHONDDA CYNON TAF

MINUTES OF MEETING

CWM TAF PUBLIC SERVICES **BOARD JOINT OVERVIEW** **AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** **MEETING**

THURSDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2018

PRESENT: Councillors:

T Skinner (Merthyr Tydfil CBC) (Chair)
J Bonetto (Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC) (Vice-Chair)

Councillors:

J Amos (Merthyr Tydfil CBC), D Isaac (Merthyr Tydfil CBC),
M J Powell (Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC) and D Sammon (Merthyr
Tydfil CBC)

Coopteers:

M Jehu (Local Health Board), J Jenkins (Community Health
Council), M A Lewis (RCT Citizen Representative) and
M J Maguire (MT Citizen Representative)

Officers:

G W Chapman (Chief Executive), A Owen (Chief Officer
(Regeneration and Public Protection)), A Mogford (Business
Change Manager), C Hole (Head of Community Wellbeing) and
A Powell (Performance and Scrutiny Manager), C Hanagan, and
J Nicolls (Democratic Services)

Outside Bodies:

S James (Interlink)
L Lawson and K Wells (Public Service Board)

M Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor L M Adams, Councillor C Barry, Councillor E George, Councillor E Stephens and J Room.
2	Declarations of Interest (including whipping declarations)	No Declarations of Interest were made.
3	Progress Updates on Public Service Board and Strategic Partnership Board	<p>The Chair welcomed Gareth Chapman Chief Executive MTCBC and Vice Chair of the Public Service Board to the Meeting.</p> <p>Gareth Chapman referred to young people being represented on the Committee and suggested that an invitation be put out to School Forums and School Councils in relation to representation on the Committee.</p> <p>The Chair advised that this issue was being addressed.</p> <p>Gareth Chapman then updated the Committee in relation to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance • Asset Management • Youth Services • People working together to deliver real change for Communities • Focus on what needs to be delivered for Communities <p>The Chair then referred to funding issues and the impact on delivery and what was the current situation in relation to using other Models.</p> <p>A Member also referred to establishing some means of interacting quickly on line.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked Gareth Chapman for attending and the update to the Committee.</p>
4	Overview of Our Cwm Taf Well-being Objectives Delivery Plans	<p>The Chair referred the Committee to the 'Overview of Our Cwm Taf Wellbeing Objectives Delivery Plans' report.</p> <p>The Chair then welcomed Chris Hole, Simon James and Alyn Owen to the Meeting.</p> <p><i>Loneliness and Isolation, Cross Cutting Objective</i></p> <p>Simon James of Interlink circulated to the Committee a Presentation entitled 'Stay Well in your Community – Tackling Loneliness and Isolation' that gave details of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do we need to invest in Community Solutions that

reduce demand and allow public services to support and focus on more complex issues

- Early Intervention
- Cost / Cost Effectiveness
- Demand / Money
- Friends and Family
- Community
- Third Sector Providers
- Public Sector
- Evaluation of the Isolation to Integration Project – May 2015
- Stay Well in your Community
- How do we implement the WFG Act and five ways of working
- What is a Community Hub
- What is the role for Commissioners

Simon James also gave an update in relation to:

- Delivery Lead
- Progress to date
- Next Steps
- Any Challenges

The following questions were then raised by the Committee and were responded to in detail by Simon James:

- Clarity on Client Groups
- Geography rather than Category
- Cross Cutting objectives relying on Volunteers – Funding
- Involvement of Schools
- How is success being measured
- What are the initial thoughts and plans
- Connection with the third Sector and the Public Sector
- What is being done to bridge the gap
- To look at how information is presented in the future
- Third Sector mapping activities
- Directory Provision to avoid duplication of work
- Reference b.1 and b.2 of the Delivery Plan

Thriving Communities

Chris Hole then updated the Committee in relation to Thriving Communities and gave a summary in relation to the Local Implementation Group, the Evaluation Framework and Community Zones

Strong Economy Delivery Plan

Alyn Owen then updated the Committee in relation to the Delivery Plan and gave a summary in relation to the Regional South East Wales Initiative, City Deal, Workforce Development, Public Sector Partners, Tourism Development, Training and future Skills and the Draft

		<p>Employment Pledge.</p> <p>The Chair then referred to the links in the action plan and mapping to ensure that the links were seamless.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked Simon James, Chris Hole and Alyn Owen for the update to the Committee.</p>
5	Development of Joint Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme	<p>The Committee were circulated with a Draft Work Programme Descriptor for 2018/19.</p> <p>The Chair then invited comments on the Work Programme from the Committee.</p> <p>Andrew Mogford referred to the Cwm Taf Wellbeing Plan and the four Wellbeing Objectives and suggested that two Objectives be considered at each Scrutiny Meeting.</p> <p>The Chair then suggested that Meetings be convened in November 2018, January 2019 and March 2019.</p> <p>Committee Members then agreed with this suggestion as it would give more time for consideration of the objectives.</p> <p>A Committee Member then advised that there was no reference to the exit from the European Union in the proposal as this could have an impact on the Plan.</p> <p>Another Member then advised that the purpose of the Committee was to scrutinise the delivery of the Plan and suggested that the nominated lead for each objective be invited to attend the Meetings.</p> <p>The Committee then recommended that the Public Service Board (PSB) put together a small working group to look at this.</p> <p>The Committee also agreed that three and not two Committee Meetings be held in the Municipal year i.e. in November 2018, January 2019 and March 2019.</p> <p>The Chair then advised that she had received representation from a Committee Member requesting amending the start time for the Meeting to later in the day.</p> <p>Debate then ensued by the Committee on the commencement time and dates for future Meetings and after consideration it was;</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The following timetable and themes for forthcoming JOSC Meetings be agreed:</p> <p>Thursday 22 November 2018 - Commencing at 10.00 am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Healthy People</i> • <i>Performance Management Framework</i>

		<p>Thursday 24 January 2019 – Commencing at 10.00 am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Thriving Communities</i> • <i>Public Service Board Annual Report</i> <p>Thursday 21 March 2019 – Commencing at 10.00 am.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Loneliness and Isolation, Cross cutting Objective</i> • <i>Strong Economy</i> <p>A suggestion was also made that the Chair or Vice Chair of the Public Service Board be invited to attend all Committee Meetings.</p>
6	Confirmation of proposed dates for future Meetings	<p>The Committee confirmed the Committee Meeting dates as agreed previously.</p> <p>A Member then referred to the suitability of the location for the Meeting due to limited parking facilities and access to Wi-Fi.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that the appropriate Support Officers discuss potential location(s) for future Committee Meetings and present as a short report to the next Meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed that agenda Items / Updates must not take the form of a Presentation.</p> <p>To ensure best use of Meeting time and allow sufficient time for meaningful discussion and challenge it was emphasised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenting Officers are requested to keep their updates brief
7	Any Other Business deemed urgent by the Chair	<p>The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.</p>