

PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD

(Via Teams)

Members Present:

23 June 2020

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council:

Councillor R.G.Jones, S.Phillips, K.Jones, A.Evans, A.Jarrett, C.Jones, V.Dale and J.Woodman-Ralph

Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board:

S.Harrop-Griffiths, M.Berry.

South Wales Police:

J.Maai

Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service:

R.Thomas

NPT CVS:

G.Richards

NPT Homes:

L.Whittaker

National Probation Service (South Wales):

Martin Deanne

NPT Group of Colleges

C.Lewis

Department of Work and Pensions

H.Powell

Town and Community Councils:

T.John

Natural Resources Wales:

G.Bown

Coastal Housing Association

D.Green

Welsh Government:

G. Evans

1. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Cllr. R.G.Jones, Chair of Neath Port Talbot Public Services Board welcomed all to the meeting.

As a mark of respect Board Members held a minute silence to remember the families and the lives lost due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

2. **COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Board Members received a detailed presentation on the Community Impact Assessment (CIA).

It was highlighted that the CIA had been commissioned to look at the impact that Covid 19 pandemic had had on people, businesses and organisations. The outcome would inform the approach to the recovery and would identify key areas where collective action by partners could reduce the negative impacts and where possible use the potential opportunities that had arisen from the pandemic.

The four pillars of wellbeing were used to develop a framework, workshops arranged under each of the pillars to gather data. In addition a survey was arranged with 1,259 responses.

Board members noted that there were some positive outcomes from the pandemic that needed to continue and progress further:

- the removal of bureaucracy needed to continue, this enabled things to get done quicker;
- partnerships emerged that were not there before;
- communities developed a voice/connections and the ability to influence decisions.

Board Members thanked CJ for an excellent piece of work and discussion took place on how to take this work forward.

It was suggested that further work should include looking at people with health issues through alcohol abuse and obesity. Health Board colleagues highlighted the increase in mental health referrals to the service. Consider how we currently use the Integrated Care Fund.

Board members were supportive of using existing joint groups and changing existing Terms of Reference rather than adding more meetings. Further discussions took place on the need to identify the priorities and then look at what was currently fit for purpose.

Supporting the work across the Swansea Bay area.

It was suggested that working with households in poverty should be considered. RSL's could assist with this, if they are helped early enough it would prevent them calling on other services.

It was highlighted that during the emergency partnership working on the Swansea Bay Health Board footprint have worked well and that this needed to continue going forward. It was noted that the regional partnerships have not been so effective. It was agreed that there was a need for the CIA to reflect on existing partnerships to enable us to be ready for the recovery phase. It was suggested that the survey be repeated as lockdown eases.

Some issues had already been mapped against current partnership meetings. The Poverty Forum could look at the issues in regard to the economy and employability groups could be used to address that. JM & KJ to meet to look at would the Community Safety Partnership could take forward. Work to continue looking at the responses in detail and outcomes to be brought to the next meeting of this group.

Director of Education, Lifelong Learning and Leisure advised that the Children and Young People's Partnership Leadership Group would look at the child care issues and bring a clear strategy back to the September meeting of this group.

RESOLVED:

1. That the information be noted.
2. That the analysis of the survey continues and recommendations be brought to the next meeting of the group.

3. **MULTI-AGENCY EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND PROCESS TO WORK TOWARDS RECOVERY STRATEGY**

Board Members noted that this item links to the previous discussion in item 2.

Discussion took place around the Test, Trace and Protect Services (TTP). It was agreed that Sian Harrop-Griffiths would undertake a presentation on how the TTP service works to the next meeting of this group.

No decision required on this item.

4. **COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING**

RESOLVED:

1. That the NPTPSB to continue being part of the Community Wealth Building scheme.
2. That the PSB Officer respond accordingly.

5. **PSB ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20**

Board Members received the Draft PSB Annual Report 2019/20 as detailed in the circulated report.

It was agreed that any comments/amendments from Board Members would be forwarded to the PSB Officer no later than 12 midday on the 3rd July 2020.

No decision required on this item.

6. **PSBS ROLE IN COVID 19 RECOVERY - MINISTERIAL LETTER**

This item was for Information.

CHAIRPERSON