

Meeting: Wellbeing Board

Subject: Minutes

Date: Friday 6 October 2017 at 1.30pm

Present:

Councillor Bob Sleight (Chair)	Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council
Councillor Ken Meeson (Vice-Chair)	Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council
Councillor Kamran Caan	Coventry City Council
Councillor Les Caborn	Warwickshire County Council
Councillor Paulette Hamilton	Birmingham City Council
Councillor Peter Miller	Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
Councillor Ian Robertson	Walsall Metropolitan Council
Councillor Ann Shackleton	Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council
Councillor Paul Sweet	City of Wolverhampton Council
Guy Daly	Universities
Sue Ibbotson	Public Health England
Sarah Marwick	Office of Police & Crime Commissioner
Sarah Norman	Health Chief Executive Lead for WMCA
Sean Russell	Mental Health Implementation Director
Gary Taylor	West Midlands Fire Service
Alison Tonge	NHS England

In Attendance:

Mark Barrow	(OPE Programme Director, Arcadis)
Mary Crofton	(WMCA)
Simon Hall	(WMCA)
Henry Kippin	(WMCA)
Jane Moore	(WMCA)
Duncan Vernon	(Transport for the West Midlands)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Barry Longden, Andy Hardy, Julie Moore, Chris Tidman and Andy Williams.

11. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were duly noted. The Chair thanked the Vice-Chair, Councillor Ken Meeson, for 'holding the fort' for the last couple of meetings and reminded colleagues of the importance of the Wellbeing agenda for the WMCA and the people of the West Midlands.

12. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 July 2017 were agreed and signed by the Vice-Chair, as a correct record.

13. Global Thrive Network (I- Circle Event)

Sarah Norman presented a report to share the key learning points from the I-Circle (International City and Urban Regional Collaborative, Supporting Mental Health and Wellbeing to Enable Citizens to Thrive) event that she was attended on behalf of the WMCA.

The report set out the initiatives being undertaken with regards to employers and employee wellbeing, criminal justice and substance misuse, public health, community awareness and engagement, equalities, children and young people, disaster recovery, approaches to transformation and future progress.

In relation to substance misuse, the Chair noted that the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) would be holding a Drug Policy Summit on 15 December 2017 that included a call for evidence and asked if details could be circulated to the board.

The Vice-Chair reported that he welcomed the report and noted that cannabis use was impacting on mental health.

Sarah Norman considered that the cannabis issue was interesting and reported that the matter may feature at the PCC's call for evidence/Drugs Policy Summit in December.

Guy Daly noted that the link between mental health and physical activity was not included in the paper and reported that he had visited the East and Indonesia and considered that western economies could learn from developing countries as well as the developed world.

Sarah Norman advised that physical activity did not feature at the conference and with regards to future learning reported that the WMCA was part of the global network of Thrive Cities, so could 'tap into' shared into evidence and ideas and this could include university collaboration.

Sarah Norman reported that all cities represented at the event had agreed to establish a framework for future collaboration and advised the board that the next event would be held in Stockholm at the end of May 2018 where it is recommended that the WMCA should be represented to maintain the Authority's profile of its work and strengthen its international collaboration. It was noted that there was also an opportunity for WMCA colleagues to work with Thrive London to host a joint event in the near future.

Resolved:

- (1) That the Wellbeing Board and the West Midlands Combined Authority should continue international collaboration with other City Regions that are engaged in whole system transformation to improve the mental health and wellbeing of their citizens and support efforts to establish a thriving virtual network to share evidence, learning and ideas be agreed;
- (2) That the Wellbeing Board and the West Midlands Combined Authority should send representation to the event in Stockholm in 2018 be agreed and
- (3) That the Wellbeing Board and the West Combined Authority should seek to host a joint event with London in 2018 or 2019 be agreed.

14. West Midlands Mental Health Commission Update

Sean Russell presented a report that updated the board on progress with regards to the West Midlands Mental Health Commission Action Plan.

The report outlined progress since the last meeting on the Employment and Employer, Housing First, Criminal Justice, Improving Care and Community Engagement workstreams.

In relation to an enquiry from the Chair regarding the Employment and Employer – Fiscal Incentive workstream and the involvement of small and medium enterprises (SMEs), Sean Russell confirmed that the SMEs were involved and that he was working closely with the Federation of Small Business, LEPs and the various chambers of commerce and that he wanted to include companies from non-constituent authorities. The Chair added that it was crucial to embed the non-constituent authorities in this workstream.

In relation to Community Engagement and the Zero Suicide Ambition, the Vice-Chair noted the importance of the role played by partners and carers in emotional wellbeing.

Sean Russell advised that the Thrive Cafes had a focus on rehabilitation and that Solihull was working with carers to look for a community asset based model to give support at a lower tier.

In relation to a comment from Councillor Robertson regarding the Thrive into Work programme and the Zero Suicide offering support at an early stage, Sean Russell reported of the need to go back to providing early intervention support and advised that a digital platform is being examined that would sign post people to help.

In relation to Primary Care Mental Health, Alison Tonge enquired what does good look like and asked the Mental Health Implementation Director what he would like to see happen.

Sean Russell reported that connectivity was needed across different sectors as there was a lack of trust in third sector organisations and that he was looking at different approach such as utilising the voluntary and charitable sector for social care. He added that it would be good if there was time to unpick an individual's root cause of the problem.

Alison Tonge considered there was a link to the Five Year Forward View and undertook to discuss how this could be taken with Sean Russell outside of the meeting.

Resolved:

- (1) That progress and the update on the current position of the West Midlands Mental Health Commission Action Plan and the work being undertaken since the launch of the programme on 31 January 2017 be noted.

15. Update on Wellbeing Priorities

Jane Moore presented a report that provided an update on the actions pertaining to the Wellbeing Priorities that were agreed by the board at the last meeting.

The report provided updates on progress on the Cardiovascular and Diabetes Programme and on the Children and Young People priorities.

Jane Moore thanked local authority colleagues for their input into the preventative programme and especially those from the Black Country and indicated that the proposals could be taken forward into the devolution discussions.

In relation to the Children and Young People priority, Jane Moore reported that a wider stakeholder event would be held on 18 October and asked that colleagues let her know if they had members of their team who wanted to attend the event.

Sue Ibbotson considered it was exciting that the board had chosen to take forward 'every child fulfils their potential' as part of the Children and Young People priority as this had links to the future potential of the West Midlands.

Jane Moore advised that she was creating to a project group with a wide range of stakeholders that would look at how all parties could add value to this priority.

Resolved:

- (1) That progress since the last meeting of the Wellbeing Board on developing the Cardiovascular and Diabetes and Children and Young People Priorities be noted.

16. Feedback from Health and Wellbeing Boards and STPs on the Wellbeing Priorities and Devolution Proposals

A report on the WMCA Wellbeing Priorities and Devolution Proposals had been drafted by Jane Moore following the last meeting for discussion with local authority Health and Wellbeing Boards.

In relation to feedback from the local authority Health and Wellbeing Board meetings, the Vice-Chair reported that the report had been well received in Solihull. However, with regards to membership of this board, it was suggested that the membership be reviewed to consider whether there should be representation from ADCS/ADAS.

The Chair advised that the matter would be picked up as part of the minutes. The Chair reported that the report had not yet been considered by BSOL STP and asked that colleagues submit the report to their Health and Wellbeing Board if the report had not previously been considered.

Resolved:

- (1) That feedback from the Health and Wellbeing Board and STPS on the Wellbeing Priorities and Devolution Proposal report be considered further at the next meeting.

17. Update on the development of Accountable Care Systems and Accountable Care Organisations

Alison Tonge presented a report that outlined the development of Accountable Care and the national programme for this.

Alison Tonge outlined the report which set out the steps being taken towards Accountable Care, how this might lead to Accountable Care Organisation(s) and what this would involve, the implications for commissioning in the NHS and how NHS England would support this new system.

It was noted that in the West Midlands, each STP would be invited to have a discussion on their ambition and to identify if they would be ready to move to an Accountable Care System this year, in early 2018-19, or not yet ready.

Alison Tonge reported that a national programme has been established for early adopters of the Accountable Care System that would be open for applications in October 2017 and it was anticipated there would be applications from the West Midlands.

In relation to an enquiry from the Chair regarding the scale of accountable care systems, Alison Tonge advised that this could be very big as it was based on population and patients registered with a GP.

In relation to an enquiry from Sarah Norman as to how the new Accountable Care Organisation would fit together with STPs, Alison Tonge reported that the organisations would be 'nested and layered' and whilst the governance has not yet been determined, it would be grounded in a single purpose.

In relation to enquiry from the Chair regarding the financial risk and how this was shared, Alison Tonge reported that this would be based on GPs and population and the money would managed together with NHS England.

Alison Tonge informed the board that they would hear more about Accountable Care Systems through their health and wellbeing boards and STPs.

Resolved:

- (1) That the development of Accountable Care Systems and the national programme for this be noted;
- (2) That the opportunity for local systems to apply for the national programme in 2017 be noted and
- (3) That the opportunity for this new development to contribute to the wider goals for health and wealth through a focus on demand, productivity and inequalities be noted.

18. West Midlands Health and Transport Strategy

Duncan Vernon presented a report that updated the Wellbeing Board on progress by Transport for the West Midlands (TfWM) to develop a health and transport strategy. A draft outline strategy was attached to the report for review.

It was noted that the strategy links with the aims of the Wellbeing Board and the population health plan and the WMCA's Strategic Economic Plan.

The Chair reported of the need to be clear on the health benefits that would be realised from the strategy and how these would be articulated. He added that the economic benefits should also be identified along with the health benefits if the West Midlands was to benefit from investment and cited electronic vehicles as an example.

The Chair and Sue Ibbotson enquired as to whether the health impacts had been considered for public transport systems.

Jane Moore advised that there was lots of expertise in this areas and referred to modelling being undertaken and the research programme being developed by academics that was building the case on why health matters.

Councillor Hamilton commented that the report submitted was an excellent paper and that Birmingham City Council was undertaking a great deal of work in this area. Councillor Hamilton reported on the need to ensure the health and transport initiatives were joined-up to prevent any displacement such as that caused by people parking their cars on the outskirts of the town rather than in the centre which would move the problem to another area rather than solving it.

Jane Moore concurred with Councillor Hamilton that air quality was a key issue and reported that work was being scoped for cross WMCA actions to prevent any displacement and referred to the recently held air quality workshop. She added that there is strong agreement that everyone needs to work together to provide the health evidence to bring about change.

Resolved:

- (1) That the work undertaken to analyse health data that relates to transport and to identify cross-cutting issues be noted;
- (2) That the results of the transport and health consultation workshop be noted;
- (3) That the proposed structure of the health and transport strategy be endorsed and
- (4) The four strategic themes to structure actions that link transport and health be agreed.

19. 'West Midlands on the Move', From Strategic Framework to Implementation

Simon Hall presented a report that accompanied the 'West Midlands on the Move' Strategic Framework that included the two year delivery plan.

The report outlined progress in developing the Strategic Framework, the establishment of a Political Activity Champion, the key features of the 2017-2019 Delivery Plan and the launch of the plan. It was noted that the document would be submitted to the WMCA Board for final approval on 13 October 2017.

In relation to the establishment of the Political Physical Activity Champion, Simon Hall reported that the Chair of the Coventry Health and Wellbeing Board, Councillor Caan had agreed to undertake this role which would serve to provide leadership, advocacy and challenge for the Framework and Delivery Plan's implementation.

Councillor Caan reported that he was looking forward to reporting on the positive impacts of the Delivery Plan and seeing how it would benefit hundreds of people.

In relation to the launch of the Strategic Framework that is planned for 16 November, Councillor Sweet asked that colleagues be notified as soon as possible of the confirmed date so that it is scheduled in diaries.

Simon Hall undertook to confirm the launch date of the Strategic Framework with board members as soon as possible

Councillor Robertson reported that he hoped there would be a fair allocation of resources that would cover the most vulnerable areas.

Jane Moore advised that the WMCA has started discussions with key partners, Government and various agencies and that the power of devolution for the West Midlands is that it would enable the region to determine its priorities and funding across the West Midlands. Jane added that the WMCA wanted to enhance what individual authorities are doing and to allocate funding where it would have the most impact.

Resolved:

- (1) That the appointment of the Chair of Coventry Health and Wellbeing Board as Political Physical Champion be approved;
- (2) That progress made in understanding and agreeing Constituent Authorities Offer and Asks of the WMCA be noted;
- (3) That progress made in agreeing the 2017-19 Delivery Plan, resourcing and progress on immediate priorities be noted and
- (4) That the launch proposals on 16 November in Coventry including invitation to Council Leaders, WMCA Board Members and Senior Officers as well as inviting Sport England Management be agreed.

20. Date of the Next Meeting

Friday 19 January 2018 at 1.30pm

21. Exclusion of the Public and Press

Resolved:

That, in accordance with s100(a) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business as its likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 of the Act

22. One Public Estate Programme

The One Public Estate (OPE) Director, Mark Barrow presented a report that sought awareness and support for the submission to Government of additional projects for future grant support and also provided an update on progress made in delivering health and care related projects within the current programme.

In relation to the OPE 6 funding bids that are to be submitted by the deadline of 3 November 2017, it was agreed that the One Public Estate Director would circulate these to the board for information/comments and the Chair would sign-off the bids on behalf of the board.

Resolved:

- (1) That the development of submissions of future projects for grant funding to the Government Property Unit be supported; and
- (2) That progress made within the WMCA OPE Programme be noted.

CHAIRMAN