Cardiff Public Services Board Wednesday 28 June 2023, 11am-1pm Cardiff West Community High School



Attendees

Board Members:

Councillor Huw Thomas (Chair) Leader, Cardiff Council (CC)

Fiona Kinghorn Executive Director of Public Health, Cardiff & Vale University Health

Board (C&V UHB)

Suzanne Rankin Chief Executive, C&V UHB

Sarah McGill Corporate Director People and Communities, CC

David Letellier Head of Operations South Wales Central, Natural Resources Wales

(NRW)

Martyn Stone Superintendent, South Wales Police (SWP)

Alun Michael Police and Crime Commissioner South Wales (PCC)

Mike Wyatt Group Manager, South Wales Fire & Rescue Services (SWFRS)

Sheila Hendrickson-Brown Chief Executive Officer, C3SC

Matt Jenkins Deputy Director Futures & Integration, Health and Social Care,

Welsh Government (WG)

Estella Enos Deputy PDU Head, National Probation Service (NPS)

Apologies:

Charles Janczewski (Vice Chair) | Chair, C&V UHB

Abigail Harris Director of Planning, C&V UHB

Paul Orders Chief Executive, CC

Gareth O'Shea Executive Director of South Wales Operations, NRW

Huw Jakeway Chief Fire Officer, SWFRS

Dan Jones Director of the Violence Protection Unit, SWP

Danny Richards Chief Superintendent, SWP

Eirian Evans PDU Head, NPS

Other attendees:

Gareth Newell Head of Performance and Partnerships, CC

Abigail Streeter Planning & Improvement Officer, CC

Cath Doman Director, Health and Social Care Integration, Cardiff & Vale Regional

Partnership Board (RPB)

Gary Davies SWP

Graham Robb Independent Chair, Cardiff Youth Justice Board

Suzanne Scarlett Partnerships & Performance Manager, CC
Jane Hutt MS Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip

Amelia John Interim Director Communities and Tackling Poverty, WG

Michelle Powell Director, Action in Caerau and Ely (ACE)

Hazel Cryer ACE

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1.	Welcome/ Apologies	
	The Chair opened the meeting and noted apologies as above.	
2.	Minutes and Actions	
	The Chair noted that all actions in the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 April 2023 are complete.	
	AGREED:	
	Minutes of the previous meeting held 24 April 2023	
3.	Cardiff & Vale Joint Area Plan 2023-2028	
	Cath Doman presented the Cardiff & Vale Regional Partnership Board's (RPB's) Joint Area Plan, which is organised around three life-stage themes: Starting Well, Living Well and Ageing Well.	
	The Plan sets out commitments linked to each life-stage theme. Detailed delivery plans are being developed for each of the commitments; in many cases, these plans build on existing programmes of work.	
	The final draft has been approved by the RPB and is now being shared with relevant groups for consideration and assurance. Approval of the final version will be sought by the RPB in July 2023.	
	It was highlighted that, following the recent review of partnership governance arrangements, it was concluded that where the PSB and RPB both have an interest in a priority area, the governance will rest with the most relevant body. Arrangements will therefore be strengthened moving forward to ensure that there is appropriate visibility between the work of the two boards, including regular reporting/ information sharing.	
	This approach has ensured that there is no duplication in work – for instance, the Area Plan's commitments related to violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence reflect the work of the PSB and Community Safety Partnership.	
	The following points were raised by PSB members:	
	 Alun Michael noted that Welsh Government recently held an Anti-Racism Summit, following the publication of an Anti-Racist Wales Action Plan last year. Alun questioned whether this work has been built into the work of the PSB and RPB. 	

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	Gareth Newell noted that Sheila Hendrickson-Brown has agreed to chair the PSB's Public Sector Equality Network, which was one of the recommendations of Cardiff's Race Equality Taskforce. Gareth noted that a meeting is taking place with Welsh Government next week to discuss creating a pathway to operationalise the recommendations of the Anti-Racist Wales Action Plan at a local level.	
	Sheila noted that it will be important to ensure that there is connectivity between the actions of different organisations moving forward.	
	 Alun Michael raised the importance of interfacing with the Police and working in partnership to navigate through issues together. Suzanne Rankin noted that a meeting is planned to take place between the Police and Health Board colleagues next week, to discuss how to better ensure resources are aligned in the right way, with a focus on mental health. 	
	 Cllr Huw Thomas questioned how the Joint Area Plan will allow flexible deployment and scare resources into areas of higher need. Cath Doman noted that this will be driven by what partners are stating are the priorities and issues; a joined-up approach will be needed to deliver the solution. 	
	 Sheila Hendrickson-Brown highlighted the need to consider social value – work is needed to understand this and what it means. 	
	The PSB agreed to:	
	 Endorse the Cardiff and Vale Regional Partnership Board Joint Area Plan. Ensure Cardiff PSB's Wellbeing Plan aligns to the Joint Area Plan, where relevant. Provide assurance to the RPB on relevant PSB activities, 	
	 undertaken on behalf of the RPB. Receive assurance from the RPB on activities it undertakes on behalf of the PSB, through 6 monthly reporting and as required. 	
4.	Youth Justice Update	
	Graham Robb presented the Annual Report of the Cardiff Youth Justice Board, outlining progress in service, outcomes and governance during the year 2022-2023.	

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3. Expanding the shared understanding of children's rights and a

child rights-based approach.

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	Suzanne noted that in order to implement the recommendations effectively and navigate the next phase of the CFC Programme, a robust governance structure is essential.	
	The following points were raised by PSB members:	
	 Cllr Huw Thomas queried what kind of progress will UNICEF want to see before giving Cardiff full CFC status. Suzanne noted that UNICEF are expecting a commitment to action. This will be articulated in a Sustainability Plan, which will be created by the CFC Team in response to the recommendations. 	
	 Alun Michael commended the work which has taken place so far as Cardiff has worked to gain CFC status. Alun questioned where the Youth Justice Service fits into this work. Suzanne noted that the Youth Justice Service is integral to children's rights and the work in this area has contributed to the CFC status that Cardiff has achieved. There will be further linkages with this work in the strategy moving forward, particularly regarding the participation of children and young people. 	
	 Fiona Kinghorn raised the connection between urban planning and placemaking, particularly the strengthening of public transport, and children's well-being. Suzanne noted that children and young people have expressed an interest in being involved in strategic transport planning. 	
	Sarah McGill highlighted the importance of data analysis.	
	The PSB agreed to:	
	 Support the development of the Sustainability Plan and governance arrangements to enable full 'Child Friendly City' status. Hold a day-long event in November 2023 to enable children and young people to share their priorities for the city, informing the work of the Board. 	
6.	Ely Disorder and Recovery Arrangements	
	For this agenda item, PSB members were joined by Jane Hutt MS, the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip, as well as colleagues Michelle Powell and Hazel Cryer from Action in Caerau and Ely (ACE), who will be working with the Board and the community over the coming months.	

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The item provided an opportunity to discuss the PSB's response to recent events in Ely, as well as the development of the Caerau and Ely Community Plan.

PSB members were provided with a presentation which covered the following:

- Draft Mission Statement/ Objectives
- Community Plan Development Governance
- Wider/ Connected Governance
- Ely Recovery Process Map (With indicative timescales tbc)
- Focus on Community Engagement

It was proposed that a PSB Working Group be created to develop single and multi-agency solutions/ actions to enable recovery in Ely.

Additionally, it was proposed that the newly established Ely & Caerau Reference Group — chaired by the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip - report into the PSB moving forward. The Reference Group will support the development of the Community Plan for Ely & Caerau.

Reporting into the Reference Group will be an Ely & Caerau Community Steering Group. The focus of this Group will be to develop and implement a Community Engagement Plan, to engage the wider community in the development of the Community Plan for Ely & Caerau. It was noted that the relationship between the Reference Group and Steering Group needs to be further considered, to avoid a hierarchy of governance.

The importance of getting this work – and the Community Plan – right was emphasised. A co-productive approach will be utilised throughout the development process. Whilst work has begun immediately in response to recent events, including advancing a programme of youth provision over the summer, development of the Community Plan will take time, to allow for extensive community engagement. It was noted that the Community Steering Group will sign off the final Plan – the current aim is to complete this work by March 2024.

The following points were raised by PSB members:

- It was highlighted that building trust in the community will be a key element of this work. Whilst children and young people are receiving an initial focus, work with the wider community is also crucial.
- Activities with children and young people are planned to take place across the summer. It was noted that there is a need to ensure that the activities are appropriately advertised.
- Suzanne Scarlett highlighted that funding has been secured from Welsh Government to develop a Communities Grant Scheme for

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Ely & Caerau, which was launched on 27 June by the Youth Action Group. Expressions of interest have been invited, and it's hoped that this will be distributed to as many community organisations as possible. There is still a need to determine a process when assessing the applications/ a preferred criteria, to ensure a representative spread of activities. Funding can be utilised immediately, through to 31 December 2023.

- Alun Michael noted that it is positive that existing arrangements have been respected when developing the response arrangements. Alun highlighted that it's important to note the role of Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in this work.
- Jane Hutt MS stated that the multi-agency representation and leadership is exemplary, with everything in place for this work to move forward operationally.
- Martyn Stone noted that effective partnership working has been crucial in providing an effective response, with no further disorder seen.
- Sheila Hendrickson-Brown stated that a focus must continue to be placed on supporting and developing communities across Cardiff, beyond Ely & Caerau. Sheila highlighted that the question will be, moving forward, whether outcomes are being achieved, which should be reflected in the data.
- Fiona Kinghorn highlighted that the data shows that Ely & Caerau
 has high levels of children and young people not in education,
 employment or training (NEET) but low crime trends. Fiona
 questioned how useful the available data is in terms of
 understanding what led to the events in Ely taking place.
- Michelle Powell emphasised the importance of hearing the voice of the wider community and highlighted the need to ensure that the message is right/ manage community expectations. There is no quick fix and there is a need to looking at the Community Plan as a long-term plan.
- Cllr Huw Thomas noted that the Community Plan will build on existing public services and activity, some of which isn't as visible as it could be. It is about making change with the levers that are available. What good looks like will be up to the community.
- Michelle Powell noted that ACE will need to be kept updated as to what services and activities are in place, so that community members can be provided with the information.

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	Actions:	
	 Suzanne Scarlett and Michelle Powell to meet to discuss activities which are planned to take place for children and young people in Ely & Caerau. 	Suzanne Scarlett/ Michelle Powell
	 Sheila Hendrickson-Brown to connect Michelle Powell and Hazel Cryer with individuals who have undertaken similar journeys, especially in terms of community engagement and planning. 	Sheila Hendrickson- Brown
	The PSB agreed to:	
	 The proposed response arrangements/ governance structures outlined. 	
	 Delegate ongoing development of this work to a PSB working group. 	
7.	AOB	
	Two written updates were provided under AOB:	
	 Community Safety and Safeguarding Update Shared Prosperity Fund Update 	
	The PSB agreed to:	
	 Approve the two actions noted in the Community Safety and Safeguarding update, related to Domestic Homicide Reviews. 	
	Next PSB meeting:	
	• 4 October 2023	