

Note of Meeting

ONE SWINDON BOARD

TUESDAY 24 MARCH 2015

Present: Gavin Jones (SBC), Councillor Stan Pajak (SBC), Cherry Jones (SBC), Sue Wald (SBC), Paddy Bradley (SBC), Heather Mitchell (SEQOL), Daniel Rose (VAS), Ian Jeary (Wilts Fire and Rescue), Simon Routh-Jones (Wilts Fire and Rescue), Jill Annal (DWP), Angus Macpherson (OPCC), Jan Stubbings (CCG), Nicki Millin (CCG), Nicky Alberry (Business West) and Carmel Burton (SBC).

1.	Welcome and introduction	ACTION
	<p>Gavin Jones, Chief Executive of Swindon Borough Council, took the Chair for the meeting as Cllr David Renard, Leader of Swindon Borough Council and Chair of the One Swindon Board, had given his apologies.</p> <p>The Board noted that James Griffin had recently left Swindon Borough Council and wished to record their thanks for his support.</p> <p>The Board agreed the notes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25 November 2014.</p>	
2.	Implementation of the Business Cases	ACTION
	<p>The Board received updates on the implementation of the Business Cases as follows.</p> <p>Strengthen Families</p> <p><i>Alcohol Support and Advice – Cherry Jones</i></p> <p>The Board noted that seven Peer Mentors have now started and four are ready to apply for the Recovery Motivator Role. Feedback has been provided from the service and recovery community on how the process can be improved, and Peer Mentors are now working with communities and referring into the service.</p> <p><i>Reducing Domestic Abuse – Perpetrators – Cherry Jones</i></p> <p>The Board noted that the first course begins on 2 April 2015 but that there has been a struggle with recruiting people to attend. Referrals have come in from out of Swindon as there is a waiting list in Wiltshire, and further promotion will be undertaken to encourage more referrals.</p>	

	<p>so no data is currently available for evaluation, but is has moved on from its pilot stage.</p> <p><i>Safe and Independent Living – Simon Routh-Jones</i></p> <p>The Board noted that there had been problems with the software involved with the project but that it is working well with signposting to and referring between a number of partner agencies, charities and Swindon Borough Council support services taking place.</p> <p>During discussion the following issues were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board noted that companies like British Gas are being recommended to start implementing programmes like this one as they regularly access people's homes. • The Board noted that the Dorset Fire and Rescue Service are a forerunner on this project and have won a national award for their scheme. • It was agreed that more marketing towards community practitioners needs to be done to raise awareness and increase referrals. <p><i>Community Navigators – Nicki Millin</i></p> <p>The Board noted that there will be 13 Community Navigators across 26 GP practices encouraging patients to take more of a self-management approach to their conditions. There has been a change to the operating model to enhance self-care and management, and the plan is to roll out to all 26 GP practices during 2015/16.</p> <p><i>Reducing re-offending – Carmel Burton</i></p> <p>The Board noted that attendance levels have been 71% which is the highest ever recorded for this cohort. There has been 100% engagement with all partners and a high level of satisfaction recorded. 21 of the of the 50 people involved with the project have progressed on into full or part time paid employment or voluntary work, and the cost of re-offences has reduced by 27% over the last quarter. Transformation funding has allowed the project to expand, and people who have gone through the service are now acting as mentors to new people coming in.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Chief Executive of Swindon Borough Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner would meet with the new Community Rehabilitation Company (replacing the Probation Trust) to discuss their new areas of work and consider inviting them to attend Board meetings.</p>	<p>Gavin Jones / Angus Macpherson</p>
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	<p>Grow the Economy</p> <p><i>Local Supply Chain and Procurement – Nicky Alberry</i></p> <p>The Board noted that a review and evaluation process will be completed by June on the impact of the work undertaken so far, with a view to expanding this into the private sector. A briefing will be sent to partners regarding the possibilities of getting the Standing Orders of the public sector partners harmonised to achieve alignment on the procurement of contracts with a value of up to £176k.</p> <p><i>Ready for Work Academy – Jill Annal</i></p> <p>The Board noted that both colleges in Swindon are now participating in this programme, and that delivery will commence in April 2015. It is expected that an individual will go through the programme in about 13 weeks.</p> <p><i>Town Centre Team – Gavin Jones</i></p> <p>The Board noted that the new building officially opened in January and that joint working is already showing benefits for all concerned. The next steps are to change cultures which will be necessary for further integration.</p> <p>During discussion the following issues were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The recording of unintended outcomes from shared working, and the bonus effect of joint problem solving. • The difficulties in finding the location of the building, and access for the public. <p>The Board noted the updates given.</p>	Nicky Alberry / Paddy Bradley
3.	One off funding requests	ACTION
	<p>The Board received and discussed the following requests for one-off funding.</p> <p><i>Pilot Multi-agency Risk Enablement Panel for adults with multiple needs</i></p> <p>Sue Wald, Head of Commissioning - Children and Adults at Swindon Borough Council, outlined the serious case review undertaken by the Local Safeguarding Adult Board in 2014, and highlighted the findings from that review which has led to this pilot being proposed. The Board is being asked to fund a development and administrative resource to pilot a multi-agency risk enablement and case planning process for adults with</p>	

	<p>multiple needs, so that an effective plan is put in place with a nominated lead worker in order to reduce the risk of significant harm to the individual. The pilot would run for 18 months with an evaluation to enable commissioners to build this into future budget planning. The request is for £90k for the duration of the pilot.</p> <p>During discussion the following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is not expected that a large number of people would be involved in the pilot initially. A task and finish group would be set up to develop an operational plan, and individual agencies would be expected to continue their involvement beyond the pilot stage if an individual is referred to them. <p>The Board agreed to fund £90,000 for the pilot Multi-agency Risk Enablement Panel for adults with multiple needs.</p> <p><i>Pilot to reduce the impact of street drinkers in Swindon</i></p> <p>Cherry Jones, Director of Public Health at Swindon Borough Council, noted that there are approximately 100 street drinkers in Swindon, and the multi-agency working group has been focussing on developing a Swindon model based on the Bristol model of Integrated Offender Management. The Board noted that a funding request is not being sought at this time, but the approval to work up a full outline business case to be submitted to a future meeting.</p> <p>During discussion the following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent decisions taken by the Licensing Committee at Swindon Borough Council, and the potential impact this may have on the ability to procure alcohol for street drinking. • The request for more detail and examples from the Bristol model to be included in the full outline business case. • It was noted that the Ambulance Service may have data which would also support proposals in the outline business case. • The request for costings within the full outline business case which will show how the proposed funding of the pilot would save money and reduce service pressure in the longer term. <p>The Board agreed to receive the full outline business case electronically once it had been prepared, and to take a virtual decision on the funding request at that time.</p>	
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4.	Structural proposals / joint working and updates concerning SBC, Wiltshire Police and Wiltshire Fire Service	ACTION
	<p>The Board received an update from Simon Routh-Jones, Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service, on the proposed merger with Dorset Fire and Rescue Service. The Combination Order should come into effect from 1 April 2015, and a Joint Committee has been formed. A Shadow Board is also being formed from 23 June 2015, with the full Combined Authority coming into effect from April 2016. A Chief Fire Officer will be designated to see through the transition, and a £5.54m transformation bid has been successful for the new Hub, IT and branding. The Board then received a presentation from Ian Jeary, Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service, on the proposal to create a Safety Centre which has formed part of the transformation bid. The Centre will be a partnership approach to drive down risk. The Board noted that an update with more detail will be brought to a future meeting.</p> <p>The Board then received an update from Angus Macpherson, Wiltshire and Swindon Police and Crime Commissioner, regarding the proposed strategic alliance with the Avon and Somerset Constabulary. It will not be a merger of the two forces, as there would still be two independent Chief Constables and two Police and Crime Commissioners. Instead there would be a common approach to policing with activities undertaken once across the two areas. The finance strategy will be externally verified, and frontline policing will be protected.</p> <p>Mr Macpherson asked the Board to note that Mr Pat Geenty, Chief Constable of Wiltshire Constabulary, had recently announced his intention to retire at the end of May 2015. It was agreed that the Chair of the Board would write to Mr Geenty to thank him for his contribution.</p> <p>Mr Gavin Jones, Chief Executive of Swindon Borough Council, advised the Board that all local authorities are looking at options for becoming 'combined authorities'. Opportunities are being explored at the moment, but more information should be available following the election in May 2015.</p>	David Renard
5.	Next steps – what's next for One Swindon	ACTION
	This item was deferred to the next meeting of the One Swindon Board.	