

Notes of Meeting

ONE SWINDON LEADERSHIP BOARD

TUESDAY 11 JULY 2017

Present: Councillors David Renard, Jim Grant and Mary Martin, John Gilbert, Mike Ash, Andy Evans, Trudy Godfrey, Cherry Jones, Nick Kemmett, Sam Mowbray, Mark Walker, Sue Wald and Lin Williams (Swindon Borough Council), Angus Macpherson (Police and Crime Commissioner), Craig Holden (Wiltshire Police), Gill May (Clinical Commissioning Group), Richard Hill (VAS), Ian Gardner (DWP), Ian Larrard (Business West) and Craig Baker (Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue).

7.	Welcome and introduction	ACTION
	Councillor David Renard, Chair of the One Swindon Board, welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
8.	One Public Estate	ACTION
	<p>Andy Evans, Corporate Director Economy, Regeneration and Skills, and Trudy Godfrey, Economy and Skills, Swindon Borough Council, gave a presentation about the 'One Public Estate'.</p> <p>Mr Evans explained that the 'One Public Estate' was a national programme managed by the Cabinet Office and Local Government Association. The key driver is for public agencies within geographically defined areas to work together on their collective estate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create economic growth• Encourage better integrated and customer focused services• Generate capital receipts; and• Reduce running costs <p>The Board were reminded the Swindon had successfully secured £375,000 in 2016 under Round 5 to accelerate the delivery of new homes, jobs, capital receipts and inward investment across the railway station and Carriage Works.</p> <p>Mr Evans reported on Round 6 funding and suggested the following two opportunities for potential development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accelerating housing delivery within the town centre for key workers using modern methods of construction; and• Creating a public service hub at Kimmerfields with a broad	

	<p>range of public service partners.</p> <p>The Board indicated its support for the concept of a public services hub and the One Public Estate bid, however it did not allocate a sponsor to help with the project management aspects of the public services hub.</p> <p>The Board noted the presentation and asked for Board members to contact Mr Evans if they were interested in becoming involved in the public service hub.</p>	Trudy Godfrey / One Board Members
9.	Criteria For Funding Bids	ACTION
	<p>Sam Mowbray, Head of People, Performance and Engagement, gave a presentation about changes to the criteria for funding bids to One Swindon.</p> <p>The Board were advised that the One Swindon Fund currently held £100,000 for revenue bids, however this figure would obviously decrease with each new bid. It was suggested that future bids should include evidence based descriptions of how the proposal would improve outcomes for Swindon residents, clear evidence that it would contribute to generate savings/reduce demand on partner's services and have clear plans for sustainability beyond the initial funding period.</p> <p>The Board noted the presentation and approved the change in criteria for funding bids to One Swindon.</p>	Carmel Burton
10.	Cell Intervention Worker	ACTION
	<p>The Board received an update on the Cell Intervention Worker.</p> <p>The recent application for One Swindon funding for the 2 year Cell Intervention substance misuse arrest referral scheme has been agreed by the One Swindon Board. The post holder will be employed and directly line managed by the Change, Grow, Live (CGL) Criminal Justice lead offering advice and delivering brief interventions to all substance-misusing offenders who are willing to engage, detained in Gable Cross custody suite in Swindon.</p> <p>The Board noted the update.</p>	
11.	Progress Report from the Rough Sleeping Working Party	ACTION
	Nick Kemmett, Homeless Operations Manager and Mark Walker, Community Programme Lead, Town Centre, Swindon Borough Council, gave an update presentation from the Rough Sleeping Working Party.	

	<p>The Board were advised of an event held at the Civic Offices in May 2017 for community volunteers. The outcome of the event was to establish a new umbrella organisation to enable all interested parties to work closer together to combat rough sleeping and homelessness in Swindon.</p> <p>Mr Kemmett highlighted a number of matters that were raised at the event, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The need for a day centre/hub, providing a single central place for the homeless. • A better understanding of the provision in place, in order to identify gaps and duplication. • Improved co-operation, collaboration and communication. • Improved mental health provision. • Adopt a Housing First Model. • Joint funding of an Assertive Outreach Service <p>Following the presentation, Board members discussed the matters raised, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day centre income streams to cover revenue costs. • Explanation of a Housing First Model. • Engaging with rough sleepers at the appropriate times to provide maximum support. • The need for organisations to buy into and support the day centre proposal. • Location of a potential facility. • The development of the proposal for the Board to consider at a future meeting. • The support needed to bring rough sleepers back into homes. <p>The Board noted the presentation and asked for officers to develop the proposals for a Housing First Model for the next meeting of the Board.</p>	Nick Kemmett/ Mark Walker
12.	Exploring the Issues around Domestic Abuse	ACTION
	<p>Mike Ash, Head of Housing Management and Community Safety and Lin Williams, Housing Management and Community Safety, Swindon Borough Council, gave an update on domestic abuse issues.</p> <p>Ms Williams commented on (i) the challenges currently facing Swindon in relation to domestic abuse, (ii) the support being provided for victims, perpetrator programmes and the training and</p>	

	<p>awareness available, and (iii) the barriers to reporting, challenging behaviour, data collection and crime recording.</p> <p>The Board were asked to consider and explore the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote partnership working to reduce the number of repeat incidents. • Promote proactive working to identify and encourage/sanction perpetrators to change behaviours. • Improve communication on how to access support and choices of services for victims of domestic abuse and ensure key points are Swindon wide and are consistent across all partners. • To raise awareness of domestic abuse and other abusive activity to children and young people to break the cycle. • Support for children and young people who are affected by domestic abuse either as witnesses or within their own relationship. <p>Following the presentation, Board members discussed the matters raised, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The potential for gender bias during domestic abuse reviews. • The need for standardised training for all 25 doctor practices in Swindon. • Challenging domestic abuse behaviours and improving processes to support earlier resolutions. • The role of the Domestic Abuse Board. • Agencies taking responsibility to improve communication. • Awareness of domestic abuse issues through routine visits and the ability to provide feedback to appropriate agencies. • Importance of Safeguarding training in protecting the vulnerable. • Increase in referrals to the Police from other agencies. • Improvements to reporting processes from educational establishments. • The work of the Family Contact Point in providing a rapid and effective service in response to new safeguarding fears, where there is a concern about the welfare or well-being of a child or young person. • The help and support available to children and young people who witness domestic violence within a family setting. • Raising awareness and building confidence in people to report domestic abuse concerns. • Excellent engagement at a senior level from partners on the Domestic Abuse Board. <p>Mr Ash advised that the Domestic Abuse Strategy was being</p>	
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	<p>revised during the next 12 months and confirmed that partners would be kept up to date on the progress being made.</p> <p>The Board noted the presentation and asked for an update on the Domestic Abuse Strategy early in 2018.</p>	Mike Ash
13.	Close and Next Steps	Action
	<p>Councillor David Renard, Chair of the One Swindon Board, thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their contributions during the discussions. He summed up the requests for further information detailed above at each item.</p>	