

BWRDD GWASANAETHAU CYHOEDDUS GWYNEDD A MÔN
ANGLESEY AND GWYNEDD PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD

WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2017

MINUTES

Present	
Name	Organisation
Gwynne Jones	Isle of Anglesey Council
Cyng. Llinos Medi	Isle of Anglesey Council
Dilwyn Williams	Gwynedd Council
Cyng. Dyfrig Siencyn	Gwynedd Council
Ffion Johnstone	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Sioned Rees	Welsh Government
Simon Smith	North Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Sian Williams	Natural Resources Wales
Nigel Harrison	North Wales Police
Sian Purcell	Medrwn Môn
Bethan Russell Williams	Mantell Gwynedd
Siobhan Adams	Public Health Wales

Apologies	
Emyr Williams	Eryri National Park
Jerry Hunter	Bangor University
Ffrancon Williams	Cartrefi Cymunedol Gwynedd – housing sector
Morag Olsen	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

In Attendance	
Llio Johnson	Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Board
Elin Mirain Jones	Cyngor Gwynedd
Janet Roberts	Cyngor Gwynedd
Shan Morris	North Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Justin Hanson	Natural Resources Wales
Elizabeth Woodcock	PhD Student

1. Welcome

The Chair was welcomed to the meeting and the apologies were received and accepted

2. Minutes of the 20 June 2017 meeting

The minutes were submitted and accepted as a correct record of the meeting on the 20th June.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Five Days in a Room:

Ffion Johnstone gave the Board an update on this work. There is a general feeling that the work is more successful in the West. Concern was raised that there were a large number of meetings and discussions rather than action and that this work needed to be part of the local wellbeing plan. There is a lot of time and capacity lost to the Regional Part 9 Board when local action is needed and influencing local changes.

3.2 National Grid - Gwynne Jones to check if a response had been received from the National Grid

4. Future Generation's Report - 'Wellbeing in Wales: planning today for better tomorrow' and advice on preparing the Wellbeing Plan

The report was presented to the Board together with a paper that summarised the recommendations contained in the report.

It was explained that there were 17 recommendations for Public Service Boards throughout Wales. The first part is about how the Boards operate and then the second part talks about the Well-being Assessments. It asks a number of questions that the Board will need to consider in the coming months.

There was a discussion about the report. Concern was raised that the document was not clear about the Commissioner's short and long term expectations. Members considered that the Board's work was important in terms of operating in line with residents' expectations and not driven by a national agenda.

It was agreed to establish a working group of members to go through the recommendations to agree which ones to receive and implement locally.

5. Discussion about working together to add value

Elizabeth Woodcock presented a paper on the importance of successful collaboration to ensure the success of the Board.

The paper was about influencing effective co-operation and asks members to consider what influence they have on the joint working between managers and officers that work for their organisation.

Discussion was held regarding a number of relevant points such as:

- The importance of staff from different organisations coming together and showing respect
- Examples of some organisations only working with other specific bodies
- The Board agreed that good local co-operation could only be improved and extended to other partners / organisations

- A process or policy is often a barrier to working together
- Everyone has the responsibility to maintain good relationships
- One of the main things that prevent good partnership working is things that have happened historically - it is difficult to lose sight of old history between partners
- Everyone should have the same objective of improving the lives of the people of Gwynedd and Anglesey
- There is a lack of understanding of what each organisation does specifically to improve the well-being of the communities of Gwynedd and Anglesey
- The role of councillors is important as they talk to people on the ground

Due to lack of time the discussion was brought to a close with agreement to re-visit the subject in the coming months. Elizabeth was thanked for her work.

6. Setting the Board's Wellbeing Objectives

A report summarising the findings of the workshops organised over the summer was presented. There were 18 workshops with a good number of attendees. Elizabeth Woodcock has been working with Llio Johnson using software that the University has to try to identify the main points that rose across the 18 workshops.

There was a discussion regarding the report and the three options that were proposed as potential wellbeing objectives namely:

Option 1

1. Support, develop and maintain healthy community spirit.
2. Protect the natural environment
3. Protect and promote the Welsh Language
4. Promote the use of natural resources to improve health and well-being in the long term
5. Improve transport connections to enable access to services and facilities
6. Create the environment to attract high quality jobs
7. Ensure affordable housing for local people.
8. Ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed.

Option 2

1. Strong and prosperous communities that collaborate and create local solutions.
 - Support, develop and maintain healthy community spirit.
 - Protect the natural environment
 - Protect and promote the Welsh Language
 - Improve transport connections to enable access to services and facilities
2. Residents that are healthy and enjoy a good quality of life

- Promote the use of natural resources to improve health and well-being in the long term
- Create the environment to attract high quality jobs
- Ensure affordable housing for local people.
- Ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed.

Option 3

1. Strong and prosperous communities that collaborate and create local solutions.
 - Support, develop and maintain healthy community spirit.
 - Protect the natural environment
 - Protect and promote the Welsh Language
 - Improve transport connections to enable access to services and facilities
2. Residents that are healthy and enjoy a good quality of life
 - Promote the use of natural resources to improve health and well-being in the long term
 - Create the environment to attract high quality jobs
 - Ensure affordable housing for local people.
 - Ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed.
3. Public Services working with communities more effectively
 - Develop detailed understanding of the profile of areas to the future and collaborate with communities on this.
 - Prepare clear information for individuals, families and communities
 - Be employers that ensure a healthy workforce with a healthy quality of life.

It was agreed that more information was needed on what action would be against the messages before deciding on the objectives. There was concern that there was no clear understanding of what the BGC would achieve specifically in all areas. It was important that the Board was clear that the objective is to improve the Wellbeing of the residents of Gwynedd and Anglesey and the need to enable communities to achieve for themselves.

It was explained that there was a period of 3 months statutory consultation and there will be an opportunity during this time to provide more detail in the plan if that is what the members would like.

It was agreed to receive a more detailed report at the November meeting of the BGC.

7. North Wales Regional Plan - Part 9 Partnership Board

The draft Regional Plan was circulated for information.

8. Correspondence

The following correspondence was circulated for information:

- Publication of the Wales Well-being report 2016/2017
- Letter from the Welsh Ministers - including people effectively and well-being care and support
- Letter and overview by the Older People's Commissioner

9. Any other business

No other issues were raised.