

## Meeting Notes for Public Services Board

28 June 2016

Lewis House, Bath and North East Somerset Council

### Attendees:

Name	Representing
Cllr Tim Warren	Bath and North East Somerset Council (Chair)
Jo Farrar	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Ian Orpen	BaNES CCG
Kevin Thatcher	Avon and Somerset Police
Neil Liddington	Avon Fire and Rescue Service
Celia Mead	Bath Bridge (Business representative)
Steve Egan	University of Bath
Rosie Phillips	DHI (VCSE representative)
Dave Jarman	Bath Spa University

### In Attendance:

Name	Representing
David Trethewey	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Helen Edelstyn	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Bruce Laurence	Bath and North East Somerset Council
Ben Woods	Bath and North East Somerset Council

### Apologies:

Name	Representing
Victor Da Cunha	Curo Group
Steven Fuller	The House (business representative)
Neil Sammells	Bath Spa University
Bernie Morley	University of Bath
Ian Smith	Avon and Somerset Police
Mat Atkinson	Bath College

#### 1. Welcome, introductions and apologies

Members were welcomed. Apologies were noted.

Special thanks were given to Jo Farrar for her contribution to, and leadership of the Public Services Board. The Board wished her well in her new post at the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG).

Matt Atkinson was also thanked for his contribution to the Public Services Board. Matt is leaving his post as Principle at Bath College. He will be succeeded by Laurel Penrose, who will attend future meetings.

#### 2. Minutes

The minutes and actions of the 19 April 2016 meeting were agreed.

### **3. WoE Devolution update**

Tim Warren provided a summary of progress on the West of England devolution deal; this included additional gains and protections won by the West of England since April PSB.

The public are now being consulted on the West of England Mayoral Combined Authority Governance Scheme full details can be found at: <http://www.westofenglanddevolution.co.uk>

A - Steve Egan noted the importance of involving students in the consultation. It was agreed that student forum (both the University of Bath and Bath Spa University) would be held on West of England devolution in October 2016.

### **4. Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) for B&NES, Wiltshire and Swindon**

A summary of the draft Sustainability and Transformation Plan – which has been submitted to NHS England - was presented by Ian Orpen.

- B&NES, Wiltshire and Swindon is a new footprint and the STP is still at an early development stage
- The health and care needs across the footprint are diverse - B&NES needs to ensure the good work going on locally to improve services is protected
- There are five priority areas that are emerging. These are:
  - Provide person centred care by strengthening and integrating the specialist services that support primary care
  - To shift the focus of care from treatment to prevention and proactive care
  - To redefine the ways we work together as organisations to deliver improved individual/patient care
  - To ensure we offer staff an attractive career and build a flexible, sustainable workforce
  - To strengthen collaboration across organisations to directly benefit acute and urgent care services

B&NES will lead the preventative workstream on behalf of the footprint.

It was acknowledged that the Council/CCG may need to consider footprint in light of a decision on West of England devolution.

### **5. Health inequality**

Although the health and wellbeing of B&NES residents is above the national average, some communities experience health inequality. These differences often start in early life, affect education, lead to different employment opportunities and lead to poorer health and social outcomes in adult life.

The health inequalities gap was acknowledged by the Board; there was then a broad discussion on the issues and current activity including DHI's affordable housing letting agency and sports participation programmes at the University of Bath. It was agreed that more could be done to strengthen the local response, including making the most of student volunteers.

A - It was agreed that Public Health would lead an initiative to support greater collaboration across members of the Public Services Board on action to address local health inequalities.

## **6. Business update – Bath future talent programme**

Celia Mead provide an update on the Bath future talent programme: *'it's all about creating a world-class development programme for a cohort of 12 bright young people (aged approx. 25-32) in the early stages of their careers and developing both them and their contribution to Bath's economy'*. The programme provides each participant with a coach plus a business leader as mentor.

The meeting discussed the role and commitment of mentors plus the cost of the programme. Celia Mead agreed to follow-up conversations with University and CCG regarding possible candidates for future programmes and mentors.

## **7. Virtual employment hub**

The virtual employment programme seeks to help match local people looking for work (including NEETS, graduates) with local employment opportunities. The meeting discussed the importance of addressing barriers to work such as childcare, as well as anticipating and training people to meet future work demands (such as the building trade).

PSB members were asked to link into the programme (potentially via a project lead) and to consider their organisational capacity to support employment opportunities and apprenticeships (including 'high level apprenticeships').

A – Ben Woods to further develop commitment with PSB members.

## **8. AOB, forward plan and next meeting**

6 September 2016, 14.00-16.00, Lewis House (Room 3.1), Bath, BA1 1JG