

Minutes – NWRCC – 11 September 2015

<p>Present: Arwel Wyn Owen (AO), Gwynedd CC (Chair) Lynne Evans (LE), NW Housing (Vice Chair) Gwynfor Griffiths (GG), Denbighshire CC Stephen Lynch (SL), Welsh Government Gwenan Ellis (GE), Grwp Cynefin Sam Parry (SamP), Conwy CBC Shan Lloyd Williams (SLW), Anglesey CC Cllr. Ioan Thomas, Gwynedd CC Cllr Aled M Jones (AMJ), Anglesey CC Mike Jenkins (MJ), Wrexham CBC Katie Clubb (KC), Flintshire CC</p>	<p>Elwen Roberts (ER), DeGwynedd DA Services Arwel Jones (AJ), Anglesey CC Cllr Phil Edwards (PE), Conwy CBC Debbie Lambe (DL) Conwy CBC Gwynne Jones (GJ), Cartrefi Conwy Robert Loudon (RL), Clwyd Alyn HA Mary Harrison (MH), Anheddau Becky Tullett (BT), Flintshire CC – present for item number 8 only</p>
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1	Welcome, Apologies and Declaration of interests	
	<p>Apologies were received from: David Lloyd (DLI), TPAS Cymru Judith Magaw (JM), Prawf Cymru Sue Owen (SO), BCUHB Suzanne Pemberton (SP) Flintshire CC Cllr. Helen Brown, Flintshire CC Cllr. Bobby Feeley, (BF), Denbighshire CC Sian Elen Tomos, GISDA Cllr Joan Lowe (JL), Wrexham CBC Enid Roberts (ER), CCG Katie Newe (KN), Denbighshire CC Andy Lewis (AL), Wrexham CBC Wyn Thomas (WT), BCUHB Sheila Phillips (SP), Gwynedd CC Shirley Jones (SJ), Wrexham CBC Phil Forbes (PF), BCUHB</p> <p>No conflicts of interests were declared by members.</p> <p>The Chair reminded everyone to complete their conflict of interest forms and return to Debbie Lambe.</p> <p>Sian, GISDA has unfortunately had to resign from her position with the RCC. The Chair also passed on the RCC's thanks to her for her commitment during her time as rep. Debbie to write to Sian</p> <p>The Chair also passed on the RCC's thanks to Cara for all her work and commitment during her time as the RDC. Debbie to write to Cara</p>	
2 and	Minutes and Actions from Previous Meeting	

3	<p>There were no amendments to the minutes from the meeting of 8th May 2015</p> <p>Actions</p> <p>Consistency Work Package Further work being done on outcomes and needs mapping information and how this can be presented in a meaningful way for the group – information will be available for the work shop in November for the RCP</p> <p>Briefing Paper Paper to be prepared and circulated for comments ready for elections in 2016.</p>	<p>RDC</p> <p>RDC</p>
4	<p>Social Care and Well Being Act – Presentation</p> <p>GG gave an excellent presentation on the Social Care and Well Being Act</p> <p>Summary of the points as follows</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Outcomes available on website 2. Population needs assessments to be done jointly with health 3. Focus on early intervention 4. Eligibility Test – can/can do – this means that needs will only be met by Social Services following this test. 5. Charging – new guidelines have been issues earlier this year. Similar to current arrangements 6. Safeguarding – new power – Adult Protection and Support Order. Duty to report adults at risk 7. Duty to co-operate – what does this mean? Who are the partners? What is the duty? <p>RDC to send link to website for further information</p> <p>Cllr PE asked how this links with the Future Generation Act – could we have a presentation on this at a future RCC. RDC to arrange.</p> <p>RDC to create table with headings of each of the Acts and the main points of each one.</p> <p>Discussion took place around the new Act – there are some positives as it focuses on the individual. However communities these days tend not to know one another and this could be difficult when trying to look after one another. How do we let service users know about the changes? Budgets constantly reducing – could be difficult for SP services who will no doubt be expected to take some of the clients following the can/can do test.</p>	<p>RDC</p> <p>RDC</p> <p>RDC</p>
5	<p>Lets Keep on Supporting People</p>	
	<p>Motion Update</p> <p>GCC – going to Full Council in October DCC – Full Council supported the motion WCBC – no update FCC – taking to Cabinet</p>	

	<p>Ynys Mon – Planning Group – approval. Concerns raised however in relation to function of Officers in relation to campaigning. Agree in principle with the motion but process within the local authority is an issue. Cartrefi Conwy – Board approval received North Wales Housing – Going to board meeting 17 September 2015</p> <p>Any other organisations to let RDC know if motion has been supported</p> <p>Draft Lets Keep on SP Statement Draft statement circulated prior to the meeting. Points added following workshop in July. RCC agreed to adopt the statement RDC to arrange for translation and circulate to all</p> <p>Lets Keep on SP Sub Group – update (pilot project) Pilot Projects Applications / Enquiries At the time of the meeting CCBC had received one application, GCC and Ynys Mon have had enquiries Meeting will take place on 29 September 2015 to discuss any applications. Reminder has been issued at the Regional Provider Forum on 3 September.</p> <p>Report A report was circulated prior to the meeting. Recommendations on page 2 of the report were all agreed RDC to draft terms of reference for the sub group for the meeting in November.</p>	<p>All RCC</p> <p>RDC</p> <p>Sub Group</p> <p>RDC</p>
6	<p>Older People Task and Finish Group Update Report</p>	
	<p>Rob presented the update report which was circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Timeline has been amended to include Warden services only. Further work being carried out by NW Lead Officers (NWSPIN) on costs of Warden Services and also hard wired alarms.</p> <p>Table to be sent by Debbie to Lead Officers for outstanding information to complete the piece of work.</p> <p>The result of this work will be looked at in the next meeting due to take place in October 2015.</p>	<p>DL</p>
7	<p>Learning Disability Task and Finish Group Update Report</p>	
	<p>Debbie presented the report which was circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p>The group met again on 2 September and further work on outcomes, funding of (internal and external) services and eligibility to be done. Questionnaire to be sent to Lead Officers for this information. Comments due back from group by 14 September 2015.</p>	<p>DL</p>

8	Body Positive	
	BT presented the report sent prior to the meeting. Recommendation to de-commission the project was approved by RCC members	
9	North Wales Prison – Presentation	
	Lee gave an excellent presentation on the new North Wales Prison Lee to invite Russell Trent to future RCC meeting. RDC to send dates.	RDC
10.1	Update from Welsh Government	
	Steve provided several updates prior to the meeting. The main point discussed was around the budget for 2016-2017 There is unlikely to be any news on budgets for 2016-2017 until the New Year. Discussion took place on this and the group asked that WG be made aware that Local Authority's need to know as soon as possible what the budget is likely to be so planning can be done. Local Authority's need to give the correct amount of notice where contracts will end and January 2016 is too late (3 months' notice to be given). Some Providers have been advised to expect at least a 10% cut in their funding. Further discussions took place on immigration – do we need to be prepared for this? Minister is meeting next week about this. Overseas aid should cover some costs for the first year. Agenda item for future meeting – Impact of Accepting Immigrants	RDC
10.2	NWSPIN Update	
	Lead Officers have started the Spend Plan Peer Review Further work to be done on this Debbie to send further questions to Lead Officers – report to be presented for the work shop in November	DL
10.3	Making links with Communities First, Families First and Flying Start	
	Nothing this time	
10.4	Best Practice / Lessons Learnt re Housing (Wales) Act and Social Services and Well-being Act 2014	
	SP in Conwy have produced with their Conwy Housing Solutions colleagues a leaflet on the main points / changes to the Housing (Wales) Act. Debbie to share with the group. Sam Parry offered to do a presentation on Conwy Housing Solutions at a future meeting. RDC to agenda for January 2016 meeting.	DL RDC
10.5	Efficiency Savings	
	All Local Authorities working towards 10%.	

10.6	RCC Work Plan	
	Circulated for information	
10.7	Service User Experiences	
	<p>Anglesey Arwel went through the paper circulated prior to the meeting. Excellent case studies on how services are helping service users.</p> <p>SUI Questionnaire Analysis Debbie presented the report which was circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Recommendation for the sub-group (approved at this meeting) to monitor service user involvement as some areas have slipped since the last round of questionnaires.</p> <p>Recommendation approved</p>	
10.8	Any other business	
	<p>Cllr Elsemore asked to attend NWRCC to observe Agreed that RDC should extend invite to a future meeting</p> <p>Annual Review – available to view on CCBC website</p> <p>Landlord Elections Two nominations received so far. Reminder to send nominations in if interested.</p> <p>Letter from Ceri Breeze to Head of Housing regarding funding for 2016-2017 to be circulated to all RDC to circulate</p> <p>Save the date Tackling Poverty Event – 9 November 2015 in Llandudno</p>	<p>RDC</p> <p>RDC</p>

Date of next meeting:

10am – 12pm
13th November 2015

Board Room, Optic Centre, St Asaph Business Park, St Asaph, LL17 0JD.

Table of actions

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Status
2 and 3	Outcomes and Needs Mapping information to be presented to workshop on 13 November 2015	RDC	
2 and 3	Brief paper to be prepared ready for elections 2016	RDC	Completed
4	RDC to send link to website for Care Council for Wales	RDC	Completed
4	RDC to arrange presentation for future RCC on Future Generation Act	RDC	Awaiting Response
4	RDC to produce table with heading of all Acts (Social Care & Well Being; Housing Act and Future Generation Act) and show main points of each one	RDC	Completed
5	All members of RCC to let the RDC know if the SP Motion has been supported within their organisation	All RCC	RDC has chased
5	Lets Keep on SP Statement to be translated and circulated to all	RDC	Completed
5	Sub Group to discuss application for Pilot Projects and report back to next RCC meeting	Sub Group	
5	RDC to draft terms of reference for the new Sub Group for the meeting on 4 November 2015	RDC	Completed
6	Table to be circulated to Lead Officers for completion for comparing alarm and warden costs	Debbie	
7	Questionnaire to be circulated to Lead Officers for completion.	Debbie	Awaiting returns
9	RDC to contact Sara Kettle to arrange for Russell Trent to attend future RCC	RDC	
10.1	Agenda item for future meeting – Impact of Accepting Migrants	RDC	Completed January RCC
10.2	Spend Plan Peer Review – Debbie to send further questions to Lead Officers for completion	Debbie	
10.4	Leaflet produced by CCBC to be circulated to all on Housing (Wales) Act	Debbie	Completed
10.4	Presentation from CCBC (Sam Parry) on Conwy Housing Solutions to be given at future RCC – RDC to arrange and agenda	RDC	Completed January RCC
10.8	RDC to contact Cllr Elsmore to give dates of future meetings	RDC	Completed
10.8	RDC to circulate letter from Ceri Breeze	RDC	Completed