

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD HELD AT BY ZOOM  
ON TUESDAY, 6 JUNE 2023**

PRESENT

County Councillor James Gibson-Watt (Leader PCC) Chair  
Mererid Bowley (Director of Public Health Powys Teaching Health Board)  
Gavin Bown (NRW)  
Claire Bryant (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner)  
Carl Cooper (Chair PTHB)  
Councillor Michaela Davies (Mayor of Brecon Town Council)  
Neil Evans (Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service)  
Alison Perry (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner)  
Amy Richmond-Jones (Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service)  
Clair Swales (Chief Executive PAVO)  
County Councillor Gwynfor Thomas (Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service)  
Hayley Thomas (Interim Chief Executive Powys Teaching Health Board)

Supporting:

Steve Boyd (PCC)  
Carol Davies (Translator)  
Catherine James (PCC)  
James Langridge-Thomas (PCC)

<b>1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES</b>
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Apologies for absence were received from Iwan Cray Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Catherine Mealing-Jones Chief Executive Bannau Brycheiniog National Park Authority, Emma Palmer Director of Corporate Services, Carol Shillabeer Chief Executive Powys Teaching Health Board, Jack Straw Interim Chief Executive Powys County Council, Caroline Turner Chief Executive Powys County Council.

<b>2. APPROVAL OF POWYS PSB WELL-BEING PLAN</b>
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The Powys Public Services Board (PSB) Well-being Plan set out the Board's new well-being objectives and the steps that needed to be taken to deliver them in support of the new ambition, "*A Fair, Healthy, Sustainable Powys*".

It introduces the three well-being objectives that are its core aim:

- People in Powys live happy, healthy and safe lives.
- Powys is a county of sustainable places and communities.
- An increasingly effective Public Service for the people of Powys.

To support the delivery of these well-being objectives, the following priority steps had been identified:

- Responding to the Climate Emergency.

- Taking a whole systems approach to healthy weight.
- Shaping the future by improving our understanding of what matters to the people of Powys through evidence and insight.

Partners from across the PSB had collaborated to determine the new Well-being Plan. Advice had also been sought from the Future Generation's Commissioners Office. A public consultation took place throughout early 2023, and feedback from all consultation activities (both internal and external) was considered in developing the plan.

Work had been undertaken across the PSB Partners to align this Plan with their own organisational well-being objectives. Alongside this, there has been consideration of how this aligns to other partnership activity, such as the Regional Partnership Board. Natural Resources Wales would be considering the Plan at a meeting the following week and had been recommended for approval.

It was confirmed that that the Plan had been through an accessibility checker and whilst there were no plans to produce an easy-to-read version, the plan on a page diagram would be shared.

**RESOLVED that the Well-being Plan is approved for publication, with implementation from June 2023.**

The Chair thanked everyone for their work in helping to develop the plan.

<b>3. ANNUAL REPORT - BRECON TOWN COUNCIL</b>
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Councillor Michaela Davies, Mayor of Brecon Town Council, presented the Council's annual report for 2022/23. The report set out the wide range of activities undertaken during the year which helped contribute to the well-being goals.

The Board discussed how Town and Community Councils could be encouraged to contribute to achieving the well-being goals. Officers confirmed that they were looking to engage with Town and Community Councils and would welcome any suggestions. It was suggested that it would be more effective to get Town and Community Councils to engage with specific objectives, for example, the programme to tackle obesity. It was also suggested that County Councillors should have a role in promoting the Plan.

<b>4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>
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There was a discussion on scrutiny arrangements for the PSB. Several members expressed disappointment that the County Council had recently changed the arrangements so that in future only County Councillors would be members of the PSB Scrutiny Committee. It was agreed that this would be put on the agenda for the next meeting for consideration.

In response to a question, it was confirmed that the leads for the priorities were:

Powys County Council on evidence and insights  
Powys Teaching Health Board on healthy weight  
NRW and Bannau Brycheiniog NPA on the climate emergency.

There was a discussion on whether there would be merit in having joint leads to build in more resilience but was felt that it should be left to the planning groups for each as to how they organised their work.

It was agreed to include updates from the Planning and Delivery group on the agendas of future meetings.

<b>5.</b>	<b>MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING</b>
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The minutes of the last meeting held on 27 February 2023 were agreed as a correct record.

<b>6.</b>	<b>DATES OF FUTURE PSB MEETINGS</b>
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The dates of future meetings were noted.

**County Councillor Jame Gibson-Watt**  
**Chair**