MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD HELD BY TEAMS ON THURSDAY, 23 JUNE 2022

PRESENT

County Councillor James Gibson-Watt Leader PCC (In the Chair)

Gavin Bown (NRW)

Jamie Burt (Chair PAVO)

Carl Cooper (Chief Executive PAVO)

Deputy Chief Fire Officer Iwan Cray (Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service)

Superintendent Steve Davies (Dyfed Powys Police)

Vivienne Harpwood (PTHB)

Chief Inspector Jacqui Lovatt (Dyfed Powys Police)

Councillor Hugh Pattrick (One Voice Wales)

Chief Inspector Andrew Pitt (Dyfed Powys Police)

Councillor Derrick Pugh (One Voice Wales)

Alison Merry (Deputy Director Public Health Wales)

Claire Rumsby (Department of Work and Pensions)

Carol Shillabeer (Chief Executive PTHB)

Caroline Turner (Chief Executive PCC)

Thomas Vetter (NRW)

Ann Watkin (Welsh Government)

Ann Weedy (NRW)

Supporting:

Steve Boyd (PCC)

Catherine James (PCC)

James Langridge-Thomas (PCC)

Felicity Llewelyn (PCC)

1. INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Duncan Hamer Welsh Government, Christine Harley Probation Service, Catherine Mealing-Jones Brecon Beacons National Park Authority and Emma Palmer Powys County Council.

2. REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

The PSB considered the terms of reference. It was noted that the Chair of the Public Service Board was the Leader of Powys County Council but that this should be re-confirmed following the ordinary election of councillors. It was therefore moved and seconded and

RESOLVED that the Leader of Powys County Council, County Councillor James Gibson-Watt, be appointed as Chair of Powys Public Service Board.

The Chair asked for nominations for Vice-Chair and it was proposed and seconded and

RESOLVED that Vivienne Harpwood be appointed as Vice-Chair of Powys Public Service Board.

3. AGREE THE INVOLVEMENT OF INVITED PARTICIPANTS

It was noted that One Voice Wales should be added to the list of invited participants.

4. PROGRESSIVE PARTNERSHIP FOR POWYS

County Councillor Gibson-Watt outlined the new administration's seven key priorities:

- Tackling the cost-of-living crisis, poverty and the housing emergency
- Tackling the climate and biodiversity emergency
- Securing the best start in life for young people
- Developing prosperous towns and villages
- Supporting vulnerable people
- Connected Communities
- Running an Open & Democratic Council

Partners welcomed the priorities and the opportunity to work with the new administration.

5. UPDATE SURROUNDING NEXT WELL-BEING PLAN

The PSB noted the timetable for the delivery of the next well-being plan by 31st March 2023. Partners were reminded that a workshop would be held on 7th July at Radnor YFC to shape the high-level well-being objectives and start consideration of areas to be included within plan.

Partners noted the importance of engaging with communities to find out what mattered to them. It was also important to make connections with the work of the Regional Partnership Board and to build on other engagement exercises such as those carried out for the Regional Economic Framework. Carol Shillabeer and Ann Watkin would get in touch with Catherine James with details.

6. UPDATE SURROUNDING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Cabinet noted the proposed approach to drafting and publishing the annual performance report. It was suggested that the workshop on 7th July should look at the steps and consider whether they remained priorities

7. TOWN COUNCIL REPORTS

The PSB received annual reports from Brecon Town Council and Ystradgynlais Town Council. The Leader noted that the reports highlighted the importance of Town Councils and he asked that a letter of thanks be sent to them. He would also welcome their attendance at future meetings.

Councillor Derrick Pugh advised that he had been involved in producing a training video for the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales on the Councillors' Code of Conduct which he would arrange to be circulated to members.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was agreed that future meetings would be held on Zoom to allow for simultaneous translation.

9. DATES OF FUTURE PSB MEETINGS

The next meeting would be held on 29th July. The meeting after that was scheduled for 4th November which was during the half term holiday and consideration would be given to moving it.

10. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the last meeting held on 17th March 2022 as a correct record.

County Councillor James Gibson-Watt
Chair