

COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP BOARD
6th December 2022 at 1.30pm
Hybrid – Huddersfield Town Meeting Room 1 & Microsoft Teams

Board Members:

Cllr Carole Pattison (Chair)	Portfolio Holder of Learning Aspirations and Communities, Kirklees Council
Cllr Naheed Mather	Portfolio Holder of Environment. Kirklees Council
Chris Rogers Thomas	Victim Support
Jacqui Stansfield	Service Manager, Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board
James Griffiths	Kirklees District Commander, WYP
Jill Greenfield	Head of Local Integrated Partnerships, Kirklees Council
Jo Richmond	Head of Communities, Kirklees Council
Joanne Atkin	Probation Service Kirklees
Val Johnson	Third Sector Leaders

Also, in Attendance:

Adelle Lynch	Health Improvement Practitioner
Chris Walsh	Safer Kirklees Manager, Kirklees Council
Gill Skelton	Business Support, Kirklees Council
Gwen Clyde-Evans	Designated Professional for Safeguarding Adults KH&CP
Jacqueline Theaker	Data & Insight Enablement lead, Kirklees Council
Lee Hamilton	Safer Kirklees Manager, Kirklees Council
Rebecca Gunn	Public Health Manager
Neil Flenley	Research and Policy Team Mayors Office
Mohammed Sidat	Senior Contracting and Procurement Manager
Emma Dickens	Locala, Health and Wellbeing

Apologies:

Mel Meggs	Director of Children's Services, Kirklees Council
Cllr Steve Hall	Labour, Heckmondwike, Councillor
Amanda Evans	Service Director for Adult Social Care Operations

Item 1: Welcome & Introductions - Councillor Pattison

- Cllr Pattison – Welcomed all to the Communities Partnership Board meeting and apologies were noted. Confidentiality declarations were requested, and none were declared.

Item 2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

LT / JT to ensure progress made across all themes in the partnership and involve the Communities Board in developing the dashboard.

Complete

All to consider giving feedback to the Data Team and or Chris Walsh.

Complete

Communities Board to receive regular exception updates regarding delivery of theme groups.

Complete

Recommendations to be implemented and Board to receive updates as appropriate.

Complete

PW to invite NF to the Road Safety Partnership meeting.

Complete

Road Safety Partnership to ensure points raised by the Board are reflected in the Partnership Road Safety Strategy.

Complete

PW to share Vision Zero promotional video.

Complete - Link to video shared here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k2tOye9DKdQ>

Item 3: Communities Partnership Plan

Performance Framework

JT – Shared Communities Partnerships Plan KPI document on screen. (Circulated prior to meeting)
Now complete with data currently held and will be published internally on Tableau and mechanism developed to share with external partners.

JT asked for comments and if there are any further developments required on the dashboard.

Questions and Comments

JR – Suggested using the mayor's plan to assist with sourcing data required. She also asked how partners would get access to Tableau. JT advised via an external server.

NF – Offered his assistance with help with data required

LH – Asked if we are going to have any additional context to the data. JT themed dashboards will include narrative.

ACTION - JT & PM to ensure full range of indicators are incorporated into dashboard by sourcing appropriate data and undertaken necessary analysis – to update at the next board meeting.

It was agreed that once the board have agreed this is complete work will begin on the theme dashboards, these will be presented to the Strategic Delivery Group for challenge and then exceptions will be reported back to the board.

Strategic Intelligence Assessment Refresh

JT shared the updated document on screen. (Circulated prior to meeting). This included a page for each KPI which shows what the partnership plan is, the progress, benchmarking analysis and future plans and challenges they will then build more narrative through conversations with chairs of the theme lead groups.

Questions and Comments

It was felt that the document is clear and well formatted although it does need to have the full range of partnership plan priorities included and increased depth of insight.

ACTION – SIA refresh to be shared with Board / SIA members to enable them to provide additional depth and insight.

ACTION –JT to explore how perception data can be incorporated into the document, possibly including Place Standard consultation results.

ACTION – JT to incorporate comparator / benchmarking information to show how Kirklees compares with other similar areas nationally.

Partnership Plan Theme Group Exceptions

CW – Shared the theme group exception report document on screen. (Circulated prior to meeting)
Following a stocktake of the position of all the theme groups this is an exception report from that.
CW gave an overview of the progress being made by each of the theme groups

ACTION – CW to provide update on theme group positions as a standing item to the Board.

JR added that a review of the infrastructure underneath children's Adults and Communities boards is being undertaken, with a view to being more effective and efficient and making sure there are clear lines of governance.

Communities Board Terms of Reference

CW shared the ToR on screen and explained that they need updating due to legislative changes such as our statutory obligation to the SVD and also to bring them up to date with the new partnership priorities.

ACTION – CW to update contact details in light of changes in CCG.

CSP Funding update

JR – Explained that as part of its statutory function the Communities Board receives funding of £500,000 a year this is currently ring fenced to services such as Community Safety and the YJS. These funds will no longer be ring fenced so we may now want to task the SDG to look at what we spend this money on.

ACTION - SDG to look at funding being received from WYCA, that has previously been ring fenced to various services

Item 4: Inclusive Communities Framework – Jo Richmond

JR – Explained that the ICF has been signed off by Communities Board / full Council and that other partners are looking at incorporating through their own governance arrangements.

Work is currently being undertaken on the self-assessment framework to embed this in partner organisations.

Jo asked the board to think about what opportunities they have to adopt and use the ICF within their organisations. Support is available in the form of presentations or to be a critical friend. Use of the ICF can be done on a whole organisation level or on a project. In 9-12 months' time we will then need to revisit this, and as a Council we will be called to Scrutiny to review the impact. We are also developing a delivery group and if anyone wants to join this then advise JR.

Questions and Comments

JG – We are starting to see some emerging evidence where people are engaging with the ICF and thinking about their approaches and doing this at the beginning of pieces of work. Still, lots of work to do so keep in mind the framework. Don't often have to evidence how we adopt strategies but for this we do.

JA – Keen to look at how the ICF aligns with Probations strategy

JGriff – Last couple of months have been very reactive so this is a first step to being more proactive, so we are wanting to get it imbedded as soon as possible.

Cllr P - Existence of it allows us to have a more considered approach

ACTION – The Communities Board will receive an annual update which will include a closer analysis of the impact of the ICF.

Item 5: Substance Misuse – Rebeca Gunn, Adele Lynch, Mohammed Sidat

RG and AL shared a Presentation on Kirklees Drug and Alcohol strategy

This provided a background to the strategy, an overview of the local picture in Kirklees in terms of drug & alcohol use and the unmet needs for support with this and also for service users with mental health problems. Also highlighted was the impact of Covid on drug and alcohol services/use.

AL – Explained that the government have introduced a National Drug Strategy which is a 10-year plan backed by £532m funding over 3 years to local authority commissioned substance use treatment services.

Part of the requirements to receive the funding is that we establish a Combatting Drugs Partnership. The purpose of the partnership is to bring different individuals and organisations together to deliver

the drugs strategy goals and reduce drug and alcohol related harm locally. This is underpinned by 9 key principles and has a recommended membership. To measure performance there are a number of local measures including reducing drug related crimes, deaths, and harms.

After providing an overview of the work done so far, a summary of the commonalities between the National Drug Strategy and Kirklees strategy was provided and RG shares a video produced by the BASE called "Behind my Smile".

Moving forward to be added to the strategy are SMART objectives, alignment to the outcomes of the JLNA and lived experience input they will then reconvene as strategy groups, sign off the strategy and then integrate the smaller groups with the Combatting Drugs Partnership. They will then seek final sign off from the Communities Board.

Questions and Comments

Cllr Mather - Leads on the Armed Forces Covenant so she suggested talking to some of the people from the Armed Forces board. RG agreed this would be helpful.

JG – Opportunity to focus on early intervention is very important as is collaboration across services and there is a real opportunity to embed this across many areas including employers. Also, to consider how you adopt the ICF to this piece of work. In terms of lived experience she suggested RG speaks to Tamsin McDonald as she has done some great coproduction work, she also suggested connecting with the Wellness Service.

JS – Asked how people with care and support needs link into this, and how it links into safeguarding. JS CM and GCE are already looking at the overarching themes so this may feed into this. RG happy to talk further regarding this.

JR –Interested to know the impact/harm of recreational use and what is the data behind it that means it's a priority.

CW – Does the National and Local strategy include tobacco and vaping. RG this is a separate agenda. Youth vaping is a hot topic, evidence around vaping is that it is a very effective quitting aid. Risks and harms are significantly less harmful than smoking. Have separate funding to do some work in schools called Kick Ash.

CW – Also need to ensure that the work done by the partnership links in with the work being done by other groups such as the Road Safety Partnership

JG – In terms of governance what is it you want from the Communities Board on going for this work and what can we expect in terms of assurance across some of the wider themes across the CSP.

RG – The Strategy sits under the Communities Board and the Combatting Drugs Partnership will feed into the Communities Board. In terms of updates, it is up to the Board as to how regularly they would like to receive them. JR suggested it come up through SDG.

ACTION - RG & AL to speak with Councillor Mather regarding speaking to some of the people from the Armed Forces group she works with

Item 6: AOB – All

JA – Yorkshire and Humber Probation service is being inspected in Jan and Feb 23. Will be focus groups involving stakeholders and she will update us after January.

NF – West Yorkshire lead for combatting drugs is Jonathon Pickles. Consultation taking place on Police precept on Council Tax. Appointed 2 people to support Vision Zero project. Safety of Women and Girls strategy launched 2 weeks ago.

Item 7: Date of the Next Meeting and Close of Meeting

22nd March 2023 1.30 pm – hybrid, Venue (TBC)