



Stronger Communities Partnership Board Meeting
Thursday 20th February 2020
14:00pm-16:00pm
Westgate Plaza Level 3 Boardroom
Minutes

Attendees

Phil Hollingsworth – Service Director, Safer, Stronger, Healthier Communities – BMBC Communities **(PH)**
Councillor Jenny Platts – Elected Member – BMBC **(JP)**
Nina Sleight – Service Director – Education Early Start and Prevention – BMBC **(NS)**
Adrian England – Chair of Healthwatch - Healthwatch Barnsley **(AE)**
Councillor Chris Lamb – Elected Member – Chair **(CL)**
Lennie Sahota – Interim Service Director BMBC **(LS)**
Shiv Bhurtun – Strategic Governance Partnership and Transformation Manager – BMBC **(SB)**
Carrie Abbott – Service Director Public Health and Regulation – BMBC (deputising for Julia Burrows – Public Health) **(CA)**
John Marshall – Chief Executive – CVS **(JM)**
Tom Smith – Head of Employment and Skills – BMBC **(TS)**
Daniel Slater – Professional Lead - Nursing – Barnsley Integrated Neighbourhood Teams (Deputising for Gill Stansfield and Paul Hughes) **(DS)**
Steve Fletcher – District Manager – South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue. **(SF)**
Nicola Cresswell – Customer Engagement Consult Team Leader – BMBC Corporate Services **(NC)**
Phil Ainsworth - Public Health Senior Practitioner – BMBC Public Health **(PA)**
Andrea Fitzgerald – Group Leader Strategy & Policy – BMBC Education & Skills **(AF)**
Amanda Garrard – Chief Executive – Berneslai Homes (Deputising for Dave Fullen) **(AG)**
Alice Barker-Milner – Business Support Officer – Healthier Communities BMBC (Minute taker) **(ABM)**

Apologies

James Barker – Chief Executive Officer – Barnsley Healthcare Federation CIC **(JB)**
 Jo Ekin – Commissioning Manager **(JE)**
 Phil Parkes – Area Lead – SYHA **(PP)**
 Rachel Payling - Head of Stronger Communities- BMBC Stronger Communities **(RP)**
 Julie Chapman - Service Director, Adults Social Care & Wellbeing, People Directorate **(JC)**

Action Summary		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Officer</u>
2a	PH to ensure a wider array of services are made aware that eligibility criteria applies to each area under the ABLE branding.	Phil Ainsworth
2b	A briefing to clarify the current position in terms of commissioning arrangements of the Memory Service and how it works with the voluntary community sector/care home.	Jayne Sivakumar
3a	AE to send all Healthwatch CQC reports straight to Claire Gilmore in the future.	Adrian England
3b	SB to request an item from Barnsley CCG on social prescribing at the next meeting.	Shiv Bhurtun
3c	NS/Claire Gilmore to bring findings from the young people 'Make Your Mark' campaign to the next meeting.	Nina Sleight/Claire Gilmore
4a	NS to organise for TS to attend managers' meeting.	Nina Sleight
5a	NC to present on outcomes at September Board.	Nicola Cresswell
5b	SH to be copied into the minutes of meetings regarding the engagement plan.	Nicola Cresswell
5c	NC to look into adjusting the service user engagement plan terms of reference to allow Healthwatch to become involved.	Nicola Cresswell
5d	NC to create a document which clearly outlines the new role and functioning of the engagement plan.	Nicola Cresswell
5e	PH to be updated regarding the progress of the engagement plan in future.	Nicola Cresswell
5f	ABM to send NS a copy of NC's report separate from the board papers to allow her to share it with her managers.	Alice Barker-Milner
6a	PA to keep NS updated and invite her to future SSLP meetings	Phil Ainsworth
6b	PA to provide an update to the Board.	Phil Ainsworth
7a	Umbrella Service report deferred to June meeting.	Alice Barker-Milner, Jo Ekin
1.	Apologies and Introductions	
	<p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies were received and noted from the above members.</p> <p>Stronger Communities Service Narrative Report Quarter 3 2019/20, up-load to folder failed in time for meeting (quarter's report will be circulated with the minutes).</p>	

2.	Minutes of last meeting/Matters arising
	<p>Minutes from previous meeting held on Wednesday 18th December 2019 were agreed as a true copy, with the following updates to previous actions being shared:</p> <p>4a LB to circulate the ‘ABLE’ document electronically to members. Completed.</p> <p>4b PH to ensure services are aware that eligibility criteria applies to each area under the ABLE branding. Completed. But AE asked if this could be communicated to a wider array of services.</p> <p>Action: PH to ensure a wider array of services are made aware that eligibility criteria applies to each area under the ABLE branding.</p> <p>5 Julie Tolhurst to discuss the carbon footprint issue with the Housing and Energy team. Assumed to be completed.</p> <p>6a Emma White to contact Sarah Cartwright (Group Leader Housing Growth), to ensure the Age Friendly priorities are fully captured as part of the housing need work stream. Completed through age friendly steering groups.</p> <p>6b Emma White to look at rewording some of the language in the outcomes section of the first priority in the Age Friendly plan on a page document.</p> <p>6c The Age Friendly Target Priorities work to be taken to the Health and Wellbeing Board. This has not been completed due to the last Board being cancelled. It will be taken to the next board.</p> <p>7a Linda Middlewood and Cath Magee to connect in terms of taking dementia specific training for care homes forward. Completed</p> <p>7b To establish the current position in terms of commissioning arrangements of the Memory Service and how it works with the voluntary community sector/care home. No update - carried forward.</p> <p>Action: Jayne Sivakumar to provide a briefing to clarify the current position in terms of commissioning arrangements of the Memory Service and how it works with the voluntary community sector/care home.</p>

3.	<p>Progress Report</p>
	<p><u>Early Help Adults Delivery Group</u></p> <p><u>Summary of Strategic Performance/Progress</u></p> <p>PH explained that the progress report is being reviewed with Business Intelligence colleagues. The new format will be shared in more detail at the next Board Meeting. Appropriate time will be allocated at the next meeting for presentation.</p> <p>PH noted that the performance records for 'Live Well Barnsley' allow for basic details to be gathered but need more insight.</p> <p>Action: AE to send all Healthwatch CQC reports straight to Claire Gilmore in the future.</p> <p><u>SYFRS Home Safety Checks</u></p> <p>SYFRS home safety checks are progressing. Highlights are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Police have signed up to scheme. Referral numbers from neighbourhood teams will be measured. - There is a notable increase in referrals numbers in quarter four. - SF recommended that the board considered nomination of the current partnership work for the 'Collaboration of the Year Award', a national emergency service award. This would be supported by the number of referrals and uptake of service. - DS explained plans to build home safety checks into SPA referrals. <p><u>Social Prescribing</u></p> <p>AE expressed concerns of pressure being placed on the third sector services due to insufficient funding. AE added that Rotherham appears to be different in that there is money available to support the third sector. This is being looked into for Barnsley.</p> <p>NS commented that the Children's Early Help steering group needs to be kept updated about social prescribing to prevent cross over.</p> <p>Discussion followed in respect of the change in focus from supporting adults to children and young people. JP added that working with different types of age group will require different types of workers. NS agreed that it will be more complex than simply moving from adults to children and younger people.</p> <p>AE informed the group that the GP Federation will be responsible for social prescribers' contracts going forward.</p> <p>Action: SB to request an item from Barnsley CCG on social prescribing at the next meeting</p>

	<p><u>Early Help Children Delivery Group – update by NS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performing well when compared nationally, but not as well when compared regionally. • Membership and scope of group will be expanded to reflect delivery. • Currently considering adopting ‘My Mind Star’ (The Outcomes Star for young people’s mental health and well-being) as a way of capturing lower level intervention work. • There has been increased engagement from secondary schools. • The number of early help referrals initiated by CAMHS has reduced. <p>A full audit is scheduled which will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A deep dive into the Dearne area looking at tracking early help assessments by disadvantage. - A deep dive into child emotional well-being to help understand the context surrounding those who come into contact with the service. <p>Claire Gilmore is currently reviewing the delivery plan.</p> <p>Action: NS/Claire Gilmore to bring findings from the young people ‘Make Your Mark’ campaign to the next meeting.</p>
4.	More and Better Jobs
	<p>TS presented a power point, with additional updates being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A request for support from other agencies/service providers represented at the Board to reap the increased benefits of a collaborative approach. One suggestion being an anchor organisation such as the fire service joining the ‘employers promise’ scheme. TS also asked for advice regarding visibility and strengthening collaborative links. - The ‘employee promise’ is being embedded into procurement at BMBC, with hope that using the purchasing power of the Council, will increase the programme influence. TS likewise asked if any agencies/organisations represented at the Board who work in commissioning or procurement would be willing to work with them to raise awareness of the possibilities. <p>AF added that it is a timely initiative because local authorities are currently looking into human capital.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>LS commented that vacancies in social care remain high and that this will only get worse. Affordability based on available resources continues to be the main challenge.</p> <p>AG added that it is about working with companies and asking what they can do to assist people in securing meaningful employment. Work readiness is an</p>

	<p>issue in Barnsley because of peoples' low competency levels and work readiness.</p> <p>TS contributed that it is about aligning everything which is done to support people into employment across services in a more co-ordinated fashion.</p> <p>NS added that the Children and Young People's Plan is being drafted, which will reflect some of these challenges.</p> <p>TS requested to arrange meetings with all attendees to allow him to visit different boards.</p> <p>Action: NS to organise for TS to attend managers' meeting.</p> <p>TS asked if can they do some work with area councils to increase visibility.</p> <p>NS remarked that it has always been a good area of collaboration but it is difficult.</p> <p>AE commented that 2000 nurses are required in South Yorkshire now; so on ward recruitment needs to be looked at. He also added that the government say they are going to put money into onward recruitment, but this money needs to be asked for.</p> <p>CA suggested TS attends the Health and Wellbeing Board development session in the future to share information presented today. She also suggested TS attends some area councils' health and wellbeing meetings in future to take this to community level.</p> <p>NS explained that it is about working with secondary education and primary clusters in communities where children are from workless households. Children from these households have aspirations but need to be given the opportunities to work towards these.</p> <p>CL asked what the funding forecast is for these kinds of initiatives at the moment with the UK leaving the EU. TS explained that EU funding is still accessible and provided the example that AF is currently working on securing a digital fund. They are also currently lobbying for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. In addition, TS also added that they are using existing resources smarter.</p>
5.	Service User Engagement Plan 2020-2021
	<p>NC informed the Board that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Service user Engagement Plan brings together the equalities and service user forums. - Over the last few months there has been a focus on relationship building following on from the restructure. - Barnsley Reach has been rebranded as 'Your Voice Barnsley'. - An engagement plan has been developed through 'Your Voice Barnsley' which takes a more collaborative approach across partnerships.

- The word is getting out about the restructure as NC is receiving more emails from different forum members.
- They are trying to move away from more restrictive research techniques such as surveys. Instead they are speaking directly with people to gather their opinions.
- Working in this way generates better value for money and secures the best possible impact across forums, which often receive varied amounts of funding.
- They are currently asking different partners to do consultation work.
- It is has a flexible approach to organising forums with some meeting more regularly than others.
- They are currently developing better mechanisms to gather feedback from forums and partners.

Discussion

AG asked about the 2030 plan.

NC informed the board that the 2030 plan has been discussed with all forums.

NC offered to return to update the group and asked the group to let them know of anything they think of in the meantime through 'Your Voice Barnsley'.

PH suggested something being put together explaining the changes which all partners can access.

NC informed the Board that they are currently amalgamating the processes, how the Engagement Plan is going to function and have had a conversation with Communications and Marketing about putting this together. They just want to resolve any issues before this.

PH inquired about what is being done to reduce the gap with LGBT communities. NC conveyed the problems they have faced with contacting LGBT forums surrounding the loss and reinstatement of the Chair. This has now been resolved and discussions begun.

PH asked for a future update focused more on what has been achieved by the new approach.

Action: NC to present on outcomes at September Board.

CL suggested the creation of a one page document which simply explains the engagement plan. He also asked for SH to be copied into the minutes of meetings regarding the engagement plan in future.

Action: SH to be copied into the minutes of meetings regarding the engagement plan.

AE mentioned that the current terms of reference are preventing Healthwatch from getting involved and asked if any changes could be made to allow this. NC explained that she has had discussions with Sue Womack at Healthwatch regarding this.

Action: NC to look into adjusting the service user engagement plan terms of

	<p>reference to allow Healthwatch to become involved.</p> <p>Action: NC to create a document which clearly outlines the new role and functioning of the engagement plan.</p> <p>Action: PH to be updated regarding the progress of the engagement plan in future.</p> <p>Action: ABM to send NS a copy of NC's report separate from the board papers to allow her to share it with her mangers.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Suicide Prevention – Update on the Barnsley Suspected Suicide Learning Panel (Public Health)</p>
	<p>PA presented some statistics of suicides in Barnsley (please refer to report and employment status document for more detail). He also discussed national statistics such as the rise in hanging as a means to commit suicide. In addition, when talking to his paper he also informed the Board that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They are interested in the context leading up to people taking their own lives. - They are looking into media reporting of suicide and how this can be improved to reduce potential contagion. - Further work is needed into defining what is being classified as engagement with mental health services. - At panel meetings they are carrying out a thematic analysis of cases to identify area which need addressing. - After securing 40k for child and family bereavement services, they are hoping to receive additional funding from Barnsley CCG. - A survey has been conducted gathering the experiences of bereaved people, producing some interesting findings. - They had a workshop with PHE to test their local school contagion plan which was successful. PHE are publishing a report based on this soon. Any necessary recommendations from this report are going to be reflected in amendments to their local school contagion plan. - SOBS – got volunteers to run a session in Barnsley. - Looking into improving quick follow ups after suicide as it is proven to be lifesaving. <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>CA added that she chairs the suspected suicide panel which is very well attended, showing so many partners are on board.</p> <p>AE asked if there is a way to spot if someone has a mental health issue earlier, such as via a GP, rather than leaving it until they are in contact with mental health services. He also added that he would be interested in getting GP Federation involved in this.</p> <p>DS invited PA to the GP forum in June.</p> <p>NS asked if there are any missing links from her area of work which she could help with. She also asked if she or someone else from children services could</p>

	<p>attend future meetings.</p> <p>Action: PA to keep NS updated and invite her to future SSLP meetings. NS informed the Board that Claire Gilmore has agreed to be on the SSLP distribution list</p> <p>CL asked if they are currently receiving data of attempted suicides or regular self-harmers. PA informed the board that they are not currently, but they are communicating with the Yorkshire Ambulance Service to look into gathering this data and how those who attempt suicide or regularly self-harm will fit in to the approach.</p> <p>PA offered to update the Board at a future meeting. CL agreed with this.</p> <p>Action: PA to provide an update to the Board.</p>
7.	Umbrella Service
	<p>Action: Deferred to June meeting.</p> <p>SB asked for any observations or comments regarding the report to be emailed to him and he will pass these on to Jo Ekin.</p> <p>SB also highlighted that Jo has noticed those being turned away from the service, due to it being unable to meet their more complex needs, are largely aged 45 and below. It is therefore interesting to see that this is the same age group which dominates the suicide numbers discussed by PA previously</p> <p><u>Discussion</u></p> <p>CL stated that the problem is the lack of money these services receive.</p> <p>NS contributed that it would be interesting to find out of those who are referred, how many have a family.</p>
8.	Forward Plan
	<p>Replace SYFAB update with 'Support to volunteering' – ABM to check with JM who will present this.</p> <p>If there is anything people want adding to the Forward Plan they were asked to contact SB.</p> <p>AE and CL commented that embedding links to 2030 in the Forward Plan needs looking into.</p>
9.	Any Other Business
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	<p>Friday 15th June 2020 10:00am-12:00pm Westgate Plaza Level 3 Boardroom</p>