



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **Scrutiny Performance Panel – Public Services Board**

Committee Rooms 3A/3B - Guildhall, Swansea

Wednesday, 18 July 2018 at 11.00 am

**Present:** Councillor M H Jones (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

P M Black  
P R Hood-Williams

**Councillor(s)**

T J Hennegan  
P K Jones

**Councillor(s)**

C A Holley  
J W Jones

**Co-opted Member(s)**

Martyn Waygood

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**Other Attendees**

Clive Lloyd

Cabinet Member - Business Transformation & Performance (Deputy Leader)

**Officer(s)**

Bethan Hopkins

Scrutiny Officer

**Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): L R Jones

Co-opted Member(s): Cherrie Bija and John Warman

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**1 Disclosure of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.**

None

**2 Public Questions**

- Question from Mr. Perrott relating to disclosure of information relevant to statutory duties of PSB
- Forwarded to relevant officer

**3 Minutes.**

- Co-option of Cllr Peter Jones onto the Panel for the duration of the Natural Environment Inquiry
- Minutes approved
- Ensure the Building Sustainable Communities Inquiry report is sent to Suzy Richards – it was discussed at the last meeting

#### **4 Governance Arrangements of the Public Services Board**

- Panel asked whether the any members of the board had refused to provide information as per 4.4C of the Swansea PSB Partnership Manual – request in letter
- There are statutory duties regarding membership set up
- Substantial work has been undertaken to get to this point including development of the well-being plan and the setup of sub-groups which are at different stages
- The development of the well-being plan itself shows that the board can come to agreements informally and work together – decisions are debated and overcome
- There is a risk chart which has been developed to monitor any risks
- Observed that much of the risk is with the partners who deliver and the PSB risk is more limited to reputation and success
- There has been good attendance and buy in to the PSB at senior levels
- Some comments around the involvement of some partners in multiple PBS as they cover multiple local authority areas – this may be unsustainable
- There is a lot of good work being done around greener environments and biodiversity
- Swansea has been used as a good example of actions and monitoring which implies peer acknowledgment
- Swansea provides the lead support but it is becoming more shared e.g. fire service funding a Local Area Co-ordinator
- It is a preventative agenda so there is still lots to be done
- Lack of financial and personnel commitment to PSBs
- Citizens and not budgets should come first
- Must avoid working which is being undertaken by other regional consortia
- No indication at the moment of pooled budgets

#### **5 Work plan 2018/2019.**

- The meeting frequency has reduced from 6 meetings to 4 meetings
- The draft work plan will now need to be redone
- August meeting cancelled
- New work plan to be drafted for approval

The meeting ended at 11.50 am

**Chair**