

THREE RIVERS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of a meeting of the **Local Strategic Partnership Board** held on Tuesday 21 June 2022 from 10am to 11.17am at Three Rivers House, Northway, Rickmansworth, WD3 1RL.

Participants:

Cllr Sarah Nelmes (SN) Chair	Leader of Three Rivers District Council
Bob Jones (BJ) Vice-Chair	Watford & Three Rivers Trust
Tina Barnard (TB)	Watford Community Housing Trust
Freddy Chester (FC)	Three Rivers District Council
Shivani Davé (SD)	Three Rivers District Council
Ines Ferreira	Three Rivers District Council
Kimberley Grout (KG)	Executive Head of Services
Keith Harland (KH)	Watford and Three Rivers Fire Service
Elsbeth Mackenzie (EM)	Thrive Homes
Joanna Marovitch (JM)	Herts Mind Network
Peta Mettam (PM)	CASTR
Sara Miles (SM)	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Tiffany Richards (TR)	Ascend
CI Alex Warwick (AW)	Hertfordshire Police
Cllr Roger Seabourne	Member, Three Rivers District Council
Emma Sheridan (ES)	Three Rivers District Council

In attendance: Lorna Attwood Three Rivers District Council (Administration)

LSP 01/22 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Roger Seabourne who was unwell but would be attending virtually.

LSP 02/22 MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2022 were agreed to be an accurate account.

LSP 03/22 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

To vote and appoint a Chair and Vice Chair of the Local Strategic Partnership for 2022-2023. Cllr Sarah Nelmes was nominated and duly seconded, Bob Jones was nominated as Vice-Chair, duly seconded.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr Sarah Nelmes and Bob Jones be elected Chair and Vice-Chair of the Local Strategic Partnership Board for 2022-2023.

LSP 04/22 DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE

Shivani Davé, Partnerships Manager at Three Rivers District Council, presented on the draft updated Local Strategic Partnership Board's Terms of Reference.

The terms of reference had last been agreed two years ago. These had now been refreshed with the main change being that the board would now meet four

times a year based on a survey. The additional meeting would be in December 2022. The other change was to have the board membership extended out to all parish councils rather than one representative. Each Parish Council could have a seat on the board.

SD asked for feedback on this. Following a discussion it was agreed that Watford Rural Parish was already a member of the board representing all the Parishes and could continue with this while other Parish Councils could attend as observers and feedback via Watford Rural. Therefore they could all be invited but only have one vote as a collective.

It was also considered if the invitation of board members should be extended to Home Group as they had a significant amount of housing in the district. Home Group was the third biggest provider in the District. It was pointed out that Home Group was a large Housing Association so it would be unlikely for the CEO to be able to attend meetings but a decision maker would be required. SD agreed to speak with Home Group to see if they had a representative who would be able to represent the Housing Association as a decision maker. SD would then contact the board to make a final decision on this.

The final change was regarding the addition of the health and wellbeing group been which had been re-established and included as an offshoot of the LSP board.

PM asked the board to note that CAB had a director listed and it would not be a director. PM would be the attendee and was a CEO.

RESOLVED: Terms of reference agreed with the suggestions noted.



Item 4 - Draft Terms
of Reference June 202

LSP 05/22 HERTS MIND NETWORK

Joanna Marovitch, CEO at Herts Mind Network, presented to the board on the services that Herts Mind Network provided.

Key points of presentation:

- Common Mental Health conditions were discussed
- Services focussed on suicide as there were around 6000 people who take their own life every year
- The pandemic had seen a big impact on mental health
- History of Herts Mind was detailed which was established in 1970
- Herts Mind Network was the largest provider of mental health services in Hertfordshire
- 6000 had been people supported during the last year
- List of all services provided
- Crisis support service



Item 5 - HMN Mtg
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In response to questions from the board JM advised that there were two Mind groups in Herts, Mind in Mid Herts, which was based in St Albans, Stevenage and Welwyn Garden City. There was good collaborative work carried out between Mind and Herts Community Navigation service. With regards to youth services, Mind worked alongside CAHMS and provided a children's and young person's service. Mind also tried to recruit people who had previously suffered with mental health issues which gave them good experience to assist persons coming to the service.

RESOLVED: That the presentation by Herts Mind Network be noted.

LSP 06/22 UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND

Shivani Davé, Partnerships Manager at Three Rivers District Council, presented on the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

The key points of the presentation were:

- 1 million until March 2025 from the UK SPF
- £20,000 in addition to 1 million towards the investment plan
- Proposals will be reviewed through the LSP
- Taken for final sign off to P&R Committee on 18 July
- Spreadsheet shared outlines the projects
- The projects were then detailed.



Item 6 - UK Shared Prosperity Fund.pptx



Item 6 i - Three Rivers UKSPF Project

There were targets on what the money could be used for. The Officer employed to deal with the projects would look at longer term sustainability for these projects and any further funding we can get to continue. The board agreed to proceed with the projects outlined. TB wished to make a declaration of interest that they were a board member on the LEP.

RESOLVED:

That the UK Shared Prosperity Fund presentation be noted.

LSP 07/22 HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

Freddy Chester, Partnerships Officer at Three Rivers Council, presented to the board on the support that was provided to residents through the Household Support Fund.

The key points of the presentation were:

- 50% to be spent on households with children and the other 50 could be spent on households without.
- Fund for energy/food and other essentials such as white goods and sanitary products/clothes etc.
- Could also be used for transport costs and other household bills such as council tax
- £44,000 food support, £33,000 utility support
- Some used by TR housing for moving costs and Revenues & Benefits for benefit cap customers
- Partners received funding to administer these funds
- 205 households with children and 95 households without children were supported

- Summary of what had been delivered and future plans

SD advised the allocation had reduced this time as a percentage was allocated to pensioners. CAB had been given by HCC supermarket vouchers and codes were sent to CAB to distribute. Other funds from Thrive homes were being distributed for persons in crisis. It was suggested that it would be useful if we were able to feedback to the government on the targeting of these schemes. Single people were most challenged but often slip through the net. PM advised this had been fed back to County.



Item 7 - Household Support Fund.pptx

RESOLVED:

That the Household Support Fund presentation be noted.

LSP 08/22 PCC UPDATE

Sara Miles provided a verbal update from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Board.

The criminal safety justice plan had been published. The new Grants and Commissioning Strategy had also been published on the website. District days were re starting following covid this involved meeting the public having a stand and one is planned for Three Rivers on 7th Sept.

Grants & Commissioning Strategy

- Small pots of funding re fly tipping, road safety and action fund deadline for bids was 2nd august
- Community Safety criminal justice fund had the largest pot of funding – over 100 priorities and actions. Any bid should fit around one of these actions for people to apply.
- Hope to give funding on a multi-year basis such as “No more” service
- Could partner with probation or health etc. due to joint objectives
- Core interests such as violence against women and girls, anti-social behaviour.
- PCC planned to write to all chairs of community safety boards to discuss new plan and how to work in partnership. Reps on all RAGS to work with them to put forward priorities.
- Next meeting would explain next steps to start the process
- Stop and search independent panel report would be shared soon across county. There had been less stop and searches over last year. The arrest rate had gone up. There were 22 stop searches in April 2022 - 50% of those resulted in positive disposal. The scrutiny panel were looking at Three Rivers data.

RESOLVED:

That the verbal update from the PCC board be noted.

LSP 09/22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

SD mentioned to contact her if there was anything partners wanted to include on the PCCs District Day.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

Wednesday 19 October 2022

CHAIR