Vale of Glamorgan Local Service Board **Bwrdd Gwasanaethau Lleol Bro Morgannwg** 

## VALE OF GLAMORGAN LOCAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING.

17<sup>th</sup> October 2013. Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, Barry.

#### Present:

Cllr Neil Moore – VoGC Sian Davies – VoGC Huw Isaac - VoGC Helen Moses – VoGC Anne Wei - Cardiff and Vale UHB John Rock – Natural Resources Wales Clive Curtis – Vale Centre for Voluntary Services Gary Osborne – South Wales Police Mike Jones – VoGC (Agenda item 6) Emma Reed – VoGC (Agenda item 5)

### **Apologies:**

Peter Greenhill – Wales Probation Trust Kay Martin – Cardiff and Vale College Phil Pinches – South Wales Fire and Rescue Service Francesca Howorth - VoGC John Harrison – Natural Resources Wales Dr. Sharon Hopkins – Cardiff and Vale UHB Bob Tooby – Ambulance Trust Rachel Connor - Vale Centre for Voluntary Services Joe Ruddy - South Wales Police Dr. Mark Picton – RWE Npower Catherine Roberts – Abertawe Bro Morgannwg UHB Alexandra Howells – Abertawe Bro Morgannwg UHB

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| 1.    | Welcome and apologies for absence                        |        |
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| 2.    | Minutes of Local Service Board meeting of 22 August      |        |
|       | <u>2013</u>  |        |
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| Agree | d as an accurate record.                                 |        |
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| 3.    |  |        |
|       | meeting of 19 September 2013                             |        |
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| 4.    | Matters Arising  |        |
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| Helen | advised that she and John Harrison had met with Jonathan |        |

| Hulbert the Energy Manager from RWEnpower. They had a really<br>useful discussion about work undertaken to reduce energy use and<br>raise staff awareness. Helen and John will bring a report for<br>discussion at a future meeting   |  |
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| 5. Draft Local Development Plan   |  |
| Emma Reed gave a presentation on the Local Development Plan<br>which is a legislative requirement and explained that all relevant<br>documents are available at.  |  |
| http://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/living/planning and building<br>control/planning policy/local development plan/ldp deposit draft a<br>nd supporting documents 2013.aspx  |  |
| The plan shows intended development and changes to local<br>infrastructure over a fifteen year period. The Plan is currently at the<br>Deposit Plan stage and there is a long way to go before adoption.<br>The plan is informed by a range of evidence, consultation and<br>comments on the previous plan.   |  |
| Emma highlighted that two maps in particular are of interest. The first is the constraints map which details what might constrain development e.g. flooding, conservation areas. The proposals map shows growth areas e.g. for employment or housing in terms of what might happen strategically from $2011 - 2026$ .   |  |
| Emma also took the group through the timetable for adopting the LDP by January 2017 with a special Council on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2013 and consultation from the 8 <sup>th</sup> November to the 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2013. Emma also gave details of the informal sessions for the public held in October which were proving to be extremely beneficial. Through these sessions they have been able to give the public an advance look at the plan and there had been a good turn out at meetings. The efforts of officers and cabinet members have been well received even if there is concern about the details of the plan. |  |
| Further consultation sessions are planned to assist in interpreting the<br>plan and to enable the public and interested parties to respond to the<br>consultation. There are set questions where views are needed but<br>all written responses to the consultation will be considered.  |  |
| Following the consultation any proposed alternative sites will also be<br>advertised to enable comments to be made about new proposals<br>prior to the plan being finalised.  |  |
| Emma highlighted a number of the key issues within the plan including a housing requirement of 9,950 plus a reserve site in Sully and an affordable housing target of 2,694 dwellings which is included   |  |

in the overall figure.

Key housing sites in the plan are;

- Barry Waterfront 1700 dwellings
- Six sites in and around St Athan 1300 dwellings
- Land to the north and west of Darren Close, Cowbridge 390 dwellings
- Land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Lavernock 235 dwellings
- Land to the east of Bonvilston 120 dwellings

Linked to these sites will be proposals around schools, road improvements and open space.

Other key issues include land for a Gypsy and Traveller Site in Sully, the allocation of 366 (net) hectares of employment land including St Athan – Cardiff Airport Enterprise Zone and Junction 34 at Hensol. Transport proposals include the Barry Island link road, northern access road to St Athan, improvements to Five Mile Lane and Gileston Old Mill and bus, rail and cycle schemes. There are also tourism and leisure developments within the scheme, for example a spa development at Cottrell Park.

Anne advised that within the UHB they are keen for primary care services to be aware of potential changes in demand and the impact on their infrastructure. Discussions between the UHB and planning officers will continue to ensure that the planned growth fits with health proposals. Emma advised that efforts had been made to look at developments where facilities already exist and can be expanded rather than a need for completely new facilities.

Emma also confirmed that the planning team are working closely with colleagues in neighbouring authorities to consider implications of neighbouring plans.

If anyone requires any of the documents on disk then these can be made available.

# 6. Unified Needs Assessment

Mike introduced the draft Unified Needs Assessment (UNA) and took the Board through the Introduction and Executive Summary. All the draft documents are available on the Council's website and the closing date for comments is the 15 November. The UNA will inform the development of a new Community Strategy Delivery Plan.

http://www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/our council/local service bo ard/Draft-Unified-Needs-Assessment-2013.aspx

Mike explained that the UNA had been drafted through the Business Intelligence Group and is structured around the ten priority outcomes of the Community Strategy. Mike went through each of the priority outcomes in turn and highlighted the most significant issues which had been included in the executive summary.

**Community Engagement** – highlights differences in electoral turnout in different localities, the results of the public opinion survey in terms of influencing decisions and work being undertaken by the Police to improve information and engagement.

**Customer Focus** – data shows high satisfaction with a number of services but a low awareness of PACTs and PCSOs.

**Sustainability/Environment** – there have been improvements in the data since the last needs assessment but there is still more to do and there are difficulties in the timelines for data being available. Figures are improving but there are issues around the dumping of white goods and the loss of a Blue Flag status for Whitmore Bay, Barry.

**Older People** – there is an ageing population which puts increased pressure on health and social care services. Differentials in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy are significant between the least and most deprived areas. Issues around dementia, falls, fractures and limiting life illness are also highlighted.

**Children and Young People** – this section considers teenage pregnancy rates and issues around child poverty, educational attainment and domestic abuse.

**Learning and Skills** – although performance at KS2, 3 and 4 is consistently above the Welsh average there are areas where improvements are needed. Some comparison work will be undertaken with authorities in England. NEETs figures have declined but improvements are needed in the 19-24 age group.

**Regeneration** - this section focuses on new business activity which remained higher than the Welsh average, business closures, NVQ levels and housing, including demand for affordable housing.

**Regional Potential** – this section looks at economic activity and tourism as well as housing.

**Community Safety** – although crime is reducing overall there are certain aspects where work will need to focus including, anti-social behaviour, neighbour nuisance and perception of anti social behaviour in the area. Data shows that there is a higher rate of recorded crime in Barry and the Eastern Vale than in the Western Vale.

Health and Well-being - health generally in the Vale is good,

| however there is an inequality of life expectancy and healthy life<br>expectancy and there are a number of public health issues which<br>need further work including childhood immunisation rates, flu<br>vaccinations and diet and fitness.   |    |
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| Mike advised that within the executive summary a number of cross<br>cutting issues are highlighted which will need to be taken forward in<br>the new delivery plan. These include the ageing population,<br>disadvantaged communities and inequalities, early intervention,<br>collaborative engagement and evidencing impact and evaluation.  | MJ |
| A number of queries were raised with regard to the draft UNA and<br>further work was requested regarding information on people aged<br>80+ to help determine where services can have the most impact and<br>where there is acute need. It was agreed that some mapping of key<br>data and population would be beneficial to illustrate clusters and<br>where there may be a high demand for services. Emma advised that<br>colleagues in Development Services would be able to assist. |    |
| It was also suggested that in addition to population figures that<br>changes in numbers and size of households also need to be<br>included as this has a range of implications.  |    |
| Mike and Huw explained that although the UNA will be brought to the LSB for approval in December work will continue through the Business Intelligence Group to undertake further analysis of the data and to understand the implications for services.   |    |
| Anne advised that the draft UNA has already been circulated to clinical boards for their consideration when planning services.   |    |
| It was agreed that the UNA provides a wealth of data which will help<br>determine the focus of the new delivery plan and the planning of<br>services for all partners.   |    |
| Mike requested that all comments be forward to him by the 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2013.  |    |
| 7. Letter from Vaughan Gething to Anti Poverty Champions   |    |
| A copy of a letter from Vaughan Gething, Deputy Minister for<br>Tackling Poverty sent to all local authority Anti-Poverty Champions<br>had been circulated with the agenda. In the letter two areas are<br>nominated for further focus and these are NEETs aged 16-18 and to<br>reduce the number of babies born under 2500g. It was agreed that<br>a report on the two issues should be prepared for the LSB and<br>Cabinet and to inform a response to the Deputy Minister.          |    |
| Anne advised that Sharon has asked for an update on the issue of<br>low birth weight babies and this information could be incorporated in<br>to the response.  | AW |

| Helen to liaise with relevant officers to draft a report.  | НМ  |
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| 8. Joint Cardiff and Vale Local Service Board Agenda 31 <sup>st</sup>  |     |
| October 2013   |     |
| A copy of the interim update from BDO consultants was circulated<br>and will be discussed in more detail at the joint meeting on the 31 <sup>st</sup><br>October. At this stage discussions are focussing on governance<br>arrangements and potential projects. As work progresses there will<br>be a need to look at the partnership structures at all levels to ensure<br>they are still relevant. It was highlighted that there are groups in<br>both Cardiff and the Vale looking at public health issues and that<br>these could potentially be combined. |     |
| Joint Cardiff and Vale LSB Meeting 31 October 2.00 – 3.30, County Hall, Cardiff.   | All |
| 9. Public Services Leadership Group  |     |
| Sian hadn't been able to attend the meeting but a copy of June<br>Milligan's note of the meeting had been circulated along with all the<br>papers for information. Sian advised that the original compact is<br>coming to an end and there is a discussion about the next area of<br>focus which could be around budget savings.   |     |
| Sian advised that the Council would be sharing its savings proposals<br>with partners and would welcome the opportunity to discuss with<br>partners their budget proposals. All partners should be mindful of<br>the impact proposed savings may have on other partners and<br>discuss implications with them.   | All |
| 10. Designated Persons Consultation  |     |
| It was agreed that a response be drafted on behalf of the LSB<br>emphasising that due to the good working relationships with partners<br>the legislation is not deemed necessary and would not necessarily<br>enhance scrutiny. The response to also request that Welsh<br>Government be included on the list for scrutiny and to query what<br>would happen if a designated person declined to attend a committee<br>and ask for clarity regarding the third sector.  |     |
| Helen to draft a response and circulate for comment.<br>11. <u>Meeting Dates for 2014</u>  | НМ  |
| It was agreed that dates should be set for the first six months of the year and they can be cancelled if necessary depending on the outcome and timetable for the work regarding a joint LSB.  | FH  |
| 12. Any Other Business   |     |
| The findings of the South Wales Programme are being analysed and   |     |

should be in the public domain shortly together with supporting documentation on patient flows and an Equality Impact Assessment. Presentations will be made to Community Health Councils who will have to assimilate their conclusions by the end of November. The Programme Board will meet with the aim of reaching a consensus to recommend to the Health Boards who will need to meet before the 13<sup>th</sup> December to decide on the way forward.

# 13. Date of next meeting – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013 @ 10am, Committee Room 1, Civic Offices.