

# Health and Wellbeing Collective Working Group Zoom Meeting Notes

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Attendees: George Devlin (Chair), Ralph Rudden, Karen Glendinning, Michaela Howells, , Suzanne Kelly (Notes), Khan Moghul, Christine Aspinall, Ben Andrews, Mark Nesbitt, Kate McGeevor, Danielle Sharps, Alex Flint Emily Williams, Yusuf Lambat, Caroline Gleaves. Lesley Fraser. Micheala Howell

Apologies: Dan Shelston, Emma Lenihan, Clare Standish, Elizabeth Dotun, Jonathan Yates, Jo Allen, Michelle Grogan

Key points from the meeting:

## 1 Context for the Meeting

- Agreed by those present

## 2 Introductions, Apologies and Updates on Funding

- Apologies accepted
- Members updated the group confirmed that online service offerings are continuing alongside the planning of the phasing in of face to face services from September onwards – there was acknowledgement that for some online service offerings will continue alongside face to face services. Many members have found August has to be a quiet month for service requests/attendance. There is an expectation that September will be busy.
- Mark (Urban Fitness) confirmed 3 successful grant applications as part of the Covid 19 emergency funds
- Caroline (Gorse Hill Studios) updated the group that they had been successful in securing financial contribution from Bruntwood to support outreach in Sale West and getting studios ready for other agencies to use the Studios in September (42<sup>nd</sup> Street and TDAS). Gorse Hill studios have been able to run covid secure face to face services in particular the summer school for children with additional needs.
- Karen (Age Concern) confirmed funding for digital tablet loan service and for volunteers to support how to use and what users could access based on their interests – this is part of digital exclusion as a way to “try before they buy”
- Christine (St Johns Centre) confirmed they have a grant to look at sustainability of the centre – this has funded job opportunity for part time (18 hours) role for a business development manager. There is also funding for a caretaker/cleaner – she asked the group to pass on vacancies which are on St John’s website
- The community hubs are in various stages of change to the service. St Johns Centre has lottery funding to continue until December (October to December on part time basis). Our Sale West are working on a plan to open Sale West provision whilst continuing to support the Sale Hub Food bank. Stretford Public Hall (with support of Gorse Hill Studios) will stop being Hub end of August and will transition back to use of Hall for public early in September.
- Dan supported a lottery bid application for the Hubs to be part of place based solution for Trafford Recovery Plan – success for this will be known mid-September

## 3 Trafford Together Recovery Plan

- George represents the voluntary sector at LCA and strategic design group (SDG)
  - These have been replaced by 4 strategic design groups
    - Live well at home
    - A step closer to home
    - A short stay in hospital
    - Live well in my community
  - George shared a slide on the Living Well in My Community SDG and he is senior lead alongside Roger Sutton with Jo Gibson supporting. This is a clear opportunity to influence the delivery of the Plan and  
**Action: George to update this group at 3 weekly meetings as an agenda item**

### **There are 4 priorities areas for development in LWiMC:**

- Development of the place based offer, Redesign of info and advise services with our partners, Public Health and Wider Determinants of Health Agenda, Sustainability of Voluntary Community Faith and Social Enterprise Sector.
- For sustainability of VCSE sector the development of the VCSE Collective is seen as a key activity to ensure sustainability and the project group are meeting weekly to identify plan of activities and identify resource for delivery activities
- As a reminder Tom Maloney at 30<sup>th</sup> July meeting stated the following (in italics) – Dan circulated slides
- *There is the need for The Collective to influence strategically, particularly in the work of the Local Care Alliance but also the Trafford Partnership*
- *There is an open invite to The Collective to involve themselves in the Strategic Design Groups*
- *Services will and need to be delivered differently and resource needs to follow*
- *There is a need to understand and develop the community partnership/community hub model and decide whether they are one and the same*
- *There is also the potential for the Collective to have a session with futuregov with a focus on how the sector can step up and what is required to support that?*

### **4 VCSE Collective Development Project Update**

- Suzanne went through the project update slides circulated with the agenda. There have been 2 meetings of the project team (George, Dan, Suzanne, Khan, Ben, Michelle, Karen, Elizabeth, Jo). Activities in scope of the project are listed as part of the successful funding allocation.
- The project team proposed a set of priorities for agreement by the full membership of the collective. It was confirmed that VCSE collective are the decision making body with the project team making recommendations based on discussions at weekly project meetings
- **Priority 1 agreed is:**
  - **Development of the Organisation**
    - What is the best structure?
    - Session has been agreed with Bernadette Elder from Thrive at the next VCSE collective meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> September
- **Action: George to send out agenda and preparation material for this workshop**
- **Priority 2 agreed is:**
  - **Development of the Community Partnership Model and selection of Chair/Vice Chair and Lead Partners**
    - George and Dan are working on draft role profile and selection criteria draft to be presented to project group at next meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> September – this will also be part of the agenda for next VCSE meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> September
    - We also need to consider how we How do we organise the sector on based on place and build local representation
- **Priority 3 agreed is creating a plan to establish and grow membership**
  - Next step is for Project Manager to work with project team to create draft plan to be presented for feedback and approval by Collective – aim to present draft at October VCSE
- **Priority 4 agreed is Develop a website and social media engagement**
  - Next step is to identify specialist resource to support for this and then create a detailed plan – aim for November VCSE meeting
- **Priority 5 agreed is Develop a communication, engagement and marketing strategy**
  - Next step is to identify specialist resource to develop strategy and delivery partner for 2 networks event to be held between October and March 2021
- Any help from wider membership to be involved in delivery of these activities is requested – there is budget to pay for resource on part time basis. It was agreed that as project task list is developed then it will be easier for members to identify where they could help.

## 5 Early Help Offer

- Update on the meeting with Jill McGregor and subsequent workshop on the 18<sup>th</sup> August.
- Established Children's Service reference group that will meet every six weeks – this will allow us to feed into the Improvement board.
- Workshop hosted by FutureGov is scheduled for this afternoon and members of this group registered their interest to attend and have been sent the agenda and invite for this afternoon's session 2pm to 5pm
  
- **Action – George to update all members on the outcome of the workshop this afternoon**

## 7 Future Meetings

- **Need to consider agenda's to focus offer around "sectors and themes"**
- Early help, Carers, Mental Health, Advice and Information, Older People
- **Action: George to plan out VCSE agenda schedule based on project activities requiring decision and topics for consideration**

## 8 Any other business

- Ralph raised point that Trafford Partnership should be invited to 17<sup>th</sup> September workshop so they can see progress being made on development of the VCSE Collective and input to role profile and development of the Community Partnership Model
- **Action: George to consider this and extend invitation**

George provided an update on the Community Offer from Trafford College and suggested we have a single meeting to discuss how to take this forward.

- **Action George to circulate information and arrange meeting.**
  
- Date of the next meeting confirmed as:
  - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 10am – 11.30am