



PARTNERSHIP MEETING 15/1/24

At The **Venue, Balmoral Rd**, Morecambe / Via Zoom / 6 PM

Item 1. Present, Apologies & Welcomes/Matters Arising

Present: Yvon Appleby, Johnny Bean (Secretary), David Beuzeval (Local Trust adviser), Viv Brunsden, Glen Duckett, Janette Edwards, Yak Patel (LTO Rep), Chris Price (Chair), Joe Robinson (Development Worker).

Apologies: The Secretary gave the apologies from Sian Jay (Big Local) and Kat Jaxon.

Welcome: The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Secretary recorded that we were quorate for any decision making.

Matters Arising: The partnership wished to extend their best wishes to Sian Jay who is currently unwell. Janette also noted that due to an extended period of recent ill health, she is not as advanced as hoped with the Mental Health project work, but expects to catch up shortly.

Item 2. Reminder on Conflicts of Interest

Discussion: Chair gave a routine reminder on the matter of reporting conflicts of interest. No Conflicts of Interest of significance were noted.

Item 3. Stanley's

Discussion: David Beuzeval gave an update on his work on the Stanley's project so far.

Discussed:

- the shared prosperity fund.
- Yak's procurement strategy on spending
- Robyn planning more funding applications
- Conversations with Chris and Joe
- Stanley's business plan for the partnership to see
- Work looking to the end of April, May latest.

David Beuzeval left the meeting at this point, and Yak arrived at the meeting. The Chair and Development Worker briefed the partnership on some background issues. Agreed they would resolve any issues and advance the process with least amount of delay.

Action: The Chair and the Development Worker to have a discussion with David Beuzeval about next steps.

Item 4. Young People's Mental Health Worker

Discussion: The deadline for applications for the position closed with only 2 applications received, despite achieving 96 downloads of the application form. The applications were reviewed, but sadly neither were considered worthy of taking any further. Yak suggested that this could present a good opportunity for young people in the district to lead on a grant-making process to commission the services that they would like to see made available, and we could therefore look at recruiting a representative group of young people to design and run a full commissioning programme. Proposed that the YPMH worker money be diverted to develop this idea, inviting representative young people from across all groups locally to participate.

Decision: It was agreed that the Development Worker would work with Yak to bring forward a proposal.

Action: The Secretary to draft a letter to the two applicants.

Item 5. Digital Inclusion Project

Discussion: An update document was circulated in advance of the meeting.

Decision: Please send any feedback comments on the document to The Development Worker.

Action: The Development Worker to check on rent contribution.

Item 6. Projects Update

The Development Worker gave some quick updates on the following projects...

6.1. Family Mentoring & Support

Discussion: David France has been carrying out lots of scoping/research and is producing a framework for delivery. Unsure who might be a trusted organisation for delivery, possibly The Trussell Trust? David is aiming to present his findings for discussion at the February meeting.

6.2. Children's Environmental Project

Discussion: The CEP steering group is ongoing and the first meeting of the Children's forum will be taking place soon.

6.3. Project X

Discussion: We are aiming for a final decision on the availability for purchase at the end of January.

6.4. WEM Area Plan

Discussion: A document was shared in advance of the meeting.

Decision: Please review and send any comments or feedback to the Development Worker.

Item 7. Development

Discussion: There was unfortunately no time in the meeting to discuss this item.

Decision: The item to be moved to the next meeting for an early spot on the agenda.

Action: The Secretary to add Development as an early item on the February meeting agenda.

Item 8. AOB

8.1 Frontierland.

Discussion: We have heard back from Lancaster City Council that our assistance in encouraging engagement with the consultation was very useful and saw a positive upturn in engagement.. The consultation has now closed.

8.2. Staff wage % increase.

Discussion: The Development Worker and the Secretary left the meeting whilst the discussion took place.

Decision: The partnership agreed to fall in line with LDCVS (our LTO) process of % increase each year. Due to cost of living the partnership agreed this should be closer to current interest rates.

Decision: LTO to implement.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

- Monday, 12/2/24 at The Venue, Balmoral Road, at 6pm
 - Monday, 11/3/24 at The Venue, Balmoral Road, at 6pm
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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

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