

Partnership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 24th November 2021

Attendance: Haulwen Nichols (HN), Polly Smith (PS), Robert Macey (RM), Maggie Rowlands (MR), Angela Bright (AB), Steve Davenport (SD), Alison Layland (AL), Tim Edwards (TE)

Please note these minutes should be read in conjunction with the documents issued for the meeting.

1	Welcome and apologies for absence Sylvia Dyke, Glenn Pennington, Mark Jones, Laurel Roberts Absent. Neil Graham
2	Declarations of items for any other urgent business Neil's response to Christmas meal email
3	Declaration of interest in any item on the agenda Gobowen Schools Expression of Interest – Robert Macey
4	Minutes of the previous meeting Matters arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank you to everyone for completing the partnership survey. Just one outstanding now. - School savers – Weston Rhyn & St Martins will not continue with the savers club – conversation with Fair share this can be finalised before the end of this term. Gobowen in touch with fairshare about the possibility to continue with them directly. - Community equipment library – all clerks, churches and village halls have been emailed the list of equipment available and an application form to apply for anything. Deadline next week. SD confirmed St Martins are happy to continue to store equipment that doesn't go. PS & MR concerned that Weston Rhyn clerk never received as haven't heard anything. To check email address, TD to send to PS & MR to circulate. <p>Minutes of previous meeting approved.</p>
5	Chair's report – HN Introduced Alison – interested in being involved in community matters. Knows most people on the partnership as involved in lots of local things. Editor or the Wren. Virement or underspend – report needs to be in 8/12/21. This is before our December meeting so may need to make some financial decisions before then, or request a later date to submit the report. No questions on the chairs report or the countdown clock.
6	Questions about the Financial report No questions.

	TE suggested the staffing underspend be re-allocated to project spending which HN said was the plan.
7	<p>Community Development Officers report</p> <p>Starting to research the needs and interest in some of the ideas / proposals.</p> <p>Been in touch with the schools about our offer for Happiness Training and art project.</p> <p>3PMB – have set up a contract with an online skills platform to be able to offer more support to the businesses Paul is supporting, and to help with the transition from all being funded by 3PBL to people buying into it themselves.</p> <p>TE Lifelong learning – fully funded level 3 qualifications for anyone who doesn't have one – may benefit some.</p>
8	<p>Update on Health & Wellbeing projects</p> <p>Shropshire RCC have changed their name to Community Resource. Same service, different name and logo to go on all publicity.</p> <p>Low take up so far for diabetes session in St Martins, despite posters being up locally for a few weeks, leaflets through doors and in the village magazine.</p> <p>Will run with it regardless of numbers and make sure the next one is advertised in all villages.</p> <p>OsNosh Research is going well – people are welcoming us to their different groups. By the end of next week should have about 100 responses to help steer the next phase of the project. Delay decision about commissioning stage 2 until December meeting when we have the community feedback.</p> <p>Mental Health in Schools</p> <p>Both Weston Rhyn & St Martins Primary School were very excited about this offer as they have met the trainer previously and been keen to do it, but school budget didn't allow. They have dates provisionally booked in for January.</p> <p>Gobowen have declined the offer.</p> <p>Cost for Happiness Club in St Martins Primary and Weston Rhyn totals £2,600</p> <p>All in favour.</p> <p>St Martins Secondary school are very interested in also having the package for secondary schools. Whole school to do the same thing rather than something separate for lower years and upper years. School and trainer to have conversations to work out how this will look in practice. Difficult to quote as will depend how many groups etc. Approx £3000. All in favour.</p> <p>Art Projects in schools – legacy piece</p> <p>All schools have identified areas where they can create something. Gobowen already have something in mind they have started working on.</p> <p>Gobowen – history wall mural</p> <p>St Martins primary – garden area, possibly will sculpture</p> <p>Weston Rhyn – growing wall, area beside reading space project.</p> <p>St Martins Secondary – Tree on wall facing the road, all pupils to do a leave.</p> <p>TD to confirm prices for the ideas to take back to the partnership.</p> <p>Mental Heal in the workplaces</p> <p>Responses have been slow – nothing on social media, no responses to emails. A few phone calls with varied responses – will continue to pursue. Please do pass on any contacts to TD.</p> <p>TE suggested contacted colleges of Further Education.</p>
9	<p>New Grant & Expression of Interest applications</p> <p>St Martins Toddler group (Doc F)</p> <p>Funds to purchase equipment for a new parent and toddler group in St Martins.</p> <p>MR Great idea</p> <p>All in agreement to award £500 requested.</p> <p>Gobowen School (Doc E)</p> <p>To develop an area for additional EYFS support, to improve maths and reading and help children catch-up with what they've missed due to covid.</p> <p>TE asked how accurate are these figures.</p>

	<p>TD will ask for more specific costings with their actual application form. MR how does this fit in with their Forest School area? 4 present partners in agreement to go to round 2. TD to get in touch with others for their vote. (PS had left the meeting, RM cannot vote due to being a school governor). MR is willing to be partnership rep if no one else can. * Responses – Glenn in favour. Sylvia in favour and happy to be partnership Rep.</p>
10	<p>List of outstanding expressions of interest and latest status Weston Rhyn Trust / Rec – we are expecting a revised form after the Trust have met. Weston Rhyn school – have been in contact, advised how to present accounts. St Martins PC sports development – haven't heard anything back following suggestion 3PBL pay for something specific that can be evaluated before the end of Dec 2022. GP will go back to them to enquire how things are going. Oswestry Mens Shed – Might need more money as costs higher than expected. Have had grant offer from Coop, and will chase up other applications.</p>
11	<p>List of enquiries for grants and expression of interest for partnership to be aware of Weston Rhyn Institute / bowls – Big grant St Johns Church building project – Big grant A possible local support group for young mums / care leavers Chirk Bank de-fib (AL will be getting the application in soon) Green Shoots Ifton Meadows Towards transport to take up to Scotland for summer camp.</p>
12	<p>Gobowen Station HN Key fund had stopped payments for 2 months, despite never confirming a request for a payment holiday. This will be added to end of term. PN has been asked to get involved in helping to make this a manageable and sustainable project, a hub and benefit for the area. 3PBL to give them some support and resource. PN to carry out a scoping exercise and make a plan of action. Initially funded from the 3PMB budget. In the New Year Paul will report on plan, proposal and costs.</p> <p>MR Gobowen's inaccessibility from Weston Rhyn makes it difficult to be a hub for the Three Parishes. People from Weston Rhyn can go to Chirk. HN This has potential to be much more than just a railway station. RM The rail minister was there this week – he was very positive.</p>
13	<p>Final Art in school – update previously discussed Benches & Christmas lights – Gobowen and St Martins have accepted offer. Weston Rhyn have not discussed it – uncertainty about Weston Rhyn Parish Clerk receiving information. (Helens email has since been confirmed and she had received all the information that has been sent on 5/11/21, but that was after the PC agenda was agreed.) TD to get costings so budgets can be agreed. Everything will need to be approved through the councils. SD to give TD name and contact of who to speak to at council.</p>
14	<p>December Meeting Majority can make 9th December Meeting confirmed Thursday 9th December.</p> <p>Majority prefer to wait until January for a social meal on a Friday evening. TD to check some venues and menus.</p>
15	<p>AOB Neils response to email re social gathering. PS The reason the partnership opted to remain with partnership meetings on zoom is because most people prefer it that way as it saves time with travelling to the meeting.</p>

	People less keen to come out on a dark, cold evening. Very limited choice of venues that would allow a hybrid meeting.
17	Date and time of next Partnership meeting Thursday 9 th December January 26 th February 23 rd