

CABINET TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a MEETING held in KENNET ROOM - COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE BA14 8JN on Tuesday, 17 June 2014.

Cllr Jane Scott OBE Leader of the Council

Cllr Jonathon Seed Cabinet Member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards,

Leisure, Libraries and Flooding

Cllr John Thomson Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Highways and

Streetscene and Broadband

Cllr Dick Tonge Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance, Risk, Procurement

and Welfare Reform

Cllr Keith Humphries Cabinet Member for Public Health, Protection Services, Adult

Care and Housing (exc strategic housing)

Also in Attendance: Cllr Fleur de Rhé-Philipe

Patrick Geenty, Police Chief Constable

Dr Stephen Rowlands, Clinical Commissioning Group Kieran Kilgallen, Chief Executive, Office of Police and Crime

Commissioner Cllr Allison Bucknell

Cllr Bill Moss

Key Decisions Matters defined as 'Key' Decisions and included in the Council's Forward Work Plan are shown as

11 Apologies and Substitutions

Apologies were received from Cllr Wheeler.

Cllr Humphries substituted for Cllr Wheeler.

12 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

13 Leader's Announcements

There were no Leader's announcements.

14 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

15 **Public Participation**

It was noted that no requests for public participation had been received. The Leader did however explain that, as usual at meetings of Cabinet, she would be more than happy to hear from any member of the public present on any of the items on this agenda.

16 Neighbourhood and Operational Policing

Rachel Kirby, Systems Thinking Lead gave a detailed presentation on the work of her team in reviewing customer access and getting knowledge of Wiltshire Police Systems.

The team had spent time gaining knowledge and understanding the current operations systems; and had developed a purpose statement, "Keep me safe and protect my community", based on talking to members of the public and observed demand. Case studies had identified issues with handoffs, a number of different systems being used and the creation of preventable demand.

The police were presented with two options – to stay as they were or to move to redesign with testing. With the agreement of the police the principles of redesign were established from the check phase and the current focus is on developing a one stop 'respond, resolve, record', community focused approach for its customers. This will be tested live on new demand (a report of a theft) in the Trowbridge sector from 30 June 2014; the design will then be refined and further tested until it is fully robust in operational use. .This will in turn inform what roles and structures are required. Once capacity had been released, work will focus more on being proactive in preventing crime and addressing the root causes of crime and antisocial behaviour in our communities.

The Chief Constable, Pat Geenty congratulated the team on their work to date, highlighting that Wiltshire was the only force going through an end-to-end redesigning process. Existing systems had been built up over 170 years and it was hoped that silos would be broken down and staff would be put back into the community teams. He recognised the difficulty in transitioning from one system to another and hoped that the system would expand over time, providing information on why crimes were happening and moving the focus to prevention. He welcomed the support of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Wiltshire Public Service Board recognising the review would not work without public partnerships.

The Committee confirmed its support for the redesign, recognising the similarities between it and other projects.

When questioned on whether the redesign had the support of the Ministry of Justice, Mr Geenty noted that the permanent secretary would be visiting next week. Police on the front line had been engaged by the systems thinking team, involved in making changes and designing the right IT solution. A key part was training and ensuring it was right for the individual.

Mr Geenty noted that public satisfaction surveys had shown that Wiltshire Police were third best in the country for dealing with crime, increasing 7 points in the last 12 months. The relationship with the public was improving, possibly due to increased visibility.

The Committee thanked Rachel for her presentation.

Paul Mills gave a presentation on community engagement, including the purchase of community alert software called Neighbourhood Alert. This was currently used by Thames Valley Police who in two years had 80,000 members sign up to use it.

Neighbourhood Alert was free to sign up to, and allowed users to set preferences on the types of and frequency of messages they received. Messages could be targeted to geographical areas from county-wide to street level, or a cluster of homes. It could be used to send updates regarding crime prevention, community safety campaigns, events, news, meetings or good news stories.

It would reinvigorate Neighbourhood Watch, who had been involved in all aspects of the procurement process and would be rolled out in mid to end July to four pilot areas: Malmesbury, Pewsey, Warminster and Swindon West. Other benefits included improved communications, building trust and confidence, reduce incoming calls and reinvigorating other watch schemes. Other force areas used it and there was potential for cross-border work and for it to include other agencies in the future.

In response to questions it was confirmed that Wiltshire was working with the police as part of its digital strategy, and Neighbourhood Alert would be promoted through Area Boards and their community networks, Town and Parish Councils, resident's associations, churches with all encouraged to sign up to it. Its scope could be widened to link in with health and other opportunities.

The Committee thanked Paul for his presentation.

17 Systems Review - Better Care for the frail elderly

John Rogers, Head of Systems Thinking and Customer Access, gave a presentation on the system review of intermediate care that had been started as

a result of the Better Care Plan, a new government initiative on care for the frail elderly.

He detailed the complex processes involved in placing people into intermediate care, and issues around delayed transfers to care and duplication of roles.

A detailed case study was being developed from existing records, and discussions with stakeholders were planned to decide what the 'check' stage would involve and what it would deliver as part of the Better Care Plan.

The committee recognised that community services needed to be in place and available to provide a different option to the acute route.

In response to questions it was confirmed that the care pathway was the best way to bring together service providers and it was important to see the disbenefit to patients of being in acute beds when they would be better placed in a different care setting – ideally their home. There were no plans to put wardens back into care homes.

The Committee thanked John for his presentation.

18 Project and Programme highlight report

lan Baker, Head of Programme Officer presented a report which provided an update on the position of projects and programmes as at 31 May 2014.

Resolved:

The Committee noted the report.

19 Systems Thinking Programme highlight report

John Rogers, Head of Systems Thinking and Customer Access presented a report which detailed the position of the systems thinking programme as at 31 May 2014.

Resolved:

The Committee noted the report.

20 Urgent Items

There were no urgent items.

(Duration of meeting: 2.00 - 3.38 pm)

These decisions were published on the 30 June 2014 and will come into force on 8 July 2014

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