Central Masterplan Delivery Group

Agenda

Friday 29th January 2021, 14.30h – 16.00h

Microsoft Teams Meeting

1.	Welcome and introductions	Councillor Tony Higgins	14.00 – 14.05
2.	Minutes and matters arising (Addendum 1)	Councillor Tony Higgins	14.05 – 14.10
Key Project	Updates**		•
3.	C6 Community Forum update and planned	Vicky Pickering/ Dave Appleton	14.10 – 14.20
4.	Torus investment plan	Gaynor Johnson?	14.20 – 14.30
5.	Emergency Active Travel Funding	David Boyer	14.30 – 14.40
6.	Town Deal Fund	Steve Park	14.40 - 14.50
7.	Proposal for use of remaining LPSA Funding to support Central 6 Masterplan projects	Jo Taylor	14.50 - 15.00
8.	Brief Updates on Previously Presented Items: Bewsey and Dallam Hub Comms update	John Laverick/Emma Hutchinson/ Chris Skinkis Laurence Pullen/ Garry D'Arcy	15.00 – 15.20
9.	A.O.B		15.20 – 15.25
7.	Agenda items for next meeting • WYZ update (6 monthly)		15.25 - 15.30

^{**}Key project update topics will rotate from meeting to meeting to allow the group to focus on each in more detail.

Future Board Meetings details

Day	Date	Venues	Time
Tuesday	27 th April	TBC	2.30pm till 4.00pm
Thursday	29 th July	TBC	2.30pm till 4.00pm
Thursday	28 th October	TBC	2.30pm till 4.00pm

Addendum 1

Actions from Previous meeting

ACTIONS: Safer Streets

- Partners to contact Ruth Atherton if they are able to support with any of the projects in terms of development, engagement or funding opportunities
- RA to make contact with Chris Ball and the Central 6 community forum to maximise engagement with the allotment project in Bewsey.
- RA and DT (WDP) to discuss plans for Wellfield street to ensure access and other disability issues are addressed
- RA and DMcN (Warrington youth club) to discuss opportunities for young volunteers to get involved in activity. DMcN also noted the potential to apply to Cheshire Community Foundation for some funding for elements of the emerging projects
- RA and DB to discuss any further support required from the Council's Environment team
- RA to send online version of the leaflet being used to GD for circulation to the group.
- DB and DMcN to arrange a call to discuss opportunities for young people to volunteer more widely across the borough linked to some of DB's service areas.

Actions – Police Restructuring (Cheshire Futures Programme)

• SM to facilitate a conversation between LG and the police lead for this part of the proposal outside of the meeting

Actions - Youth Zone

- DMcN to contact EH outside of the meeting to look at support for Youth Zone's universal offer
- GD to forward future Youth Zone plans to board on a regular basis

Actions - KickStart employment programme

 AC to follow up with Jo Jackson about opportunities for the voluntary sector for this programme

Actions – Kingsway House

 DS and EH to connect outside of the meeting about dementia friendly designs for Kingsway house.

Actions – Upcoming comms

 SP asked if all partners could look at upcoming comm's and feed them to GD and LP in order to develop a comms timetable or key PR opportunities linked to the central masterplan.

Actions - C6 Community / forum

- EH offered to look at what space was available across Livewire sites to help with accommodating Credit Unions
- DT also noted that it may be possible to accommodate credit union within the CIL building. He also offered support around accessible allotments to the community forum.

Action - Future Board dates

• GD to book 4 quarterly meeting dates for 2021 starting in January

Central 6 Masterplan Delivery Group Meeting Friday 23rd October 2020, 2.00pm till 3.30pm Online Teams meeting Meeting Minutes

In attendance and apologies:

• See Appendix 1

	Actions
1. Welcome and Introductions	
Cllr Tony Higgins welcomed everybody to the meeting and noted apologies (see appendix 1).	
2. Minutes and	
Board accepted that the minutes were true and accurate	
matters arising	
3. Safer Streets Project Update	
 Funded by home office for reduction in acquisitive crime in Bewsey and Whitecross as it has the highest rate in Warrington, the funding is for £550,000 and must be spent by April 2021. The funding is ring fenced for this ward and cannot be spent in other areas. The first part of the project was to survey local residents about their crime concerns. COVID 19 has led to face to face events being cancelled, which has made mass engagement with all residents more challenging, but some face to face has been possible and online responses have been steady. This feedback is being used to identify how to spend the funding on making properties more secure including more local cameras. The funding has also paid for 3 portable ANPR cameras and led to an immediate policing response around certain other issues. 	
 The Safer Streets activity has enabled additional focus on other project areas relevant to the masterplan aims and delivery, as follows: Development of proposals for the underpass on Wellfield Street to tackle issues related to ASB, drug dealing and graffiti, including improving line of sight through the underpass, developing a community art project and undertaking other improvements to the look and feel of the area.	All

community lead in place. It is hoped to open the area by December. It was noted that the community forum also had plans to develop community growing spaces in the 6 wards so links should be made. VP also noted that Chris Ball in the neighbourhoods' team was a key contact for the Whitecross community centre community gardening project and should be contacted.

ACTIONS:

1) Partners to contact Ruth Atherton if they are able to support with any of the projects in terms of development, engagement or funding opportunities

ALL

2) RA to make contact with Chris Ball and the Central 6 community forum to maximise engagement with the allotment project in Bewsey.

RA

3) RA and DT (WDP) to discuss plans for Wellfield street to ensure access and other disability issues are addressed

RA/DT

4) RA and DMcN (Warrington youth club) to discuss opportunities for young volunteers to get involved in activity. DMcN also noted the potential to apply to Cheshire Community Foundation for some funding for elements of the emerging projects

RA/DMcN

5) RA and DB to discuss any further support required from the Council's Environment team

RA/DB

6) RA to send online version of the leaflet being used to GD for circulation to the group.

RA/GD

7) DB and DMcN to arrange a call to discuss opportunities for young people to volunteer more widely across the borough linked to some of DB's service areas.

DB/DMcN

Police Restructuring (Cheshire Futures Programme)

SM talked about the proposal for the police to restructure in Warrington, whilst highlighting this was still at consultation stage and not yet formalised. It comprises 4 work streams:

- Response & Resolution The normal police 24hr emergency response would not change from the user's point of view
- Neighbourhood Policing including a dedicated beat manager and PCSO for each ward.
- Prevention & offender management would be under 1 command
- Major crimes managed by CID
- Local areas would still have a dedicated senior officer (in Warrington's case this is SM)

The proposal would mean 2 police inspectors as opposed to one at the minute and all current police stations in the borough would be operational.

- TH was very happy with the proposal and felt it would be reassuring for Central 6 areas that there would be localised policing building relationships with partners and local people.
- LG asked if the safeguarding side of the proposal would carry or even

enhance the current support to the local hospital. AA noted that Cheshire Directors had been assured that provision would be maintained. ACTION: SM to facilitate a conversation between LG and the police lead for this part of the proposal outside of the meeting	SM/LG
4. <u>Youth Zone</u>	
DMcN gave a presentation about the new Youth Zone project (presentation to be circulated), including summary of the Youth Zone offer, the work to engage young people in its development, images of the proposed building and facilities and timescales on the build programme (currently scheduled to open in spring 2022). He also noted that work is ongoing looking at subsidised travel packages to facilitate access by young people to the Youth Zone.	
 EH said she would be happy to support the Youth Zone's universal offer ACTION: DMcN to contact EH outside of the meeting TH asked if board members could visit the site further down the line as it develops, DMcN agreed that this would be possible. EH asked for a copy of the timeline video for the museum archives when complete DMcN proposed an update to board on a regular basis. ACTION: GD to add to forward plan for meetings. 	EH
5. <u>Kick Start employment programme</u>	
SF gave a presentation about the Kick Start programme and other employment projects taking place in Warrington, noting that the first cohort should be ready to go in November and that many of the young people came from C6 areas. He asked partners to contact Jo Jackson for further info if required. • AC asked if the jobs are new and not replacing people in post or a substitute. SF that it is meant to be new jobs but hard to monitor this and there is a reliance on employers being honest. • AC further asked if there was an option for voluntary sector organisations to come together to offer opportunities linked to this programme. ACTION: AC to follow up with Jo Jackson • DT noted that WDP would also be interested in this but that the Universal Credit requirement was difficult.	
6. <u>Kingsway House</u>	
DS gave a presentation about Kingsway House	
 TH the refurbishment of the building had a high quality look JT felt it was an important project as it fitted in well within an area that has a number of projects in the masterplan, like the rowing club development, the riverside and Victoria park. DT noted that planning for the future is key and asked if the flats would have good accessibility built in and/or the opportunity to build in assistive 	

technology. Dementia friendly design is also important. DS explained there are plans to have higher specification like wider doors but could look at the ground floor flats in more detail for accessibility changes.

- EH offered to support the project with shared learning on dementia friendly design DS and EH to connect outside of the meeting on this
- CJ would like to have conversations and to look to work with Torus going forward about how as a partnership could look at housing needs for Warrington which could form part of a housing strategy.

DS/EH

7. **Upcoming PR Opportunities**

 SP asked if all partners could look at upcoming comm's and feed them to GD and LP in order to develop a comms timetable or key PR opportunities linked to the central masterplan.

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 An example of the developing central 6 webpage and the branding assets we have available for use by all masterplan projects to be circulated for comment (GD)

GD

8. Brief Updates on Previously Presented Items:

Bewsey and Dallam Hub – John Laverick

- Hub build on time with only a slight issue with utilities, planned completion still end of November
- Date for fit out and opening of building will follow building completion
- EH informed the meeting that the comms plan for the building will take place over the coming week
- CS has started working with local groups to look at how they will be able to access the building once open. WBC Neighbourhood's and LiveWire are looking at opportunities for collaborating and work together to reduce health and inequalities in the area.

<u>Emergency Active Travel Fund – Dave Boyer</u>

A detailed note had been circulated. Warrington has been given an indicative figure of £650,000 in funding in 2 tranches.

- Tranche one was received which was £130,000 which was for cycling and pedestrian projects
- Tranche 2 is £520,000 the bid went in August to the government and still awaiting outcome, but it is expected an answer will be a few weeks away.

<u>Town Deal Fund – Steve Park</u>

- Awaiting a response from government regarding the success or otherwise of Warrington's bid.
- The bid was for 26 million with an indication from government that the final figure will be less than this.

 The bus depot project, which formed part of the bid will be brought to a future board meeting.

C6 Community forum planned activity - Dave Appleton - Vicky Pickering

The community forum has been meeting via Zoom due to Covid 19 restrictions. Projects that have come from the forum are:

- Community Greener projects across each ward which is needed more for growing areas and community gardens. There are many potential sites out there and the forum are working up proposals. However, some support would be needed from the council or other partners for some of the sites.
- Bridge Street Crafters have stayed open during COVID and are making Craft packs available to people to undertake from home. The Treasure Chest is also displaying their work.
- Greenwood Centre has reopened and again is providing packs for local people.
- The pyjama appeal will be taking place again this Christmas.
- Central 6 local clean ups in the community have not been taking place due to Covid 19 but still encouraging and educating people to report incidents of fly tipping. Clean ups to restart when safe to do so.
- Community Forum concerned that the credit unions have not been able to open due to Covid19

TH hoped in the near future as community centres reopen that so could credit unions which could start using the centres as soon as it is safe to do so.

Action - EH offered to look at what space was available across Livewire sites to help with accommodating Credit Unions

Action - DT also noted that it may be possible to accommodate credit union within the CIL building. He also offered support around accessible allotments to the community forum

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9. <u>A.O.B</u>

Community Wealth Fund – Jo Taylor

- Warrington has been approached by the Community Wealth fund to support an approach to the government about funding left behind communities with Poplars and Hulme having been identified by them as the key ward for this intervention in Warrington.
- The approach to the government is at the very early stages. The CWF at this point are asking Warrington to sign up to the approach, this will be decided by the town's politicians. Further updates will be provided as needed.

Future Board dates

Action - GD to book 4 quarterly meeting dates for 2021 starting in January

GD

10. Agenda items for next meeting	
Torus investment plan	

Central 6 Board Online meeting Friday 23rd October 2020, 2.00pm till 3.30pm Attendee list

NAME	ORGANISATION	Attended
Councillor Tony Higgins (TH)	WBC	Yes
Steve Park (SP)	WBC	Yes
Eleanor Blackburn (EB)	WBC	Yes
Jo Taylor (JT)	WBC	Yes
Gill Healey (GH)	Torus	Yes
Gaynor Johnson (GJ)	Torus	Yes
David Cummins (DCu)	Warrington Housing Association	
Dave Bradburn (DBr)	WBC	Yes
Kate Shone (KS)	Torus Foundation	Yes
Emma Hutchinson (EH)	LiveWire & Culture Warrington	Yes
Dave McNicholl (DMcN)	WYZ	Yes
Laurence Pullan (LP)	WBC	Apologies
Superintendent CI Simon	Cheshire Police	Yes
Meegan (SM)		
Dave Appleton (DA)	Member of the public	Yes
Vicky Pickering (VP)	Member of the public	Yes
Dave Boyer (Dbo)	WBC	Yes
Chris Skinkis (SK)	WBC	Yes
Dave Thompson (DT)	WDP	Yes
Amanda Amesbury (AA)	WBC	Yes
Simon Constable (Sco)	W&H Teaching Hospitals NHS	Yes
	Foundation Trust	
Lucy Gardner – (LG)	W&H Teaching Hospitals NHS	Yes
Mark Welsh (in place of Lucy)	Foundation Trust	
(MW)		
Alison Cullen (AC)	Warrington Voluntary Action	Yes
John Laverick (JL)	WBC	Yes
Steve Cullen (Scu)	CAB	Apologies
Ruth Atherton (RA)	Cheshire Police	Yes
Catherine Jones (CJ)	WBC	Yes
Garry D'Arcy (GD)	WBC	Yes