

EXETER BOARD

Date: Thursday 15 January 2015
Time: 5.30 pm
Venue: **Rennes Room, Civic Centre, Paris Street, Exeter**

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business.

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Membership –

Exeter City Council

Councillors Baldwin, Edwards, Owen and Sutton

Devon County Council

Councillors Foggin, Hannaford, Hannan, Hill, Leadbetter, Owen, Morse, Prowse and Westlake

Associate Members

Mr Richard Atkins (Exeter College), Sara Bond (Exeter Chamber of Commerce), Simon Bowkett (Exeter CVS), Gillian Champion (Exeter sub-locality of the Eastern Region New Devon CCG), Dr Jonathan Draper (Exeter Cathedral), Angela Pedder (RD & E), Phil Atwell (Exeter University), Jude Taylorson (Faith Groups) and Keith Perkin (Devon & Cornwall Police)

Agenda

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- 3 **Items requiring urgent attention**
- 4 **Open Forum**
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- 6 **Rough Sleepers Count - Item requested by Councillor Hannaford** (Pages 11 - 12)

7 **Mapping Community Assets**

8 **Feedback from Member Representation on Multi Agency groups**

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Minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2014.

9 **Dates of Meetings 2015 and Future Business**

Board Meetings

Tuesday 28 April 2015 – County Hall

Thursday 30 July 2015 – Civic Centre (revised date)

Thursday 24 September 2015 – County Hall

Future Business

Members are asked to consider topics and themes and whether to have sight of the forward plans of the City Council's Executive and the County Council's Cabinet and of Scrutiny Committees.

Transition Town Exeter and Economic Development Strategy
Exeter Cultural Strategy
Exeter Respect

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EXETER BOARD

Tuesday 25 November 2014

Present:-

Exeter City Council
Councillors Baldwin, Edwards, K Owen and Sutton

Devon County Council
Councillors Leadbetter (Chair) Foggin, Hannaford, Hannan, Hill, Leadbetter, Morse, J Owen and Westlake

Associate Members
Simon Bowkett (Exeter CVS) and Jude Taylorson (Faith Groups)

Also Present

Phil Atwell	University of Exeter
Ian Martin and Jo Childs	Exeter Pound
Gavin Milne	Exeter Little House

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APOLOGIES

These were received from Gillian Champion and Councillor Prowse.

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BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Chair welcomed Councillors Edwards and Owen to their first meeting of the Board. They had replaced Councillors Branston and Robson.

The Chair requested that the thanks of the Board be passed on to Councillors Branston and Robson for their service to the Board.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2014

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2014 be taken as read and signed by the Chair as correct.

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OPEN FORUM

No questions had been received from the public.

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ITEM REQUIRING URGENT ATTENTION

The Chair agreed to take the following item as urgent business because of the need to inform the Board of Exeter Pound's application for funding support prior to consideration by the Funding Sub Group.

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EXETER POUND

The Chair welcomed Ian Martin and Jo Childs, Development Workers for Exeter Pound to the meeting who presented a case for the funding of the Exeter Pound project.

Local currencies had been trialled successfully in both Bristol and Totnes, where local features were incorporated in the design of the notes which had been distributed to businesses and residents for use within the administrative areas only. An application for £5,000 would be made to the Funding Sub Group to meet printing costs with a further £5,000 to be raised to meet the electronic delivery of the project via credit cards, texts etc.

The scheme would be launched in September 2015 to coincide with the Rugby World Cup and it would be preceded by a design competition for the notes with four categories of Primary, Secondary, Further Education and Adults and Professionals and exhibitions at the Phoenix and the Guildhall. The scheme would also be promoted through groups such as the Federation of Small Businesses and local trader associations such as the Fore Street Collective and at the Magdalen Road Christmas Fayre.

The project would boost the local economy, enhance local businesses and instil pride in the City with district centres also likely to benefit. In Bristol, in the first two years of a three year scheme, 100 trades had signed up and it was hoped that this figure would be exceeded in Exeter.

The Chair thanked Ian Martin and Jo Childs for attending.

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EXETER LITTLE HOUSE

The Chair welcomed Gavin Milne to the meeting. The Little House operated as a contact centre providing safe, beneficial contact for children separated from their families and was one of Chapter 1's 40 projects in England, many of which were also facing severe financial pressures. It provided a flexible and child centred approach to meet the specific requirements of the individual family. Previously funded through the Big Lottery for three years, it was seeking support in the sum of £8,217 as pump priming which, hopefully, would ensure its continued operation for the following two years. It had, to date, secured £37,000 towards its continued work.

In response to Members, he confirmed that funding was being sought from other sources including Trust Funds such as the Gibbon Housing Trust and he was encouraged to approach the Safer Devon Partnership. He explained the nature of the supported and unsupported work with families and stated that there had been an increase in self referrals. Little House worked in conjunction with other agencies such as Cafcass and SAFE, the former undertaking monitoring work.

The Chair thanked Gavin Milne for attending.

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UNIVERSITY OF EXETER - ROLE IN CITY

The Chair welcomed Phil Atwell, Director of Campus Services of the University of Exeter. The presentation covered the following areas:-

- growth and development of the campus;
- the University of Exeter's ranking and reputation;
- economic contribution;
- students in the City including residences;
- students as residents in the City, their impact and involvement in the community;
- the University in the City including sport and art and culture;
- involvement of the University with Exeter College and local schools;
- capital projects;

- impact on the environment; and
- partnerships.

Discussions with the Director included:-

- anti social behaviour – although the University took this issue very seriously, there had been surprise at the level of problems experienced this October. A working group had been established to look into this year’s difficulties and to prepare better for the 2016 academic year involving Licensed Premises proprietors. A Community Forum was being set up for third party providers of student accommodation to address problems of anti social behaviour at some of these premises. Members asked that the City Council be included in the discussions with the private operators;
- student welfare - inductions for new students, including the growing international cohort, was an important aspect and covered practical living issues in HMO’s including bin emptying as well as health considerations relating to alcohol mis-use. The University and Guild were supportive of the Unipol scheme, which set accreditation standards for private landlords and only those accredited were included on the university’s recommended housing lists. A sample of privately provided student HMO houses were also inspected by the University;
- housing - recognising the concerns of some regarding overall student numbers and the impact on the housing market, with a current student population of 17,483 it was not the intention to increase beyond 20,000 as this could dilute academic standards etc; and
- student impact - Rory Cunningham, the Community Liaison Officer undertook extensive work with local residents in resolving issues and some communities actively worked with students on certain issues. Students too, made a significant and positive contribution to the life of the City through volunteering, sports and education such as maths mentoring.

The Chair thanked Phil Atwell for the presentation.

Members thanked the University for their presentation and praised the work and contribution made by the University to the life of the City, recognising that its enhanced prestige reflected well on Exeter, as well as its on-going work to address certain issues of concern to Members and residents.

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YOUTH PROVISION IN THE CITY

The following updates were provided in respect of the continuation of youth service provision in the City:-

West Side

Peter Stephenson of the Exeter YMCA was confident of proceeding and that the financial position would be tenable. A building survey report was awaited, the Chair remarking that, should repair works be required, the Invest in Devon fund could be a possible source. The City Council’s Corporate Manager Property felt that there should not be a problem in relaxing use of the building to enable wider community use.

Knight Club

Richard Cummings of ISCA Church was very positive and also awaiting the results of a survey to be undertaken on 28 November after which it was hoped that a property handover would occur through a 25 year lease with interim ‘tenancy at will’ ready to allow immediate access once ISCA have confirmed that they are prepared

to take on the property. Repairs to a leaking roof would be necessary. Three youth sessions, two in the afternoon, were already been held. It was acknowledged that the continuation of the service would be on the basis of serving the whole community and that this would be included within the terms and conditions of the Knight Club transfer to the Church.

Phoenix and 100 Club

The 100 Club Youth Hub was operational with three sessions a week between 6.30pm and 9.00pm. Because of its stronger resources and role of Youth Centre Hub for the city it was able to serve the wider community. As Wonford was about two miles away, Steff Holwell at the Club had agreed to run sessions for the young people of Wonford whose travel to the cub would be subsidised by county councillor funds. Initial sessions had been well attended and it was anticipated would grow in number. Support for Wonford by the 100 Club, although not ideal, was therefore a viable option.

Two key issues for the Phoenix Club were the development of a business plan, including the generation of sufficient income from hiring out to other community groups to help continued youth provision, and resolving the lease arrangements. The current lease restriction from the City Council was for “youth activities only” and not for wider community use, a restriction put in place as the Wonford Community Learning Centre was situated next to the Phoenix and had a corresponding restriction limiting it to “community purpose and not for youth activities”. The YMCA had concerns that a continuation of the current lease restrictions would have a negative impact on being able to offer a sustainable service for young people.

The agreement of the Wonford Community Learning Centre trustees was necessary for the lease arrangements to be changed to allow both centres to be run for youth and community activities and this was being negotiated with the Centre as well as the potential of the YMCA running some youth provision from the Centre on limited available evenings in the interim.

The Chair reported that Peter Stephenson had advised that the YMCA Board was supportive of the proposals and that he had been instructed to create a trading company. He remarked that the charges sought by the YMCA were high.

Members recognised the importance of retaining youth provision subject to the resolution of legal/structural issues. Such provision was necessary to reduce the likelihood of additional problems of anti-social behaviour occurring with youths congregating in parks etc., with certain hot spots also apparent in Wonford. An update was provided on the targeted work being undertaken from the 100 Club hub and of the involvement of Exeter College.

In conclusion, it was noted that the County Council were no longer delivering out of any of the three buildings and would be relying on security firms to monitor the buildings from here on in. It was likely that the new youth centres would be operational sometime in the New Year.

RESOLVED that the position be noted.

It was noted that a meeting of the Sub Group was being canvassed for January 2015 with the next scheduled meeting thereafter being 7 April 2015.

33 **FEEDBACK FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON MULTI AGENCY GROUPS**

The Board noted the minutes of the meeting of the Exeter Health and Well Being Board held on 7 October 2014.

34 **DATES OF MEETINGS IN 2015**

RESOLVED that:-

- 1) future meetings of the Board commence at 5.30pm; and
- 2) the following dates and venues for meetings be noted:-

Thursday 15 January 2015 - Civic Centre
Tuesday 28 April 2015 - County Hall
Thursday 23 July 2015 - City Centre
Thursday 24 September 2015 - County Hall

(The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm and closed at 8.08 pm)

Chair

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EXETER BOARD

15 JANUARY 2015

ROUGH SLEEPERS IN EXETER

The rough sleeper count in November 2014, found there to be a 48% increase in the number of homeless people living on the streets of Exeter. The breakdown of the figures, together with possible reasons for the increase in numbers, is set out below:

The total number of homeless people sleeping on the streets was counted at 34. What we know about these individuals is:

1 is under the age of 25
5 are over the age of 50
1 is over the age of 70
2 out of 34 are Polish; the rest are believed to be from the UK
7 out of the 34 were unknown to Street Homeless Outreach Team
5 were first contacts at the start of the week
Over 50% had a local connection to Exeter
2 were females (1 was part of a couple)
10 are believed to have enduring mental health issues
7 have been out for longer than 1 year
2 have been out for over 5 years
6 have Alcohol Issues
2 predominately have issues with legal high use
7 indicated or are known to be heroin users and a further 3 are believed to be using. However, there is evidence that heroin users have also been using Legal Highs
10 show no interest in coming in doors and are entrenched in rough sleeping
11 have been identified as needing self contained accommodation although this maybe difficult as some will have very high support needs.

Possible Causes for the Increase in Numbers of Rough Sleepers in Exeter

1. Increases in rough sleeping are on the rise across the country. In Devon, Mid Devon's number of rough sleepers has increased from nil to 4, East Devon's has increased from 5 to 6 and Torbay's has increased from 5 to 15.
2. It is becoming more challenging to work with some rough sleepers and the Street Homeless Outreach Team are finding it more difficult as they are seeing an increase in chaotic behaviour. Some of this behaviour can be linked to unmanaged substance misuse and mental health problems. Reductions and changes in service provision and a lack of outreach support in terms of health, mental health and substance misuse workers, is often resulting in non engagement by clients who are expected to attend the services rather than the services coming to them.
3. Changes in the commissioning of services by Devon County Council (DCC) has meant that there is only one property (Gabriel House) which is capable of supporting and accommodating clients with complex needs. If this accommodation does not prove successful for the client or if there is no available room at Gabriel House, there is no other alternative. There is a substantial amount of available hours in the floating support element of the contract that has been commissioned. Some of these hours are being used with the outreach team to assist people on the streets but detailed recovery work cannot take place without some form of accommodation and equally, many assessments such as the need for social care services are often restricted until accommodation is

found. Exeter City Council's (ECC's) ability to input into the design of services to be commissioned was limited as we were a part of a sub contracting bid.

4. The loss of the Esther project for vulnerable females has led to a change in the gender make up in services and especially Gabriel House. Across all the services, 22 females have been accommodation since April, 15 of which are still accommodated across BCHA services.
5. Homeless numbers have generally increased and there are more people in need of accommodation and support. In the last quarter alone (July to September 2014) SHOT has opened 71 cases with 84% of those deemed to have complex needs, 66% had a primary support need for substance misuse (51% of these cases stating NPS (Legal High) as primary substance). 65% had Local Connection to Exeter, East Devon 20%, Mid Devon 3% North Devon 3 %. 83% are Male, 17% Female.
6. 11 rough sleepers have identified that they will only leave the streets if offered self contained accommodation. This would be at great risk to the City Council in terms of financial loss, anti social behaviour and potential risk to staff that would need to try and manage the behaviour. Whilst potentially there is a possibility for a very small pilot this is not a viable solution for the numbers on the street.

Solutions

1. Exeter along with East Devon, Mid Devon, Teignbridge and Torbay have been successful in bidding for Single Homeless Fund funding which will assist this client group over the next year. Renewed efforts around the Making Every Adult Matter (MEAM) approach will focus on encouraging agencies to come together and resolve individual's circumstances rather than them falling between the cracks.
2. Traditionally, Exeter does not have as robust an approach towards rough sleepers as other areas. In order to combat rough sleeping, partners need to ensure that there is a balance between an approach that offers support but is clear that the choice to live on the streets in Exeter is not an acceptable. The City Council intends to work closer with the Police to deal with chaotic behaviour where it is deemed anti social.
3. With continued reductions in public funding, there is little chance of significant increased investment in this area. Therefore it is vital that parties (including the voluntary sector) work closer together with the resources we do have to provide a coherent response to the increase and enable flexibility in approach in order to combat it and turn it around.
4. The services based in Exeter and funded through DCC are not just for Exeter Residents. They are for clients in need in the Eastern Area of Devon which includes Exeter, East Devon and Mid Devon. These services are part of the Eastern Hub. Unfortunately the Hub is not functioning as effectively as is possible. There is an expectation on the City Council to manage the relationships within the contracts, to collate and review data and thereafter make comment on changes needed. In practice, the City Council does not have the capacity to do this nor the contractual relationship with the providers to require the data to be shared. DCC has indicated that there is no available funding for this.
5. There has been additional funds released by DCC to assist in Winter Provision. For the future, the City Council and the Hub hopes to be consulted prior to the distribution of these funds to ensure that the funding meets local needs and maximises the opportunity for a positive impact.

Nicola Forsdyke, Housing Needs Manager

Exeter City Council

EXETER HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Tuesday 11 November 2014

Present:-

Gillian Champion	Clinical Commissioning Group
Councillor Owen	Exeter City Council
Councillor Hannaford	Exeter City Council
Councillor Shiel	Exeter City Council (Chair of Scrutiny Community)
Councillor Leadbetter	Devon County Council
Councillor Westlake	Devon County Council
Sara Gibbs	Devon County Council
Anna Shwappach	Devon County Council
Superintendent Perkin	Devon and Cornwall Constabulary
Julian Tagg	Exeter City FC
Matt Evans	Active Devon
Jacinta Jackson	Health Watch Devon
Martyn Rogers	Exeter Age UK
Robert Norley	Exeter City Council
Dawn Rivers	Exeter City Council
Anne-Marie Hawley	Exeter City Council
Alex Bullied	Exeter City Council
Howard Bassett	Exeter City Council
Catherine White	Exeter City Council

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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

RESOVLED that:-

- (1) Gillian Champion of the Clinical Commissioning Group be appointed Chair of the Board for the next 12 months; and
- (2) Councillor Keith Owen of Exeter City Council be appointed Deputy Chair of the Board for the next 12 months.

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APOLOGIES

These were received from Councillor Edwards, Simon Bowkett, Dr Virginia Pearson and Patsy Temple.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 OCTOBER 2014

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2014 were agreed as a correct record.

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EXETER DISTRICT PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN 2014/15

Sara Gibbs presented the Exeter District Public Health Plan 2014/15. The Plan was a mechanism for monitoring and prioritising health and wellbeing issues across Exeter and to inform the planning of services within the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board partners. A yearly update of the Plan would be available by September each year and Exeter health and wellbeing outcomes reports would be produced quarterly by the Devon Public Health Intelligence Team. It formed a suite

of documents including the Exeter Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the Active Exeter delivery plan.

The Annual Public Health Plan informed the Board's priorities, currently:-

- increasing physical activity;
- reducing alcohol misuse;
- reducing falls and cold homes; and
- health of the most disadvantaged.

In referring to the Public Health England Health Profile for Exeter 2014 where Exeter's figures were high in respect of skin cancer, alcohol related hospital admissions, violent crime and acute sexually transmitted infections. However, these had to be taken in context as not all were appropriate for the Board to seek to influence and because some were influenced by commissioned services. The Board, as a partnership, had rightly identified priorities to contribute to by working collaboratively together.

Highlighted in the Exeter figures was an increase in hospital admissions rates for self-harm for 10-24 year olds. This is a Devon-wide issue and was being examined through a Health Needs Assessment which would highlight any evidence-based interventions that might contribute to reducing these rates.

Gillian Champion referred to the proposed creation of an Urgent Care Centre at the RD&E which would be distinct from the Accident and Emergency Department. It was widely agreed that the terminology around "urgent" was confusing and should be considered further.

RESOLVED that:-

- 1) the Board endorse the Public Health District Plan;
- 2) partners use the information in the plan and link to further information available on the Devon Health and Wellbeing website for planning their work within the City; and
- 3) the Board endorse the current priorities of the Joint Health and Wellbeing strategy and therefore the Exeter Health and Wellbeing Board. These will be re-examined every year against the Annual Exeter District Public Health Plan.

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SMOKE FREE PLAY PARKS

Sara Gibbs presented the report on the "Better Places to Play" evidence based Smoke Free Play Parks initiative developed by Smokefree South West. She explained the rationale behind the initiative which was being implemented by District Councils across Devon.

It was noted that the signage would be advisory only and complemented the on-going work of encouraging people to change behaviour to improve their health.

Potential parks where signage would be of greatest value had been identified by the parks operatives with Bury Meadow noted as a particular problem because of its proximity to Exeter College.

RESOLVED that the Board:-

- 1) endorse the use of smoke free play parks signage in those parks where the public or council staff have currently identified smoking as an issue;
- 2) agree to the identification of possible additional parks based on health and wellbeing statistics, insights from the City Council parks team and availability of signage;
- 3) endorse the use of Smokefree South West “Better Places to Play” signage accessed through money currently allocated to Exeter City Council and held by Public Health Devon; and
- 4) agree to City Council officers, subject to prior consultation with the City Council Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Wellbeing, identifying the extent of those parks where signage would be introduced.

6 **EVERYBODY ACTIVE, EVERY DAY IN EXETER - PUBLIC HEALTH BEHAVIOUR CHANGE SCOPING REPORT**

Sara Gibbs presented the final version of the public health behaviour change scoping report previously titled “Getting Exeter Active” and now incorporating comments made at the Board meeting in July. The report title had been changed to reflect the context of increasing physical activity levels in the City and health inequalities. Profiles and segments of the population in the report now included a wider audience within the city and acknowledged the approach needed for physical activity opportunities to appeal to these groups.

Matt Evans urged caution in respect of the statistics because the sample had only been 500.

RESOLVED that the Board:-

- 1) approve and adapt the final version of the social marketing scoping review report Everybody Active Every Day in Exeter;
- 2) endorse distribution of the report through the Active Exeter group; and
- 3) reports on the progress of the scheme be submitted on a quarterly basis.

7 **HEALTH PROMOTION DEVON - ROLE AS PROVIDER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN DEVON**

Jacinta Jackson spoke on the work of Health Promotion Devon which covered the following areas:-

- Specialist stop smoking service;
- Health trainer service;
- Health Trainers;
- Inequalities Team - Community Development Workers;
- Healthy weight;
- Sexual health;
- Training; and
- Emotional wellbeing.

Training was of great value to individuals and communities in developing health capacity and resilience with a skilled training team, the majority of which was accredited and could range to level 3, and had the expertise to develop programmes to meet highly localised needs. In Exeter, there had been approximately 130 participants in 7 different courses. Training was at the 80-90% level with engagement through self referral, GP referral and community engagement workers. Wonford, for example, had experienced a poor take up of training offers to parents at Wynstream School but with Wonford Green Surgery experiencing a strong referral level.

The Chair thanked Janita Jackson for her presentation.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

8 **LEISURE FACILITIES STRATEGY/ PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT**

Matt Evans presented the report setting out the work to date of Active Exeter. He referred to the City Council's work in completing a Leisure Facilities Strategy and Playing Pitch Strategy. Notwithstanding the importance of facilities and green spaces as places for people to participate in activity, Active Exeter's focus had largely been towards people and activities. It was important therefore that initiatives were moving forward on a number of fronts to promote and recognise the strategic value of participation in physical activity and sport. Sara Gibbs emphasised that regard should be had to all forms of physical activity and not just sport. Julian Tagg referred to his involvement in an art and culture group and asked to be involved in the development of the strategies.

Following discussions between the City Council and Active Devon, it was proposed that an overarching strategy document be agreed to articulate the key priorities from the various strands in a single high level document. It was proposed that the Health and Wellbeing Board promote a working stakeholder conference, to take place in February/March 2015, aimed at informing the strategy and securing wider ownership with key partners.

RESOLVED that the Board:-

- 1) note the report;
- 2) endorse and support the proposed stakeholder conference as a means to informing an over arching sport and physical activity strategy for the City;
- 3) request Exeter City Council and Active Devon to progress the appropriate arrangements for the strategy; and
- 4) Matt Evans liaise with Robert Norley and Julian Tagg in the production of the strategies.

9 **EXETER PARK FITNESS TRAIL**

It was reported that the City Council had received a grant for \$67,000 (sterling equivalent of £41,620) from the Alcoa Foundation of Alco Howmet based at Sowton to create an Outdoor Fitness Trail in one of Exeter's Parks. To ensure delivery of the project it was suggested that the Board lead a partnership approach to project management and monitoring or suggest a partner organisation with enough capacity to take on this task.

Catherine White, who had been involved in the bid, referred to an existing green gym in Belmont Park. This trail would enlarge on the project which would be one of the first of its kind in the country and the first developed by Alcoa.

The City Council would design and install the trail which would improve health and wellbeing and the funding was shortly to be received. The Council was proposing either Cowick Barton Playing Fields or Heavitree Park, given their central location in dense residential areas. Of the two, Cowick Barton Playing Fields currently had the lowest usage and it was considered that it would be easier to achieve the project outcomes in a location that was not currently well used. However, community engagement would be needed to ensure the proposed project outcomes were delivered.

RESOLVED that:-

- 1) given the objectives of the Exeter Health and Well Being Board and the wide range of potential stakeholders in this project, Active Exeter sub-group be appointed to oversee and monitor project delivery and outcomes against grant requirements;
- 2) the Active Exeter sub group recommend the location of the trail for the final decision to be made by the City Council; and
- 3) a report on progress be submitted to the next Board meeting.

10 **LOCAL AIR POLLUTION STUDY - EXPOSURE TO ULTRA-FINE PARTICLES IN EXETER**

Alex Bullied updated the Board on progress with a study into the exposure of Exeter residents to ultra-fine particles (PM_{2.5}).

It had proved harder than expected to source monitors for hire as only one of the three companies approached had been able to provide these for hire and would only finalise prices next year. Plymouth City Council had made an application for grant funding from DEFRA to purchase the equipment and, if successful, would make it available for hire to other Local Authorities. Their grant application would be decided later this year. If the Plymouth bid did not succeed the potential for joint action by Plymouth and Exeter would be examined.

Purchase of GPS watches would also be required and would be more cost effective than hire, at around £150 per watch.

The importance of identifying suitable walking and cycling routes with minimal traffic impact was emphasised.

RESOLVED that the progress report be noted.

11 **RUGBY WORLD CUP**

Catherine White presented an overview of the Rugby World Cup background and legacy with Exeter hosting the following three matches at Sandy Park in 2015 during the World Cup between 18 September and 31 October 2015:-

- Tonga v Namibia - Tuesday 29 September 2015 at 5.00pm;
- Namibia v Georgia - Wednesday 7 October 2015 at 8.00pm;
- Italy v Romania - Sunday 11 October 2015 at 2.30pm

The tournament would create inward investment for the City, bring a range of tourism benefits, offer volunteering opportunities and leave a legacy for the City to build on. Some 400,000 tourists would visit the UK and, overall, £4.2 billion would be generated. The City would be vibrant and a Fan Zone created at Norhernhay Gardens.

A Word Cup steering group, chaired by Tony Rowe of Exeter Chiefs, had been established with Catherine chairing the legacy sub-group.

The five key legacy features were:-

- Increasing participation in rugby for all
- More opportunities for women/girls to play rugby
- Increasing involvement in a wide range of sports and physical activities
- Maximising economic benefits
- Promoting stronger and supportive communities

The RWC legacy tied in with the Exeter Health and Wellbeing Board aim of Exeter becoming the being the most active city in the SW by 2018.

In a wider context, the benefits of the tournament would be:-

- Health : preventative, rather than cure;
- Wealth : support businesses and maximise individual and family income;
and
- Wealth : safe, supportive and resilient communities

As a host City, the City Council had committed £300,000, £250,000 towards organisation and £50,000 for the legacy. Break-even was not anticipated but there would be specific measurables in respect of the legacy as the global impact of Exeter's role as a host venue would benefit the City economically.

The Chair thanked Catherine for her presentation.

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COMMUNITY ORGANISERS

Dawn Rivers reported that three community organisers, all from Exeter, had been working in Wonford over the last 12 months hosted by the Wonford Community and Learning Centre and funded by the Office for Civil Society. They were being trained in community organising skills (a form of community development) and there was a potential continuation of the funding for a second year subject to employment and a proportion of match funding by local employers. The host organisation would be required to match half of the salary costs equivalent to £7,500 - to enable the community organisers role to continue. There was the potential for these roles to support organisations in the City who would welcome a community engagement role to address issues such as health and well-being, social isolation and Keeping Exeter active.

RESOLVED that partner bodies who could identify as potential employers contact Dawn Rivers for more information.

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WESTBANK

Martyn Rogers reported on the Neighbourhood Friendly project seeking to recruit 100 volunteers to help the over 75's over the winter with the aim of reducing hospital admissions and speeding up release from hospitals through help at home. This work was part of the Integrated Care work in Exeter.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the following dates for future meetings be noted:-

Tuesday 3 February 2015

Tuesday 14 April 2015

Tuesday 7 July 2015

Wednesday 2 September 2015

(The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and closed at 4.15 pm)

Chair

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