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Reporting Committee	Population Health and Partnership Committee	
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Chaired by	Emma Woollett, Chair	
Lead Executive Director (s)	Keith Lloyd, Director of Public Health and Nerissa Vaughan, Interim Director of Strategy	
Date of last meeting	19 June 2023	

Matters to Draw to the Attention of the Board (particularly areas relating to risk or quality)

No matters to draw to the attention of the Board.

Other Areas of Discussion

- **West Glamorgan Regional Partnership Board (RPB) Area Plan**

The Area Plan was received at Board in March 2023 and proposed changes had been incorporated into action plans. Governance structures had been reviewed and would be reviewed again in 12 months' time and operational and strategic elements of the plan had been separated out. Work was needed to review and tighten membership of the sub-committees and on connecting the transformation boards and work-programmes. In order for the plan to be transformative, members agreed that there needed to be more focus and priorities set out. Further information was requested on the funding element and how the plan would be delivered in the current financial context. The importance of collaboration between the statutory organizations was also highlighted.

- **Public Service Board (PSB) Wellbeing Plans**

Both Swansea and Neath Port Talbot PSB's were developing separate plans and have worked closely with the RPB. The health board has had involvement and plans have been aligned. Progress on plans differed with Swansea further ahead in terms of development. Members highlighted that there appeared to be a disconnect between the high level objectives and actions in terms of delivery of the high level wellbeing plans and it was important to look at better ways of working collectively to achieve outcomes. Members requested further information on health board membership across the PSB, the statutory requirements of the partnership, a description of the inter-relationships between the RPB and PSB and the health board focus and priorities for the PSB from a population health perspective.

- **Population Health Strategy**

The Strategy acts as a framework for action across the health system as set out in the 4-pillar model to delivery, the final version of which had been approved at Board in March 2023. There were concerns that the health board was not equipped to drive forward its implementation in

terms of the infrastructure and ways of working. There was work to be done to ensure the strategy is owned by all and embedded into business as usual but discourse was shifting across the health board and Service Groups were having different conversations. Members agreed that three areas of focus to push forward in the population health agenda were; firstly the health board needs to enable itself as a population health led organisation by ensuring the right mechanisms are in place internally and with partners. Secondly, we need to monitor how we are putting things in place in relation to the four pillars. Thirdly, we need to demonstrate progress against the Welsh Government prioritised population health targets (smoking, obesity and childhood vaccinations).

- **Terms of Reference**

The draft Terms of Reference were reviewed and a number of changes were proposed. It was agreed that population health and the effectiveness of our engagement with and delivery through partnerships should be the focus of this committee and that planning and the creation of internal documents was covered through Board and other committees such as PFC. Within the TOR, members requested the inclusion of the committee’s requirement for oversight of financial elements of the partnerships. Members also recognised the tension between the transactional element of the health board’s role in partnerships and ensuring that the transformational journey, in which the health board’s influence on doing things differently is still there. Both transformational and transactional needed to be factored into the work of the committee, but there should be a clear definition and separation of the two. Initially, the committee would focus on the two statutory partnerships, RPB and PSB but this was not to be set out in the TOR as this would be subject to change as the committee moves forward.

Decisions Made for Approval by the Board

No decisions were made requiring board approval.

Updates Received from Sub-Groups

There were no updates received from Sub-Groups.

Matters Referred to Other Committees

There were no matters referred to Other Committees.

Date of next meeting	10 August 2023
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