

ONE Haverhill Partnership Board Meeting MINUTES

9th December 2021 10:00am
Zoom teleconferencing

Present:

Andy Hunter	AH	Chair and Headteacher, Samuel Ward Academy
Andrew Smith	AS	Havebury Housing
Carol Eagles	CE	West Suffolk Citizens Advice
Colin Poole	CP	Town Clerk, Haverhill Town Council
Councillor Heike Sowa	CllrHS	Suffolk County Council
Councillor Joe Mason	CllrJM	Haverhill Town Council
Councillor John Burns	CllrJB	Haverhill Town Council
Councillor Liz Smith	CllrLS	Haverhill Town Mayor
Councillor Margaret Marks	CllrMM	West Suffolk Council
Councillor Susan Glossop	CllrSG	Cabinet Member for Planning & Growth, West Suffolk Council
Dave Gooderham	DG	ONE Haverhill PR Consultant
Gary Norgate	GN	West Suffolk Foundation Trust
Helena Jopling	HJ	West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust
Helen Cullup	HC	Community Action Suffolk
Henry Wilson	HW	REACH Haverhill
Jacqui Singleton	JS	Work Related Learning Coordinator, Samuel Ward Academy
John Mayhew	JM	Haverhill & District Chamber of Commerce
Jon Eaton	JE	Families & Communities Officer, West Suffolk Council
Julie Baird	JB	Director Growth and Planning, West Suffolk Council
Kate Vaughton	KV	West Suffolk CCG
Lizzi Cocker	LC	Families & Communities Officer, West Suffolk Council
Sarah Portway	SP	Head of Primary Care, NHS West Suffolk CCG
Alisha Jenkins	AJ	Haverhill Town Council, minute taker

Item **ACTION**

1. Welcome, Declaration of Interest, Apologies

Andy Hunter welcomed everyone to the meeting and mentioned to members that the meeting was being recorded.

Apologies were received from:

Andrew Cuthbertson, Suffolk County Council

Alex Till, CEO MENTA

Councillor Dave Smith, Haverhill Town Council

Councillor David Roach, Suffolk County Council

Councillor Tony Brown, Haverhill Town Council

Dan Piley, Haverhill Chamber of Commerce

David Ruddy, Vice Chair and West Suffolk College

Ian Gallin, Chief Executive, West Suffolk Council

Paul Turner, River of Life Community Church

Sergeant Matt Gilbert, Police

Tony Howard, Business Development Manager, Citizens Advice Bureau

Warren Smyth, Abbeycroft Leisure

1 members of the public were present

Declarations of interest:

None.

A. Hunter reminded members with any declarations of interest in future meeting to notify himself or Alisha before the meeting. **ALL**

2. Previous Minutes & Matters Arising from the meeting held 23rd September 2021:

Substantive actions from previous minutes (Reference numbers from previous minutes)

6.3.2. Domestic Abuse Champions: A. Hunter did meet with H. Cullup regarding the two strands which will support young people promoting healthy relationships and to raise awareness of domestic abuse support already available within the community. A member of staff at Samuel Ward Academy has trained via Suffolk County Council to become a Domestic Abuse Champion.

8.2. COVID-19 Vaccination Programme: Councillor M. Marks informed that Katrina Hawker, West Suffolk Council Clinical Commissioning Group has now stepped down from organising the walk-in clinics and has been replaced by Suzanne Hoy. K. Hawker will be looking to liaise with schools, Cllr MM has provided KH with A. Hunter's email to organise a vaccination clinic at Samuel Ward Academy.

It was reported that K. Hawker wasn't given enough local contact to help get sessions up and running and asked that in the future that the lead of the vaccination programme be supported by local councils to best advise for the smooth running of the projects. K. Vaughton added that K. Hawker had been working with the Families and Communities department at West Suffolk Council KV to investigate communication issues for the vaccination programme.

Previous minutes were approved.

3. Future Systems Presentation to Board:

1. New West Suffolk Hospital services 5-year plan – Gary Norgate:

G. Norgate gave a presentation on the development of the new West Suffolk Hospital. Compared to England, West Suffolk has a higher proportion of people aged 65 and over and a lower proportion of working aged people. Growth in older age groups is expected to continue, placing further demand on already stretched health and care services and a requirement for increased hospital beds, unless significant changes are made to the model of care.

Hardwick Manor is the preferred site for the development of the new hospital, the first round of public consultation has taken place with over 800 responses, a second round of engagement is now underway before the planning application is finalised.

Hardwick Manor is located behind the current hospital, the plans are looking to replace the main hospital building but retain the entire rear of the site buildings which are still serviceable.

The next steps:

November/ December 2021 – Second Round of engagement

December 2021/ January 2022 – Project team reviews feedback and finalises technical documents

Early 2022 – Outline planning application submitted to West Suffolk Council

Summer 2022 – Planning application determined by the West Suffolk Council Planning Committee

2. Clinical Perspective: Haverhill ‘Public Service Hub’ – Helena Joplin:

Helena Joplin gave a presentation on the strategic health and wellbeing hubs in West Suffolk.

Currently in West Suffolk Brandon and Mildenhall have operational health hubs, Bury St Edmunds is due to have the new hospital opening in 2025 and Haverhill, Newmarket and Sudbury health hubs are in the planning stages.

Left Shift in the population health and wellbeing, which emphasizes the importance of self-care with individuals staying as healthy as they can for as long as they can before relying on community-based care and secondary care services.

Through the West Suffolk hospital lens services that could be taken out of a hospital could include standard level emergency care and non-urgent level emergency care, this would give Haverhill 2,190 cases amenable to local care.

The next proposal is to look through the people’s lens to help understand what the people of Haverhill need, how do the current services meet those needs, how well does the distribution of resources match the need.

Councillor M. Marks suggested that H. Joplin investigate the figures from the Walk in Clinic that Haverhill previously had to determine what the failings were and how they can be avoided with the health hub.

J. Mayhew asked how the plan have taken into consideration the population growth for Haverhill, as thousands of houses are currently under development around the town.

H. Jopling has been working with local planners to take future developments and their demographic into consideration.

J. Mayhew suggested that there should not be any preconceptions of what the health hub services would be, but rather evidence the community need for the most appropriate services that will bring the largest benefit to Haverhill residents.

A vote was taken to support the development of Future Systems.

RESOLVED

Deep thanks was given to Kate Vaughton, Helena Jopling and Gary Norton for the Future Systems presentation.

4. Public Speaking:

Michael Simpkin – Trustee of West Suffolk Citizens Advice:

Is looking for a someone interested in becoming a Trustee representative for Haverhill for West Suffolk Citizens Advice.

A. Jenkins to circulate M. Simpkin’s email for members or any interest persons to contact him directly.

AJ

5. Business Plan Review:

C. Poole informed that the Op’s Group has been collecting data to create the framework for the next Business Plan update. Thanks was given to all board members that took part in the survey that was circulated which gave members the opportunity to input their own thoughts on what the priorities are and how the partnership can address them at a community level.

C. Poole shared the One Haverhill Business Plan Development presentation, which included the proposed focus topics for the next ONE Haverhill Business plan which fit in with the government’s 4 priorities for “levelling up”.

The four priorities are:

1. Investment in skills
2. Investment for local business
3. Investments in communities and place
4. Supporting people into employment

Councillor L. Smith asked whether the strands to the Business Plan would encompass those with disabilities.

The Clerk mentioned that those with disabilities would fall under community and places strand, where community based support could be developed to help reduce the demands of specialist services.

Councillor S Glossop asked that those that would be doing any work under the skills strand to get in contact with Kirsty Pitwood at West Suffolk Council regarding projects she is taking part in.

Councillor J Burns raised concerns that the new Business Plan was similar to the existing one and asked whether there would be a report done on the previous Business Plan including KPI analysis.

It was also suggested that ONE Haverhill engage and report more to the public the work that ONE Haverhill Partnership is doing.

A. Hunter agreed that the public engagement is a priority, during the process of this Business Plan review there will be a public consultation to engage with the residents of Haverhill to establish whether the Partnership has the right priorities.

Councillor M Marks suggested that the partnership should engage more with young people to try and break generational habits.

A vote was taken, and the Business Plan was adopted with no objections.

ADOPTED

6. Task Group updates:

6.1. Health and Wellbeing Task Group:

No further update

6.2. Education, training, and Employment Task Group:

No further update.

6.3. Crime and ASB Task Group:

6.3.1. H. Wilson reported that there had been no further progress under the Drug and Alcohol strand.

6.3.2. H. Cullup informed that she is continuing to work with the Women's Aid Charity in Bury St Edmunds. Who are currently seeking some funding from the West Suffolk Community Chest Funds to start up a Freedom and Survivors project in Haverhill. This will allow people suffering from a domestic abuse to be able to get help locally.

ICENI in Ipswich run a Venta programme which is a community-based programme for men who are committed to understanding, challenging, and changing behaviours within their relationships. In line with RESPECT guidelines, Venta offers 16 weeks of exploration, understanding, learning and personal growth for men who, currently or historically, exhibit behaviours that are considered violent, abusive, coercive, or controlling.

6.3.3. Cllr J Burns updated that there has been no police report submitted for this meeting. There has been 2 problem areas highlighted in the town for anti-social behaviour.

6.4. Town Centre MasterPlan Task Group:

6.4.1. Julie Baird keen to explore the roles of the Health Hub and how that will help stimulate growth within the Haverhill Town Centre.

6.5. BID Task Group:

6.5.1. Business Improvement District:

Julie is working with Mo Azwat at Mosaic and a clear timetable for a ballot in February/ March 2022 is now in place. The task group will then share and discuss the Business plan with all businesses in the proposed district during December and January ready for a February Ballot.

6.5.2. Heart of Haverhill:

The Heart of Haverhill has been working to improve the footfall in the town centre, including supporting:

1. The Women's Tour Cycle race.
2. The Christmas Light Switch On
3. Christmas Late Night Shopping event.

J. Mayhew mentioned that the Task Group is starting to run out of funding and would appreciate and money that people could spare to keep the project running until the new financial year.

6.6. Volunteering Task Group:

No further update.

7. Financial Overview:

A. Hunter reminded all representatives that it was part of the expectation of being a member to seek within their organisations for any funding opportunities that the ONE Haverhill Partnership could use to meet core costs and fund any of prospective projects.

ALL

8. Any Other Business:

None.

10. Dates of Next Meetings:

Thursday 17th March 2022
Thursday 9th June 2022
Thursday 29th September 2022
Thursday 24th November 2022