

Caerphilly Public Services Board Well-being Plan
Six Monthly Performance

Date: 4th December 2018

Action Area: AA5 Natural Environment

Contribution to the 4 Well-being Objectives:

Positive Change— Working with others to help everyone to understand the importance of the natural environment and how it underpins how we live, work and play.

Positive Start— Creating and maintaining healthy, green, well-connected green spaces and habitats to deliver multiple benefits for well-being.

Positive People— Enhancing and promoting local, natural environments, to help residents be more active and engaged.

Positive Places— Providing a network of connected green spaces to deliver multiple benefits for both individuals and nature.

Contribution to the 7 Well-being Goals:

A Prosperous Wales, A resilient Wales, A healthier Wales, A more equal Wales, A Wales of cohesive communities, A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language, A globally responsible Wales.

Performance measures where identifiable	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
	Yes
	No
Quantifiable measures	

Evidence

- Protect and enhance the local environment pack developed to inform the development of the Delivery Plan
- Green Spaces workshop held to engage partners on the 'Protect and enhance the local natural environment' action area and to inform key actions for the delivery plan
- Green Spaces Core group established, with first meeting planned for December 2018. There is also a wider network of interested parties.
- Undertaking a Green Spaces / Health project looking at Active Travel, which will be completed by 31st March 2019
- Funding secured to undertake a trial mapping project in the Caerphilly County Borough, which will be complete by 31st March 2019
- Attended the Health and Volunteering Action area workshops to identify the links between Green Spaces, Health and Volunteering

Ref	Key Tasks	Progress 1-2 years
A	Create, complete and implement an integrated Green Infrastructure Strategy.	Green Infrastructure Strategy is led by CCBC. PSB stakeholders have been involved during development, for example at the Green Spaces workshop in Cwmcarn (consultants attended to talk about Strategy and listen to stakeholders). CCBC will provide an update at the Green Spaces Core Group meeting in December.
B	Establish a funding group of PSB organisations to share knowledge and identify opportunities for collaborative projects and funding bids.	Membership of Green Spaces Core Group agreed; first meeting is in December. Members of this group are currently part of other regional funding bids (eg. Welsh Government's Enabling Natural Resources and Wellbeing fund). Agenda for the first Green Spaces Core Group meeting includes an item to discuss current and potential funding bids (both in Caerphilly and regionally).
C	Map existing delivery, assets, opportunities and gaps of our green spaces and identify opportunities for change.	<p>Project proposal has been produced to start to deliver this action: 'Green Spaces in Caerphilly – looking at provision and use'. £5k identified (NRW funding) to commission the work in a number of communities in Caerphilly. The focus will be to consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The provision of green space within the community 2) The maintenance of the community green space 3) The use of that green space by the community and community interaction with it 4) The future opportunities for that green space, including opportunities for greater community participation and involvement
D	Implement actions to increase the contribution that the environment makes to the health and well-being of residents.	<p>NRW has agreed a £15k contribution to be spent on using green space in Caerphilly to enhance health and wellbeing (spend to be completed by end March 2019). Have met with CCBC and Public Health Wales and agreed to focus on active travel (increasing opportunity for physical activity as part of daily routine). We are looking at hubs of workplace, school and social infrastructure. The project will work with people in these hubs to talk about barriers/opportunities to being more active and then help to promote and enhance connections to local green spaces. Expect delivery of project to start January 2019.</p> <p>Also working closely with Good Health Action Area to ensure that synergies are realised.</p> <p>Green Spaces network responded to consultation on CCBC Sport and Active Recreation Strategy.</p>
E	Implement actions to increase volunteering in the outdoors	<p>Have ensured that Green Space Core Group (and wider network) has lots of representation from organisations that can offer volunteering opportunities.</p> <p>Action Area Lead attended workshop for Volunteering Action Area in September to discuss synergy and interaction between two themes. Identified opportunities that now need to be followed up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter and fly tipping – support and resources for people who want to tackle this in their local area • Community flood planning and flood wardens for areas at risk of flooding • Looking after green spaces – opportunities for people to work together to improve their local environment e.g. improve access, provide services, improve quality. <p>Partners in the Green Space Core Group have highlighted lots of existing good practice to link to – eg. Healthy Rivers (river restoration, school education work); Routes 2 Life – volunteering at the horticultural site and countryside</p>

		skills; Green Care Volunteer – commercial landscaping offer – able to offer volunteer experience; Wood 2 Work & Men’s Shed – woodworking shop and peer mentoring.
F	Identify the opportunities for PSB Partners to share resources, assets and staff.	Membership of Green Spaces Core Group agreed; first meeting is in December. This item will be on the agenda.
Guidance sought from the Public Services Board		