
ONE Communities Meeting

REPORT TO: One Northern Devon Community Meeting
DATE: 27th January 2021
SPONSOR: John Womersley, Chair
PREPARED BY: Kate Winter, PA to CEO and Chief Finance Officer

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to present the notes of the ONE Northern Devon Communities Meeting held on 16th December 2020

Decision	x
Approval	✓
Receive	x
Ratify	x

Supporting Information

The notes are attached

Controls and Assurance

The minutes of the meeting are considered by the One Northern Devon Meeting for accuracy. Following discussion, amendments may be recorded as appropriate. The minutes are then formally approved.

Notes of the One Northern Devon Communities Meeting

Held at via video conference on 16th December 2020

PRESENT:

John Womersley (JW)	Chair
Hannah McDonald (HMCD)	One Northern Devon
Steve Seatherton (SS)	One Ilfracombe
Ella McCann (EM)	NDVS
Darren Hill (DH)	TTVS
Paul Jones (PJ)	One Barnstaple Flow Project Coordinator
Sue Banks (SBa)	Holsworthy
Lara Eley (LE)	One Atlantic Community Developer
Susanna Hill (SH)	Live well Braunton
Bridget Cordroy (BC)	Community Developer Holsworthy
Ruth Tapsell (RT)	Chair – One Atlantic, GP at Hartland
Louse Flagg (LF)	NDVS
Anne-Maire	Torrington 100
Cass Chan (CC)	One South Molton Community Developer
Roxane Reeder (RR)	Braunton Community Network
Sophie Heaton (SH)	Live Well in Braunton Social Prescriber/Community Developer
John Insull (JI)	Torrington 100
Duncan Withall	North Devon Foodbank

APOLOGIES:

Charmain Lovett (CL)	One Ilfracombe Community Developer
Rob Ward (RW)	Barnstaple Town Council - Town Clerk
Carole Coombs (CCo)	OND, Administrative Officer
Andrea Beacham (AB)	Partnerships Lead, NDHT
Karen Evans (KE)	ND Voluntary Services

57/20 Welcome and Introductions

JW welcomed all present and thanked HMCD for the work undertaken since the last meeting

58/20 Notes of the meeting held 28th October 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on the 28th October 2020 were agreed.

59/20 Matters Arising

The action grid was reviewed and updated.

60/20 7 Key Interventions, next steps and how we measure success?

Strengthen the ‘One Community’ approach so that agencies work ‘with’ communities and co-design solutions using the existing One Community infrastructure

HMCD reported that sustained funding was being explored. Funding issues had been raised at the OND Board and discussions are being held with a number of partner organisations. There are also a number of new funding opportunities which are being explored to support the One Communities. JW asked for a discussion with HMCD on the different funding options and how successful they are likely to be.

Volunteering Support for Vaccination Programme

HMcD referred to correspondence received around the volunteering needs for the Devon mass vaccination programme such as providing transport. At present there is no clarity on exactly what is required or when however the CCG has linked with Devon Access to Services for any transport requirements.

JW asked whether any other volunteer requests had been received such as hospitality however it was noted that there have been no other requests to date although it has been suggested that marshalling support may be required at vaccination centres.

HMcD reported on work undertaken in Holsworthy on befriending. BC reported that she had taken over responsibility of running the Holsworthy Community Forum which had identified the need for befriending across the whole of the PCN. A meeting is due to be held in January with interested parties to discuss funding. BC reported on a conversation with mid-Devon and learning that can be taken from that area.

It was noted that DH had taken over as Chair of the Health, Wellbeing and Loneliness Group and is undertaking research on loneliness as a theme. It is hoped that a process can be developed to raise awareness of loneliness, challenge the stereotype of loneliness and provide a toolkit to tackle this. There is a huge gap in terms of understanding and it is hoped that this can change. DH reported on a number of meetings to understand how different bodies approach tackling loneliness and plans to ultimately hold a professional conference on loneliness in early summer with support from Exeter University and Devon Community Foundation. JW welcomed receiving a gap analysis and framework in the future.

RT felt that elderly patients had become physically decompensated since March lockdown commenced and asked whether physical activity could be built into the programme in addition to tackling loneliness. DH confirmed that this has already been recognised – introducing physically activity to address loneliness.

LE referred to a yoga programme that will be run for the over 55s which also support tackling loneliness.

Mental Health

SS reported how Ilfracombe has historically had a higher proportion of the population suffering from mental health. The community prescriber is trying to refer people to various outdoor activities and counselling however she is finding that there is nowhere to refer people to at the current time due to COVID restrictions. SS suggested that the majority of communities may be facing the same issues and reported that the Link centre was also not taking on any new referrals. SS will try to look at alternatives however some funding may be required to facilitate activities for those individuals requiring support. JW asked whether there is any information on the OND website to provide advice and support.

RR referred to the wiser money project which has capacity to accept referrals and has mental health workers working alongside financial support. Work is also being undertaken on community and financial resilience which will include elements of mental health.

EMc referred to a One Barnstaple meeting that had focussed on mental health where partner organisations had been asked to report on mental health support that can be offered locally. A map was then developed showing local support available which has been shared with the group. EMc considered that there was more learning that could be undertaken, which DPT are keen to be involved with.

LF reported on NDVS mental health first aid training and asked all present to contact her if they were interested in booking a place on the training. LF also referred to ANOB and the Nature's Tonic project which is being tendered to look at how nature can help to address mental health. HMcD asked whether there was opportunity across all One Communities to host mental health first aid training if funding or partner support can be secured to provide this. LF asked for any interest to be forwarded to her so that she can determine the need for the training.

RT asked whether social prescribers should undertake this training and also asked whether organisations are moving to virtual support.

DH reported on the plan to run training for all front line staff and agreed to ask Paul Huxtable to make contact with LF.

Collective Advice & Guidance package from all partners who provide an advice & guidance function. One-stop-shop portal with links to local and national support

SS advised that a portal can be developed and sought clarity on what was required. JW asked whether pages could be included on the OND website but SS reminded JW on the specific request for a user portal. HMCD reported that there will be a database of information in addition to having information on the OND website. JW suggested waiting until the new year to see whether a separate portal is required.

One Barnstaple Community Hub creation as a result of community engagement – update from One Barnstaple

EMc reported on the last meeting which explored options for a virtual hub until there is a physical presence. Meetings have been progressed with partners to see how their visions and needs can be met from a building and from being part of a hub. A survey has also been circulated through social media asking community groups and members what they need and what they want to do. It was noted that DIY SOS are also asking for community projects and EMc suggested submitting expressions of interest.

One Bideford Community Hub - community engagement - update from One Atlantic

It was noted that Chris Fuller is undertaking work on mapping. CF had attended the One Atlantic meeting and it was noted that there is the possibility of a temporary location. DH confirmed that a property had been vacated in the High Street which is being explored, however there are no firm plans.

Suicide Safer Communities – update

HMCD reported that although there has been discussion on Assist training and other options for training there is no funding. HMCD referred to information available on-line

Safer Towns – update on how it is embedded within each One Community now

HMCD reported that Barnstaple, Bideford and Ilfracombe had each received £5k funding from the community safety partnership which has been launched in Barnstaple. Funding for Barnstaple provided 'tap' points enabling people to donate. Funding for Ilfracombe is supporting Belles Place and the use of a street artist. Bideford funding is being used for a Youth Project and tackling antisocial behaviour etc.

OND Good Neighbour Programme – Hospital to Home update

HMCD reported that this relates to the Home from Hospital Programme Co-ordinator who is still trying to get risk assessments approved by NDHT so that volunteers can go into households. A robust training package is in place, including infection control and training from the fire brigade. HMCD advised that the service is consent led.

Art and Cultural Group

Simon Jones reported on the Art and Cultural Group and a Banish the Blues event that was well received. There is a proposal to hold a similar event next year in all OND communities with a focus on linking mental health with arts and culture. South Molton has a Roots Festival and Torrington are supportive. Beaford Arts has referred SJ to arts funding which could support a pan Devon event and SJ sought views from those present. Ann-marie reported on a taster day held at the Plough Arts and suggest that the event could be in a similar format. JW suggested presenting a proposal to the OND Board when available. SJ asked those present to contact him if interested in being involved in next year's event.

61/20 Key successes/challenges from One Communities

Recent highlights from any One Community or requests for OND support

Feedback on Community Fridge South Molton

Cass Chan reported on progress including a community grant which is being sought to provide more support. The first food parcels will be provided this Friday and will continue to be provided over the next few weeks to support children and families during the school holidays. There has been overwhelming support from the community.

PJ reported on a conversation with the NDC environmental team who were unaware of the community fridge project and suggested that it should be more widely publicised.

DW offered support from the South Molton foodbank.

SS reported that the South Molton community fridge has received phenomenal feedback however highlighted that there is a lack of understanding from some aspects of the community regarding the need for a community fridge.

Requests for Support

SS referred to funding and contingencies that need to be put in place before funding ends. A clear message needs to be given with community developers kept in the loop. JW confirmed that he is meeting with AB to discuss future funding.

Opportunities for One Communities

No opportunities were raised.

62/20 Any Other Business

Dance in Devon

LE reported on the Dance in Devon Project (Arts on Call) that are visiting isolated places in Bideford – nursing homes and flats and provide a dance performance. JW asked whether they could attend other areas. EMC reported that the project had visited Hartland and there are plans for next year.

63/20 Dates for Future Meeting

It was agreed that meetings should continue six weekly at 12 noon. Calendar invitations to be circulated.



ONE NORTHERN DEVON COMMUNITIES MEETING ACTION GRID AS AT 16TH DECEMBER 2020

		Action	Comments	Lead	Outcome
16 th December 2020					
77	60/20	Strengthening the One Community Approach	Discuss funding options including how successful they are likely to be		HMcD, JW
78	60/20	Volunteering Support	Gap analysis and framework on loneliness to be presented to a future meeting		DW
79	60/20	Arts and Cultural Group	Proposal for 2021 event to be presented to the OND Board		SJ