

## **Notes from the Public Service Board 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

**Attendance:** Nick Brown (Chair), Cllr Howard Sykes, Gail Richards, Bill Edwards, John Eley and Carolyn Wilkins

**Apologies:** Caroline Ball and Charlie Parker.

### 1. Notes from 17 July 2009

Notes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record.

### 2. Matters Arising

Support for the Credit Union and progress on HMR Review was highlighted.

Action: It was agreed that feedback on the Credit union and HMR Review. An update report on Total Place is being prepared for LSPs.

### 3. Embedding Equality in Oldham

Talawa Consulting have been commissioned by the Oldham Partnership to test and embed our approach to tackling inequality across both the Partnership and member organizations. The project will run for 15 months and is in conjunction with VAO.

Action: Talawa Consulting will hold 1:1 meetings with Public Service Board members.

### 4. Partnership Working Moving Forwards

A discussion took place to identify key areas for the continued improvement of partnership working in Oldham. Discussions focused upon:

- a) role of the Executive Management Board in relation to the rest of the partnership structure;
- b) developing the partnership structure so it is easier for Elected Members to engage with (for example annual scheduling of meetings and timing them so that Members who work can attend);
- c) clarifying the relationship of the LSP to the Council;
- d) doing more to embed knowledge of the partnership and partnership working (such as the Prospectuses) within the Council

Action: this will be a substantive agenda item at the next meeting.

### 4. Prospectuses

These are almost completed and will be on the agenda of the next Oldham Partnership Executive.

Action: John to finish the documents and Carolyn to initiate discussions with EMT.

### 5. Comprehensive Area Assessment

A verbal update was provided.

Action: a marketing and communications plan was requested.

### 6. LSP Conference

Action: It was agreed that this should be the second week in June.

7. Joint working

An LSP workshop on commissioning has been arranged for 6<sup>th</sup> October.

8. GM Health Commission Report.

Noted

9. Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 20th October 2pm-3.30, Oldham Business Centre.