

Community Agent Steering Group Meeting update from 28th April 2021

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action updates
1	<p>Present/Apologies</p> <p>Helen Bainbridge, Vicky Bishop, Steve Lathom-White, Joan Lowe, Avril Jones, Deb Williams, Wendy Owen, Linda Maires, Sherry Weedall</p>	
2	<p>Minutes / Matters Arising/Action From Previous meeting</p> <p>Some time since previous meeting, all items identified as correct.</p>	
3-8	<p>Discussion – CA roll out and challenges</p> <p>All - Areas without provision summary of what area is independent and which area is within the consortia</p> <p>Cllr Lowe stated that there is learning to be done, councils who have taken part and possibly had challenges are to be learned from, this may benefit community councils unsure of the service.</p> <p>HB Agents and areas have different skill sets to support the service.</p> <p>WO Community Councils are happy with the agents, however it feels a lot depends on the community councils and they would not like option of having forced changes in the service.</p>	<p>This list is completed and is also attached to the cancellation notice.</p>

	<p>ICF</p> <p>SLW - ICF funding is ending 2022, potential funding from other sources, however there is a need to evidence the strength of the project.</p> <p>HB – Information on ICF was shared with community councils during the consultation. HB reiterated WCBC are fully committed to the community agents project if ICF funding doesn't come forward.</p> <p>Contract monitoring</p> <p>SW explained the contract monitoring exercise that will be completed by all councils, that it was a best practice exercise to support community councils with policies and procedures. The review and it's findings would be available for the next meeting.</p> <p>Social prescribing</p> <p>SLW shared the update of work taking place and how this has been challenged to progress due to the pandemic</p>	<p>This has taken place, and there is a document to be brought to the steering group. There are causes for concern, however these are being worked on by the councils, their agents and WCBC commissioning officers. We are currently going through an interim set of meetings to identify further support with the aim of resolving all issues prior to October.</p> <p>Discussions with housing and health in relation to commissioning intensions for the coming year.</p>
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	<p>AOB Discussions</p> <p>LM requested list of agents for sharing</p> <p>DW would like a representative to attend the providers meeting to champion CA's and the ABCD approach. – Agent to attend.</p> <p>HB Highlight collaborative working within housing support, social prescribers and community agents.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting dates–</p> <p>4th August 9.30 – 11am Invite to be sent via Teams</p> <p>26th October 9.30 -11am Invite to be sent via Teams</p> <p>25th January 9.30-11am Invite to be sent via Teams</p>	