Date: 11-07-2019

Time: 09:00 - 11:00

Location: Committee Room, Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Westward

Road, Ebley, Stroud, GL5 4UB

AGENDA ITEM

1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Jackie Jobes [JJ], Gareth Parry [GP], Doug Hulyer [DH], David Hudson [DaH], Chris Short [CS], Richard Lloyd [RL] Jennifer Taylor [JT], Barry Wyatt [BW], Roger Mortlock [RM], David Owen [DO], Henry Robinson [HR], Russell Ashfield [RA], Lis Harris [LH] (for Claire Minett [CM]).

Apologies: Martin Lane [ML], Claire Minett [CM], Jonny Loose [JL].

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2019

The minutes were approved by the Board.

Matters arising / Outstanding Actions from last meeting:

- 1. Board to make other suggestions for case studies for annual review and provide any other suggestions on the annual review ASAP
 - Agenda item below
- 2. Update from DO on progress with Top 100 companies and their sustainability priorities
 - No specific feedback as yet. DO to keep team informed.
- 3. JJ to make the Board agenda and minutes available to the partnership on the website
 - Not yet done, will make live when issuing out information to the wider partnership on changes.
- 4. JJ to explore the project mapping to have 'groups' as well
 - User unable to add geographical region, but can upload a map that can then be uploaded by the FWAG team
- Board to consider best ways to embed GLNP as a core cost to their business for the future security of the GLNP
 - o To be a key task for the new maternity cover. May be unlikely for councils
- 6. Invoices from the Board still to be paid
 - JJ to request the finance team double check as some Board members believe payment has been made. BW to help chase districts within the Strategic Directors forum.

3. Board Papers – taken as read

- 1. Closing Financial report 2018-19 approved
- 2. Financial Report for Q1 2019 approved
- 3. Continency Fund Plan approved
- 4. Annual Review design draft agenda item below
- 5. Partnership Review Paper agenda item below
- 6. Maternity Cover plan agenda item below

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- 7. Green Infrastructure and Placemaking Working Group
 - RM raised concerns about the lack of uptake from some districts for Building with Nature. Challenged by BW on the ability to specifically add BwN to policy due to it being a product, yet other regions in the UK have done so. Suggested one way to push this is through John Baker's Statement of Common Ground.
 - Opportunity for GLNP to map all strategic allocations and determine which are following BwN and which are not, to then apply strategic thinking and focus on allocations that may need it most.
- 8. Naturally Healthy Working Group *no comments*
- 9. Learning & Engagement Working Group
 - o Likely to focus initial work on youths and intergenerational engagement.
- 10. Nature Recovery Working Group
 - GP updated group on bid for funding through Innovate UK to develop the mapping tools further and quicker. Expect to hear September 2019 to start by October and finish by December, so a very quick turnaround if we are successful.
 - NRN estimated first published by December 2019. Will then go into test mode with farmers and other stakeholders to help enhance the data and the outputs. HR to support here.
 - o NT just finished regional NVC on their land RA to share with GP.
 - o JJ to find out what outstanding data is needed from County and request from JT to nudge.

4. Maternity Cover Plan

The plan was approved by the Board with comments below:

- Confirmed the need for GIS capability and good communication/relationship building skills.
- o Advertisement for the role to be both secondment and external at the same time to save time.
- Advert to be drafted by JJ and issued Friday 12th July, running to the 2nd August with a view to interview w/c 5th August.
- o Interview Panel to be agreed JJ to issue doodle for availability and volunteers.
- Agreement that this ideally needs to be a full-time role, but flexibility if requested must be considered.

Actions:

- 1. JJ to create doodle poll for interview dates.
- 2. JJ to draft advert, return to DH and GP to approve and promote across partnership network.
- 3. ALL Board members to promote within their own networks and through their organisations if at all possible.

4. Annual Review Draft Report – design – paper provided

The draft was not yet approved by the Board - comments below and subsequent updates needed:

- Discussion regarding page 6 boosting presence. May not be seen as a priority for funding partners but may be valuable for smaller partners who have gained more from the added exposure.
- To reduce the content down on Page 6 so it doesn't have so much weight in the document and seek to add case studies.
- Case studies to add: (1) ERDF Wild Towns and Cheltenham; (2) GI Conference and pledges linking with uptake of BwN; (3) Securing commissioning for Nature on Prescription from the CCG.
- $\circ\quad$ To change the wording "allowing" within the A417 section.

Actions:

- 1. BW to share ERDF document on the resurfacing of the canal towpath to help with case study
- 2. JJ to make amendments as above and return to board for final sign off by end of month (July).

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5. LIS Evidence Review Document – What now?

Agreed that the document isn't a "readable" document for the general public or partners, it is specifically evidence for the LIS and therefore we do no further with it until consultation comes around in September.

LIS update from David.

- Need to show a clear impact to productivity if seeking to add green infrastructure and natural capital into the LIS. DO to discuss with Katie Jenkins lead of LIS to see if there are any more specific details needed from the Treasury to do this.
- Surveys of young people have shown strong interest in climate change and the natural environment.
 Another survey for young people is currently out that the LEP will also consider closely.
- GFirst LEP are eager to have Climate Change and Natural Capital as a key focus under "Greener Gloucestershire" pending their ability to link strongly enough to productivity.
- o Dev Chakraborty at the LEP has approached the GLNP to provide a proposal for a natural capital valuation of Gloucestershire which is required by the end of July. JJ and GP working on this.
- o The LIS consultation will be launched at the LEP annual review on the 19th September.

Actions:

- 1. DO to discuss with Katie to see if there are any more specific details needed from the Treasury to appropriately show the clear link natural capital has on productivity.
- 2. JJ and GP to deliver natural capital valuation proposal to Dev by end of July.
- 3. JJ to arrange a wider consultation process with the partnership to respond to the LIS consultation in September/October.

6. Review of the Board & Partnership - Survey and Feedback discussion – paper provided

The paper provided a number of suggestions to the Board as a result of feedback gained from a partnership survey and through face to face discussions with partners.

These recommendations have been approved by the board – with some comment below – and now need to be published to the wider partnership for their comment.

- We need to ensure that we remain connected with the wider network of other groups and activities across the county, but also balance this with the risk of legitimising groups through our engagement.
- We need to consider the grass-roots engagement with the partnership and support its growth and momentum. This is likely to be picked up within the Learning and Engagement working group.
- Groups need to be open to participation to ensure that they are accessible to all that are interested.

Actions:

1. JJ to issue out proposed suggested changes to the running of the partnership to the wider members for their feedback.

7. Board member updates

- o BW Climate Emergency
 - o What does it mean to aim for carbon neutrality by 2030 and how are we going to achieve it?
 - Two kinds of action needed Mitigation Action and Adaptive Action.
 - BW to hire Officer to support him in Stroud, with potential for a countywide team supporting all districts and the county to deliver CN2030.
- JT HWB Strategy & Nigel Riglar Post
 - The strategy will be out for consultation by the end of the month. This will be a 3-month consultation. A response from the GLNP would be welcomed. JJ to look into coordinating this.
 - Nigel Riglar's post is soon to be advertised.
- RL CPRE developments
 - New branding and strategic plan for CPRE has been launched nationally.

- A new Director role has been advertised with interviews on Monday.
- DaH Agenda item for September.
- o CS ELMS, Bids and Defra Social Science meeting
 - The Defra ELMs team are due to meet with CS and Jenny Phelps to look at how to make collaboration happen within the new ELM Schemes.
 - CS, as part of the National Social Science Group to meet with the Defra Social Science group for the first time.
 - In the final stage of the Horizon Bid, using the Upper Thames as a case study. CS will be seeking letters of support from relevant partners.
- JJ Mapping Local Projects
 - Working with FWAG to develop this, it will host nature-based projects across the county, helping people to connect, share best practice but also upload ideas and concepts that are seeking development support, partners to join or a funding opportunity to come along.
 - o This should be launched before the end of the month.

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8. AOB

- DH will be unavailable during September and so RM as Vice Chair will Chair the meeting on the 12th September.
- 2. September's meeting will be JJ's last prior to Maternity and will aim to bring along the cover to learn how to run the Board meetings and introduce to everyone.

Date of Next Board Meeting

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