Thematic SAR into Rough Sleeping Assurance Panel Meeting Thursday 16th June



9:30 – 11:30 Notes

Attendees • St Pauls Hostel • CCP • WSHP • Onside Advocacy (PWLE lead for WSAB) • Healthwatch (substitute participant advisor) • WSAB Manager Apologies • Healthwatch (Participant Observer) • Maggs Day Centre • Homeless Link (Independent Advisor)

Notes		
1	Welcome and apologies for absence	
	St Pauls substituting as Chair for today's meeting	
2	Minutes of Last Meeting	
	Publication of Minutes	
	Agreed as true record. Can now be published	
3	WSHP – Recommendations Update	
	Many of the actions are being picked up as part of new	
	Homelessness Strategy which is due to go out to consultation in autumn.	
	Agreed to review these to assess whether they have been	
	appropriately addressed in the draft strategy at October meeting (assuming that it is out for consultation then) during consultation phase.	
	Are particularly interested in how PWLE have been engaged in the development of the process	
	Also would like to see copy of communication strategy.	
	WSAB would also like to see copy of comms strategy from	
	WSAB perspective.	
	Recommendation 1	
	Panel agreed that at district level ownership of this agenda was	
	satisfactory. However some concerns regarding leadership at a	
	wider countywide strategic/commissioning level.	
	Panel to advice WSAB that Recommenatin 1 can be closed	

	However there is further work to be done at county level so recommended that WSAB look at how this can be addressed at county level.	
4	DWP PWLE review	
	Agreed there is a need to understand the issues/barriers that PWLE face so that can identify most appropriate solutions JS suggested that use survey at St Pauls Digital access Phone system wait to speak to someone about benefits. Delays in benefits c/o addresses and exploitation St Pauls can host a visit. Onside to CCP Maggs meeting being arranged.	
	Issue around backdated PIP. – are they exploited when they get these benefits. In addition often drug use increases which increases their tolerance and once funding gone after overdose Can also add risk to their tenancy WSAB to email WSAB Chair re current concerns around the forthcoming £650 hardship payments	
	Worcester City Review – Commissioning	
	Following a meeting with representative from Cardon Banfield Foundation (CBF) WSAB have agreed to look at undertaking a review of the commissioning processes utilising the questions from the Worcester City Review on commissioning at a countywide level. Propose that we do this should be a separate piece of work from this	
	assurance panel. However, WSAB representee would feedback outcome. Agreed St Pauls offered to provide any support to CBF if required.	
	Risk analysis is one of the areas currently not covered - so could look at adding question around this.	
	AOIB	
	Date of next meetings and items to discuss: 8 th September 2022 - WSAB update - CCG update	