

## NEATH PORT TALBOT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD

# **Highlight Report**

### Well-being Objective

Our local environment, culture and heritage can be enjoyed by future generations

#### **Group/Partnership**

## **Climate and Nature Partnership**

#### **Reporting Period**

May 2024 to October 2024

#### **Steps**

- Take collaborative action to tackle the climate emergency (adaptation and mitigation)
- Take collaborative action to tackle the nature crisis and improve the health of our ecosystems.
- Take collaborative action to identify the interdependencies between actions around maintaining and enhancing resilient communities and a resilient natural environment

# Current position/recent progress:

# Partnership Meeting held 8th May 2024.

- CCRA Commenced work on step 1 of NRW Climate Change Risk Assessment Framework a) identify stakeholders b) agree governance (roles, responsibilities and levels of representation).
  - Training Agreed to explore how NPT's existing work around Nature Training could be adapted for use within PSB.
- **Governance** Agreed rotation of chairing/hosting of partnership between members.
- Benchmarking Agreed to benchmark partnership against other PSB subgroups



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	<ul> <li>Integration/Interdependencies Suggestion to add CCRA as standing item on Steering Group agenda.</li> <li>Public Health Wales – Shaping Places for Wellbeing in Wales – some members attended the two day workshops on 5/6th June 2024 in Cardiff. Good opportunity to network with other PSBs and sub groups. Feedback received from PHW. Follow up meeting held in July but limited attendance due to people being on leave. Main topic area emerging as an area of focus is around just transition to green skills and jobs.</li> <li>Progress on CCRA stakeholder workshop proposed for Quarter 2 delayed pending completion of work on CCRA Framework Step 1.</li> </ul>
Next steps:	The next meeting of the CC&NE subgroup will take place on 10 <sup>th</sup> October at 2pm where NPT will be chairing the meeting. The meeting will focus on addressing completion of the CCRA framework and possible steps to address this, feedback from PHW events, flooding issues, local climate adaption tools, and climate change training topics proposed by stakeholders from earlier discussions as a starter.
How is progress being measured?	Progress is reviewed at meetings of the subgroup.
Challenges Faced:	<ul> <li>Engagement and involvement of key stakeholders</li> <li>Ensuring all major projects, initiatives, and investments take account of the resilience of our communities to the effects of the climate and nature emergencies.</li> <li>To establish effective collaboration between each of the 4 delivery arms of wellbeing plan delivery if we are to "identify the interdependencies between actions around maintaining and enhancing resilient communities and a resilient natural environment".</li> </ul> Climate Change Risk Assessment (CCRA)
	Commitment to CCRA process needs to be matched with effective leadership and governance and acknowledgement of limits of staff resource to carry

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	<ul> <li>out tasks required. Look to other PSB groups on how they have addressed this challenge for example one has engaged the services of an external consultant to complete the task (approx. cost £30K)</li> <li>CCRA requires engagement of stakeholders with broad range of specialist knowledge to engage in local CCRA process. Capacity of stakeholders to commit to the process in context of current budget restrictions may be challenging.</li> </ul>
Decisions Required	None
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