# **Appendix 2: Green & Safe Spaces**

The intervention leads Ceri Davies and Huw Jakeway together with intervention support team Emma Wakeham, Andy Robinson and Luke Maggs have met regularly. An intervention workshop was held on 30 August the following organisations were represented by circa 30 delegates:

ABUHB, Chater Housing, Duffryn Community Link, GAVO, Gwent Police, Gwent Wildlife Trust, Magor Marsh, Menter Iaith Casnewydd, Newport City Council (including Partnership, Policy & Involvement, Youth Services, Play Development, Children Services, Environmental Health, Supporting People, Regeneration) Newport City Homes, Newport Live, NRW, Princes Trust, Severn Estuary Partnership, Share Centre Stow Hill, South Wales Fire & Rescue Service, YMCA Newport.

## The workshop delegates were asked to:

- Develop the actions and changes required to deliver the four short term steps planned for the first 5 years of the plan;
- Lay the foundations for the medium (5-10 years) and long term (10-25 years) steps in the plan;
- Agree a way for individuals and organisations to work together to deliver this change.

### The main messages arising from the workshop were:

- A desire to stop planning and start doing;
- to build a momentum and encourage people to join and take ownership of the actions;
- to work with what's in place if its 'fit for purpose' we can always refine later if needed;
- to deliver through the 5 ways of working and using networks of public, private and third sector organisations;
- PSB partners supporting, and facilitating as well as delivering;
- Build on the enthusiasm get in some 'quick wins'.

#### The initial focus areas were to:

- Develop new community and LA 'green flag' greenspaces across Newport.
- Marketing and promotion of the greenspaces and assets across Newport.
- Build a portfolio of good practice, pilots and projects that deliver the green and safe spaces intervention.
- Promote green infrastructure across the city.
- Develop a green infrastructure strategy.

### Immediate next steps:

- Write out to thank all participants include the raw detailed feedback and a copy of this summary PSB report and advising they are our intervention focus group, encourage others to be identified to join.
- Use the additional resources we've secured to kick off some of the partnership engagement work.
- Establish the core delivery group to help us take the actions forward.
- Keep the focus group involved through regular skype meetings and newsletter updates.
- Join Strong Resilient Community intervention workshop.

Since the workshop work has continued and is detailed in the table below:

Step (0-5 years)	Actions to meet the steps	Progress to date up until 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Plans for next quarter (Oct-Dec)
1) Develop a collaborative Newport wide green infrastructure vision and plan which is adopted and delivered by all PSB partners	Investigate and audit city centre Green Infrastructure (GI) and engage the local BID forum (Business District), local business consortiums and willing city centre partners around the use of retrofitting GI solutions to address the ASB issues, improve customer experiences/satisfaction, mitigate effects of poor air quality, increased climate change adaptation, improve resilience of urban wildlife and begin to change perceptions and generate pride in the area.	← Agreed this action under the recent Green & Safe spaces stakeholder meeting after extensive partner discussion.  Workshop notes were written up, and high-level aspirations communicated to partners and GI mapping examples produced	Once Ceri is back from leave, we will work with NCC PSB staff (Emma & her team) around how best to use our senior PSB representatives e.g. Ceri & Huw to take these co-owned GI aspirations to the local BID's  ** there should be a logical link developed between these PSB green & safe actions and the proposed Newport GI strategy, as well as the wider Newport offer" (cross cutting intervention)  Agree future ways of working to deliver the Green & Safe theme
	Develop a GI Strategy to support the implementation of key PSB priorities and planning policies and provide a coordinated, evidence backed approach. Include the delivery mechanism on a variety of cross cutting issues and themes, and focus on delivering benefits, and the longer-term vision of the PSB.	Secured significant financial and stakeholder support through NRW & NCC for a PSB secondment role to support this GI work	Recruitment & appointment – develop work planning for the new staff support Role will be tasked with supporting the Green & Safe theme and helping deliver aspects of the GI strategy Break out Newport's section of NRW's GIS GI dataset (this hopefully will underpin a lot of the GI strategy work)
	Produce a strategic plan for the whole county that will build upon the vision set out in the Wellbeing plan to draw together key aims and objectives and demonstrate how health and resilience of ecosystems can be maintained and	In addition to the above resources for the GI theme, we have met with Newport's LDP planning team, Newport countryside team and some other NCC officers around how best to produce a collective GI strategy in anticipation of the new PPW	Research, and begin the co-production Newport's PSB GI strategy (Katie Godfrey: Lead)  ** our current view is these two actions amalgamate into one, underpinned by the

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	enhanced for future generations, whilst simultaneously providing benefits to address local need and key issues for the city.	(planning policy wales) and the PSB aspiration around green & safe spaces  During this meeting we also agreed the aspiration to co-produce Wales's first PSB GI strategy	GI strategy production
2) All PSB partners can clearly articulate and demonstrate the benefit of green infrastructure in their services and are working together to maximise tangible benefits (measured and set from the data & trend analysis)	Develop a strategic Newport wide marketing and communications plan for the green and safe spaces intervention. Strategic assessment of Newport's quality greenspaces and key assets with a view to improving the promotion, communication and general data driven marketing of sites, activities and benefits.	Green & Safe meeting discussed this possible option	Depending on the skillset of the new role/staff resource this may form part of the work programme.  Speak with Newport Live and wider PSB partners around sharing joint Marketing and comms resources
	Build a portfolio of existing good practice, pilots and projects underway in Newport and promote these and support them going forward bring out the green and safe theme.	Begun collating information around key projects to research for the PSB theme e.g.  • Edible Maindee; • Dyffryn Project; • Mini police/rangers; • Sustrans community mapping;	This will form part of the new role/staff work programme
3) Identify and apply a preventative approach to targeting crime, antisocial behaviour and challenging negative perceptions	Some additional part-time support for the green and safer theme to be funded by NRW and working with Sean from SWFRS and NCC working with existing safer groups and community groups to support communities to take back ownership of the green spaces making them less	The resource requirements have been secured and we are currently in the process of sorting out the governance, finance and recruitment procedures for the new post. However, we do not envisage this new post leading on this area of work, more supporting existing	Recruit and appointment this new role to support and engage with stakeholders (sift planned for 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov)  Provisional meeting planned for 27 <sup>th</sup> (see point 4) November to discuss greenspaces across Newport

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that deter people from using green spaces and parks.	attractive for ASB.	partnerships and seeking out appropriate lead	
	Work with community councils to develop initiatives to deter misuse of green spaces.	No progress to date	Investigate opportunities as part of the new appointee workplan
	Identify longer term projects to tackle tricky issues such as off-road biking.	No progress to date	
4) Maintain, promote and mobilise people and communities to use green spaces for recreation and physical activity.	Increase the number of green flag/community green flag sites across Newport: develop a protocol; work with communities to select new sites; support applications; identify potential funding; seek accreditation.	Meeting arranged with CLAS and other Greenflag partners to look at possibilities of increasing the numbers of community green flags in Newport:  • What is entailed?  • How much this will cost?  • Who will do the work& how will we resource it?  • When & where can it be delivered?	Depending on outcome of this partnership meeting (27 <sup>th</sup> Nov), intention is to begin looking at options for Newport around selection of sites for GF and accreditation options.