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**MINUTES OF THE CHARITABLE FUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 15 JUNE 2021
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

Present:

Vivienne Harpwood	Chair (Committee Chair)
Tony Thomas	Independent Member (Committee Vice Chair)
Trish Buchan	Independent Member (Third Sector)
Mark Taylor	Independent Member (Capital and Estates)
Pete Hopgood	Director of Finance and IT

In Attendance:

Carol Shillabeer	Chief Executive
Alison Davies	Director of Nursing
Abe Sampson	Charity Manager
Rani Mallison	Board Secretary
Julie Rowles	Director of Workforce and Organisational Development
Shania Jones	Charity Administrative Support Officer

Apologies

None

CF/21/66	WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The Chair welcomed members to the Committee. Apologies for absence were noted as recorded above.
CF/21/67	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST The Chair INVITED any declarations of interest in relation to items on the agenda. No interests were declared.
ITEMS FOR APPROVAL, RATIFICATION OR DECISION	
CF/21/68	HEALTH AND CARE ACADEMY PROPOSAL The Director of Workforce and Organisational Development presented the paper to the Committee. The paper focused on what equipment is needed and outlined the costs for the Health and Care Academy.

It was noted that the running of pilot study for the Health and Care Academy at Basil Webb will not require any additional cost, as it will be supported by existing staff and PTHB resources.

It was highlighted that if Charitable Funds Committee did not support the project, that Academy would have a basic environment to provide individuals and staff. However, the aim of the proposal is to fund an environment that is above and beyond essential provision for individuals to learn in.

The majority of courses that will be provided are already funded by educational providers and the Health Board currently has a post-education budget which is used to buy training from providers. The fundamental difference the Health and Care Academy will make is the ability to provide education and training within Powys for Powys. The aim is to expand the number of trained staff within the county and to build provisions within the workplace.

Is this the most appropriate funding route?

If there is additional work added, will there be other bids to Charitable Funds Committee?

It was noted that this will aid in education of children, if so should this funding be provided by Powys County Council.

The Director of Workforce and Organisational Development explained that Charitable Funds requested a review to understand if there was need for additional funding and development for staff where the Charity could provide above and beyond additions.

There will not be an overspend in capital for the building, as the work being conducted at Basil Webb will be completed within the budget. If there was a change in a capital request it was sourced via alternative routes. This proposal is to provide technology equipment for learning that will go above and beyond the basic equipment e.g. tables and chairs.

In relation to education for children, this is not taking over the responsibility of the local authority. This is expanding an offer into schools for children making the decision about their careers and meeting the Health Board's social responsibilities to the individuals and children within school.

The Chief Executive commented on the proposal and explained it is important to consider the Charity's objectives and doing the work for the people of Powys. This project

works towards the Health Board's civil responsibility to the development of Powys.

It was highlighted that the project would not have been strongly supported by the Chief Executive if it did not have a great benefit for the Health Board's development.

The Charity Manager explained the Charity's core objectives which is a broad remit to go above and beyond for the health and wellbeing for the people of Powys.

The proposal classed the Health and Care Academy as 'state of the art'. If the Health Board commits to this objective, there needs to be an understanding on how to maintain state of the art equipment throughout. It is also important to mirror this investment in the North of Powys in regard to equitable access.

As a Health Board it would be important to look at a strategic approach to investing in development opportunities and in particular for individuals who are at a disadvantage, in line with the new focus on equality impact. Perhaps the Charitable Funds Committee could investigate a bursary scheme to help with looked after children or individuals who are disadvantaged?

The Chair highlighted the key charitable funds objectives which included providing funds at their discretion for any charitable purpose in relation to the National Health Service, wholly or mainly for services provided by Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB). The purpose of the funds is for the benefit of patients or staff. The Chair noted that there is no reason to prohibit the Charity from funding this proposal. The funds will help to boost the scope of the Academy and will have a significant benefit to the impact of PTHB securing additional funding and opportunities in future.

The Director of Finance and IT additionally commented and explained that if approved the spending is inline with purpose and priorities of Charitable Funds. There are also no unintentional financial consequences of the spend and the spend is not dependent on any other funding or another revenue stream. Any further development of the offer will be subject to its own individual business case as the Health Board moves forward to the next phase.

The location of the building is South Powys, what about individuals and children in North Powys?

	<p>The Director of Workforce and Organisational Development explained that the North Powys project is a key element to the future of this proposal, this is part of a whole county model. The Health Board will be working with schools in the North if the pilot is successful in the South. The project is starting in South Powys, there is no intention to exclude people from the North.</p> <p><i>If the Health Board are to facilitate young people's access to this education, will this improve the Health Board's relationship with the local authority in terms of future funding and opportunities?</i></p> <p>The Director of Workforce and Organisational Development agreed that in terms of education, the local authority is a key part of the Workforce Futures Programme Board. The Health Board is working towards developing stronger links with the local authority. The Health Board is aware of the opportunities that may arise as a part of the grow Mid-Wales type of approach. The council is very keen to discuss with the Health Board how to capitalise on that moving forward.</p> <p>The Committee DISCUSSED and APPROVED the Health and Care Academy proposal.</p>
ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION	
CF/21/69	There are no items for inclusion in this section.
ITEMS FOR INFORMATION	
CF/21/70	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Thursday 23rd September 2021, 10:00AM, Via Microsoft Teams</p>