Present:	
Enid Roberts, CCG (Chair)	Claire Owen, Denbighshire CC
Lynne Evans (LE), NW Housing (Vice Chair)	Cllr Joan Lowe, Wrexham CBC
	Shirley Jones, Wrexham CBC
Elliw Llyr, Anglesey CC	Jono Clarke, Probation
Arwel Jones, Anglesey CC	Wendy Hughes, Digartref Ynys Mon
Sheila Phillips, Gwynedd CC	Neal Cockerton, Flintshire CC
Cllr Liz Roberts, Conwy CBC	Andy Roberts, Clwyd Alyn
Sam Parry, Conwy CBC	Cllr Bernie Attridge, Flintshire CC
Debbie Lambe, Conwy CBC	Lisa Pearson, Flintshire
Cllr. Bobby Feeley, Denbighshire CC	Rachel Pierce-Jones, Regional Development
	Coordinator

		Action
1.	Introduction and Welcome	
	Welcome Enid Roberts, Assistant Director of Communities and Customers at Cartrefi Cymunedol Gwynedd as the new Chair for the RCC. Enid Roberts will continue as a Landlord Rep on the RCC as well as Chairing. Thank you to Enid accepting role as Chair.	
	Thanks was given to Lynne Evans for continuing to vice chair the RCC.	
	Thanks was given to Katie Clubb, previous chair since July 2016 and best wishes was given to Katie in her new role at Cartrefi Conwy.	
	Welcome to Neal Cockerton, Chief Officer, Housing and Assets for Flintshire, Neal is now the deputy member on the RCC for Flintshire (previously Katie Clubb) and welcome Andy Roberts from Clwyd Alyn, voted on as a Provider Rep from Cymorth.	
	Declaration of interest – None raised.	
	Apologies	
	Cllr Alun Mummery, Anglesey CC Cllr Craig ab Iago, Gwynedd CC Arwel Wyn Owen (AO), Gwynedd CC Abbe Harvey, Denbighshire CC	
	Phil Forbes, Health (MH) Gwenan Ellis, Cymdeithas Tai Eryri Gwynne Jones, Cartrefi Conwy	
	Siwan Lloyd-Williams, Gisda Gareth Evans, Health	
2.	Previous Minutes and Table of Actions	
<u> </u>	Minutes were agreed as an accurate record.	
	All actions have being completed, one action was raised at the meeting:	
	Rachel to contact WG with issue of 500 word count for RCC Annual Review –	
	Rachel updated this will be raised in March when Rachel attends the Regional Development Coordinator Network meeting with Welsh Government.	
3.	Single Housing Grant Update	

	Lynne Evans gave an update on the Supporting People National Advisory Board (SPNAB) Development Day she attended at the beginning of December 2018. Chairs, Vice Chairs and Regional Development Coordinators were all invited to this development day.	
	<ul> <li>This was well attended and the day was divided into discussion groups, all topics were on the Single Housing Grant and looked at: <ul> <li>Issues and Challenges</li> <li>Deadlines</li> <li>Old section 180</li> <li>Supporting People structure</li> <li>What works well and what doesn't – currently.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Was raised that links with other regional boards and service user involvement needed improving across all of Wales. Lynne fedback the best practice and work North Wales have completed on service user engagement – for instance, Our People's Stories document and the Online service user involvement questionnaire.	
	Joint working with health was echoed as an issue in most RCC regions.	
	The next steps are the engagement events that WG are hosting, the North Wales event is February 21 <sup>st</sup> and Rachel will resend the invite, the Chair asked that all RCC members try to attend this, it is important we are there in numbers to raise the issues that will affect the delivery of the Supporting People programme and in particular the issue of a new formula how the grant may be redistributed. The former redistribution formula was detrimental to all north Wales Local Authorities.	RPJ
	Lynne raised the issue of redistribution formula for North Wales, and in particular the affect this will have on rural services. Debbie raised the North Wales Learning Disability review is currently out for consultation across North Wales which will have a knock on affect with the issue of Redistribution.	
	Cllr Attridge suggested we invite the new Housing Minister to an RCC meeting or a meeting with Chair and Vice Chair to express our concerns on the redistribution issue and possibly prepare first hand cases of what would happen. North Wales have already lost quarter of the grant due to Redistribution.	
	The Chair welcomed this and asked whether local authorities had any expertise / employee with knowledge of economic statistics to push forward some constructive vision to Welsh Government. The Chair also added for the RCC to get Assembly members involved and to show them the impact.	RPJ
	Rachel to meet with the Chair to discuss way forward from the above suggestions. Rachel will be sending questionnaire out to all RCC members in readiness for the February 21 <sup>st</sup> Engagement Event and Redistribution is one of the questions so this is where all members can offer their feedback for Rachel to coordinate.	RPJ
4.	Regional Strategic Plan – Priorities Update for 2019-20	
	Rachel updated the final draft of the plan, and announced that Welsh Government had e-mailed this week requesting that RCC's are to update their plans and e-mail WG by 30 <sup>th</sup> January to state that this has been done, WG do not want the plans sending to them unless any major changes have risen. No major changes for North Wales.	
	Rachel shared the amendments required as: 1. Amend Grants figure table page 3 2. Add a paragraph on Youth Homelessness Strategies to the regional overview	RPJ

	section 3. Add Regional Spend Plan	
	Rachel to make amendments and re-send the Plan, final comments to be sent to Rachel by January 30 <sup>th</sup> . Rachel to send the updated version Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January.	RPJ
5.	Housing First – Update form Conwy and Denbighshire Pilot	
J.	Debblie Lambe updated that the recruitment is underway for the posts for the Conwy and Denbighshire Housing First Pilot.	
	A Team Manager has been recruited and two case workers will be recruited shortly. The Project Board has also met and their next meeting is February 2019.	
	Further updates to be provided at each meeting.	
6.	Online Service User Feedback Questionnaire - Update	
	Rachel commenced this item by displaying the feedback received from the questionnaire which was sent to all RCC Members on Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> January. Rachel to re-send.	RPJ
	Rachel updated the Online Questionnaire aimed at service users to complete who have received a Supporting People funded service went live beginning of December and for the initial trial run we had a competition attached for high street vouchers which closed January 4 <sup>th</sup> - the data analysis to be presented in March to the RCC will cover this period.	
	Rachel added: • Competition winner has been announced • 140 entries received • 74 entered competition • Breakdown from each LA of how many completed as follows: • Conwy – 38 • Gwynedd – 37 • Wrexham – 25 • Anglesey- 20 • Flintshire – 10 • Denbighshire – 6 • One question asked if service users would be interested in an RCC Service User event and out of the 134 that answered: • 54% said No • 16% were unsure • 28% said yes	
	Rachel will present the draft and analysis to the next RCC Sub Group meeting and final to be presented at March RCC. All feedback received on the questionnaire from RCC members will be shared and discussed at the next RCC sub group, one comment included whether we include the name of the Provider's next time?	
7.	Case Study Video	
	Gorwel of Grwp Cynefin have kindly shared this service user video with the RCC, it is an older people project (age 55 and over) this is a well-being project on top of what they already provide. Link to the video presented to the RCC below:	
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oCAPnTvtf0w#action=share	
	Enid added Bangor University are holding an intergenerational conference on	

	April 11 <sup>th</sup> – Rachel will send the invite to all.	RPJ
8.	For Information:	
	North Wales Spend Plan: Not all authorities have sent their Spend Plans in to Rachel so unable to present the Regional Spend Plan to the RCC today.	RPJ
	This will be sent for RCC voting members to approve once Rachel has collated all spend plans into the Regional template.	
	North Wales Partnerships Task and Finish Group: Paper 3 that was sent with the RCC papers is a letter from Wrexham council to all regional boards, and this was addressed to the chair of the RCC, Enid has been invited to their next meeting (date to be confirmed). Rachel will resend the letter so if there are any further comments please forward your responses to Rachel.	RPJ
9.	Any Other Business	
	Widening Dispersal – People Seeking Asylum Presentation slides form Home Office sent with RCC papers.	
	Neal Cockerton, Flintshire, presented this item. Wanted to bring awareness to the Committee that this may have some impact on the Supporting People programme.	
	Neal raised that the accommodation choices the Home Office wanted to place some Asylum Seekers in Flintshire was not suitable, for instance in Mostyn, the transport is limited to the contact centre in Wrexham, very rural area and limited facilities. Flintshire have advised they don't support this choice.	
	Neal raised some private landlords are seeing this as an opportunity to fill voids and unfortunately some of these rooms are not suitable for an Asylum Seeker.	
	Sam Parry, Conwy, raised Conwy are working with the Home Office on a pilot, however the pilot has not commenced in the past three years due to Clear Springs not being able to find a suitable accommodation. Conwy are still committed to this.	
	Was raised that once a property is found, Home Office stop supporting and this is when it will be an additional strain to programmes such as Supporting People. There is currently a shift from Home Office to disperse.	
	Wrexham are a dispersal area and at any one time that can have up to 160 Asylum Seekers. Shirley Jones, Wrexham, raised they have difficult moving them on once they have status, finding suitable accommodation, and that school placements can be an issue. Need to manage expectations.	
	The Chair asked that we look at the demand and keep an eye out for this when we next look at regional data.	
	<b>Governance Structure:</b> Arwel Jones asked if we need to have Governance on the next agenda or work on this prior to the next RCC?	
	Rachel advised that when Paul Webb attended the last RCC in November Katie Clubb raised this then and asked Paul if we should start inviting other Housing officials from LA's and his response was "if we wanted to be ahead of the game it is up to us".	

Rachel to see what other RCC's have done in relation to the membership. Rachel to agenda for the next RCC Sub Group.	RPJ
This was also discussed at the Joint Homelessness and Supporting People Information Networks Meeting and will be discussed at the meeting arranged for 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2019.	

## Table of actions for Regional Development Coordinator

Action	Status
Rachel to re-send the invitation to all members for the Stakeholder Engagement event hosted by WG for the HSG Grant on 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Completed
Rachel to make final amendments to the Regional Strategic Plan and send to all RCC members on January 23 <sup>rd</sup> with a deadline of January 30 <sup>th</sup> for responses.	Completed – sent on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> January
Rachel to re-send the snapshot of the Service User Questionnaire feedback	Completed
Rachel to do the analysis of the service user online questionnaire and present draft to RCC Sub Group and agenda for next RCC in March	Completed
Rachel to send to all members the Intergenerational Event details that Bangor University are hosting	Completed
Rachel to send North Wales Spend Plan to all once all LA's have sent there's in.	
Rachel to resend the North Wales Partnerships Task and Finish Group letter to all members – any comments to send to Rachel to coordinate	Completed
Rachel to agenda Governance Structure of the RCC for the next sub group.	

