

### **March 2018 One Nottingham Board Meeting.**

A very full agenda meant that the board considered a group of initiatives and issues that they had initiated or contributed to over recent years.

#### **Opportunity Nottingham and System Change – ON March Board.**

The biggest area of conversation was considering the progress made by the Opportunity Nottingham Big Lottery's Fulfilling Lives programme. Opportunity Nottingham is part of an 8 year programme in 12 locations across England all comprising local partnerships. It aims to improve the stability, confidence and capability of people with multiple needs, to direct them to lead better lives, so they spend less time in prison, reduce drug abuse, are in stable accommodation and have better mental health. It does this through, delivering services, evaluating social and economic impact and achieving system change

Opportunity Nottingham works with the most challenging and chaotic people in the city, 337 people so far almost all are homeless, have a substance dependency, a history of offending and poor mental health. The average annual cost to statutory services of this group of people is at least £32,000 per beneficiary.

In order to assess its effectiveness the Programme is taking part in a national evaluations and a local one with Nottingham Trent University.

The ON Board considered the wider implications of system change and are keen to be able to draw together the purpose and benefits of system change across the City. The ON Board have introduced three initiatives in Nottingham that work on system change and wish to assess the real potential and impact. Look out for details of a workshop on the meaning of system change.

<http://www.opportunitynottingham.co.uk/>

#### **Cares For Kids – ON March Board**

The Board received an interim funding update and a request for a £2,000 further contribution for Cares for Kids - breakfast clubs. Cares for Kids continues to seek ongoing support to continue almost 50 breakfast clubs in Nottingham schools.

#### **Science and Curiosity Festival. – ON March Board**

Rick Hall from the Nottingham Science and Curiosity Festival thanked the ON Board for their financial support for the Festival. Rick reported that the festival had 3000 meaningful engagements. Of the post code analysis the festival had 89% NG Postcodes, 68% came with Family, 25% were under 25 years old.

The festival worked with one local business as a partner, Balfour Beatty , and is seeking to connect with more. The festival is now becoming a charity to carry on the festival and is in conversation with Bio City. Kevin Shakesheff (ON Board member from the University of Nottingham) offered his support to work to align the two universities. Sajid Mohammed indicated that he is interested in the wider system mapping of encouraging BME, women and children science education. On is particularly interested as this is a potential avenue into social mobility and a longer-term contributor to reduce child poverty. The Board agreed to look at a more coordinated relationship.

<https://www.ignitefutures.org.uk/festival-of-science-and-curiosity>

## **Centenary Cities – ON March Board**

The On Board welcomed Rachel Armitage from Centenary Cities, an initiative which celebrates 100 years of some women being able to vote. This 2018 campaign promotes gender equality 100 years on. Centenary Cities has held events across the city to encourage women to vote and hosted a high profile debate in the Council House on women's experiences 100 years on. The Board agreed to stay engaged with the project and to promote the upcoming plans. Amongst the future plans is advice project on voting and how to vote.

<http://www.centenarycitiesnottm.co.uk/>