Economic Inclusion 2nd Scoping Meeting Minutes

Time and Place: 15:30-17:00, Thursday 6th December 2018, 1P08 City Hall College Green Bristol BS1 5TR

Present: Kevin Slocombe, Ed Rowberry, Ryan Munn (minute taker), Chris Hackett, Poku Osei, Sue Turner, David Jepson, Anna Dent, Anya Mulcahy-Bowman

Apologies: Ronnie Brown, Nishan Canagarajah, David Barclay, Dirk Rohwedder, Sam Lee, Taylor Meagher, Nick Flaherty, Hannah Young

1. **Apologies**

2. **Minutes of previous meeting and actions**

Set up the three things to discuss

3. **Terms of Reference**

Purpose of the group is reflected in the governance documents

Action: Ryan to add this in from City Funds Governance documents COMPLETE

Anna's second point: Would be useful to state that the remit is to develop funds and activity which is additional to existing, not to replicate or backfill where other funding may have been lost.

Action: Ryan to add this reference into the FPG COMPLETE

Financial inclusion, what does that mean? This was also mentioned by Chris in terms of overcoming barriers. We need to collectively agree to this. On one side we will get more diversity, but is that more complicated to manage.

Take out the priorities and have it unfocused? Board needs to have something, also for fundraising. What about all the people in the service economy, badly paid, etc. Are we going to do anything about them? Wording in the docs that could open this option? Question about if this is additional. Leading on to making Bristol a living wage city. Where can we best make an impact?

Chris's words: to help overcome economic barriers. 20,000 people claiming out of work benefits, or those who are claiming other benefits that are non-work related, also those who fall outside the welfare system but could possibly be working. Economically inactive who are not claiming benefits: spouses and older people. Inclusion infrastructure: look at a range of barriers and put them together.

Sue: like the idea of the neighbourhood level. Has to happen at a neighbourhood level, because that's where the knowledge is. Building better opportunities: this is helping, but

people coming up against the infrastructure problems. Work on the ground with the individual is happening, but barriers are still there.

This is an enabling addition. Consensus to add it in.

Action: Ryan to add Chris's draft language into the Terms of Reference. COMPLETE

With the two changes to the Terms of Reference, plus the added third area of focus, the scoping group have approved the ToR.

4.   Project pipeline workshop

Discussion around 4 assessment areas

Action: Ryan to change capacity to deliver language to ensure that we don't limit new companies.

Release the capacity building first in grant. Maybe not just about isolated organisation Collective impact? Not only build up capacity, new networks between organisations

Action: Include depth of network into assessment criteria - Ryan

Resourcing

- Research that is funded by RED (Comic relief). David is chasing. This could move forward quickly.
- Centre for Progressive Policy (CPP). At the front of the inclusive growth. May want to lend resource to Bristol, but need to know what city wants us to do.
- Also Centre for Cities, very interested in the funds. Gave the mayor's office time before.
- Also UoB internship

5.   Review of evidence base/data

Evidence base shows that we need to do some research around it. Specifically around the three aims. They could decide how to approach it. RED piece of work is specifically focused on Refugees. Coordinate this with what the organisations that are already researching. First piece of work is to do the secondary research.

Action: Ed Rowberry to chase David/RED on status of this research, pass on to Kevin (EdR)

Action: Kevin Slocombe to engage with CPP and C4C to update each on status of EI FPG and ask for MoIs around research (KevinS)

6.   Project pipeline – specific to FPG

7.   AOB