

Monmouthshire Wellbeing Plan Aspirations

“reduce inequalities between communities and within communities”

“support and protect vulnerable people”

Shared purpose

We will **work together** to promote **equitable prosperity** in Monmouthshire and wherever possible to **prevent our citizens experiencing poverty**.

We recognise that, despite our efforts, there will be points in people's lives at which they experience financial hardship. When this does occur we will come together to provide support **to make that experience as brief, as infrequent and as manageable as possible**. We will help people to emerge from that experience with **greater levels of resilience**.

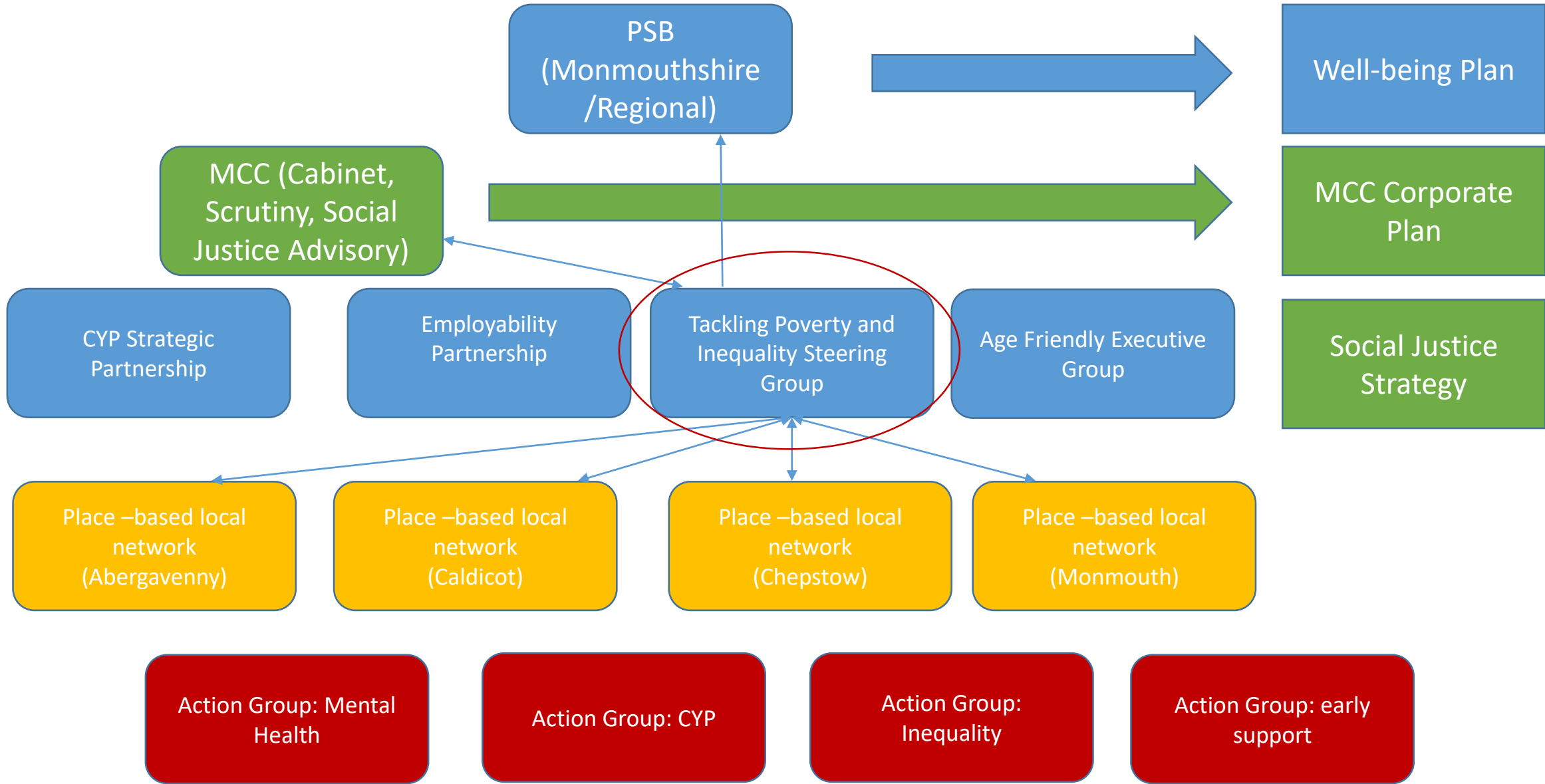


Initial Priorities

- Employability skills and employment support
- Children and Young People
- Mental health / emotional support / coping skills
- Tackling the effects of inequality
- Crisis prevention: helping people to access support at earliest opportunity, and support to navigate available offer

**Co-production
and Housing**

Housing and co-production



Key Partnership Structures

- **PSB / Programme Board:** Support, direction, accountability, 'unblocking'
- **Poverty and Inequality Steering Group:** Regular monitoring of action plan
- **Thematic Action Groups:** whole county, time-limited, action-focused partnerships
- **Community Support Networks:** place-based, community-led, action focused, enabling
- **Poverty and Inequality Network:** whole county, bringing together agencies and community members, harnessing energy and enthusiasm, building connections, sharing ideas and expertise

Examples of need for partnership approach:

Priority	Partners	Projects / Interventions / Policies
Employment	DWP, Social Landlords, Careers Wales, GAVO, Volunteering for Wellbeing, Pace	Communities 4 Work Plus, Skills@Work, Passport to Employment, Inspire 2 Work, employers, supporting self-employment
Children & Young People	ABUHB, Community Psychology, RSLs, Police, GAVO, Building Bridges	FSM Attainment Strategy, Compass (youth homelessness), Inspire 2 Achieve, Community Focused Schools, Acorn / Flying Start
Mental Health	ABUHB, Mind, RABI, CAP, Public Health, Police	Whole School Approach to Wellbeing, Farmers Project (Mind), Active Monitoring, targeted therapeutic support
Inequality	Public Health, GAVO, RSLs, NRW	Research into effects of inequality on lived experience, community development, housing policy, lobbying for specific grant, living wage
Early intervention and crisis prevention	Citizens Advice, Gateway, Mind, GAVO, RSLs, ABUHB, CAP, DWP, Food Banks	Information, Advice and Guidance, debt advice, financial planning advice, benefits support, community fridges, uniform recycling