

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Central Council Meeting:
7th July, 2014**

Agenda Item: 3

**Report of Central Council
Team.**

Ward Alliance Meetings

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report updates the Central Council on the latest round of Ward Alliance meetings and the Ward Alliances' position at this time.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Central Council receives the Ward Alliance Notes from Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsbrough Wards for information.**

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area/ Ward/Neighbourhood levels which are set out in the Cabinet Reports/Decisions as follows:- Cab21.11.2012/6; Cab16.1.2013/10.3; Cab13.2.2013/9; and Cab.8.5.2013/7.1.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 The latest round of Ward Alliance meetings have been completed, with the five Ward Alliances progressing at a similar pace.

Action plans have now been developed in order to progress to clear tangible actions that can address the ward priorities through allocation of the Ward Alliance Fund. Specific projects to address the ward priorities are currently being developed.

Ward Alliances have been actively promoting activities through Love Where you Live initiatives using social media.

- 4.2 Ward Alliance notes are attached to this report for information as follows:

Central Ward Alliance Notes 07.05 2014: Appendix One
Dodworth Ward Alliance Notes 28.04.14: Appendix Two

Kingstone Ward Alliance Notes 31.03.2014: Appendix Three
Stairfoot Ward Alliance Notes 12.05.14: Appendix Four
Worsbrough Ward Alliance Notes 21.05.2014: Appendix Five

- 4.3 The reporting into the Central Council, for information, of the Ward Alliances' meeting notes is in line with the approved Council protocols.

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4th July 2014

APPENDIX ONE

Central Ward Alliance:
Notes of Meeting

Wednesday 7 May 2014

Present: Cllr M Dyson (Chair), Cllr. D Birkinshaw, D Cureton, N Morris, K Micklethwaite, I Newton, Julie Richardson, Cllr D Green, C Brady M. Kenworthy.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. M Bruff

Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Ian Newton Declared an Interest in respect to an a application to the Ward Alliance Fund

Notes of Meeting held on 2 April 2014

The notes from the meeting held on 2 April 2014, which had previously been circulated were discussed.

AGREED THAT;

The notes of the meeting held on 2 April 2014 were approved as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

Central Council Update

Cllr Donna Green, Chair of Central Area Council and Carol Brady, Area Manager for the Central Council Team, Introduced themselves to the Ward Alliance and provided an update on the progress of the Central Area Council.

Cllr Green gave a brief outline on the purpose of the Area Council and explained that each Area Council had been given a budget to procure services to area need. This was a way of working differently and change the way that the Council and Community work together.

Three main priorities had been agreed by Central Council, these were; Older People, Clean and Green and Young People. The Royal Voluntary Service have been successful at the evaluation panel and have secured the contract to deliver a service to help address Isolation for Older People, they were best on quality and price and had a good local offer. They are a national company but have a base at Priory Campus.

The deadline for applications to provide the Young Peoples service closed last Friday and there had been a good amount of interest.

Cllr Green thanked Doreen Cureton for her contribution as the community representative on the Older Persons evaluation panel.

Neil Morris asked how small providers compete against the larger organisations.

Councillor Green explained that Central was the biggest area with the biggest budget and therefore would have a number of large contracts, and was aware that most small organisations wouldn't have everything in place to be able to tender for these. She also explained that with the Young Peoples contract, every effort had been made to develop networks and encourage subcontracting arrangements so smaller organisations could take advantage of some of the local delivery.

Councillor Green advised the alliance that the Area Council was in the process of setting up an Awards Fund that would support projects from £1,000 to £30,000, working in conjunction with the Area Team. Small local funds already exist for local community groups, but it was felt that something in between was needed to help grow the community and build local capacity.

Neil asked if the Area Council had considered funding a Community Development or a Welfare Rights worker.

Cllr Green said that some Area Councils were looking to do this, but it was felt that this was covered by the Borough wide offer as Central Area encompasses the Town Centre where many organisations who offer these services are based.

Carol Brady Area Council Manager updated the Ward Alliance on the evaluation process which was part of the service procurement and advised the group that the Central Area Council was currently progressing two key pieces of work that would benefit greatly from the involvement of Ward Alliance community reps.

These would be:

One Ward Alliance community rep (representing all 5 WA's) to sit on the Evaluation Panel for the Procurement process for a Central Council Clean and Green Service in partnership with local people – This would be quite a big task which involves attendance at 3/4 meetings in the Town Hall and the evaluation of individual documents in their own time. This process will take place in June and the rep will be very well briefed and supported through the process by a Central Area Team member.

If any Ward Alliance reps are interested in taking part in this process they need to pass their name and contact details to Martin Kenworthy ASAP. The names of all those interested across the 5 Ward Alliances will be put in a hat and the one drawn out will be part of the Panel and contacted accordingly.

One Ward Alliance rep from EACH Ward Alliance to sit on a Central Council Awards Panel – Central Council is launching the awards programme for community groups/organisations/social enterprises to develop project ideas for delivering the Central Council's priorities. An Awards Pack that contains guidance, an application form etc. is currently being developed and the scheme will be launched in mid to late May 2014. The closing date for initial project ideas is Friday 27th June. The Panel will meet in Barnsley Town Hall on the following dates:

- Panel briefing meeting - Weds 2nd July, 6-7pm.

- Awards Evaluation meeting - Mon 7th July, 6-7.30pm

It would be appreciated if the Ward Alliance could nominate one community representative who would be available on these dates to sit on the Awards Panel. Support and guidance will be provided throughout the process by a member of the Central Area Team.

Further information could be provided by contacting Martin K or Carol B.

Central Ward Plan Neighbourhood Networks and Love Where You Live

Ward Priority 4, encourage the community to lead active and healthy lifestyles:

No current community growing projects in the ward, a green space may be available but would require an established sustainable group to take over the asset.

Gateway Church are currently trying to take on Motram Hall and have applied to the ASDA Foundation for funding to upgrade their kitchen. They intend to deliver cook and eat courses if successful. Martin K suggested Neil speak with Anne Toy with ref to delivering the cook and eat.

Cllr Birkinshaw recommended that the alliance await the Cabinet Report before progressing with this priority.

Ward Priority 6 - maintain and improve cleanliness and environmental standards across the ward:

Martin K presented maps provided by Neighbourhood Services showing changes to the grass cutting and street cleaning schedules.

The Ward Alliance identified the following as areas that would require attention from any additional ward resources.

Measbrough Dyke.

Action / Activity; this is currently covered by the Rogue Landlord / Your Street Project) DWB has also funded removal of rubbish from Tune Street.

Measbrough Dyke Play Area, Pinder Oakes, The Hen Pen, Doncaster Road Park, Warren Quarry Green Space, Chiltern Street.

Action / Activity; Councillors to meet with Probation Service to agree programme of work funded through DWB to include these locations, Allsorts Youth Club may be able to assist at Chiltern Street, link in with Area Team.

Oaks Lane around Barnsley Main site

Action / Activity; Additional interest in the area as 2016 will be 150 years since the Oaks Disaster. To be included in Probation Programme

Twibell Street, Bottom of Newland Drive, Dearne Valley Park, Hoyle Mill Skate Park.

Action / Activity; Love Where You Live Clean up and event new target dates 20th and 21st June. Potential application to WAF. Additional bins for Skate Park through DWB. Also to be looked at in the Probation Programme.

Churchfield Park, Play Area and Peace Gardens

Action / Activity; To be included in Probation Programme, Churchfield Conservation Group help maintain and will host a Love Where You Live Picnic in the Park on 17th May.

Trans Pennine Trail

Action / Activity; To be included in Probation Programme.

Monk Bretton Shops

Action / Activity; BMBC Enforcement Team looking at.

Ward Alliance members requested a copy of the street cleaning maps, divided in to localities and A4 size, so bin audit can be done checking size and condition of bins.

Martin K to distribute copies.

Neighbourhood Networks

Agreed that the Area Team can pursue discussions with Hope House as the Neighbourhood Network host.

Julie Richardson has offered to support the development of the Ward Alliance Facebook / Website.

Area Team to contact Julie and discuss

Love Where You Live

There are 3 LWYL projects planned for Central Ward which are as follows.

Dearne Valley Country Park Project. This will include a community clean up and hopefully raise awareness and help address issues around litter and dog fouling. It should also encourage people to take notice of and appreciate Cliff Wood Nature Reserve and the heritage of the area. This event was planned for the 13th & 14th June.

Concerns were raised that the dates coincided with the Mayors Parade, and it was asked if dates could be changed and the opening of the skate park could be incorporated into the event.

Martin K to take back

Picnic in Churchfield Park. Doreen provided an update on the event which is planned for 17th May. The event plans to engage families with such things as painting plant pots and making bird feeders out of plastic bottles. Families will bring their own picnics.

Victoria Road Planting. The residents group wish to run a grow your own project, encouraging growing from planters in small yards and gardens. There is a meeting on 12th May to finalise details.

Wider Community Event

Following the update from the Area Council Chair and Manager, the Ward Alliance has agreed to defer the event until after the bulk of the Area Council contracts have been put in place. The event will now be planned for September / October and the objectives will be; to involve and promote community organisations, promote activities taking place in the Ward, the Ward Plan, services funded through the Area Council, and raise awareness of engagement and volunteering opportunities.

Ward Alliance Fund

Martin K updated the Ward Alliance on the spend available for this year.

Devolved Ward Budget	£35309
Ward Alliance Fund	£17720
Public Health	£4653

Martin K to contact Ian N to discuss Allsorts application to the Ward Alliance Fund.

Date and time of the next meeting

5pm Wednesday 4th June - Church of the Nazarene

APPENDIX TWO

Dodworth Ward Alliance: 28th April 2014:
St Johns School: Minutes of Meeting:

Present

Cllr Jack Carr, Cllr Brain Perrin, Cllr Phil Birkinshaw, Tony Foster, Jane Ripley, Malcolm Howarth, Fiona O'Brien

Apologies

Ian Goddard, Darren Dickinson, Stephen Race

Declarations - Malcolm Howarth declared an interest in the Ward Alliance Fund application for the Junior Wardens.

Notes of last meeting

The notes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising

It was noted that the Section 106 discussed under Ward Plan/Consultation could not be progressed as a decision would not be made by the Section 106 panel on this until June.

Clean & Green Tender

Cllr Birkinshaw gave an update on the frequency of grass cutting etc. in the ward and how this will affect the need to feed in to the Clean & Green tender. The following areas were highlighted as hotspots needing to be addressed:

Grass Cutting – Pogmoor Road just past railway bridge (dependant on review by Neighbourhood Services). Also banks on the motorway entrance/exit.

Fly Posting – Dodworth Road/Pogmoor Road junction at corner of Penny Pie Park

Dog Fouling – Cricket Field at Higham and roads under motorway

Pruning/Hedge trimming – Footpath at Higham

Littering – Path around Gate Inn (Youths gathering and dropping litter)

Germaine Croft/Park Road ditch full of litter

Ward Alliance Fund

Junior Wardens - Unable to circulate funding application however agreed in principle (Fiona to circulate form)

ACE – Application deferred until following questions are answered:

Are children from the Dodworth Ward?

Is there evidence people will attend?

Who are group, what are they?

How will people/young people in the area benefit?

Are numbers of 36 children realistic for an after school club?

What is Horizons involvement?

Where are the three adults from?

Action - Fiona to follow up

Love Where You Live Projects

Potential projects are;

Friends of Gilroyd

Young at Heart (Gilroyd Club Wednesdays 12.30pm to 2pm, Steve Riley is contact)

Gilroyd lady interested in a community allotment

Higham Litter Pick

Ward Plan/Action Plan

The group agreed it was difficult to move forward on actions from the plan as there was still uncertainty around the activities to be undertaken as part of the Central Council Commissioning (Older Isolated People & Young People)

Action – Fiona to get further details on what contracts will cover

Any Other Business

Dodworth War Memorial – A discussion took place on planned improvements to the Dodworth War Memorial which raised the issue of having a Ward Alliance bank account.

Action - Fiona to get details of opening a bank account

Future meetings

Next Meeting will be on the 2nd June 6pm at St. Johns School

APPENDIX THREE

Kingstone Ward Alliance
Notes of Meeting: Worsbrough Common ICT Centre
31st March 2014 @ 4pm

Present:

Councillors T Sheard (Chair) and K Mitchell, M Tombs, V Mawby, K Quinney, P Gee, D Tumman, Sue Shaw

In Attendance:

Martin Kenworthy, Pat Braithwaite (Central Council Area Team), Peter Robertshaw

Apologies:

Councillor D Green, Martin Sawdon, F Shahi, Fiona O'Brien

Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests.

Notes from Previous Meetings

The notes from the 4th February 2014 were circulated.

AGREED THAT

The notes from the 4th February 2014 were accurate.

Terms of Reference/Governance Framework

MK explained the complexities of a Treasurer to enable sourcing external funding. Currently the Chair is Cllr Sheard and the Secretary is Kath Mitchell however Peter Robertshaw has now been nominated to act as secretary.

Ward Plan Working Group – Presentation/Feedback

The working document was circulated and a discussion followed on the look of the document and the content.

Cllr Sheard thanked everyone on the working party for their valued contributions and requested that James (Exodus) was also thanked for his attendance and contribution to the workshop.

The following potential projects were highlighted;

Walking Bus for Joseph Locke School to YMCA

Air Cadets are looking for a project – could link with YMCA Allotment on Shaw Lane.

Kingstone Community Allotment

Agreed That

This would be used as a working document.

Central Area Council Priorities (for information/Comment)

MK updated the Ward Alliance on the Area Council priorities.

Future Agenda Items

- Ward Plans – How to deliver
- Consultation Plan (To be circulated on reverse of Kingstone Ward Plan)

- Young Entrepreneurs

Outcomes of Todays Meeting

- Treasurer for Ward Alliance needs pursuing
- Consultation Plan to be produced

Proposed Future Meeting Dates, Time and Venue to be Circulated

A timetable of future meeting dates up to March 2015 was circulated.

Agreed That

Dates are approved

Date & Time of next Meeting

Tuesday 13th May 2014 4pm at Worsbrough Common ICT Resource Centre

APPENDIX FOUR

**STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE
MEETING NOTES**

**Monday 12th May 2014 at 10am OMTI Farm Road, Kendray
WA/Stairfoot – 6/2014**

1. Present: Robert Stendall, Len Neville, Cynthia Cunningham, Martin Kenworthy (Area Council) Cllr. Karen Dyson (Chair) Andrew Gillis, Cllr. Wayne Johnson, Cllr. Brian Mathers, Roy Marsden (until 11.30am) Leanne Cooke (Berneslai Homes) Louise Toon (Youth Service)

2. Apologies: Ann Hart

3. Declarations of Pecuniary/None Pecuniary Interest: Roy Marsden declared a None Pecuniary interest in relation to Ardsley Welfare Bowling Club's application which was agreed at a previous meeting but may require further support from the Ward Alliance.

Cllr Karen Dyson declared a None Pecuniary interest as Vice Chair of Governors for Barnsley Academy in relation to Agenda item 6. The Academy Green Gym
Cllr. Wayne Johnson declared a Pecuniary interest in Item 7 on the Agenda in relation to OMTI.

4. Notes from last meeting on: 7th April were agreed as a true and accurate record.

5. Matters Arising: There were no Matters Arising.

6. Barnsley Academy Green Gym: Louise Toon updated the Ward Alliance on a proposal by the school council to develop a gym at Barnsley Academy. It was proposed that the gym would be used by pupils during school times and open to the community at other times. This was only a concept at the moment and the school council would like to discuss the proposal with residents so were looking to the Ward Alliance as their first point of contact with the wider community. A new building would need to be built as there was no gym at the Academy at the moment and no space to incorporate a Gym.

A number of the other Academies had gyms which were self sustaining and it was planned that this would be run on similar lines. The Nuffield group had shown interest in staffing the gym.

Members of the Ward Alliance asked the following questions;

How had the need for the gym been identified?

Has a business plan or feasibility study been done?

Who were the anticipated user group?

Would other organisations such as BPL be approached?

Louise answered that the proposal for the gym had come from the school council but she was not sure of the evidence base, and had just come to discuss the initial concept.

The Ward Alliance agreed that Louise could come to a future meeting when she had the further information and asked if it could be arranged for the Ward Alliance to visit the Academy.

Louise will contact Martin when she has the further information.

7. Feedback from the Special Meeting held on 28th April: Notes were presented from the meeting which included a statement from OMTI which notes that targets for the measures suggested to enable the project to work towards sustainability have proved to be unrealistic. They also stated that to attempt such a substantial change of operation in the short time available and return the positive outcomes required have become impossible.

As a result the Management group have decided to withdraw the current application for Ward Alliance funding. Feeling that this will give OMTI time to rethink it's Business model and move forward into the future.

They plan to operate a "mothballed" service from 1st May from Reserves.

Their computer repair service will continue as will 1to1 tuition along with limited access to computers. Room Hire will still be available.

Martin was asked to make sure that the use of the room at OMTI for Ward Alliance meetings, was paid for by the Ward Alliance, as the Ward Alliance did not think it appropriate to use the room free of charge when they were encouraging and supporting a new business model.

8. Central Area Council Update: The Ward Alliance received an update on the progress of the Area Council. Three main priorities had been agreed by Central Council, these were; Older People, Clean and Green and Young People. The Royal Voluntary Service have been successful at the evaluation panel and had secured the contract to deliver a service to help address Isolation for Older People, they where best on quality and price and had a good local offer. They are a national company but have a base at Priory Campus.

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It was agreed that Martin would invite the Area Council Chair, Donna Green to attend the Ward Alliance Meeting on 7th July or the 4th August.

Martin briefly explained the evaluation process which was part of the service procurement, and advised the group that the Central Area Council was currently progressing two key pieces of work that would benefit greatly from the involvement of Ward Alliance community reps the first being;

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Cynthia raised concerns about expectations and work load on community reps. She said that Ann and herself would like to be involved, but didn't have the capacity at the moment due to other existing commitments.

Martin explained that one Ward Alliance rep from EACH Ward Alliance had the opportunity to sit on a Central Council Awards Panel – Central Council is launching the awards programme for community groups/organisations/social enterprises to develop project ideas for delivering the Central Council's priorities. An Awards Pack that will contain guidance, an application form etc. is currently being developed and the scheme will be launched in mid to late May 2014. The closing date for initial project ideas is Friday 27th June. The Panel will meet in Barnsley Town Hall on the following dates:

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It was agreed that Robert Stendall would be put forward as the represented for Stairfoot Ward Alliance

9. Stairfoot Ward Plan:

(1) Maintain and improve environmental standards.

The ward councillors presented maps provided by Neighbourhood Services showing the proposed changes to the grass cutting and street cleaning schedules. Ward Alliance members said they had noticed changes and had already contacted Neighbourhood services as to the state of grass cutting in Kendray Park. Particular concerns were raised about the reduction in service on the main access roads leading into Stairfoot Roundabout. Councillors explained that there had to be a reduction in service and the only way to get things back was to sacrifice the service in other areas of the ward. They explained that some of the service could be picked up by additional resource funded by the Ward, such as Community Payback, and any support provided through the Area Council. Ward Alliance members were asked to take the maps away and decide what they considered to be priority areas. They were asked to pay particular attention to the location condition and size of bins, as the Ward Alliance could look at re-locating, reducing the number of, or increasing the size of some of the bins in the ward to make efficiency savings. The Ward alliance would need to agree a programme of work for the Clean and Green Service provided by the Area Council. Some locations had already been identified in the Ward Plan, but priorities could change following this new information.

Martin to distribute electronic copies of the plans to all Ward Alliance Members, once he had received them from Neighbourhood Services, so this can be addressed at the next meeting.

(4) Help develop and support local environmental plans.

Martin passed on the locations of the grit bins for discussion at the next meeting

Love Where You Live:

Ardsley Residents Association are running their planting project on 17th May.

Kendray TARA want to deliver their project to deal with litter and dog fouling around Kendray. To be progressed when Ann returns.

10. Wider Community Event: To focus at Neighbourhood level with the first taking place at Aldham. To plan at the next meeting

11. Ward Funding: The available spend for the ward is

Devolved Ward Budget £32576

Ward Alliance Fund £14807

Public Health £7000

12. Date and Time of Next Meeting.

It was agreed that the next Meeting will be held on Monday 2nd June 2014.

APPENDIX FIVE

**WORSBROUGH COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
NOTES**

**Wednesday, May 21st 2014, at 5:30 pm.
Worsbrough Library**

Present;, Cllrs G Carr, J Clarke (Chair). S Taylor, B Travis, S Speight, S Dunne. M Kenworthy

Apologies for Absence; A Perry, J Aranyi, Cllr B Barlow

Declarations of Pecuniary & None Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Notes of Last Meeting.

Notes were presented in the form of Action Plan Updates.

Matters Arising

Wider Community Event and Health and Wellbeing Project to be discussed as Agenda Items.

Area Council Update

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Ward Plan

The Community Alliance concentrated their discussions around Ward Priority E) "Support Residents to lead healthy and active lives" This was following the agreement at the last meeting for the Community Alliance to deliver a project around Health and Wellbeing.

Ideas put forward at the last meeting were;

To link in with Edmunds School Allotment which had been funded by ASDA.

Explore what was being offered in respect of Slimming Clubs, a number were being held at the Miners Welfare.

Health Trainers could provide free stop smoking sessions in Worsbrough through "Change For Life" (Silvia)

Northern Jive deliver Jive classes at the Miners Welfare. Could this be expanded with classes for young people.

Explore the potential for a community allotment at Worsbrough Mill

Identify an appropriated venue and deliver Cooke and Eat classes, at one time ASDA wanted to invest in Edmunds Community Centre to develop a cresh for shoppers. The Alliance could see if there was any interest from ASDA to develop the centre to provide cook and eat courses.

A number of Community Alliance Members said they would be interest in training to deliver the courses themselves.

The Alliance had received a copy of the Outcome of the Overview and Scrutiny Report "Reducing Health Inequalities" prior to the meeting. This was at the request of Cllr G Carr, who gave the Alliance a brief outline of the report as lead member of the Reducing Obesity Task and Finish Group.

Cllr G Carr and M Kenworthy provided an update to the Alliance with ref to training requirements and potential venues for the Cooke and Eat. They were waiting clarification on training requirements and have discussed with Ann Toy from Public Health, who believes the project has good potential. It was suggested that the Miners Welfare would be a better location as they had better kitchen facilities.

It was agreed that a Working Group would take this forward and feed back to the Alliance. The working group will consist of thee following members.

Community Alliance Lead; Gill Carr

Community Alliance Reps; John Clarke, Silvia Speight

None Alliance Reps; Anne Oxley, Patricia Wilson
Area Team Support; Michelle Toone

Neighbourhood Networks

Michelle Toone was currently holding talks with the History Group with a view to them becoming the Community Alliance Network Host

Community Alliance Event

A work Plan was agreed for the Community Alliance event which will be held on 28th June at the Miners Welfare

The event is aimed at helping to build the Neighbourhood Network by bringing communality groups and the community together.

It gives community groups the opportunity to promote themselves and showcase what is happening in the Ward. It will also provide an opportunity to raise fund and attract new volunteers. The Community Alliance will concentrate their efforts on promoting the Ward Plan and engaging community members in finding solutions to the Ward Priorities while making them aware of available funding and the concept of "Love Where You Live"

See appendix 1.

Ward Alliance Fund

The Community Alliance had a total of £27,000 of Ward Alliance and Public Health Fund for the 2014/15 financial year. This should be fully allocated prior to March 2015.

Spend to date is;

History Group	£2,485
Community Alliance Event	£1,000
Spend remaining	£23,515

Pending projects are the Health and Wellbeing Project and support for the Community Alliance Host which will both be funded from the £7,000 Public Health element of the Fund.

Date and Time of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, June 12th 2014, at 5:30 pm at Worsbrough Library.