

North East Ward Alliance Notes

Tuesday 25th June 2013

Bow Street Council Offices, Cudworth

Present

Councillors Ennis, Higginbottom, and North.

1. Community Representation

At the Ward Members' Briefing held on 4th June 2013, the Councillors decided that local community activists, representatives from Community Groups, Faith Groups, the Chairs of Governors of the local schools, the Town and Parish Councils, local businesses, and members of the North East Community First Panel should all be approached to enquire if they would like to complete an Expression of Interest form to be a member of the North East Ward Alliance.

2. Consideration of the Expressions of Interest forms

At the first Ward Alliance meeting held on July 24th, 2013, the Expressions of Interest forms which had been received were considered.

3. Representation on the North East Ward Alliance

The Members agreed that two representatives from each of the villages of Brierley, Great Houghton, Grimethorpe, and Shafton, to give a total of eight local community representatives, should become members of the North East Ward Alliance. The Members felt that this was a sufficient number of representatives to sit on the Ward Alliance in the first instance.

4. Consideration of the Chair of the Ward Alliance

It was agreed that Councillor Ennis would Chair the Ward Alliance meetings, and Councillor North would be the Vice Chair.

5. Consideration of the Secretary and Treasurer role, and the potential provision of a bursary

It was agreed that one of the Ward Alliance representatives would be approached to take on the roles of Secretary and Treasurer for the Alliance. It was agreed that a sum of £500 would be awarded to ensure the facilitation of the meetings, and £200 would be made available to pay for room hire. The provision of a laptop and printer would be considered if required.

6. Consideration of future meeting venues

It was agreed that Ward Alliance meetings would be held at various venues on a rolling programme, to include Grimethorpe Lifestyles and Pentecostal Church, Great Houghton Welfare Hall, Shafton Community Centre, and Brierley Methodist Church Hall.

7. Consideration of the role of a critical friend

The Councillors agreed that they would like a member of the North East Area Team to attend the Ward Alliance's meetings as a `critical friend`. This role would be in an advisory capacity and would not include any voting rights.

8. Date of future meetings

Future meetings of the Ward Alliance have been scheduled as follows:

Thursday 19th September at 6.30pm

Thursday 21st November at 6.30pm

Thursday 30th January at 6.30pm

Thursday 27th March at 6.30pm