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MEETING:	Dearne Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 15 May 2017
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

AGENDA

- 9 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.15.05.2017/9) (*Pages 3 - 4*)

To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

Councillors Noble (Chair), Gardiner, Gollick, C. Johnson, Phillips and Sixsmith MBE

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**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 15th May 2017**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Ward Alliance Fund spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report seeks to inform Members about spend to date from Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne Area.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Dearne Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes any spend to date for the Wards of Dearne North and Dearne South.**

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).
- 3.2 In considering projects for the use of the Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4.0 Commitments to Date

- 4.1 In the 15/16 financial year the Dearne North Ward Alliance underspent by £69. Therefore for the 16/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has a starting budget of £10,069 to spend on Dearne North projects. Further at the Area Council on the 19th of September members agreed to devolve a further £10,000 taking the total budget to £20,069.

To date Dearne North Alliance has spent £19,018.47 on 26 projects. Of these projects 16 were matched funded to a cost of £11,021.48. As of April 2017 the Ward Alliance has a total allocation of £1,050.53 to carry over into the 2017/18 financial year, bringing the allocation to £11,050.53, pending final budget approval.

- 4.2 In the 15/16 financial year the Dearne South Ward Alliance underspent by £1,160. Therefore for the 16/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has a starting budget of £11,160 to spend on Dearne South projects. Further at the Area Council on the 19th of September members agreed to devolve a further £10,000 taking the total budget to £21,160.

To date Dearne South Alliance has spent £19,435.10 on 18 projects. Of these projects 10 were matched funded at a cost of £10,363.60. As of April 2017 the South Ward Alliance has a total of £1,724.90 to carry over into the 2017/18

financial year, bringing the allocation to £11,724.90 pending final budget approval.

5.0 Appendices

Appendix One : Breakdown of Ward Alliance Fund Spend

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