

MEETING:	Dearne Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 25 January 2016
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 16 November, 2015 (Dac.25.01.2016/2) (*Pages 3 - 6*)

Performance

- 3 Dearne Area Council Performance Update including financial position (Dac.25.01.2016/3) (*Pages 7 - 46*)

Items for Decision

- 4 Update on the Area Team work plan and allocation of finances for 2016/2017 (Dac.25.01.2016/4) (*Pages 47 - 48*)

Dearne Approach

- 5 Notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group held on 11th January, 2016 (Dac.25.01.2016/5) (*To Follow*)

Ward Alliances

- 6 Notes from the Ward Alliances (Dac.25.01.2016/6) (*Pages 49 - 58*)
Dearne South – held on 16th December, 2015
Dearne North – held on 26th November, 2015
- 7 Report on the Use of Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.25.01.2016/7) (*Pages 59 - 64*)

To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

Councillors Noble (Chair), Brook, Gardiner, Gollick, Sixsmith MBE and Worton

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MINUTES

Present Councillors Noble (Chair), Gollick, Sixsmith MBE and Worton.

28 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.

29 Minutes of the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 14th September, 2015 (Dac.16.11.2015/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 14th September, 2015.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on 14th September, 2015 be approved as a true and correct record.

30 Presentation from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust

Gemma Cobby from Coalfields Regeneration Trust was welcomed to the meeting.

A brief overview of the work of the trust was provided. This included investment in properties adjacent to Dearne Playhouse, support for people out of work to prepare CVs, provision of grants up to £500, supporting the development of a business forum in the area, amongst other things.

The meeting discussed support available to develop neighbourhood plans, with the prevailing view being that communities in the Dearne had been consulted widely, and a number of well developed plans were already available.

Members were very supportive of the work underway to develop a business forum to engage and support enterprise in the area. The meeting also acknowledged the positive impact of micro grants available to support communities in the area.

RESOLVED that Gemma be thanked for the presentation, and the work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust be noted.

31 Performance of commissioned services and Area Council financial position (Dac.16.11.2015/4)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, referring to the current financial situation for the Area Council. Taking into account the income received to date from Fixed Penalty Notices, the finance remaining unallocated for 2015/16 was £57,438.

With regards to the Training For Employment contract, the meeting noted the continued success of the commission, which ran until the end of March, 2016. It was

noted that the project is undertaking an annual review and this would inform a discussion about the future of the project to take place in January, 2016.

It was noted that an organisation had been commissioned to review the Area Governance arrangements centrally, and as part of this would focus on analysing the social return on investment of a number of projects. It was suggested that this would include the Training for Employment commission.

With regards to the Environmental Enforcement commission, Members heard how, from August to end September, 2015, there had been 51 Fixed Penalty Notices and 25 Parking Charge Notices. It was noted that plans were in place to ensure patrolling hours were evenly distributed between Dearne North and South Wards.

Members discussed the Clean and Tidy contract that Twiggs Grounds Maintenance were delivering. It was noted that 137 areas had been targeted with time balanced between Dearne North and South Wards. Feedback from residents had been extremely positive, and Members were encouraged to continue identifying any areas requiring attention.

Members noted the feedback from the Housing Enforcement SLA, which highlighted that 182 complaints and requests for service had been dealt with. The meeting discussed a recent case which had gone to court, with an individual being fined £400 plus costs for not adhering to a Community Protection Notice.

The meeting noted that 7 applications had been received for the Dearne Development Fund, and that a panel would consider these on the 25th November, 2015.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the updated financial position for Dearne Area Council, including the amounts unallocated for 2015/16 and 2016/17 be noted;
- (ii) that the continued progress of the Dearne Area Council commissions be noted.

32 Update on the procurement of environmental enforcement (Dac.16.11.2015/5)

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager, referring to previous discussions at the Area Council, where Members expressed a desire to extend the provision.

Members noted that other Area Councils would also be procuring a similar service in a combined exercise, however each Area Council would performance manage the service applicable to their area.

The meeting was made aware of the timescales for procuring the service, with the desire for the contract to commence on 1st April, 2016.

RESOLVED that the specification of requirements and associated procurement strategy for the Environmental Enforcement Service be approved, to a value of £30,955 per annum, for one year with an opportunity to extend for two further year periods, and that delegated authority be given to the Service Director- Stronger, Safer and Healthier Communities to make minor amendments where necessary.

33 Housing enforcement (Dac.16.11.2015/6)

Following on from previous discussions, the meeting considered extending the posts of Private Sector Housing Officer, and Enforcement and Investigations Officer, for a further year. This would take the posts to March, 2017 and to November, 2016 respectively.

The significant impact of the officers was acknowledged and Members were supportive of the extension. It was noted that the finance required would be less than previously envisaged at £62,000 as opposed to £75,000. A suggestion was made to consider whether a third officer could be funded to further support the work.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that approval be given to extend the post of Private Sector Housing Officer, and Enforcement and Investigations Officer, each for a further year at a total cost of £62,000;
- (ii) that consideration be given to funding an additional officer to further support private sector housing enforcement work.

34 Notes from following Ward Alliances (Dac.16.11.2015/7)

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne North Ward Alliance held on 29th September, and Dearne South Ward Alliance held on 14th October, 2015.

Brief feedback was provided from Councillor Worton on the notes from Deane North, and it was noted that action plans are in place and have been agreed.

Councillor Sixsmith updated Members on the work of Dearne South Alliance. It was acknowledged that plans were still in development but that this had not impeded delivery. The need to engage more volunteers and develop more group was acknowledged.

At this point in the proceedings Members held a two minute silence to mark the passing of those in recent attacks in France.

It was noted that arrangements were in place for the Christmas event in St. Andrew's Square and it was thought that this may help to stimulate more community action. Support available to assist group and project development was stressed, as was then need to stimulate this in order to allocate funds available to worthwhile projects.

Councillor Noble added that a trained potter had agreed to work with interested parties to ensure used of the kiln.

RESOLVED that notes from the respective Ward Alliances be received.

35 Report on the Use of Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.16.11.2015/8)

The report was introduced by the Area Council Manager and Members noted the amounts of finance still available for the 2015/16 financial year, which included any finance carried forward.

For Dearne North, £9,159.79 of the £10,109.49 Devolved Ward Budget had been allocated and £6,830 of the £13,938.85 of the Ward Alliance Fund.

For Dearne South, £6,472.68 of the Devolved Ward Budget had been allocated, and £2,800 of the £13,660.85 of the Ward Alliance Fund.

Members were reminded of the support available from the Area Team to help accelerate the development of projects to apply for relevant funds.

RESOLVED that the report on the Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds be received.

Members noted the recent success of local groups in the Pride of Barnsley Awards and the Chair praised the hard work of all involved.

Councillor Worton made Members aware of arrangements being made for a memorial bench to mark the passing of Councillor Dave Sim. Councillor Worton agreed to write to all members to invite them to the dedication ceremony.

Chair

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 25th January 2016

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Dearne Area Council Performance Update including financial position

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend, and outlines the unallocated amount remaining for 2015/16 and 2016/17
- 1.2 This report provides members with an update on the delivery of the Dearne Area Councils current commissions.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Dearne Area Council members note the updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend and the unallocated amounts remaining for 2015/2016. Details are contained in Appendix One.
- 2.2 That members note the continued progress of the three Dearne Area Council commissions

3.0 Financial update

- 3.1 With agreement from the Dearne Area Council on the 16th of November 2015 £62,300 was allocated in order to maintain the level of service for a further year offered by the enforcement and investigation private sector housing officers.

Taking this allocation into consideration means that the Dearne Area Council have spent £230,930.00 of this year's budget bringing the total amount unallocated to **£24,508.00** This remaining amount does not include the **£15,720.00** income from fixed penalty notices. Therefore with income included a total amount of **£40,228.00** remains unspent in the Dearne Area Council's 2015/16 budget.

- 3.2 No clear indication has been given regarding the future budget allocations for Area Councils post 2016-17. Central Government's Summer Budget was announced on the 8th July 2015. This will inform BMBC's budget planning and further information will be available in the autumn. However within the financial breakdown for 2016/17 the cost of the enforcement service that was agreed at the Area Council is shown.

See appendix one for full break down

4.0 Current Commissions

4.1 Training for employment

The figures below are for the period 18th September to 20th November 2015. In the 14 months the service has been operational 48 people have now entered local employment. Based on the theory that each person going into employment was previously claiming job seekers allowance £73.10, the social return on each participant gaining employment would be an economic saving of £292 per month. £292 (JSA per month) x 48 (participants) = £14,016 (savings per month) If all of the individuals stayed in employment for 12 months the social return on investment for those individuals would be £168,192. This is a very basic costing the wider social return on investment is predicted to be much higher. This contract is due to end 31st March 2016 and an end of service letter was sent out December 2015.

VAB has submitted the service review which highlighted the contract barriers and achievements. It included

- Travel expenses as a barrier for those attending interviews
- Funding for specific training
- Hand holding was a necessity for those experiencing anxiety and low confidence levels.
- Referrals from job centre were increasing
- The embankment centre and salvation army were the perfect location for such a service

See appendix two for full report.

4.2 Enforcement

Since the start of this contract the team have issued 595 fixed penalty notices in the Dearne area, 430 for littering, 37 for dog fouling and a further 128 for parking offences. Officers concentrate their patrols around intelligence led information from the tasking process and also from complaints on the street, from the community at large.

The Revenue raised thus far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) this quarter of the contract beginning August 2015 until end of September 2015 is **£1,610.00** bringing the total revenue raised from this contract to **£15,720.00** The total revenue raised from this contract will be available at the end of March 2016.

This service is currently out to tender and the evaluation panel are due to meet at the end of January 2016. The incoming providers will be in place in order to commence delivery by the 1st of April 2016.

4.3 **Twiggs**

Twiggs commenced delivery on the 1st of September 2015. They have been provided with a work plan that is updated on a weekly basis. To date Twiggs have engaged with nine businesses in relation to supporting local events. They have also worked alongside two established groups on clean up campaigns and led on three social action projects. Further the service has worked with 73 volunteers that have amassed 205 volunteer hours. Based on the calculation of £11.09 per hour per volunteer the return on investment so far is £2273.45.

Twiggs have spent an equal amount of time in both Dearne North and Dearne South. They have collected 243 bags of waste and reported 12 fly tipping incidents into the enforcement team. The service ran an educational session about the plight of littering for Hill Rose Primary and Goldthorpe Scouts. Twiggs in conjunction with the Community Development Officer also host an environmental steering group which was established to inform Twiggs work plan.

Although working really well the service are receiving relatively low requests for service this will be discussed during the contract monitoring meeting and an action plan will be put in place.

See appendix four for report

4.4 **Housing enforcement**

During the months October to December 2015 the service dealt with 165 complaints and requests for service. Some of these were dealt on an informal basis, either speaking to the tenant/occupier or just sending a general advice letter, others went to more formal action. All cases closed within quarter 3 are recorded as having a successful outcome.

The service expect future reports to include mental and physical ill health, isolation or exclusion, Age (young and old), victim and/or witness of ASB (anti-social behaviour) or criminal activity, affected by domestic abuse, poverty and issues relating to minority groups. The most abiding vulnerabilities identified this quarter are around poverty and disability, in particular mental health issues relating to depression. The service are still awaiting changes being made to the ASB case management system that will enable us to report accurately on the number of vulnerable persons identified

See appendix four for full report

4.5 **Dearne Development Fund**

At the Dearne Area Council on the 14th of September 2015, £80,000 was allocated to the Dearne Development Fund in order to meet the Dearne Area priorities. The allocation panel met in November to discuss all 10 applications and approved 5 applications totalling £31,910.00. The next panel meeting will be held on the 28th January 2016.

Provider/group	Priority	Impact
Dearne Allotment Group	Improving health/Improving the environment	To provide a coordinator in order to continue with the development of the community allotment
Goldthorpe Development Group-Community Alliance Project	Improving Health (older people) Young people	To provide events and health awareness days in order to reduce loneliness and isolation of older people. Events also to engage with younger people.
DIAL- drop in advice project	Information and support	Independent advice service supporting disadvantaged people that are faced with financial exclusion
Salvation Army- Seasons hope project	Improving health/quality of life/ information and support	Supporting families in crisis across the Dearne area by providing support by way of information packs. The project will also provide cook and eat sessions.
Dearne Electronic Community Village-silver surfers	Information and support/ skills and learning for work	Engaging with local resident 55+ in order to promote social inclusion by delivering ICT sessions

Appendices

- 5.0 Appendix One: Financial Update
Appendix Two: Training for Employment
Appendix Three: Twiggs
Appendix Four : Housing Enforcement

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Appendix one: Financial Update

Area Council Spend	2014/2015		2015/2016	2016/2017
	£ 200,000.00		£ 200,000.00	
			+£ 55,438.00	
			£ 255,438.00	
Environmental Enforcement	-£ 27,181.00		-£ 18,465.00	-£ 31,000
Environmental Enforcement - BMBC contribution	-£ 8,000.00		-£ 3,255.00	
Community Newsletter			-£3000	
Training for Employment	-£ 74,381.00		-£ 37,000.00	
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	-£ 35,000.00		-£62,300.00	
Dearne Clean & Green			-£ 75,000.00	
Dearne Development Fund			-£ 31,910.00	
Total spend	-£ 144,562.00		-£230,930.00	
Allocation remaining			+£24,508.00	
			+£ 14,110.00	
FPN income received			+£ 1,610.00	
Final Allocation remaining	£ 55,438.00		£ 40,228.00	

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Training for employment- VAB and Dearne Electronic Community Village

Background

Following consultation and intelligence from the research team The Dearne Area Council agreed that the priorities for the Dearne Area would be as follows:

- Improving the economy
- Young People
- Skills and learning for work
- Environment
- Improving Health

Unemployment is one of the biggest issues in the Dearne Area. Therefore Voluntary Action Barnsley (VAB) and Dearne Electronic Community Village have been commissioned to provide training for employment service in the Dearne Area. The contract was awarded from 3rd August 2014 until the 31st March 2016 with a full contract price of £112.000.

This contract meets three of the priorities by way of improving the economy (people gaining employment), skills and training for work and improving health (both mental and physical by way of giving people a focus).

The service operates from the Salvation Army, Dearne electronic community village, Embankment centre and the Dearne community children’s centre.

The figures below are the actual numbers for the period 18th September to 20th November 2015.

Training for employment

report received on 2nd December 2015

	RAG	
Skills and learning for work	Satisfactory monitoring report and contract management meeting. Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
	Milestones achieved Milestones achieved	●
Improving the economy	Outcome indicator targets met Outcome indicator targets met	●
	Social value targets met Social value targets met	●
Improving Health	Satisfactory spend and financial information Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

Activity Intervention Targets

	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Year 1 Totals		Year 2 Q1
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Actual
Learners Recruited	8	44	8	45	8	37	8	50	32	176	71
Learners achieving qualification	8	5	8	39	8	12	8	18	32	74	26
Learners into employment	2	4	2	14	2	8	2	14	8	40	8
Learners into local employment	1	4	1	14	1	8	1	10	4	36	5
Learners into further Training	2	10	2	10	2	18	2	16	8	54	3

Secured local employment

During this quarter 8 people have secured employment that is 48 in the 14 months the contracts been operational. Examples of the local employment opportunities are below:

- SD – B&Q – Cashier/Sales Assistant – Full-time
- AM - Full time (has not supplied details of position secured)
- JLP – Shop Assistant – Part-time
- LH - Capita – Full-time
- AR – Next at Manvers – Warehouse Operative – Full-time
- AT – (no details provided on employment status)
- EH - NHS – Bank staff
- AS – Temporary Christmas Job

Further training

Some of the further training that participants have been referred to is highlighted below:

- ICT Entry Level 3 (referrals within services) x 3

We are currently working with WEA to run courses in the Salvation Army that are funded to support and engage individuals with mild to moderate mental health illnesses regardless of medical diagnosis. We believe these courses will be vital to a proportion of attendees at this venue.

Referrals to other support services

- CC - Volunteering at Work Club (Salvation Army)

We are in the process of establishing 'conversation clubs' at the Salvation Army to provide a network for individuals that seek company to reduce their isolation and enable them to talk and be listened to in an informal and comfortable setting.

Outcome indicators

Outcomes:	<i>Being healthy & safe</i>										
	<i>Staying connected and reducing isolation</i>										
	<i>Enjoy & Achieve</i>										
	<i>Making a positive contribution/ promoting independence</i>										
	<i>Having choice & control over your life & activities</i>										
	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Year 1 Totals		Year 2 Q1
Outcome indicators	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Targets	Actual	Actual
Unemployed People working towards making a positive contribution.	8	37	8	42	8	37	8	42	32	158	71
Unemployed People taking control over their life & activities	8	37	8	42	8	37	8	42	8	158	71

Social value objectives

	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Year 1 Totals		Year 2 Q1
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Targets	Actual	Actual
Unemployed people having more confidence & self esteem to be able to access work or move on to further training.	8	37	8	42	8	37	8	42	32	158	71

Work Experience

This quarter we have engaged with JCP Goldthorpe in relation to their Work Experience offer to JSA claimants and how we can embed this into our Work Clubs. We have the Job Centre's application for Work Experience within each of our centres where we can discuss, where appropriate, Work Experience opportunities in the Dearne and the industries available to them. Travel expenses, work clothes, DBS and other checks are funded through JCP, no wage is paid and the timescale of the Work Experience varies and is negotiated between the organisation and the individual.

JCP also offer 'Work Trials' where claimants are interviewed and given a trial period within an organisation whereby, at the end of the trial either the employer or claimant can decline the offer of a paid position. No wage is paid but the aim of a Work Trial is to result in paid employment.

JCP have been working with Homecare, the largest care provider in the area, to recruit those without a car or driving licence and JCP will fund the purchase of a pushbike to enable those who are successful in gaining employment to undertake the position.

JCP provide a 'Response to Redundancy' service for those at risk of redundancy to prevent them moving to benefit claims and retaining employment elsewhere with no gaps in employment.

Social return on investment

Based on the theory that each person going into employment was previously claiming job seekers allowance £73.10, the wider social return on each participant gaining employment would be an economic saving of £292 per month. In the 14 months since this contract started 48 people have secured employment.

£292 (JSA per month) x 48 (participants) = **£14,016** If all of the individuals stayed in employment for 12 months the social return on investment for those individuals would be **£168,192.00**

Therefore for every month those 48 employees are in employment a wider social return on investment is made. This figure does not take into consideration that some of them may have been claiming DLA, receiving housing benefit or contributing by way of paying taxes. The other positive value would be because of being in employment (having more money to spend) they may be contributing more to local businesses.

This very basic figure also does not take into consideration that because they may be more fit and active, mentally and physically, they are less likely to access front line services, again lessening the financial burden on wider service provision.

Case studies

Barry is 62 years old and after a lifetime working in the mining industry has found himself made redundant, claiming job seekers allowance. He has never been out of work before and has never touched a computer, apart from his mobile phone (which he can't use). Originally I found Barry very stand offish. He clearly didn't want to be at the session (DWP mandated him to attend) and sat for the first 30 minutes with his arms folded not looking too happy. Although I'm used to this in some older learners I knew with a bit of time he may change his mind. We talked about his mining past and how he feels. He was worried no one would employ him at his age. Luckily, a learner in the same session had news of a full time employment offer and she was older than him!

He's currently been attending the sessions 5 weeks and has made real progress. Now I can't shut him up! He's found so much more than how to job search. Skype, Amazon, Ebay, Local History and lots of information about his hobby, pigeon racing! He could print off info and take this home. He has happily started the ICT course and is so keen to learn more. I've recently helped him buy his first laptop and get his Internet installed at home, how wi-fi works and the importance of security. Barry is a classic example of the many older learners I work with, who are nearing retirement age but still tied to jump through the many hoops of the DWP. I feel it's important to show the fun and interesting side of computers with these learners as it helps them find some motivation to then do the jobsearch part and the form filling/applications and the course. He's currently working through the ICT award and applies for around 3 job posts per session.

I love this computer lark now. Although I struggled a lot at first and my own family couldn't really help me as they don't have the patience, I think this put me off at first. When Desree mentioned I should visit Rory I wasn't happy about it. At the same time I realised I need the help and its something I should learn. I'd like to find a little p/t job which can eventually supplement my pension. Rory was great and has helped me with my housing forms and helped me with pension credit information. I'm enjoying the lessons, thank you.

Louise

Full time position gained at B&Q – Cashier & Retail assistant. Links made with DVC regarding English.

Beneficiary Feedback

I cant tell you how pleased I am to gain employment. I found the job centre such a scary experience that to walk into Rory's class was like a breath of fresh air. Everyone was so friendly and really listened to my worries and fears, especially about job search and applying for jobs on the computer. Many people at the centre were a similar age to me and I felt they could relate to my experiences and frustration at my situation. I really enjoyed the course and I liked how we would do job search for an hour at the end of the session. This eased my fear of signing on, where the staff will look at what I've done in the week to find work.

Susan was referred from the skills team at Goldthorpe DWP and had a problem first off with her confidence, especially regarding her spelling, grammar and she also had no ICT skills and the relevant documents needed (CV, Cover letter, UJM account). She could only attend Wednesday mornings due to other commitments and my Wed

Morning Session is sometimes busy. To put her at ease I introduced her to the other group members and decided to put her with my volunteer, Steven, who also happens to be a basic skills tutor and has much experience with dyslexia, for some 1 to 1 sessions. I created a CV, Cover letter and UJM account with her. We also signed up to various websites. She completed all the tasks and achieved the OCR qualification. Although it took quite a while, she finally achieved. I also did a lot of training with her on UJM and how to search and apply for jobs. In October 2015 we filled in a lengthy application form for B&Q. The next stage was to prepare for the Interview. In November 2015 she was offered full time employment with B&Q! Absolutely brilliant! She turned up full of smiles (and a box of biscuits for me!), an amazing change from the nervous Susan who walked in 6 months earlier. I have put her in touch with Dearne Valley college about doing a P/T English course, which would take place at DECV, if work allows. I did a follow up call and she informs me the job is going great!

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Lorraine came into the work club having just been laid off from her last job in which she worked or over 14 years. She didn't feel she had good computer skills and just needed assistance of where to turn.

How the Work Club has helped – we sat with Lorraine and helped develop her CV for her, so she could start applying for jobs. We helped her for only a short time with her job search and applications as well as being referred to Rory to complete some ITC training. In only a matter of a couple of weeks Lorraine had found herself with a string of interviews and needed help and advice as to pick what was best for her. She had to turn down a couple of interviews as she ended up getting a job at Capita working for DWP, which she was thrilled with.

Current Progression – Lorraine is now working full time at Capita, Monday to Friday.

Emma came to us back in November 2014 with her husband who was out of work. He went on to get a full time position, but Emma carried on attending the job club. Emma's self-confidence was very low; she suffered badly with her anxiety and other health conditions. Emma wasn't in a place to look for work, never mind maintain long term employment. Emma was quite socially isolated as he didn't like being out on her own or going to new places.

How the Work Club has helped – Emma attended with her husband every week, but would often not come in if he was at interview or couldn't attend. Over the weeks, we build up a rapport with Emma, where she would come in and bring her baking or talk about problems she was having with her teenage daughter. I saw how valuable Emma could be early on as she would come in to use the computers to search for jobs for her husband.

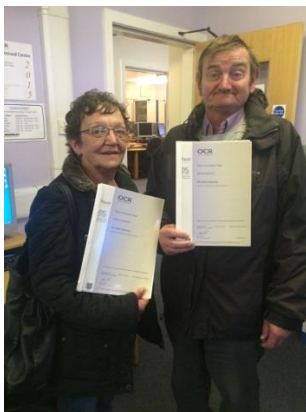
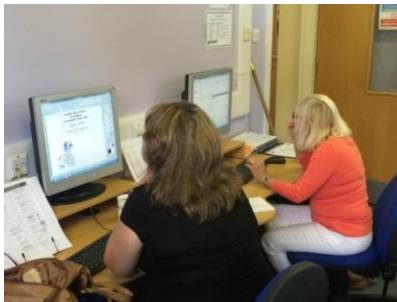
My plan was always to get Emma involved in activities to increase her confidence and slowly she began to work as a volunteer to help assist work club clients with small computer problems, without her really knowing she was doing it.

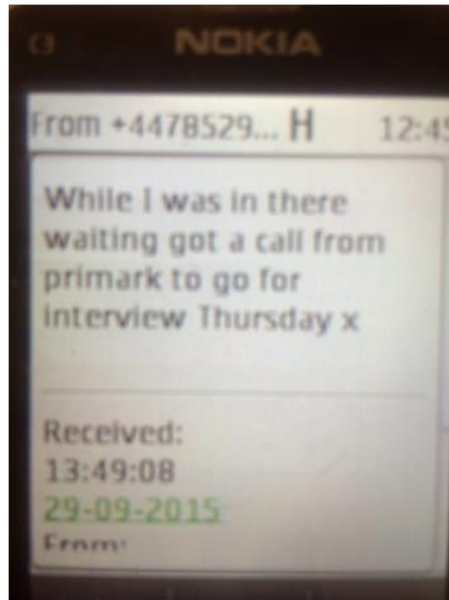
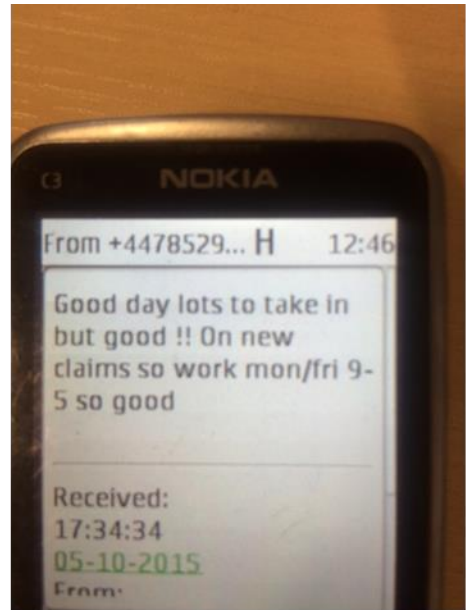
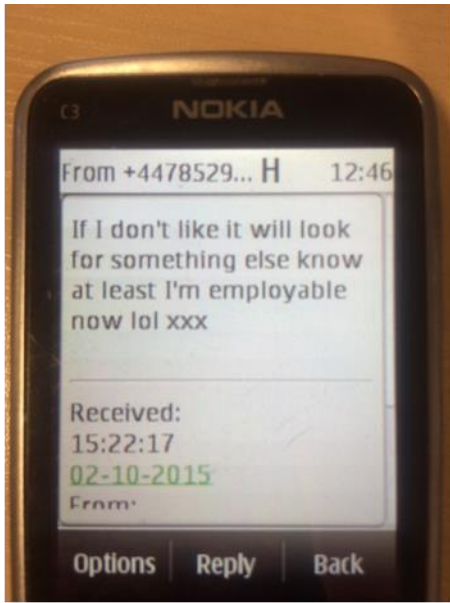
In the last year we have worked with Emma she has gone from strength to strength. We have provided a low level volunteer opportunity for her to build her confidence in a place she feels comfortable. The work club has helped Emma to improve her social skills. She was very shy and wouldn't go out of her way to speak to people; Emma now challenges herself to speak to new clients coming in, and often takes charge of how she can help them. She is being proactive in looking for jobs for them when she is not volunteering and has established herself as a real asset to the Dearne community. Many clients now just go to her for help with their job search as she has built up a great rapport with them.

Current Progression – Emma also now volunteers for other community projects and is active within the community in Goldthorpe. She has attended training courses that we have put on here at the Core and although she has suffered with her anxiety to attend, we helped where we could by transporting her across town. This was a huge achievement for her. She has subsequently travelled independently on the bus to Barnsley centre. Although this isn't a regular thing and she will admit herself she still does find it difficult, it's a huge step forward for her personally and has hopefully started to breakdown some of her barriers she has to gaining employment.

Emma is challenging herself to start writing CV's and although her confidence isn't fully there with completing them, she has been a huge asset to the job club and helping the attendees if I'm busy, allowing us to see more people.

Photos





TWIGGS

Grounds Maintenance LTD



Dearne Area Contract

Twiggs Clean and Tidy Team

Creating a Cleaner and Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People

Quarter One Report

1st December 2015

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Part A - Section 1

A. Social value objectives

	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Year 1 Totals	
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Targets	Actual
No of jobs created & recruited to:	3	3	0		0		0		3	
No of apprenticeships created & recruited to:	1	1	0		0		0		1	
No of volunteers involved in community environmental projects	0	73	5		5		5		15	
No of work experience placements provided	0	0	2		2		2		6	

% of spend achieved locally	90%	90%							90%	
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B. Outcome indicators

Outcomes:	<i>Thriving and vibrant communities</i>									
	<i>Strong and resilient communities</i>									
	<i>Citizens achieving their potential</i>									
Outcome indicators	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3		Quarter 4		Year 1 Totals	
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Targets	Actual
Volunteers recruited to Twiggs event	5	73	5		5		5		20	
Twiggs social action events	1	3	1		2		2		6	
Total number of volunteering hours	15	205	15		15		15		60	
Total number of steering group meetings	1	2	1		1		2		5	
Number of Community groups supported at events*	2 per ward		2 per ward		2 per ward		2 per ward			

Other local events supported	2 per ward	2	2 per ward		2 per ward		2 per ward		8	
Targeted areas are clean, safe, well presented, and welcoming physical environment *	10	10	10		10		10		Case studies pictures within report	
Local residents educated about the impact of littering	10	73	10		10		10		40	
Reduction in litter and dog fouling *									5% decrease in complaints	
Residents / community taking responsibility for areas*	2 per ward	2	2 per ward		2 per ward		2 per ward		16	
Schools educated about the impact of littering *	0	1	1 contact per term per 6 primaries & 1 senior		1 contact per term per 6 primaries & 1 senior		1 contact per term per 6 primaries & 1 senior			

Local businesses worked with *	6	8	6		6		6		24	
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C. Activity Intervention Targets

	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Total
Litter picks completed		91							
Areas targeted for clean ups		22							
Number of waste collected		243							
Number of impact of littering sessions completed	2	2	1		2		2	7	
Number of hours in Dearne North	477	477	477		477		477		
Number of hours in Dearne South	477	477	477		477		477		
Fly tipping, hazardous waste and enforcement issues fed in		12							
Number of joint projects	2	11	2		2		2		

with established community groups									
Number of provider social action events	3	3	1		3		3	10	
Added value (jobs found proactively by Twiggs)		45 areas 164 litter picks							

Part A

SECTION 2 A

Twiggs - Initial Clean and Tidy Work Plan

<u>Area</u>	<u>Service Request</u>	<u>Timescales</u>	<u>Referrer</u>	<u>Progress</u>
Dearne environmental steering group	Establish a group off all partners with an interest in environmental issues	Early September	Area Team	Meeting arranged for 6 th October 2015 - members of the community to sit on the group (8 so far)
Land off Highgate residential estate 15 West moor Close, Highgate	Assist local residents in cutting back trees, shrubs, edges	Wed 9 th September	Local resident Sue Precious 07788500070	Completed
St Andrews Square	1, General clean up and maintenance 2, work with local business with regards the prevention of littering and taking ownership of the area	Early September	Resident/ members Dearne South	Initially worked 2 hours - will keep on with weeding, pruning tidying up each week
Thurnscoe High street	1, General litter pick 2, Raised beds on Houghton Road	Early September	Resident	completed
Goldthorpe	1, litter pick on High Street (work with Goldthorpe development group) Frederick Street community	19th September - John & team to assist in clean up and take away	Area Team	completed

	clean up	any excess rubbish		
Goldthorpe Library car park	1, litter pick and general tidy 2, pruning, weeding and trees	Mid -September	Library staff	Weekly upkeep - ongoing
Thurnscoe Gooseacre Avenue (garage site, rear of number 3)	1, Litter pick and general tidy	Early September	Resident	Completed
Tudor Street snicket next to The Hill primary school	1, Litter pick/weeding and general tidy 2, work with the local school and Thurnscoe Res	Mid -September	Area Team	Completed
Carnegie Building	1, landscaping working in partnership with Kev Stables BODY	Early September	Members	No longer required - not enough work
Goldthorpe (back of cross street) - park area	1, general tidy up, cutting back edges, & general clean up	Mid -September	GDG	
Frederick street, Wellington Street - 2 islands	Clearing, all edges & shrubs taking away for new plants to be grown	End September	GDG	
Beevor Street, raised bed/island on side of road	Over grown bushes to be trimmed any excess removed.	Mid-September	GDG	
Collingwood Pub (with an East site on Furlong Road and a west site on Station Road and a	1, remove self-setting buddlia 2, General cleaning up/waste removal of the	Late September/early October	Members	Completed

North site on School Street.)	area 3, work with local groups			
ASDA/DWP/ALDI	1, work with them in order to get ownership of the area	Late September/early October	residents	Twiggs to do at a later date
Bolton on Dearne Church, junction on High Street & Mexborough Road	Sweeping, pulling out old weeds that have been sprayed & killed.	Late September/early October	Councillor Noble	Completed
Pathway off Barrow field Road (across from Phoenix Park), Thurnscoe (Path running alongside)	Cutting back edges, shrubs, trees, moss off path way. Not currently covered by BMBC	Late September/early October	Mark Kaye BMBC library	Completed
Leather Garth Primary school & Aldi (Walkway public right of way footpath)	Strimming, cutting back of hedges	Sept/Oct	GDG	
Frederick Street and Beevor Street	Removal of plants and deep roots from 2 raised beds	Early October	Irene - GDG	
Goldthorpe Library front raised bed & back car park	litter pick and general tidy up	Mid -September	Library staff	

PART A:

SECTION TWO - B

Summary of Quarter One Findings:

➤ The Team - Staffing Details

Team Manager - Mr. John Twigg

Office Support - Mrs. Wendy Twigg

Full Time Supervisor on Site - Mr. Adam Cassell

Additional Ground worker on Site - Mr. Arron Taylor

Apprentice Recruited and Trained to the post - Mr. Harry Latter

➤ Local Businesses recruited for volunteering activities in the first Quarter

We have had excellent volunteering responses from a wealth of businesses across the borough. Most businesses we approached have been exceptionally accommodating and where they couldn't volunteer time they offered their services to us in appreciation.

The businesses and organizations we have been working with are:

- JJs Chippy - Goldthorpe
- Bite Me - St Andrews Square
- Tan and Tone - St Andrews Square
- Ladbroke's book keepers - St Andrews Square
- Bolton dental practice - St Andrews Square
- Weldrick's Pharmacy - St Andrews Square
- Barry's Barber shop - St Andrews Square
- Cooperative foods - St Andrews Square
- Scout camp - Goldthorpe

Our opening event on St Andrews square drew in 7 businesses, 17 volunteers and coverage from Dearne FM which was then used by the Bolton group to advertise for volunteers for their upcoming litter picking event.

➤ Developments with regards educating young people

1. Goldthorpe Scouts

Using our existing ongoing relationship within the Scouts organization we were invited by the Goldthorpe group to create an event for them to be involved with. We had several days organizing an event to incorporate not only litter picking the streets immediately around the scout hut but also into and along Phoenix Park.

We had a brilliant turn out involving 21 children and 7 adults. We managed to collect 17 black bags of litter.

We also took this time to educate the group in litter prevention, the plight of litter and facts. We incorporated this into a quiz format to make the whole experience easier to digest and more fun. We usually hand out prizes to the most correct answers and conduct a tie breaker question to determine a 1st place winner.

We also included another task as part of this event and used the time for the group to create an anti-littering campaign poster.

We concluded this group's event with a presentation evening where we selected a winning poster and 2 runners up and handed out prizes, the whole group did so well at the litter quiz we ended up handing out prizes to the whole group.

2. Local School Involvement

The event within Thurnscoe Park with the Hazel and Willow classes from the Hill primary Thurnscoe was a fantastic day. Not only did we get to involve school children in Outdoor horticultural activities we also made a visible impact within the park itself.

We used this time to show the children how to build nature areas within the park and they thoroughly enjoyed building the bug hotel and beetle log habitat.

We concluded the event with litter picking around the park, the litter quiz and prize hand out. We were invited to participate with the school groups again either at the school or again within the community as they had enjoyed the event so much.

PART B: Section 1

Social Action Projects - Outcomes and Evidencing

1. St Andrews Square

16 adults and 1 child volunteers
12 bags of waste collected
80 sq meters of block paving cleared and scraped
6 businesses involved
Dearne FM coverage
Refreshments provided by local businesses

2. Thurnscoe Park

24 children and 4 adult volunteers
4 bags of waste collected
The Hill primary engaged with, and contacts made
2 new wildlife habitats created
24 children educated on littering

3. Goldthorpe Scouts - Lockwood Avenue

21 children and 7 adult volunteers
17 bags of waste collected
4 streets picked
312 meters of Phoenix Park picked
21 children educated on littering
Presentation event created and attended
Anti-littering campaign posters created and awarded for



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COMMUNITY SAFETY & ENFORCEMENT SERVICE

Dearne Area Council Funded posts – Housing Management & Environment Officer and Enforcement & Investigation Officer

Quarter 3 report – October to December 2015

Our main objective is to contribute towards creating and sustaining safe and pleasant communities within private sector housing in the Dearne Area Council area. We will do this by proactively case managing issues that have a detrimental effect on others in the locality and by identifying and protecting our most vulnerable tenants and residents.

We are working with families and individuals, getting to know our communities and getting access to homes that previously have not had the benefit of any kind of support. We are identifying problems and issues and using effective risk assessment to decide on the most appropriate responses. We aim to encourage communities to work towards raising and setting own standards. This includes acceptable behaviour standards, environmental standards, housing and property standards.

We are still awaiting changes being made to our ASB case management system that will enable us to report accurately on the number of vulnerable persons identified. For the purpose of this report we estimate approximately 70% of all cases referred in quarter 3 contain at least 1 feature that may make a person vulnerable. Of those, 32 have been actively supported either directly by us or by referral for specialist support.

We expect future reports to include mental and physical ill health, isolation or exclusion, Age (young and old), victim and/or witness of ASB or criminal activity, affected by domestic abuse, poverty and issues relating to minority groups. The most abiding vulnerabilities identified this quarter are around poverty and disability, in particular mental health issues relating to depression.

As the Private Sector Housing & Environment Officer and Enforcement and Investigations Officers for the Dearne area our work is very high profile. We deal with all manner of issues which include Anti-Social Behaviour, Environmental, Private Sector Housing, Fly tipping and Littering. We attend Crime & Safety, MAAG, Landlord Liaison and PACT meetings and the Salvation Army Church where issues/problems are raised in the local community, if we are unable to deal with situation is sign posted to the relevant agencies that are best suited to deal with the issues.

We are also involved local community events, litter picking and clean up days. We work closely with other outside agencies, (Police/PCSO's, Fire Service, Social Services, Landlords/Letting Agents). We have formed good working relationships with landlords, letting agents and local residents. We work with tenants within the Private Rented Sector with regard to any issues which have been brought to our attention and work with the Landlords to rectify the problems.

During the months October to December 2015 we dealt with 165 complaints and requests for service. Some of these were dealt on an informal basis, either speaking to the tenant/occupier or just sending a general advice letter, others went to more formal action. All cases closed within quarter 3 are recorded as having a successful outcome.

This Report contains a cross section of issues that we have dealt with.

Private Sector Rented Housing Management and Enforcement SLA - Dearne

2016/2017 Milestones, Outcomes & Interventions: Performance Targets

Milestones

2016/2017 Milestones	Targets
6 month review undertaken	May 2016
Case studies and reports submitted	Quarterly
targeted campaigns completed	November 2016

2016 /2017 Activity Intervention Targets

	Q1 Apr-Jun Target	Q1 Apr-Jun Actual	Q2 Jul- Sept Target	Q2 Jul- Sept Actual	Q3 Oct-Dec Target	Q3 Oct-Dec Actual	Q4 Jan- Mar Target	Q4 Jan- Mar Actual	2016/17 Year Target	2016/17 Year Actual
No. of different properties -initial contact made		115		182		165				
No. of vulnerable households identified		11		14		32				
No. of physical property inspections carried out		11		14		32				
No. of properties improved because of service intervention		10		14		31				
No. of informal requests for action to landlords		11		14		31				
No. of formal notices-private landlords		1		0		1				

No. of vulnerable people sign posted to other services		11		14		32				
No. legal prosecutions / action		1		0		2				
No. of CPN Written Warnings Issued		17		19		26				
No. of CPN issued		2		2		5				
No. of people making positive changes because of service intervention		11		14		32				

Outcome Indicators

Outcomes: Improve the physical/living conditions of private rented stock in Dearne Council Area

Reduce the levels of crime and anti-social behaviour related to private rented sector housing in Central Council Area

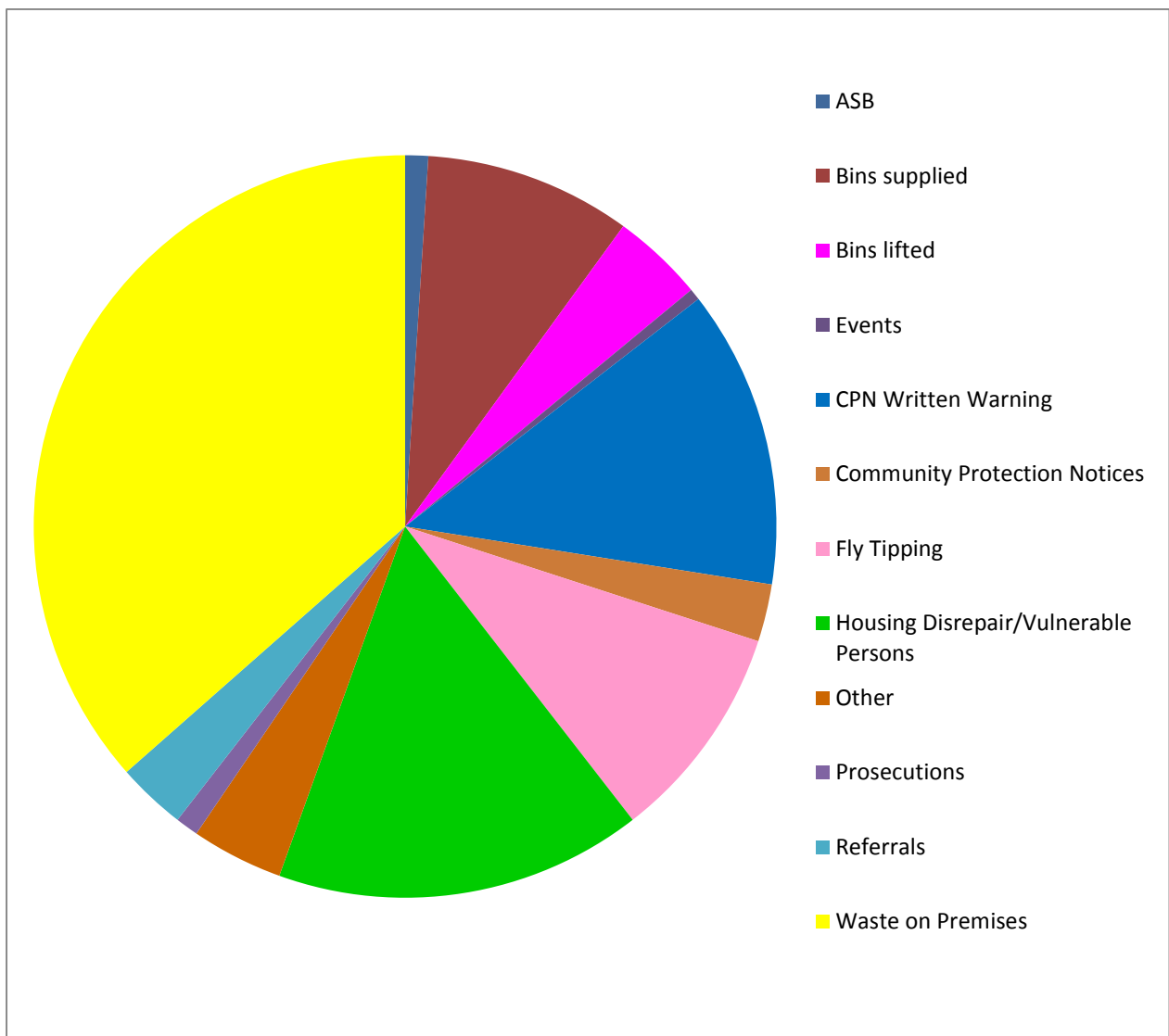
Reduce the levels of littering and flytipping in and around the private rented housing stock

	Q1 Apr–Jun Target	Q1 Apr–Jun Actual	Q2 Jul- Sept Target	Q2 Jul- Sept Actual	Q3 Oct-Dec Target	Q3 Oct-Dec Actual	Q4 Jan- Mar Target	Q4 Jan- Mar Actual	2016/17 Year Target	2016/17 Year Actual
No. of geographically targeted publicity campaigns undertaken		0		1		1				
No. of community clean ups undertaken		1		1		0	1			
No. of contacts with household waste on premises		47		88		73				
No. of households directly supported with responsible waste disposal/recycling		39		45		57				

No. of ASB contacts		3		6		2				
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Social value objectives

	Q1 Apr–Jun Target	Q1 Apr–Jun Actual	Q2 Jul- Sept Target	Q2 Jul- Sept Actual	Q3 Oct-Dec Target	Q3 Oct-Dec Actual	Q4 Jan- Mar Target	Q4 Jan- Mar Actual	2016/17 Year Target	2016/17 Year Actual
No. of FT jobs created and recruited to		2 AD & JM							2	
No. of work experience placements		1 (Placement with CS&ES)							1	
No. of volunteers/ participants taking part in community clean ups		10								
% spend in Dearne		100		100		100			90%	



Anti-Social Behaviour.

Anti-social behaviour from a Goldthorpe couple who are both in drink on a regular basis and are causing a nuisance to other local residents, the male has been removed from the property in compliance with bail conditions. But there are still noise issues with the female at the property, loud music, shouting at local youths when in drink. A Written Warning notice has been issued on the woman not to get involved in:-

Anti-social behaviour caused by you at the address, mainly rowdy inconsiderate behaviour verbal arguments between yourself and the male. Any behaviour which is deemed to cause harassment, alarm or distress to any other residents. Not to let the male access to the property in compliance with his bail conditions.

I have also made contact with the Landlord and we have agreed to joint visit the property and speak to her regarding her conduct. Ongoing work with vulnerable family under Social Services, family co-operating well and no other ASB complaint for the time being.

Contaminated bins.

Contaminated bins which have been left in backings within the Dearne area are still being identified and reported to Waste Management for removal.

Fly tipping.

Fly tipping investigations being carried out on a family on Beever Street dumping rubbish in rear garden of empty property.

Fly tipping case file referred to court, fly tipping of approx. 20 bags on land at Bolton on Dearne – results to follow.

Prosecutions.

Co-operative Street, Goldthorpe.

Tenant did not attend a hearing in October in relation to waste accumulation in garden. He was therefore fined £400, plus £120 costs, plus £40 Victim Surcharge plus £150 criminal court charge resulting in a total cost of £710.

Tudor Street Car Park, Thurnscoe.

On the 21st September 2015 a fly tipping complaint was received from Kingdom Enforcement Team. Fly tipping of 5 bags of household waste, with name and address details inside, were found on land at Tudor Street Car Park Thurnscoe. The perpetrator was interviewed under caution. During the interview under caution they admitted to fly tipping the waste and a case file was prepared for court.

On the 26th November 2015 the perpetrator of the fly tipping was fined £480.00 in court for fly tipping household waste on land at Tudor Street Car Park.

Waste on Premises/Written warnings and CPN's issued.

77 Waste on Premises reports were received and investigated and occupiers spoken to asking them to remove the waste within 14 days or in some cases informal letters were sent requesting removal of the said waste. In some cases 26 CPN Written Warnings were issued on the tenant, or if the property was an empty property on the Landlord, instructing them to remove the waste within 14 days. 21 of these complied with the written warnings. 5 failed to comply which resulted in a Community Protection Notice being issued.

Copies of the letters/Written Warnings, along with photographic evidence were also sent to the Landlords/Letting Agents so that they were aware of the problem with the property. In one case it resulted in the Landlord contacting us to say that he was shocked at the state of the garden and had instructed his letting agents to carry out an unannounced visit on the property. This case is ongoing.

Waste on Premises.

Railway View, Goldthorpe.

A Written Warning was issued on the owners of the property, giving them 14 days to remove the waste. Waste was removed within the set amount of time.



Supplying of waste bins/Bulky Rubbish Scheme.

The Bulky Rubbish Scheme has proved very popular and has once again been extended.

Vulnerable Persons/Housing Disrepair.

32 reports were received regarding housing conditions in Quarter 3. These ranged from premises open to access, damp and mould problems, heating problems. Some of the initial

reports relating to housing disrepair have led onto other issues. Help, support and advice is being given.

Case Study 1.

Broadwater, Bolton-on-Dearne.

Property is 3 bed roomed semi-detached housing a single mother and 6 children whose ages range from 3 to 15. The tenant had been written to regarding waste in the rear garden and a visit was requested in order to give advice and support. Visit carried out. New recycling bins have been ordered as the original ones were contaminated. As there are 5 or more persons in the property they are allowed an extra bin. Waste Management have been informed and they have carried out a visit to see the tenant prior to one being supplied. Discussions and advice have been given as to how to get rid of the large items of waste and work is ongoing.

Case Study 2.

Saxon Street, Thurnscoe.

A routine estate visit saw that there was an accumulation of waste in the overgrown garden of a property on Saxon Street. At the time of the visit it was observed that the downstairs front room had clothing and household items stacked up in front of the window. Following return to the office information was obtained to show that the property was privately owned.

An informal letter was sent regarding waste/garden. The lady rang and asked if a visit could be made to see her. On entering the property it was evident that the person was hoarding a large quantity of items ranging from books, cuddly toys, newspapers, doors which had not been fitted to the frames, there was also items on the stairs. The occupier is not very well and has recently been in hospital. She informed me that she had been in the property for 9 years. She currently had a lodger staying with her who slept in the downstairs rear living room. The property has 3 bedrooms, 2 are full of materials and the other one she lives in as she is unable to get into the downstairs front living room.

Concerns were expressed with regard to it being a fire hazard and asked if she would be willing for South Yorkshire Fire Service to be contacted in order for them to arrange to carry out a home visit and offer some advice. She readily agreed.

Visits have been carried out by South Yorkshire Fire Service and they are working with the lady. Further updates will be supplied in next quarter report.

Other.

8 of the reports received include a cross section of complaints. 2 of these involved problems with drainage and water leaking in an empty property. Both of these were referred to Yorkshire Water who took the necessary action. The empty property was visited and the stop tap which fed into property was turned off. This property was also open to access and after this was done, Notice was served on the owners giving them 48 hours to board the property up. This was not complied with so arrangements were made by our Service for this to be done through a Works in Default system. Another complaint was in relation to an Off Licence. Allegations were that youths were hanging outside and possibly buying alcohol.

These allegations are taken seriously and information was passed to both the Police and the Council's Licensing and Trading Standards team for them to investigate.

Updates.

Vulnerable Persons/Housing Disrepair.

Straight Lane, Goldthorpe.

This Case Study was reported in Quarter 1. Property houses a mother and child under 1. The partner has recently left the property. Revisits have been made to see the tenant on regular occasions to check on housing conditions. Tenant has been instructed to clean the property on a room by room basis so as to ensure that it is kept clean and tidy. Concerns have been raised with Social Services regarding the welfare of the child and this is currently being dealt with through a Child In Need case.

Edinburgh Avenue, Bolton-on-Dearne.

This Case Study was reported in Quarter 2. Property houses a single gentleman. Regular contact is being kept with him and the works to his property are progressing, help and advice have also been provided, in particular help with sorting out his council tax payments. Since the last report he has become regularly involved with community work through the Salvation Army, as well as tending to the garden and group discussions he was involved with the trimming of over 60 Christmas trees over a 3 day period in December which were then distributed to businesses within the Goldthorpe Community.

Event

An event run by Crisis Starlight took place at the Salvation Army on Straight Lane, Goldthorpe in December. This event was aimed at giving help and advice to tenants. Our service attended along with Landlords and other agencies. A free lunch was kindly put on by Alison Sykes, Vicar, and there were activities and Christmas presents for the children.

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 25th January 2016

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on the Area team work plan and allocation of finances for 16/17

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to update members with regards the Area Teams work plans and proposed allocation of finances for 2016/17.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That members note the Area Team work plan for 16/17

2.2 That members consider future Area Council allocation in the context of the available Dearne Area Council budget.

2.3 That a further £50-60,000 is allocated to the Dearne Development Fund for awards to be made in the 2016/17 financial year.

2.4 That members note the date of the health workshop to inform future commissions.

3.0 Member meeting

3.1 A meeting was held on the 6th of January 2016 between the Dearne Area manager and Dearne Area Council Members. The aim of the meeting was to discuss the remaining 15/16 allocation and the plans for 16/17.

3.2 The group discussed the remaining allocation for 15/16 and the plans in place with regards spending the remaining Dearne Area Council finances. The Area Manager informed the members that a Dearne Development Fund panel was due to consider applications on the 28th January 2016.

3.3 Members discussed the focus for 16/17 and how they would like to explore commissioning a health related service. The Area manager informed the members of a workshop with the health providers that would be happening in February this would allow the team to find any gaps and focus their efforts in developing a health related service.

3.4 The attending members suggested that they would like to keep the Dearne Development fund in 16/17 and would like to allocate between 50 and 60k. The Area Council manager will convene a meeting early June 2016 in order to discuss commissions that are due to end such as the housing enforcement and clean and green service.

4.0 **Health workshop**

- 4.1 The Dearne Area team and Public health have arranged a health workshop on the 4th of February at 12.30pm. Providers that are delivering health interventions in the area have been invited to attend. The aim of this meeting is to discuss health inequalities and the provision in the area in order to see how the Area council may commission a service that is not already meeting the needs of the area.

Officer

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25th January 2016

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting

**Report of Dearne Area
Council Manager**

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report appries the Dearne Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance action plans and review of the priorities.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Dearne North and South Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to the received by the Area Council.

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 and Neighbourhood levels (Cab.21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab.13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

4.1 The Dearne South Ward Alliance meeting was held on the 16th of December 2015. The self-improvement and assessment plans were agreed and flood/resilience plans were discussed.

4.2 The Dearne North Ward Alliance was held on the 26th November 2015. The action plan was revisited in order to ensure the alliance was achieving its set objectives and three funding applications were reviewed and agreed.

Appendix One: Dearne South Ward Alliance Meeting notes

Appendix Two: Dearne North Ward Alliance Meeting notes

The reporting into the Dearne Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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25th January 2016

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Dearne South Community Board

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne South Community Board Meeting
Date & Time:	16 th December 2015, 5pm
Location:	Prospect Road Community Centre

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Sixsmith, Cllr Brook, Alan George, Alison Sykes, Graham Jarvis, Derek Bell, Rob McCarthy, Ann Toy, Lisa Lyon	Andy Cole, Terry Walton, Cllr Noble

1. Minutes of last meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
Minutes agreed as a true record.		
2. Community Resilience plans and Flood Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Derek Bell and Rob McCarthy, Place directorate, BMBC, attended the meeting to discuss developing a Community Resilience Plan for the Dearne Area. Rob explained that the plan would be a tool to help the communities in Dearne to prepare for potential emergencies that could affect the community. The plan would identify key contacts and available resources for the area.</p> <p>The board identified a number of key contacts, resources and groups which Lisa will contact with a view to inclusion in the plan. The Salvation Army, Goldthorpe Library, Enterprise Centre, Renaissance Centre and The Playhouse were identified as potential venues to be used as evacuation centers. Lisa to discuss with venues. Alison Sykes confirmed that the Salvation Army could be used as an evacuation center as they have access to kitchen facilities, food bank, clothes back and a hall.</p> <p>Rob explained that the Community resilience plans can cover all types of emergencies and is not just limited to floods, however as flooding has occurred previously in the Dearne it made sense to incorporate this within the plan. At this point</p>	<p>Lisa to add groups to resilience plan.</p> <p>Lisa to contact venues to discuss potential role in case of an emergency.</p>	<p>Lisa Lyon</p> <p>Lisa Lyon</p>

<p>Derek Bell presented the revised Bolton-On-Deerne flood Plan.</p> <p>A discussion took place about the resources available in the area related to flooding. It was agreed that a flood storage container would be useful as the area can be cut off from flooding.</p> <p>Derek advised that planning consent would be needed for any container located not on BMBC land. The board considered different locations taking into account that previously flooding at Furlong Road, Darfield Bridge, Mexborough and Dearne Road cut off access across the two wards.</p> <p>The Renaissance Centre was suggested and it was agreed that Ralph, Lisa and Ann would do a site visit to look at suitability.</p> <p>Graham to also look into Collingwood car park as a location.</p> <p>Derek provided a few names of container suppliers that could be looked at. Price roughly £800 - £900 for a 8 x 10ft container. Cllr Sixsmith agreed to look at costs and provide quotes to Lisa.</p> <p>Lisa has contacted the names on the flood wardens list provided by Derek Bell, however only one person responded to say they were still interested in continuing in this role. It was pointed out that no contact has been made with the flood wardens for a number of years. Sharon told the group that Pete Burgin at Riverside gardens would be worth contacting as he was previously a warden.</p> <p>Cllr Sixsmith explained that through ward Alliance funding equipment had been bought which could be stored in the container. Equipment includes sandbags, torches, small heaters, shovels etc. These are being currently being stored at Terry's DIY store until the container is in place. Derek said he could provide as a guide a list of useful items to have within the store.</p> <p>Derek Bell circulated a copy of the revised flood plan. It was agreed that he would wait until the container had been secured, so that this could be included in the document, before the flood plan is launched. End of January 16 was agreed as the date to publish and circulate.</p> <p>The board agreed to be the lead contacts within the Community Resilience Plan but that the North ward Alliance would also need to be part of the discussions and lead contacts if agreed.</p> <p>As part of the discussions Derek also gave an update regarding The Good Neighbour Scheme. The way the scheme is being delivered has now changed and is accessed online. To join the scheme you now need to read an induction form, personal safety guidance information and then download and complete.</p>	<p>Site visit at Renaissance Centre.</p> <p>Graham to discuss with Collingwood</p> <p>Cllr Sixsmith to look at quotes</p> <p>Contact Pete Burgin</p> <p>Guide list for container to be emailed to Lisa Lyon</p>	<p>Cllr Sixsmith, Ann Toy, Lisa Lyon</p> <p>Graham Jarvis</p> <p>Cllr Sixsmith</p> <p>Lisa Lyon</p> <p>Derek Bell</p>
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	<p>Once approved residents will be provided with all the necessary equipment and a supply of grit to the site. Forms can be accessed at http://www.barnsley.gov.uk/goodneighbour</p> <p>The Board raised concerns about the scheme being accessed online and felt that would put people off in the Dearne. Derek explained that a number of Digital Champions in libraries and community settings will be trained to support local people to access the forms. Lisa to look at advertising the scheme through facebook and look at Digital Champion sessions at Goldthorpe Library.</p>	<p>Promote Good Neighbour scheme on facebook</p>	
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3. Action plan and Priority Setting Agreed	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Ann took the board through the updates on the Action plan which were accepted by the board.</p> <p>Further updates agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To include Community Resilience Plan and role of the group Include St Andrews Square – group moving forward as a group and event planning 	<p>Update plan Update plan</p>	<p>Lisa Ann</p>
4. Ward Alliance Funding Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>No applications to consider at the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Sixsmith is still looking into equipment for the BOD group to help with environmental projects and clean ups.</p> <p>Sewing group looking to submit an application for the next meeting.</p> <p>The board discussed trying to attract new people to the Ward Alliance.</p>	<p>Board to continue to promote Ward Alliance funding.</p> <p>Ann to contact Charlotte Johnson, Suzanne Story, Vicky and Kerry (Co-op) and invite to next meeting.</p>	<p>All Ann</p>
5. Budget Update / Treasurers report	Action/Decision	Action lead

	<p>Alan George, treasurer, and Ann Toy gave an update on the budgets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £1684.39 left in the Working Fund • £7428.85 left in the Ward Alliance Funding • £2627.46 left in the Devolved Ward budget <p>Some small items from the St Andrews Christmas Fair are outstanding but will be paid for in the next few weeks.</p>		
6. Any other business		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Christmas event – Thank you letters to be sent to Joan Poynton/ Tesco, Co-op and Peter Finnegan.</p> <p>St Andrews Square working group to meet in the New Year.</p>	<p>Send thank you letters</p> <p>Graham to discuss with BOD group re: taking over the running</p>	<p>Ann</p> <p>Graham Jarvis</p>
7. Suggested dates and times of next meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Meetings to be held at Prospect Road Community Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20th Jan 2016 at 11am • 2nd March 2016 at 5oclock • 13th April 2016 at 11am • 25th May 2016 at 5oclock • 6th July 2016 at 11am • 17th August 2016 at 5oclock • 28th September 2016 at 11am • 9th November 2016 at 5oclock • 14th December 2016 at 11am 		

Dearne North Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	24 th November 2015 – 10am
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Jen Worton, Cllr Annette Gollick, David Perry, Pauline Phillips, Alison Sykes, Stephen Hurd (New member), John Twigg (presentation for TWIGGS) and Marie Sinclair (BMBC)	Cllr Alan Gardiner, Charlotte Williams, Andrew Hainey & Sandra Pennington.

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>1. Welcomes & introductions</p> <p>Introductions were made to welcome John Twiggs & new member of the Ward Alliance Stephen Hurd.</p> <p>Stephen is a local resident who is active in the community and passionate about what is happening in the area and wants to be involved in the decision making and volunteering around the community.</p> <p><u>Introduction to Twiggs:</u> John Twigg informed the group that Twiggs has been contracted by the Dearne Area Council from their Area Budget to deliver small scale environmental work across both Dearne North & Dearne South wards, with a heavy emphasis on ‘doing with’ the community rather than ‘doing for’ – and will be working regularly with schools, community groups, local businesses etc. John emphasized that Twiggs would be there to encourage local people to get involved and sustain their own environment, by encouraging, nurturing and training both new and existing community groups. He updated his work plan and gave an insight into the work carried out so far, also adding if anyone was interested in joining the Steering Group to come along.</p> <p>Issues have been raised with completing work on some areas where Barnsley Council are already working or targeted to work in the near future, Marie stated that the Area Team is still waiting for the programme of works from Howard Gaskin (BMBC). John gave an up to date list of work done so far: Hollygrove estate at Highgate, Thurnscoe Park, Phoenix Park, Lidget Lane, Goldthorpe & Thurnscoe library, St Andrews Square, Probert Avenue, Southfield Crescent, Tudor Street Car Park & surrounding area, 2 litter picks with scouts/girl guides, 3 litter picks with Goldthorpe Development Group, they are working really hard and have fantastic comments from the community about the work that’s happening in the area.</p>	<p>Chase up BMBC programme of works with Neil Taylor/Howard Gaskin</p>	<p>Marie</p>

2. Minutes of the last meeting & any matter arising that are not covered on the agenda

The minutes were agreed with no comments or adjustments required.

3. Updates from Community groups for action plan update/LWYL

Thurnscoe Park

Pauline gave a big thankyou to John & his team for the help and excellent work he had done in the park running up to the autumn/winter activities. The winter wonderland was a huge success brilliant to see the interaction with the local residents & families, afterwards the cleaning up was needed and John & his team worked hard with Pauline & the volunteers to get the park back to being clean and tidy. Pauline also mentioned the Bug Hotel earlier was a fabulous day and the feedback from the schools on John's interaction with the kids was outstanding.

Good news too on the statue of the war memorial; it has been announced this week that it now has grade 2 listed status, Pauline believes the British Legion are responsible but will find out later. This will help for draw down funding for events & services for Remembrance Sunday. Remembrance Sunday went down well with lots of people turning up, however the song sheets weren't prepared and neither the organisation bit, Pauline is meeting with British Legion to discuss this so that its planned better next year.

Pauline raised concerns about delivery & installation of the bins still hadn't been replaced

Dearne Environmental Steering Group

There have been 2 meetings so far & a group has now been established to work with John on producing a plan for Twiggs to clean up the community and work with the residents and volunteers to become more resilient and sustainable in the future.

The next meeting is in January he asked for people to come along and help make it happen.

John Twigg thanked everyone for listening then left the meeting.

Station House

Marie gave an update in Charlotte's absence for the action plan youth provision, stating that an increase of 17% in children's attendance since this time last year which indicates improvement of working parents in the area.

Big Local

Derek updated about the study day at Northern College & the networking that is currently going on within the Community & Big Locals across other areas, he agreed it was nice to discuss all the pitfalls & successes on projects and how other areas work and what they are currently doing.

The 1st year has now been signed off with the Big Local team reviewing the next plan of action.

The Local Trust interviewed both Derek & Alison leaving no stone unturned giving a right good grilling, they were however very positive and agreed that they couldn't see why the next lot of monies cannot be released so Thurnscoe can start on their next plans. The Housing project may be a struggle so they have decided to wait until the Goldthorpe housing projects starts off to see if it's a good project to start.

Progress on the bins for Thurnscoe Park – delivery & installation

Marie

Allotment Group

Marie gave an update of the latest volunteers and handed out pictures of the allotment for all to see, the project is improving with much of the produce given to the foodbank for healthy fresh meals. The Adults with learning difficulties are learning new skills and are thrilled with their own produce, from sowing to growing and then finally cooking and eating. Jayne (the carer) has noticed a massive difference in the way they are interacting and enjoying the freedom and new skills of growing their own produce to take home at night. The sessional worker has improved the site adding 3 new volunteers to the list; he is currently in talks with another service users to bring some more adults to volunteer on Tuesdays.

Thurnscoe Reservoir

The area team assisted with a big LWYL 'clean up' with Warren and some local fisherman, RSVB, Enforcement team and Russ Boland from Park services to ensure the small pond could be used in 2016. This is a huge task and can only be done in small pieces as there is wildlife in the pond and we had to be careful. Warren & Russ both got into the water dragging out a bike, a bed, lots of metal and rubbish. The outcome was brilliant though with over 2 tonnes of scrap. It is hoped that the pond will be in use by next summer. Thurnscoe East Angling Club is hoping to work with local schools & community groups in small dipping pond sessions and a junior fishing club section to teach the next generation the art of fishing and how this beautiful sport can be good fun!

Salvation Army

Decoration of 70 Christmas trees for the High Street in Goldthorpe had an excellent turnout with 87 volunteers assisting through the week helping to tie bows, fit lights & trimmings. Alison added that the kindness of all the residents helping each other and the wonderful conversations and friendships that have now being formed was an added bonus and gave a sense of pride in the area.

Alison asked for donations from anyone in the community for water bottles and blankets to help those in need keep warm this winter.

4. Ward Alliance Funding applications

An up-to-date Ward Alliance Fund Balance Sheet was viewed by members before the applications were viewed to ensure all members knew the amounts still available to spend on relevant projects.

Hickleton Bowling Club £1416 – upkeep & maintenance of a new spike mower Maintenance and improvement of the two bowling greens by feeding/fertilizing and small spiker machine which will be used every couple of weeks to help improve the quality of the greens. All agreed with conditions they would like to see more use of the bowling green, new volunteers and a younger audience (youth to interact with the group), they would also like to see more interaction with the community.

Hilary Kitchen (Get together & bingo sessions) £300.00 - A Community group that provides a fully volunteered service for the wider community to play Bingo and take part in art and crafts on a weekly basis, The volunteers collect vulnerable residents and escort to the complex, provide support so everyone can participate in activities, refreshments and light snacks are provided by the volunteers. The Ward Alliance agreed to pay the arts & crafts £200 but declined the bingo tickets as monies are already collected and to keep sustainability within the group this should be looked into.

Remembering the Somme £335.72 - To mark the centenary of the First World War and explore the impact of the battle of the Somme in Barnsley we would like to work with Schools to help them to explore and understand the war better, uncover its stories and explore what it means to us today. The schools involved would discover the stories behind the Barnsley soldiers who took part in the battle, and create an installation to remember those who fell for a Remembrance event at the town Hall on 1st July 2016. The school children would work with an artist to create finished pieces which would be placed into the gardens at the front of the memorial. The schools taking part would complete their Discover Arts Awards and gain a certificate of achievement for their involvement. All unanimously agreed to fund with other areas in Barnsley.

5. Dates for your diary:

Skylight Crisis is giving advice on housing issues to all local residents in the Dearne area Skylight working in partnership with Barnsley Council & local landlords, **Monday 14th December 10am – 1pm**, open to anyone living in the Dearne.

PSS will be handing out advice & guidance on a healthy lifestyle and how you can cope this winter with food poverty and living a healthier lifestyle, **Tuesday 1st December for the next 4 weeks 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

#justgiving is **Tuesday 1st December** working with the Dearne Area Team to ask anyone for donations of Christmas gifts or food parcels for the children/families this Christmas. Any donations to be taken to the Salvation Army or contact Alison for collection point.

Friday 11th December – Goldthorpe Christmas Market **4pm – 8pm** Carol singing will be at **6pm** everyone welcome.

6. Any other business

David wanted to let the Ward Alliance know the messages of support and thanks for the clean ups around the Thurnscoe Reservoir, Warren has done a great job, a credit to their group and the social action that takes place in the community.

7. Date of next Meeting

Tuesday 12th January 2016, 10am at Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe

**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 25th January 2016**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Ward Alliance Fund and Devolved Ward budget spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report seeks to inform Members about agreed spend to date from Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne Area.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives the Devolved Ward Budget and 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 Devolved Budget and Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

3.2 In considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget and 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 Appendix one shows a breakdown of committed spends from November 2015 to January 2016. The report includes the total allocations and projects for 2015/16 by Ward and by fund.

4.2 To date the Dearne North Ward has allocated £9,659.79 of its £10,109.49 Devolved Ward Budget leaving £449.70 unallocated. The Dearne North Ward Alliance has allocated £10,781.72 of its £13,938.85 Ward Alliance budget leaving £3,157.13 in the budget to spend on Dearne North projects.

4.3 The Dearne South Ward has a DWB allocation of £9,600.14 to allocate due to an over-spend of £399.86 in the 2014-15 financial year. They have committed £6,972.68 of this Devolved Ward Budget allocation, leaving £2,627.46 unallocated. The Dearne South Ward has allocated £6,232 of its £13,660.85 Ward Alliance allocation leaving £7,428.85 unallocated.

Appendices

Appendix One: Dearne North and South Ward Alliance and Devolved Ward Budget update.

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Appendix One

Dearne Area Council (January 2016) Update

Devolved Ward Budget Overview

The Dearne Area Council has a Devolved Ward Budget grant allocation of £19,709.63 for the 2015-2016 financial year.

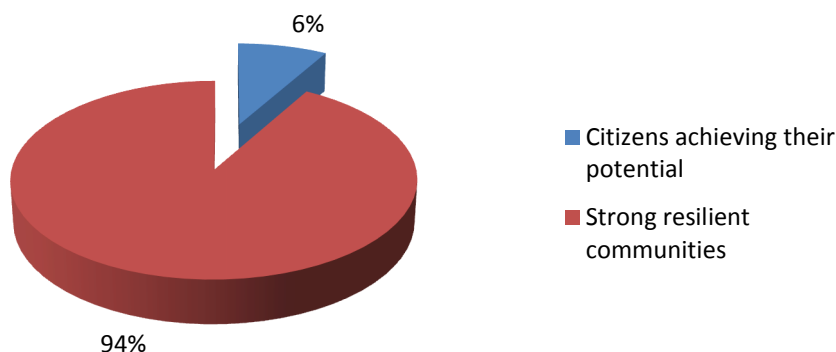
This allocation, broken down by Ward below, is made up of a £10,000 allocation for 2015-2016, and a subtraction of £290.37 from an over-commitment from the 2014-2015 financial year.

2015/2016 DEVOLVED WB	Carry Forward 2014-15	2015-16 allocation	Full 2015-16 Allocation
DEARNE	- £ 290.37	£ 20,000.00	£ 19,709.63
Dearne North	£ 109.49	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,109.49
Dearne South	- £ 399.86	£ 10,000.00	£ 9,600.14

To date, the Dearne Area Council has allocated £14,632.37 of its £19,709.63 Devolved Ward Budget allocation, with £11,007 of this commitment being charged.

2015/2016 DEVOLVED WB	Allocation	Committed spend	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
DEARNE	£ 19,709.63	£ 16,632.47	£ 11,007.00	£ 3,077.16
Dearne North	£ 10,109.49	£ 9,659.79	£ 5,990.61	£ 449.70
Dearne South	£ 9,600.14	£ 6,972.68	£ 4,903.50	£ 2,627.46

A breakdown of how these allocations for both the Dearne North and South wards support the corporate plan priorities is below:



To date, the Dearne North Ward has allocated £9,659.79 of its £10,109.49 Devolved Ward Budget allocation. To date, £5,990.61 of this has been charged to the Ward.

Devolved Ward Budget Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Safety for elderly with the aid of rollators	£650.00	£650.00	£9,459.49
Clean up of Tudor Street Carpark	£437.11	£437.11	£9,022.38
Replacement bin at Cooplands Bakery in Thurnscoe	£350.00		£8,672.38
Bulky Rubbish collection (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£500.00		£8,172.38
Fit Reds Programme (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£1,903.50	£1,903.50	£6,268.88
Children's School holidays & after school activities (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£500.00	£500.00	£5,768.88
Transforming the Dearne Playhouse (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	£3,268.88
Removal of trees in Thurnscoe Park	£1,250.00		£2,018.88
Enhance children's creativity Christmas 2015 (split 50:50 with Dearne South)	£190.00		£1,828.88
Environmental Equipment for community use (split 50:50 with Dearne South)	£379.18		£1,449.70
Bulky Rubbish collection Phase 2 (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£500.00		£949.70
Bulky Rubbish collection Phase 3 (50:50 split with Dearne South)	£500.00		£449.70

To date, the Dearne South Ward has an allocation of £9,600.14 to allocate due to an overspend of £399.86 in the 2014-15 financial year. They have committed £6,972.68 of this Devolved Ward Budget allocation. To date, £4,903.50 of this has been charged to the Ward.

Devolved Ward Budget Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Bulky Rubbish collection (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£500.00		£9,100.14
Fit Reds Programme (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£1,903.50	£1,903.50	£7,196.64
Children's School holidays & after school activities (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£500.00	£500.00	£6,696.64
Transforming the Dearne Playhouse (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	£4,196.64
Enhance children's creativity Christmas 2015 (split 50:50 with Dearne South)	£190.00		£4,006.64
Environmental Equipment for community use (split 50:50 with Dearne North)	£379.18		£3,627.46
Bulky Rubbish collection Phase 2 (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£500.00		£3,127.46
Bulky Rubbish collection Phase 3 (50:50 split with Dearne North)	£500.00		£2,627.46

Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview (Includes Public Health Funds)

The Dearne Area Council's Ward Alliance has a Ward Alliance grant allocation of £27,599.65 for the 2015-2016 financial year.

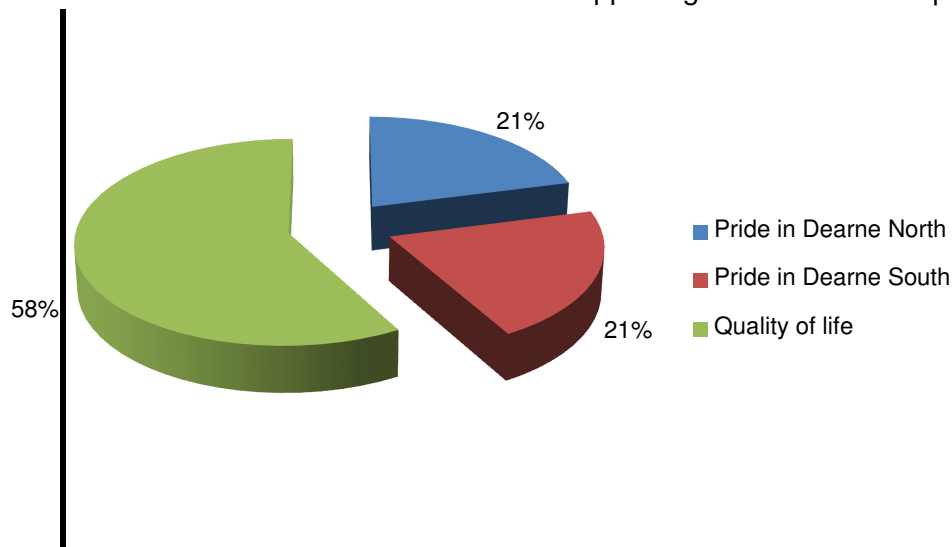
This allocation, broken down by Ward below, is made up of a £20,000 allocation for 2015-2016, and carries forward allocation of £7,599.65 from the 2014-2015 financial year.

2015/2016 Ward Alliance	Carry Forward 2014-15	2015-16 allocation	Full 2015-16 Allocation
DEARNE	£ 7,599.65	£20,000.00	£ 27,599.65
Dearne North	£ 3,938.85	£10,000.00	£ 13,938.85
Dearne South	£ 3,660.80	£10,000.00	£ 13,660.80

To date, the Dearne Area Council's Ward Alliances have allocated £16,678 of their £27,599.65 Ward Alliance allocation, with £3,900 of this commitment being charged.

2015/2016 Ward Alliance	Allocation	Committed spend	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
DEARNE	£ 27,599.65	£ 17,013.72	£ 3,900.00	£ 10,585.93
Dearne North	£ 13,938.85	£ 10,781.72	£ 2,400.00	£ 3,157.13
Dearne South	£ 13,660.85	£ 6,232.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 7,428.85

A breakdown of how these allocations are supporting both of the Ward priorities is below:



The Dearne North Ward has allocated £10,781.72 of its £13,938.85 Ward Alliance allocation. The Dearne North Ward has £1,267.25 of Public Health Funds remaining which is included in the total allocation for 2015/16.

The projects declared a total number of 2530 volunteer hours, which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £26,061.50

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
The Ship – Setup & continuation	£ 780.00	£780.00	£13,158.85
Thurnscoe Institute Cricket – Sight Screen	£ 1,620.00	£1,620.00	£11,538.85
Thurnscoe Flower Park	£3,500.00		£8,038.85
Church St Close Social Club – Community Wellbeing & social activity	£264.00		£7,774.85
Hickleton Bowling Club – Update service/grounds	£1,416.00		£6,358.85
Chestnut Grove Saving Club – Community get together	£200.00		£6,158.85
Salvation Army – Winter warmth project	£2,000.00		£4,158.85
Dearne Memorial Group – Miner’s Memorial bench	£666.00		£3,492.85
Remembering the Battle of the Somme	£335.72		£3,157.13

The Dearne South Ward has allocated £6,232 of its £13,660.85 Ward Alliance allocation. The Dearne South Ward has no Public Health Funds remaining.

The projects declared a total number of 1338 volunteer hours, which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £14,838.42

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Comrades FC – Second Hand Mower	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£12,160.85
Dearne Cricket Club – Maintenance of cricket field grounds	£1,300.00		£10,860.85
Prospect Road Community Group – Community activities	£3,432.00		£7,428.85