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DATE:	Monday, 21 November 2016
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

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Minutes

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To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

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

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MINUTES

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

19 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

20 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 25th July, 2016 (Dac.19.09.2016/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council, held on 25th July, 2016.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on 25th July, 2016 be approved as a true and correct record.

21 Community Safety in the Dearne

Allan Sneddon, the Tasking Officer for the Area, was welcomed to the meeting to provide an update on Community Safety.

Members were notified of the hotspots in each of the PACT areas. Much of the problem was associated with youths, which included graffiti, cannabis use and criminal damage.

The meeting noted the issue of reporting, which had been raised at PACT meetings, and the need for correct and timely reporting of incidents to the authorities by victims was stressed.

The Tasking Officer gave feedback on the use of CCTV cameras in the area, which had been successful in detecting and preventing dog fouling, littering, parking violations and fly tipping.

The meeting heard how plans were already in place to organise diversionary activities with schools and youth providers around Halloween and bonfire night.

The meeting discussed the recent visit from the Police and Crime Commissioner, where a number of issues were raised including the number of off-road motorcycles riding through the area.

Members were pleased to hear that there would shortly be a greater Police presence in the area. It was noted that there was a planned restructure in Community Safety within the authority, and the Area Council would be made aware of any changes within due course.

RESOLVED that thanks be given to the Tasking Officer for his attendance, and that the report be noted.

22 Dearne Area Council updated financial position (Dac.19.09.2016/4)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, providing an overview of the financial position of the Area Council.

Including monies carried forward £220,664 was available for 2016/17. Of this the Area Council had allocated £178,582. When taking into account income from Fixed Penalty Notices so far, this left £45,957 remaining to allocate in the current financial year.

It was noted that additional income from Fixed Penalty Notices would be credited in due course, but that this was likely only to be in the region of £5,000.

RESOLVED that the current financial position for the Area Council be noted.

23 Community Magazine (Dac.19.09.2016/5)

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager, who reminded Members that the Area Council had previously approved the production of two issues of a community magazine, funded through advertising space in the publication. Also approved were costs for distributing the magazine to every household in the area.

The meeting was reminded that the Salvation Army had received £500 as a result of a feature in the magazine and the allotment group had also received donations.

Feedback received on the publication had been positive, though it had been suggested that feedback on Council services and projects, in addition to those delivered by the community, could also be included.

It was proposed that the Area Council should commit to producing and distributing two further editions of the magazine, reconvening the editorial group in order to assist the process. One issue would be produced to be distributed in the summer, with another in the winter.

It was suggested that feedback ought to be sought from businesses advertising in the magazine, which would help to highlight the reach of the magazine. It was also suggested that the magazine could be more forward thinking, advertising planned events for example.

Members were in support of the proposal, though it was suggested that the possibility of using community organisations to distribute the magazine be explored.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That approval be given to produce two further issues of the Community Magazine with the editorial group being reconvened to assist the process;
- (ii) That up to £2,667 be approved for distribution of two issues of the community magazine; and
- (iii) That the process for the production of the magazine be noted.

24 Future Commissions and use of Area Council finance (Dac.19.09.2016/6)

The Area Council Manager presented the item. Members were made aware that the current environmental service provided by Twiggs would finish 31st March, 2017. For the service to continue after this date a recommissioning exercise would need to be undertaken. The meeting discussed the merits of recommissioning a Clean, Tidy, and Volunteering Service, the draft specification for which was attached, and all were in support of recommissioning. A number of suggestions were made in order to improve the service specification, and it was agreed to amend the final version in order to take these into account.

The meeting went on to discuss the Dearne Development Fund, which in the previous financial year had allocated around £80,000 to a number of projects that delivered to the priorities of the Area Council. For the current financial year, £50,000 had been allocated. Members noted the high quality of projects being delivered as a result of the fund, and the impact seen in the area. A proposal was made to allocate a further £30,000, with this being used as match funding to draw additional monies into the area where possible. All members were supportive of the proposal.

It was noted that officers had recently held discussions with Community Link Officers, recently employed by Dearne ALC, around possible support from the Fund. The meeting discussed possible future possibilities, but noted the historical issues with the ALC, including the cost and inaccessibility of the ALC as a venue. It was suggested that relationships with the ALC could help improve this.

The Area Council Manager referred to the work undertaken to improve the railway embankment. Many partners had been involved with Network Rail providing £20,000 towards the scheme. The meeting heard how students from Sheffield University had also been involved in undertaking a feasibility study around the design of the scheme and future funding possibilities.

Members heard how many residents had been involved in the work and the area had improved considerably as a result, with a sustained reduction in fly tipping and graffiti. The work had featured in social media, and feedback had been extremely positive. It was noted that the biodiversity in the area was being mapped and newts had been discovered.

Members praised the scheme and the impact seen in the area. A suggestion was made to record the good practice undertaken in delivering the project to replicate in other similar areas. The Area Council Manager proposed that £10,000 of Area Council finance be allocated to the railway embankment scheme in order to support further work, using this finance for match funding wherever possible.

Members noted the current levels of finance within Ward Alliance Fund budgets, and a decision was taken to devolve an additional £10,000 per fund, to be allocated through existing approval mechanisms.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That approval be given to procure a Clean, Tidy and Volunteering Service, to a value of £75,000 per annum for a one year period, with the possibility to extend this for a further year period;

- (ii) That the specification of requirements for the Clean, Tidy and Volunteering Service be approved, subject to minor amendments made by the Interim Executive Director Communities, in consultation with the Service Director Environment and Transport;
- (iii) That a further £30,000 is allocated to the Dearne Development Fund, to be allocated through the process previously agreed;
- (iv) That £10,000 per ward be delegated to Dearne North and Dearne South Ward Alliances, to be allocated through existing Ward Alliance Fund procedures; and
- (v) That £10,000 be allocated to support the railway embankment scheme, with final approvals for expenditure delegated to the Interim Executive Director Communities.

25 Notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group held on 11th July, 2016 (Dac.19.09.2016/7)

Members considered the notes from the meeting held on 11th July, 2016.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group be received.

26 Notes from the following Ward Alliances (Dac.19.09.2016/8)

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne North Ward Alliance held on 21st July, 2016 and Dearne South Ward Alliance held on 8th August, 2016.

RESOLVED that notes from the respective Ward Alliances be received.

27 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.19.09.2016/9)

Members noted the expenditure to date from Dearne North and Dearne South Ward Alliance Funds. Dearne North had allocated £5,352.50 of its £10,069, with £4,716.50 remaining. Dearne South had allocated £6,613.50 of its £11,160 allocation, with £4,546.50 remaining. It was noted that the figures presented did not take into account the £10,000 additional finance devolved from the Area Council budget earlier in the meeting.

The meeting discussed the bulky waste collection scheme jointly funded by both Ward Alliances. It was noted that the scheme started on 1st September, 2016 and had been well advertised.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

28 Appreciation

The Chair gave thanks to Joe Micheli, the Stronger Barnsley Locality Manager for the area, for his contribution to the work of the Area Council and Ward Alliances. Members of the Area Council echoed the sentiment and best wishes were given for his future employment in York.

Chair

BARNESLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 21st November 2016

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Dearne Area Council Performance of Commissioned Services

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides members with an update on the delivery of the Dearne Area Councils commissions and services paid for through the Dearne Development Fund.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That Dearne members note the progress of the two Dearne Area Council commissions and service level agreement with BMBC as set out in appendix one.

2.2 That Dearne members note the progress of the Dearne Development Fund applicants as set out in part c of appendix one

3.0 Performance Management Report (attached at Appendix 1)

3.1 **Part A** of the Dearne Council Performance Report provides Dearne Area Council members with an overview of how all the Dearne Area Council commissions, Service Level Agreement (SLA) and services funded through the Dearne Development Fund are assisting in meeting future council priorities. Part A also details how the Dearne Area Council commissions are performing against the set indicators.

Contracted service providers:

- Kingdom Security – Environmental Enforcement
- Twiggs- Clean and Tidy

Service Level agreement:

- BMBC-Safer Communities Service –Providing a Private Sector Housing Management and Enforcement Service

Dearne Development Fund

- Dearne allotment
- Goldthorpe Development Group
- DIAL- drop in advice
- Salvation Army
- Dearne Electronic Community Village- Workability
- Dearne Valley Bulldogs

- Dearne hOurbank
- Therapies for anxiety and depression
- CAB

3.2 **Part B** provides Dearne Area Council members with a summary performance management report for each of the contracted services and the SLA. The report provides RAG ratings plus updated information from commissioned services following submission of their quarterly reports and subsequent quarterly contract monitoring/management meetings. In addition to the information provided in the summary reports, more detailed information is available on request, including case studies with photographs for each contracted service, and some performance data on a ward basis.

3.3 **Part C** provides the Dearne Area Council with a progress update of the services/groups awarded finances through the Dearne Development Fund.

3.4 **Performance Report –Issues**

The two Dearne Area Council contracts and the Service Level Agreement with BMBC's Safer Communities Service continue to perform satisfactorily with no significant issues identified.

The Dearne development fund projects continue to do well and the projects are now coming to an end in November, December and January. RAG ratings have not been provided for these services and not all of the services will have provided monitoring information at this point. Some providers submit their information quarterly and the report returns are not in sync with the deadline for Area Council papers.

4.0 **Appendices**

Appendix One: Performance Report

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DEARNE AREA COUNCIL Performance Report

July-Sept 2016



INTRODUCTION

Dearne Area Council Priorities



Table 1 below shows the Providers that have been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Dearne Area Council.

	Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract end date
Environment	Environmental enforcement	Kingdom security	£31,000	April 2017 option to Extend
Environment	Private sector housing enforcement	BMBC	16/17 £12,000	Funded until March 2017
Environment	Clean and Tidy	Twiggs	£112,450 18months	Funded until March 2017

PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

The Dearne Area Council commissions also contribute to the Councils overall priorities of thriving vibrant economy, stronger resilient communities and citizens achieving their potential. The achievement of the outcomes which includes the figures from the Dearne Development fund are listed in table's below:

*the targets below include the stats from the Dearne Development Fund

Thriving and Vibrant Economy

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. of FTE jobs created and recruited to	4	10
No. of PT/sessional jobs created and recruited to	7	9
No. of apprentice and placement created and recruited to	1	1
No. of group/service match funded	-	5
Local spend (average across all contracts)	88%	95%

Stronger resilient communities

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. of adult volunteers engaged	59	85
No. of young people engaged in volunteering	9	28
No. of new volunteers	5	9
No of community groups supported (Twiggs)	4	22
No. of volunteer opportunities through commissions	2	68
No. of local business involvement	6	7

Citizens achieving their potential

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. residents achieving qualification	0	18
No. residents educated (littering)	10	13
No. of residents receiving advice and support	50	71
No. of residents receiving health and wellbeing advice/referrals	8	88
No. of young people pre mental health service intervention	0	13

At present, two contracts and one Service Level Agreement (SLA) with BMBC have formally completed their contract monitoring/contract management reporting. The following tables therefore reflect the overview of performance of **three contracts**. These contracts are based on the Dearne Area Council priorities. These contracts are:

Environment: Enforcement- Kingdom

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Patrol Hours completed	433	494.50
No of litter and dog fouling operations	2	2
No of litter and dog fouling FPNs issued	-	67
No of parking PCNs issued	-	0
Payment rate for dog fouling and litter FPNs	-	40%
Income this quarter	-	1,940
Local spend	85%	100%

Environment: Housing Enforcement -BMBC

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Initial contacts made	100	270
Vulnerable households identified	10	18
Number of requests for action to landlords	8	29
People sign posted to other services	8	18
CPN written warnings issued	0	7
Households supported with waste/recycling	20	73
Local spend	90%	100%

Environment: Clean and Tidy -Twiggs

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Twiggs social action events	1	5
Community groups supported	4	25
Residents educated	10	13
School education sessions	1	3
Residents taking responsibility for areas	4	4
Local business engagement	6	7
Local spend	90%	90%

PART B - SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT







REPORT FOR EACH SERVICE

Environmental Enforcement- Kingdom Security

Quarter 2 report received on the 7th October 2016

Environment

Growing the Economy

	RAG
Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	
Milestones achieved	
Outcome indicator targets met	
Social value targets met	
Satisfactory spend and financial information	
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	

Although targets are not set for the number of Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) issued, it can be reported that during the period July- September 2016, there were 67 FPN's of these, 59 were for littering and 8 were for dog fouling. This is a slight reduction in the FPN issued in the last quarter.

Prosecutions continue for littering and dog fouling. To date offenders have paid prior to attending, pleaded guilty prior to court or have been found guilty at court. There has been a 100% success rate at court. The revenue raised thus far from FPN's (fouling and littering) for this quarter is £1,940 bringing the total amount this year to £5,815

Case study

The service received a large number of complaints from residents and users of the Cage. These were formal complaints as well as information direct to the Enforcement Officers as they patrol the area. An operation was conducted for two days to identify the perpetrators.

Patrol times have varied to cover early evening and early morning. Although there have been no FPN issue regarding littering or fouling officers have spoken with those users and highlighted the consequences. Handed out 'stubbies' and discussed the issues with numerous dog walkers. The feedback has been positive and the area wholly looks better. Patrols continue as there are clearly those who ignore the public pressure to clean up after

themselves. The young people that are on the list to undertake a restorative justice session have been contacted to join a litter pick in the Dearne on the 26th of October.



Environment- Private Sector Housing (SLA)

Enforcement – BMBC Quarter 2 report submitted 14th of September 2016

Growing the Economy

Environment

Improving Health

	RAG
Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
Milestones achieved	●
Outcome indicator targets met	●
Social value targets met	●
Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

During the months July to September 2016 the service received **297** complaints, queries and requests; these include advice and referrals to other agencies including South Yorkshire Police. 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 two are recorded as having a successful outcome.

73 Waste on Premises reports were received and investigated during July to September. Occupiers were spoken to or a general waste letter was sent asking them to remove the waste within 14 days, of these **69** complied. The ones that did not comply were issued with a CPN Written Warning (4 in total), of these **3** complied with **1** resulting in a Community Protection Notice being issued. Failure to comply with the Community Protection Notice has resulted in a £100 fine.

Case study

After receiving several complaints about the condition of the rear garden at a property in Thurnscoe, a visit was carried out and the tenant spoken to. She stated that she was getting the waste removed soon. After carrying out more visits to the property it was evident that no attempt had been made to clear the rear garden of the household waste. A Written Warning was issued on the tenant. She failed to comply with this so a Community Protection Notice (CPN) was issued. Since this was issued a further letter giving her extra time was sent to her. Visits have been carried out on a regular basis and each time the tenant was spoken to and each time she said that she was paying someone to clear it. No attempts have been made to clear and the condition of the garden has got worse not improved. The tenant has been issued with a £100.00 Fixed penalty Notice.

Case study

A perpetrator who lives in Rotherham was identified in a fly tipping investigation and was interviewed under caution. During the interview under caution she stated that she had paid a male that she had contacted through FaceBook to remove waste including, wood, cardboard, carpets household waste from her rear garden. She paid £70.00 for the rubbish removing. She gave details of the perpetrator who lives in Goldthorpe. Visits have been made on several occasions to interview him under caution but he failed to keep appointments. This file has now been submitted to the courts and a hearing has been scheduled for November 2016. Results will follow in the next quarterly report.



Environment – Twiggs Quarter 2 report submitted 6th October 2016

**Growing
the
Economy**

Environment

	RAG
Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
Milestones achieved	●
Outcome indicator targets met	●
Social value targets met	●
Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

**The monitoring report submitted was based on the data from 1st June – 31st August. The narrative below is the total figures at the year end.*

Four people are employed through this contract 1 x full time, 2x part time and an apprentice. In the last year Twiggs have engaged with twenty five businesses in the Dearne Area and assisted residents in taking ownership of sixteen areas. They have worked alongside seventy eight established groups on clean up campaigns and led on eleven social action projects. In the first year they have collected 925 bags of waste and reported a total of thirty one fly tipping incidents to the Enforcement Team.

During this quarter Twiggs have delivered two impacts of littering sessions at The Hill Academy, Carrfield and attended Dearne Valley College in order to recruit work placements. Future activities include the recruitment of placements, working with the BODVAG group in order to get the Renaissance Centre ready for Christmas and maintaining St Andrews Square.

Twiggs are changing the staff around so that each member can gain work experience in different areas of work and in different locations. The service continues to generate good news stories and receive mainly positive feedback via face to face and their social media page.



1,695 people reached Boost post

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Alex Davis
It looks great thank you for a job well done x
14 September at 20:28 · Unlike · 2 · Reply · Message

Toni Mank
Great job cx
14 September at 21:13 · Unlike · 2 · Reply · Message

Beverley Booth
I walked down here for year's many years ago lol x
15 September at 12:47 · Unlike · 1 · Reply · Message

Leanne Middleton
It looks fab .
Tuesday at 20:24 · Unlike · 1 · Reply · Message

Norah Easton
what a great job !
Tuesday at 20:53 · Unlike · 1 · Reply · Message

John Edwards
A good job well done
Wednesday at 20:39 · Unlike · 1 · Reply · Message

Twiggs Dearne Area Clean and Tid...
Thanks for all the feedback, it's great to know we are making a difference
Wednesday at 20:46 · Like · Reply

Wayne Bramley
Well done , great job !

PART C- Dearne Development Fund

Below is a list of services and groups paid out of the 15/16 Dearne Area Council Finances.

Note: The silver surfer scheme has now come to an end, others come to an end in November December and January

Provider/group	Priority	Impact	Cost	Start Date	End date
Dearne Allotment Group	Improving health/Improving the environment	To provide a coordinator in order to continue with the development of the community allotment	£7,500	1/12/15	30/11/16
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.	£9,080	7/12/2015	6/12/2016
DIAL- drop in advice project	Information and support	Independent advice service supporting disadvantaged people that are faced with financial exclusion	£6,050	1/1/2016	31/12/2016
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.	£3,154	30/11/2015	30/11/2016
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. This service worked with 22 learners.	£6,122	4/1/2016	31/3/2016
Dearne Electronic Community Village- workability	Information and support/ skills and learning for work	The tutor will organise, plan and deliver workshop sessions in ICT	£14, 924	2/5/2016	29/12/2016

		and Employability skills, working in partnership alongside the DWP and a CRT outreach worker based at DECV and also DVC for functional skills			
Dearne Valley bulldogs	Improving health/ young people	To provide Integrated changing rooms and showers facilities. The hope is that new facilities will relieve the pressure on the club in regards to safeguarding policies and logistical challenges.	£15,000	1/3/2016	3/11/2016
DIAL-hOurbank	Information and support	The hOurbank will facilitate the exchange of skills and time and is run on an 'hour for an hour' principle. This scheme will build on the pilot that was previously run in the Dearne.	Asked for £15,000 panel contribute £7,000	1/4/2016	31/12/2016
Therapies for depression anxiety and stress	Improving health/ young people	The project will be based at the Dearne ALC. TADS will work with 30 young people 11 – 18 to engage in 6 full therapy sessions, 30 minute therapy session and further 20 minutes to complete wellbeing exercises and learn coping techniques	Asked for £12,250 panel gave £8,813	1/4/2016	30/3/2017

First round of applicants 15/16

The panel consisting of elected members, the area council manager community development officer and residents from both Dearne North and South met in November 2015 to consider applicants. 10 groups and services applied through this process and 5 were successful.

Dearne Allotment Group

The cook & eat sessions with families from the Salvation Army took place with excellent results, pictured below Shanks (Abi Cox) presenting John with certificate of food hygiene, John is now the main person who's in charge of cooking at the Salvation Army. Hanging baskets on Goldthorpe High Street are now in full bloom which increased the passion from the community in sprucing up the town centre and the surrounding streets.

Funding for the sessional worker is being sought for a further 12 months to enhance the delivery of this project. Currently there are 10 school children attending Tuesdays & 16 adults with learning difficulties on Wednesdays, lots of volunteering covering weeding, sowing, planting, digging, watering & selling of the produce. The sessional worker is working with 2 of the volunteers in training on the rotivator to help with cultivating the soil; this is heavy manual work that takes skill and endurance. The larger polytunnel is to be installed this winter for growing plants & flowers for the community to purchase at a lower price.

The next project is to work with Be-well Barnsley & Salvation Army to pickle & bottle beetroot & condiments, donations from the community & shanks for clear jars to enable the volunteers to start in the spring. From July – September the group have collated over 1140 hours of volunteer time equating to an impressive £12,642.60 SROI.



Goldthorpe Development Group (GDG) reducing loneliness and isolation

The Goldthorpe Development Group received funding through the Dearne Development Fund in order to provide health events for older people with the principal aim to reduce loneliness and isolation, but to also deliver health and wellbeing benefits. 562 people have accessed the events held to date. Health providers have attended the events and have made nine GP referrals based upon initial health screenings. Providers attending future events include dementia services, Age UK and the Fire Service. At every event at least 10 volunteers assist.



DIAL drop in

During the last quarter the project delivered 12 sessions at Goldthorpe Library to 71 residents. The majority of the residents were on sickness benefits had a disability and were seeking advice with their benefits.

In order to measure progress against the project outcomes we measure benefit/income gain for each individual resident. They use a projected figure in this report as some benefit claim outcomes can take more than 6 months. They re-visit every individual to ascertain the actual outcome after 6 months. The benefit gain calculated is £130,983; this is calculated based on 45 residents.

Case study Miss K

Miss K is a 45 year old lady who came to Goldthorpe outreach, for benefits advice. She had been unfit for work, due to mental health issues, and had been receiving Statutory Sick Pay from her employer. SSP only gets paid for 28 weeks and hers was due to run out. She didn't know what else she could claim to replace this and was worried that she would not be able to claim anything as her partner already gets Employment Support Allowance.

She was very anxious about the future as she didn't feel she would be fit to work for the foreseeable future and would struggle to survive as her partner can't work because she needs him to look after her.

She had mental health issues for some years but was coping and working. A family incident severely worsened her mental health and she felt unable to cope with daily life, despite a lot of reassurance and emotional support from her partner.

She couldn't face going into work as her job entailed working in a busy shop and the thought of being around people brought on anxiety and feelings of panic.

She had had an initial assessment with the community mental health team and was waiting for a further appointment with mental health services.

Advice provided by DIAL

Miss K was advised to make a claim for Employment Support Allowance. She was told how to claim and was assured that DIAL would help her with any forms she gets and explain any letters. She was also advised to ring and make a claim for Personal Independence Payment. She returned to outreach a few weeks later and had help to fill in a PIP claim form.

A few weeks after that she was helped to fill in an ESA50 form (Questionnaire for work) prior to being sent for a Work Capability Assessment.

Salvation Army- seasons hope project

Alison has delivered all of the cook and eat sessions and is currently purchasing the last of the equipment to enable her to undertake more sessions. She has four regular volunteers assisting on this project and continues to develop other initiatives to follow on from this project.

Second round of applicants 15/16

The panel consisting of elected members, the area council manager, community development officer and residents from both Dearne North and South met in January 2016 to consider applications. 11 additional groups and services applied through this process and 4 were successful. £80,000 was allocated to the Dearne Development Fund in order to meet the Dearne Area priorities and the 9 applications came to a total of £77,646 from 15/16 finances.

Dearne Electronic Community Village- workability

During this quarter Rory has enrolled 18 **learners** taking the total to **51 learners**. All learners have enrolled onto the **OCR ICT (Entry 3) qualification** and also the **Learn My Way online course (UK Online)**. Rory is working with 2 volunteers one day per week with occasional help from college (Dearne valley) placements.

All learners are unemployed (Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit) or on ESA. The service has seen a sharp rise in the number of learners attending with learning difficulties and many who have been taken off ESA onto Jobseekers Allowance, some fighting appeals. Many of these are long term unemployed. Also there has been a rise with this project in the number of learners with alcohol or drug problems, also on jobseekers allowance.

The partnership with the jobcentre is working very well for referral's (80% of the referrals are from the job Centre), others are from Coalfields Regeneration Trust, working closely with Richard Jones, and also the Salvation Army in Goldthorpe with whom Rory has set up a referral system and a support option. **5 Learners have so far gained employment (4 Fulltime 1 part-time)**

2x Support worker (Robert Ogdens)

1x Driver (Agency)

1x Administrator – PP Coatings

1x Warehouse - Asos

Examples of the work undertaken are as below:

- **OCR Award in ICT (Entry 3) and Life & Living Skills**

Unit 1 - Word Processing

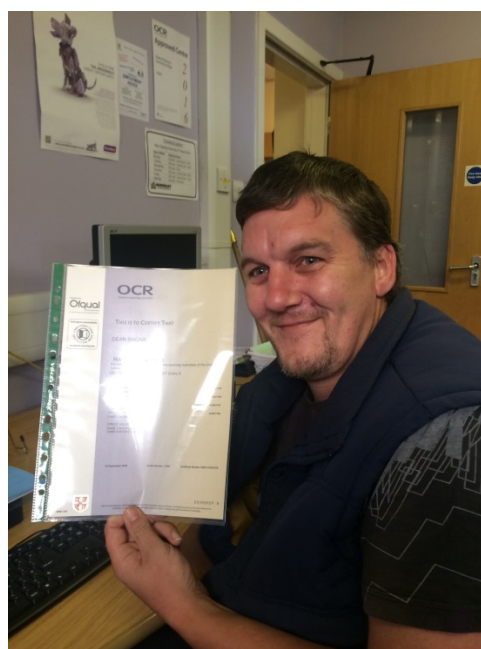
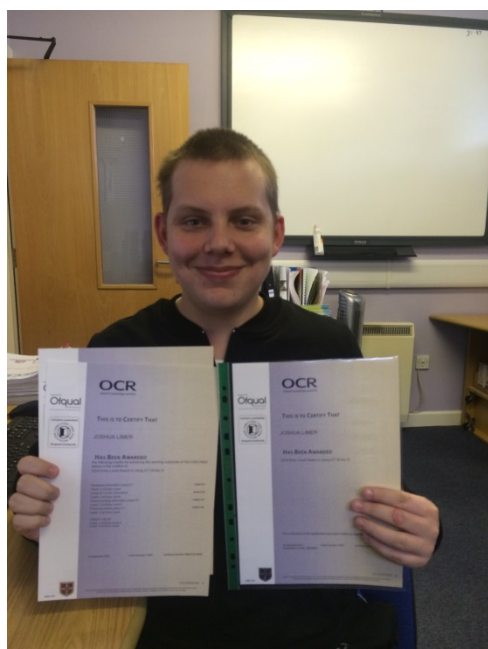
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Unit 3 - Email and communication

Unit 4 - Spreadsheets

- **Learn my Way online course**

- **Job search and Applications**



Dearne Valley Bulldogs

They Bulldogs have now received official confirmation of their 75K funds from sports England. Therefore they have now received the 15k match funding from the Area Council so that they can progress with their project. The work is due to commence in the next couple of weeks and pictures of the transformation will be sent to the area council.

DIAL hOurbank

hOurbank is continuing to grow its membership and the impact it is having is significant as the Monthly activities and weekly coffee mornings, coupled with Monthly walks and Young hOurbank lay down firm foundations in the area. One to one exchanges are proving helpful to those who otherwise wouldn't be able to access the help received. 5 young people and 39 adults have been involved in the projects this quarter

The young people have also concluded that weekly meetings are not the way forward for them. Instead they would prefer small projects which would bring the group together periodically for a longer period of time and not impact on planned out of school activities, especially during this academic year when some of the group will be sitting GCSE's. The group would like to meet during the holidays to complete a task/project plus a couple of times beforehand to plan the activity. From a management perspective, this would work well and allow for a more constructive and worthwhile event.

Jamie has commented;

"Young hOurbank is great and gives me a chance to have a go at something new. I am looking forward to helping out at the Goldthorpe Christmas Market, it makes me feel good"

Plans for the future include the creation of a fruit and wildlife garden at the side of the Salvation Army Hall in conjunction with the #iwill project over half term week. The young people are looking forward to making a video of the project and having a display in the library. Local media have been informed which will hopefully lead to further coverage.

In response to member requests, there is now the 'First Friday Walking Group'. This group will meet on the first Friday of every month for a locally led walk. All hOurbank walk leaders are fully trained and experienced and know the local area very well, leading to a fun and informative gathering which has health benefits and the chance to make new friends. Walks always begin at 10.30am, usually from Cherry Tree Court or the Salvation Army Hall and last around an hour.

October will see the launch of the hOurbank Newsletter which will be published quarterly. This will contain a calendar of events, news and information about membership and time exchanges and features on monthly activities. Contributions will be welcome and this is designed to be a useful go-to document for all news and information on the timebank.



BMBC Digital Champions, Tom and Chris are regulars at Coffee Morning to chat with members about Social Media, setting up Facebook pages and how to shop safely online.



TADS

6 children have had 5 sessions each at Lacewood Primary School. Further 2 young people at Dearne ALC have completed 3 sessions each. 5 young people at Dearne ALC are ongoing with sessions. Finally 6 children have started sessions at Sacred Heart Primary School

First round of applications 16/17

Members have allocated £80k out of their 2016/17 budget in order to meet the Area Council priorities. The Dearne Development Fund panel consisting of the Area Manager, elected members and residents met at 2pm on the 4th of July to consider applications. CAB were successful in receiving Area Council Funds and started the project at the beginning of October. There was a slight delay in delivery due to the fire that happened in the town centre.

The panel also met on the 17th of October and out of the 9 applications that applied the panel awarded to 8 of the projects. Out of the 8 projects that were successful 6 of those had match funding. Monitoring information for these projects will not be available until next year.

SERVICE	PRIORITE	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END
CAB	Improving Health	Dearne area financial inclusion outreach project	£9,974	Oct 2016	Oct 2017

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The Dearne

Report for Area Council

Fiona Tennyson (Tasking Officer)

Crime Figures (October 2016)

	Goldthorpe	Thurnscoe
ASB	40	39
Burg Dwelling	2	5
Burg Other	0	6
TFMV	10	5
TOMV	1	6
Violent Crime (minus 'domestics')	6	16
Damage to Vehicles	5	2
Damage to property	3	11
Other Damage	3	0
Hate Crime	0	0

Incidents of note

- 1) 24th October – 36 year old female killed after being hit by a car which fled the scene. Two people arrested.
- 2) 28th October – 13 year old female sustained a suspected broken arm after being struck by a quad bike on High Street, Goldthorpe.
- 3) 29th October – Male sustained non-life threatening injuries after being hit over the head with a hammer on High Street, Thurnscoe.

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 21st November 2016

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Dearne Area Council Financial Position and Progress of Projects

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 the 2016/17 and 2017/18 financial years.
- 1.2 This report also provides an update in relation to projects that were previously agreed at the Dearne Area Council on the 19th of September 2016

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 2016/17 and 2017/18. Details are contained in Appendix One.
- 2.2 Dearne Area Council members note the progress of previously agreed projects that have been committed out of their 2016/17 finances

3.0 Financial update 2016/17

- 3.1 At the Dearne Area Council on the 19th of September 2016 members agreed to allocate a further £30K to the Dearne Development Fund and £10K to the Railway embankment scheme. Further members agree to finance two more publications of the community magazine at a cost of £2,667 and devolved £10k to each Ward Alliance Fund.
- 3.2 Including monies carried forward from 2015/16 the Dearne Area Council had an allocation of £220,664 to spend on meeting the Dearne Area Council priorities in the 16/17 financial year. To date the Area Council have spent and earmarked £218,147 on previously agreed projects/services, leaving £2,517 in the budget from the original allocation.
- 3.3 Although earmarked the Dearne Area Council have only spent £57,247 of its 80K Dearne Development Fund allocation leaving £22,753 to spend on meeting future area priorities. This takes the overall actual spend of the original allocation to £195,394.
- 3.4 Further during the previous quarter there was an income of £1,940 from FPN taking the total revenue from all notices in 2016/17 to £5,815. This income added to the Dearne Development Fund earmarked finances, take the total amount left in this year's finances to £31,085.

4.0 **Financial update 2017/18**

- 4.1 At the Area Council meeting on the 19th of September 2016 Members agreed to the procurement of the Dearne environmental and volunteering service for 2017/18 at a cost of £75,000.
- 4.2 Further if members of the Dearne Area Council approve to the continuation of the Kingdom enforcement service, including BMBC community safety contribution this will cost the Dearne Area Council £32,898 from their 2017/18 allocation. Bringing the total spend already committed from the 2017/18 financial year to £107,898.

5.0 **Progress of projects**

- 5.1 At the Dearne Area Council meeting on the 19th of September members agreed to allocate 10k towards the Railway embankment project. Sheffield University students have been working in the area in order to consult with residents and develop a feasibility study for the site, this is now complete. They have handed over the project documents and held an exhibition on the 1st of November 2016. The Dearne Area Team have been working with the embankment group in order to get the group constituted and have their own bank account. This will enable the group to apply for funding in their own right.
- 5.2 Members also agreed to the procurement of the environmental and volunteering service at a cost of £75k with the option to continue the service for a further year. The Dearne Area Manager has developed and inputted into the specification from suggestion made by elected members and Paul Castle.

The procurement timeline is as follows :

Tenders issues via Yortender	1 st November 2016
Deadline for Tender Queries	23 rd November 2016
Tender Return	30 th November 2016
Tender Evaluation	1 st December 2016 –16 th December 2016
Tender Presentations	w/c 9 th January 2017
Tender Report and Approval to Award	w/c 16 th January 2017
Provisional Contract Award subject to Self-certification checks	17 th January 2017
Final Award after self-certification checks	19 th January 2017
Contract Lead in Period	Mid - January 2017 – March 2017
Contract Start Date	1 st April 2017

- 5.3 Members have previously agreed an allocation of £30k in order to allocate grants through the Dearne Development Fund. At the Area Council meeting on the 19th of September 2016 members agreed to allocate a further £50k in order to meet Dearne Area priorities. During the first round the panel agreed to fund CAB at a cost of £9,974.

On the 19th of October the panel considered a further nine projects at a cost of £73,000. After deliberation the panel allocated funds to eight projects at a cost of £47,273 bringing the total allocation amount to £57,247. This leaves £22,753 left in the Dearne Development Fund in order to meet area priorities. The Eight projects will start in the new year and between them meet all of the five Dearne Area council priorities.

See appendix one for full break down

Appendices

Appendix One: Financial Update

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Appendix one: Financial Update

Area Council Spend	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/18
	£ 200,000	£ 200,000	£200,000	
		+£ 55,438	+£20,664	
		£ 255,438	£220,664	
Environmental Enforcement	-£ 27,181	-£ 18,465	-£ 27,898	-£27,898
Environmental Enforcement - BMBC contribution	-£ 8,000	-£ 5,000	-£5,000	-£5,000
Community Newsletter		-£1,846.00	-£1,846 -£2,667	
Training for Employment	-£ 74,381	-£ 37,000		
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	-£ 35,000	-£62,300	- £12,000	
Dearne Clean & Tidy		-£ 75,000	- £43,736	-£75,000
Dearne Development Fund		-£ 62,646	-£15,000	-£22,753
Dearne Development Fund - Phase 2			-£57,247	
DDF Earmarked			+£22,753	
Ward Alliance's			-£20,000	
Contribution towards Railway Embankment			-£10,000	
Total spend (actual)	£ 144,562	£262,257	£195,394	
Allocation remaining	+£ 55,438	-£6,819	+£25,270	
FPN income received		+£27,483	+£4,290	
Parking FPN income received			+£1,525	
Final Allocation remaining	+£ 55,438	+£ 20,664	+£31, 085	

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting

**Report of Dearne Area Council
Manager**

The Dearne Area Council Housing Enforcement

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To update members regarding the role of the Private Sector Housing Officer and Enforcement and Investigations Officer and the proposal for funding these posts a further year.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Members of the Dearne Area Council approve funding both Housing and Enforcement posts for a further year and allocate approximately £72,162 out of their 2017/18 commissioning budget to continue the level of Housing and Enforcement provision that already exists within the Dearne Area.

3.0 Roles and costings

- 3.1 The Enforcement and Investigations Officer's role is to direct a team of Anti-Social Behaviour Enforcement Officers in case managing instances of serious and persistent anti-social behaviour regardless of tenure ensuring appropriate outcomes are determined for each case within acceptable timescales. To timely progress straightforward legal cases including application and advocacy in court particularly in respect of Introductory Tenants and Anti-Social Behaviour Injunctions.
- 3.2 A Service Level Agreement was developed by the Dearne Area Council and BMBC Community Safety in November 2014. This agreement was to provide an Enforcement and Investigations Officer for a period of one year within the Dearne Area. This contract was further extended until the end of March 2016. In order to provide this service for a further year it will cost approximately £36,081 (assumes increment & 1% pay award for 2017/18). If approved this contract will run until the end of March 2018.
- 3.3 The Private Sector Housing and Environment Officer role is to support the delivery of regeneration projects in targeted areas by providing a proactive reassuring practical and visible customer focused housing and environmental management service in the private sector. The Officer is responsible for the delivery of a combination of key front line elements of Private Sector Housing Support, Environmental Management, Community and Tenancy Support, Community Safety and Cohesion.

Subsequently BMBC community safety sourced funds from the Barnsley Economic Strategy in order to provide the Dearne with additional resources by way of having Private Sector Housing Officer placed in the Dearne for a one year period, this contract will cease at the end of March 2016. In order for the Dearne area to maintain this provision the cost would be approximately £36,081(Assumes 1% pay award for 2017/18). If approved this contract will run until the end of March 2018.

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DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP

**Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe:
12th September 2016**

Members Present: Derek Bramham (Chair), Wendy Lowder, Cllr Phillips, Cllr Noble, Claire Dawson, Alison Sykes, Alister Shaw, Cllr Gollick, Suzanne Story, Carl Hickman, Helen Jaggar Gemma Cobby, Tom Smith, John Hays, Joe Micheli, April Fisher, John Carrington, Colin Buxton, Cllr Johnson, Carol Wordsworth, Carrienne Stones

Apologies: Cllr Gardiner; Alison Vint, Sarah Cartwright, Jenni Hobson, Jenny Batley,

<p><u>Welcome and Introductions:</u>- A round of introductions took place Apologies: - As listed above</p>	<p>Action By</p>
<p><u>Notes of Meeting held 11th July 2016</u> were accepted as a true record <u>Matters Arising –</u></p> <p>1) Cllr Noble informed the group that they had taken delivery of 44 bins for the area. These will be distributed and recorded through the housing workers here in the Dearne 2) CD and DB will be meeting with Antony Campbell in order to discuss the environmental theme on the 27th of September 3) The Renaissance centre are using the IT equipment so the Salvation Army have sourced alternative funding from the ward alliances to enable them to purchase items for the job club</p>	
<p><u>Discussion Items</u></p> <p><u>Healthwatch- Carrienne Stones</u></p> <p>CS presented a report that will be sent on to the Dearne Approach members.</p> <p>She updated the group with regards the work that had been done in relation to the access to GP consultation exercise undertaken in direct response to Cllr Gollicks discussion. Access had become an issue for residents, although finding showed that many people were attending GP services for social issues.</p> <p>Healthwatch set up a listening event in the Dearne but also worked closely with DIAL for those that needed extra support. 60 people in total shared their views and Healthwatch also discussed the other services that were available to them and if the residents were aware of those services.</p> <p>A couple of themes from the exercise were that booking an appointment was an issue and missed appointments were high.</p>	

The overall report will be available at the end of September and sent on for a response. Under Healthwatch powers they have 20 days to respond to the consultation.

See above attachment for a more in depth overview of discussion points

BCB – Steve Palmer and Big Local

In 2011 with the introduction of the Wolf report, training providers can no longer draw down government funding to deliver construction industry recognised qualifications unless the student is employed.

About the same time the construction industry national vocational qualification (NVQ) awarding bodies made it mandatory for all the NVQ qualification practical assessments to be delivered and assessed on site in a work setting.

Fortunately the housing project is not governed by “Time” for refurbishing the properties, although this outcome will be achieved eventually. From the onset the housing project was always seen as a vehicle for maximising employment and training for the residents of Barnsley and where possible for Goldthorpe and the Dearne residents. With Big local funding it created an ideal opportunity to develop a formula to overcome the issues of securing funding for training and in meeting the construction industries qualification awarding bodies standards, both huge barriers that prevent people from achieving their employment and education potential.

In a relatively short period of time the construction work that has been carried out at number 4 Wellington St Goldthorpe has assisted 64 apprentices in developing work skills and knowledge and provided the ideal work environment to fulfil their qualification assessment needs.

So far there has been 227 apprentice assessment & skills development days on site. From the time when the refurbishment project started up to press 12 apprentices have now moved into full time employment, greatly assisted by the experience gained whilst working at number 4 Wellington St.

This year we are working with Barnsley College in providing 69 training and employment opportunities and with ongoing support from our partners, we are confident that this target will be achieved.

BCB could have just instructed our own skilled construction team to complete the task; BCB’s construction services would have completed the job much sooner however this would not have been good for the apprentices

Health Theme update –Carl Hickman

C. Stones

<p>Carl updated the group with regards performance from November 2015- July 2016 (as above) He is currently working with other authorities on a sports England funding bid which will focus on physical activity. The figures attached are in relation to the many incentives that Carl performance manages including Bewellbarnsley and infant feeding service. Some issues have been highlighted including the women that suffer from depression and are prescribed medication in dealing with this, this potentially stops mothers from breast feeding.</p> <p><u>Jobs Education Skills Training update- Tom Smith</u></p> <p>Tom updated the action plan and circulated it to the group (attached) He also presented some of the progress in relation to the service. He is going to convene the sub group in Oct or Nov.</p> <p>Tom informed the group that Barnsley had had the best GCSE result so far , there was also a reduction in the NEET figures. He also stated that universal credit was coming soon and it would have an impact as we have more people in part or low level employment. Overall skills level had improve Tom will fetch the report back once finalised</p> <p>The group discussed the Skills bank and how it could be accessed in order to access funds and up skill staff. This could also be a launch pad to move into self-employment</p> <p>Henry Boot Construction Limited, in partnership with Barnsley Council, have been selected as a provider for a new employment support project across the Sheffield City Region. Building Better Opportunities (BBO) will blend therapeutic support and job coaching for people with mental health conditions, learning disabilities and complex needs. The programme is possible thanks to a two-year grant from the Big Lottery Fund and the European Social Fund. The South Yorkshire Housing Association (SYHA) will lead a partnership of providers to deliver the programme.</p>	<p>TS to convene group</p> <p>TS report</p> <p>WL to send briefing</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Updates</u> <p><u>Big Local Thurnscoe – Derek Bramham (BLT Chair)</u></p> <p>The beach party was a success, interpretation boards are on the way. The fishing platform is slightly delayed as it has had to go out to tender. A concrete block is going to be placed around the rezza to stop quad bikes coming over the area. The winter wonderland is all planned and will take place on the 19th of November.</p> <p><u>Goldthorpe and Bolton Big Local – April Fisher</u></p> <p>The painting of Phoenix under pass has received some great feedback. They got NCS involved and it has been the best year for them. They group are wanting to put CCTV in the area as there has been some graffiti and fly tipping. Big local submitted a pro forma to Sheffield Uni so that they could complete one of their</p>	

live projects in Goldthorpe, specifically around the railway embankment. The our shed project is about to start and further details will follow. The fun day was very successful.

Questions were asked about the management of the houses and this will be done by Bernslai homes.

Thurnscoe Park- Pauline Philips

They have received section 106 monies to make improvements. They had a table tennis table donated it's been fantastic for the kids during the summer. A boot camp was organized but had to be relocated because of anti-social behavior. Robert Ogdan school have been attending the park regular.

Salvation Army- Alison Sykes

The salvation is extending its support of the food bank for working families as many of those are living in poverty, 15th October start date. Still going to Tesco for their surplus stock and distributing to those at need. The job club is still going well and they are about to purchase some new equipment funded out of the ward alliance.

Coalfields Regen Gemma Cobby

CRT had organized a job fair in Goldthorpe and Thurnscoe Library on the 29th of September. Employers had been asked to attend and it would be promoted through social media. Gemma is also organizing a dementia project in partnership with Alzheimer's society and has assisted them in getting a foot hold in the Dearne via a funding application to the Big local and development fund.

Town Centre Businesses- Carol and Colin

They have been involved in the making of planters and getting the high street looking lovely in the hope of increasing footfall. They will be completing a funding form to the Dearne area council. Jo advised them to watch out for the principle town initiative. Andrew Osborne to be invited to future meetings.

Goldthorpe Development Group – John Hays

The OAP events are still happening on a monthly basis, up to 90 people attend each event. They are currently planning the xmas market this will take place on the 9th of December. They are hosting a Halloween party at the playhouse 4-6pm. The bounce into summer was a good event and will take place on the 23rd of August next year. GDG have been involved in the bridge painting.

Bolton on Dearne Voluntary Action Group- John Hays

The community event held at mansion park was great. They are looking into getting an allotment and are organizing their xmas event.

Claire Dawson

**C.
Dawson**

<p>Allotment- was in the process of gaining funding to have a path put in that would make the site DDA compliant. The company shop are going to be attending</p> <p>Dearne playhouse- had advertised an ordinance with Brian Blessed that would take place on the 27th of January, tickets would go on sale on the 3rd of October</p> <p>Dearne ALC- the team had met two newly appointment community link workers and would send details on to April and Gemma</p> <p><u>BewellBarnsley</u></p> <p>Suzanne informed the group with regards the health steering group that would feed into the Dearne Approach.</p> <p><u>John Carrington and Helen Jaggat</u></p> <p>John updated the group regards progress in the Dearne this will be discussed further at the next meeting. Helen spoke of a joint project with NPS that will be managed through Bernslai homes.</p>	<p>C.Dawson</p>
<p>Any Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group thanked Joe for his involvement as this would be his last meeting; he leaves the authority at the end of September. • Police will be coming back to the area on the 9th of January 2017 • Healthwatch Barnsley have a new website and people will be able to review services it's a way of getting feedback. http://healthwatchbarnsley.co.uk/about-us/ 	
<p>Date of Next Meeting – 7th November the themes for discussion will be environment and housing, Salvation Army Hall 4pm</p>	
<p>Date of Future Meetings– To be held at 4pm in the Salvation Army Hall 9 Jan 2017 13 March 2017 15 May 2017</p>	

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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 10th of October 2016. The group members discussed the bulky rubbish scheme and the need to keep a watching eye on spends. They also discussed arranging a Ward Alliance Easter event and the merging of the ward alliances.

4.2 The Dearne North Ward Alliance was held on the 27th September 2016. Two applications regarding the relocation of bins had been approved since the last meeting. The group members also discussed merging the Wward Alliances.

5.0 Appendix

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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Dearne South Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne South Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Monday 10th October 10am
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr May Noble (acting Chair), Alan George (treasurer), Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Terry Walton, Claire Milne, Claire Dawson, Graham Jarvis, Vicky Cuming (note taker)	Suzanne Storey, Alison Sykes

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>1. Welcomes & introductions (Apologies – as above)</p> <p>2. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising that are not on the agenda</p> <p>Amendment- Terry was at the last meeting and not included as a attendee</p> <p>3. Financial update</p> <p>All of Carrfield School checks have been cashed There will be a full report on what happens with ward alliance moneys twice a year.</p> <p>Claire gave a financial Dearne South Ward Alliance update - £ 3546.50 (balance) At the area council meeting on the 19th of September members drew down 10k to each ward alliance this takes the budget to £13,546.50 Alan informed the WA regarding the Working fund Balance- £2845.88</p> <p><u>Applications submitted:</u></p> <p>None at this time</p> <p>Bulky rubbish scheme was discussed. The Area team will keep a close eye on the spending as £2265 out of the £3k has already been spent. The teams have liaised with waste management as they need to have a report to feed back to the ward alliance. Claire would like this to include where the bulky rubbish hotspots are in different areas Bolton on Dearne, Goldthorpe.</p> <p>4. Groups & any additional updates not on agenda</p> <p><u>BODVAG</u> – Are working on the renaissance center tidying up for the Christmas fair, Twiggs are involved too in the tidying and clearing. Alan mentioned how fantastic twiggs and BODVAG are doing tidying working in the area.</p> <p><u>St Andrews Square</u>-The hanging baskets in St Andrews square were discussed and the ward alliance feels that there needs to be a clean up event over a weekend involving local schools. This could be a Dearne south ward alliance project, once the clean up has took place there could be an Easter egg hunt, Easter party in the square to show what has been done. This could be used to get more children involved. It could also be used to recruit new volunteers. Need to get services involved and promote to a wider audience once date has been set.</p> <p><u>Container</u>- The container that is being used for the flood defence equipment at the renaissance center needs to be moved, Graham also mentioned it has to be empty ready for the flood defense things to be stored. The bins that are in the container are going into the brickyard there are only about a dozen left and some of these are ordered and are about to be delivered. Graham is on with ordering one for the BODVAG group so will ask if they can move the container when they</p>	<p>Ensure this is on the agenda at future meetings</p> <p>Ask if the container company can move the flood container</p>	<p>Marie/ All members</p> <p>Graham</p>

Dearne North Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Tuesday 27 th September 2016 – 1pm
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Pauline Phillips, Cllr Alan Gardiner, Derek Bramham (Big Local Thurnscoe), Marie Sinclair (Dearne Area Team) & Stephen Hurd.	Cllr Annette Gollick, & Alison Sykes, Charlotte Williams (Station House), James Matre (Station House), David Perry (local resident)

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>1. Welcomes & introductions</p> <p>2. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising</p> <p>Reminder to David to take id to Yorkshire Bank</p> <p>Alan Gardiner asked how the swimming tickets had performed – sadly all the tickets handed out were not used. Ann Toy is evaluating the costings and percentage with exact numbers fed back at next meeting.</p> <p>3. Merging of the Ward Alliances</p> <p>Unanimous yes all members agreed to merge from January 2017.</p> <p>4. Financial Update</p> <p>Two Applications have been agreed since last meeting £200 re-location of bins on the high street and £1000 for extension of bulky rubbish scheme. Good news that an additional £10.000 has been drawn down from the Area Council</p> <p><u>Dearne North Ward Alliance balance - £ 13516.50</u></p> <p>£500.00 Winter wonderland contribution & £550.00 to purchase concrete blocks for Chapel Lane, Thurnscoe.</p> <p><u>Working fund balance - £950.00</u></p>	<p>Ask Anny Toy for evaluation once completed</p> <p>Await for decision from Dearne South WA</p>	<p>Marie</p>

5. Updates from Community Groups

Thurnscoe Park

Yorkshire in Bloom results – silver guilt Pauline was thrilled with the result and thanked everyone who had been involved every week with the upkeep of the park.

Memorial bench is now comfortably in place with many people sitting enjoying the view.

Scott to cut down the silver birch tree

The ping pong table has been massively used in the summer; Pauline has taken it indoors now to avoid anti-social behavior on the darker evenings.

2 new volunteers starting from September.

Pauline outlined that over the summer she had to phone 101 on the youngsters mi-behaving in the park, the Police came within 1 hour response but sadly kids had moved on by this time.

Big Local Thurnscoe

Winter wonderland well underway, Dearne Big Band, sea cadets, 2 act – 19 stalls have been booked so far, help may be required from the Ward Alliance and Area Team, Derek to run through what roles people could assist in at next meeting.

Incredible edible Thurnscoe East had been unsuccessful due to lack of land ownership (Chevin) the legalities is far too complicated, so another venue mainly Houghton Road Community Centre, enclosed area to the side currently underused crazy golf play area. Alison & Derek will look into meeting with the current landlord to ask if this could be a possibility.

Green spaces group have their meeting next week to discuss how they can integrate with the kids in the area, Marie has invited members of the Green Space group to the ECO vision meeting this week to encourage working together to benefit the community and the kids. Derek stated how they are going to ask for a competition is done with local families taking part in a incredible edible competition. Marie added that the WA should encourage a scarecrow competition with all schools as part of the harvest festival; maybe a prize could be up for grabs to the best school.

The Planters are now in full glory with many of the locals admiring the flowers, comments on social media have been all positive and no damage to any of them. The notice boards have now been installed and anyone wanting to advertise their community events can do – contact Alison Vint or pop into Thurnscoe Library for more details.

AOB

Marie informed the members that a Dearne Area Team officer would be present at the Salvation Army to help Alison with any clients enquiries, job club advice, funding assistance or any other issues they wanted advice on.

Cllr Gollick is already running surgeries from the Salvation Army on Friday mornings.

Railway embankment – members updated with the clean-up of the embankment and the future sustainability & nature reserve/picnic area

Dates for next meeting – 17th November 2016 – 1pm

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2016/17 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2016/17 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

50% of the funding requires a match-funding element of volunteer time that directly relates to the project in question, or other match funding resources (such as free room hire or donations of goods and equipment). This reflects the fact that the fund is intended to support volunteering and social action in our communities.

50% can be used for initiatives that have no volunteer element – such as the purchase and installation of benches, hanging baskets or other street furniture.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2015/16 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2016/17 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

DEARNE NORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2016/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£69	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	Devolved from area council
£20,069	total available funding

Match funded allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Thurnscoe East Angling Club - Maintenance of reservoir & re-stock fish	£1,990.00	£18,079.00
6th Barnsley (Goldthorpe) Scout Group - Scout group community litter picking	£350.00	£17,729
Goldthorpe Library - Children's crafts & activity sessions	£370.00	£17,359
8th Barnsley Guides - Goldthorpe Guides	£80.00	£17,279
Salvation Army Job Club	£1,250.00	£16,029
Dearne & District JFC - Junior pitch development	£312.50	£15,716.50
Sacred Heart Parent Group	£1,900	£13,816.50

Copier Station House	£480.00	£13,336.50
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Non match funding allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining allocation</u>
Dearne Summer holiday swims	£250.00	£13,086.50
Thurnscoe Library - Children's Activity & Crafts sessions	£250.00	£12,836.50
Bulky Rubbish Collection	£500.00	£12,336.50
Extension of Bulky Rubbish	£1,000	£11,336.50
Relocation of High Street bins	£200	£11,136.50

Total spend = £8,932.50

Match funded 8 applications =£ 6,732.50

Non match funded 5 applications = £2,200

DEARNE SOUTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2016/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000 base allocation

£1,160 carried forward from 2015/16

£10,000 Devolved from area council

£21,160 total available funding

Match funded allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Dearne Football Club - upkeep of ground and facilities	£650.00	£20,510
Bolton on Dearne VAG - support to group to run community events	£3,200.00	£17,310.00

Goldthorpe Library - Children's crafts & activity sessions	£370.00	£16,940
8th Barnsley Guides - Goldthorpe Guides	£81.00	£16,859
Salvation Army Job Club	£1,250.00	£15,609
Dearne & District JFC - Junior pitch development	£312.50	£15,296.50

Non match funding allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining allocation</u>
Dearne Summer holiday swims	£250.00	£15,046.50
Bulky Rubbish Collection	£500.00	£14,546.50
Extention of Bulky Rubbish	£1,000	£13,546.50

Total spend= £7,613.50

Match funded 6 applications = £ 5,863.50

Non match funded applications 3 = £1,750

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