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MEETING:	North Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 23 January 2017
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Meeting Room 1, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 1st December 2016 incorporating the notes of the meeting held on 21st November 2016. (*Pages 3 - 10*)

Items for discussion

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Items for information

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To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

Councillors Leech (Chair), Burgess (Mayor), Cave, Charlesworth, Cherryholme, Grundy, Howard, Lofts, Miller, Platts, Spence and Tattersall

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Friday, 13 January 2017

MEETING:	North Area Council
DATE:	Thursday, 1 December 2016
TIME:	12.00 pm
VENUE:	Meeting Room 5, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present Councillors Leech (Chair), Burgess (Mayor), Howard, Lofts, Platts, Spence and Tattersall.

31 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Burgess declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute number 32 in relation to her position as board member of BBIC and as trustee of Barnsley CAB.

32 Recommendations from the meeting of North Area Councillors on 21st November, 2016 (Nac.01.12.2016/2)

The Area Council received the notes of the meeting of North Area Councillors on 21st November, 2016, as appended.

In relation to the Opportunities for Young People project, it was noted that the closing date for tender submissions had now passed. Councillor Lofts expressed a desire to be involved in the priority working group related to this area.

In discussing the Community Magazine, it was noted that there had been a meeting arranged to discuss the first proof of the magazine. This was to take place on 12th December, 2016 at 11.30am at the Darton Centre.

The meeting discussed the Stronger Communities Grant, and it was agreed that Councillors Leech, Howard, Charlesworth and Lofts act as ward representatives on the grant panel.

Members noted the previous discussion with regards to the Business Survey Project proposal. It was suggested that this work could provide a useful starting point for discussions with traders on high streets within each ward about potential improvements to their area.

With regards to the financial position previously discussed, members were reminded of the proposed reduction of £40,000 for 2017/18 and the corresponding impact. It was suggested that a future meeting of the Area Council discusses whether to devolve any further finance to the Ward Alliance Funds in the area.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 19th September, 2016 be approved as a true and correct record;
- (ii) That the report relating to opportunities for young people be noted;
- (iii) That the report on the Community Magazine be noted;
- (iv) That approval be given to run a Stronger Communities Grant in 2017/18 with a total allocation of £100,000;
- (v) That the remainder of the 2016/17 Stronger Communities Grant finance be added to that for the 2017/18 year;

- (vi) That, subject to the addition of information about the moderation stage of scoring applications, the Stronger Communities Grant guidance information circulated at the meeting 21st November, 2016 be approved;
- (vii) That Councillors Charlesworth, Howard, Leech and Lofts represent their respective wards on the Stronger Communities Grant Panel;
- (viii) That approval be given to work in partnership with BBIC to provide small business surgeries, peer support, and networking, with up to £5,000 allocated towards advertising and promotion;
- (ix) That the financial position for the Area Council, including forecast reductions in the 2017/18 budget be noted;
- (x) That Andrea Hoyland and Liz Pitt be invited to a future meeting of the Area Council to discuss the Anti-Poverty priority, including child poverty in the Area;
- (xi) That consideration be given to holding a workshop to consider the clean and green priority in the longer term;
- (xii) That the report on the Ward Alliance Fund be noted;
- (xiii) That the notes of the Ward Alliances in the North Area held in July, August, September and October be noted

Chair



MEETING:	Meeting of North Area Council Members
DATE:	Monday, 21 November 2016
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Meeting Room 1, Barnsley Town Hall

NOTES OF A MEETING OF MEMBERS OF NORTH AREA COUNCIL

Present Councillors Leech (Chair), Burgess (Mayor), Charlesworth, Howard, Miller, Platts, Spence and Tattersall.

1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Burgess declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute number 37 in relation to her position as board member of BBIC, and a non-pecuniary interest in minute 35 in relation due to her position as trustee of CAB.

2 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 19th September 2016

The Area Council received the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19th September, 2016.

It was noted that the blue plaque in Darton West had yet to be installed, but arrangements had been made to do so.

RECOMMENDATION:- that the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on the 19th September, 2016 be approved as a true and correct record.

3 Opportunities for Young People - Project Development Update

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager, who made the meeting aware that the advert for the Opportunities for Young People project would be live until the end of the month. Moderation of tender submissions was due to take place on 19th December, with interviews taking place on 19th January, 2017.

Members expressed thanks to the Area Council Manager for her work to pull together a rather complex specification of requirements, engaging a wide range of partners with different areas of skill and knowledge.

RECOMMENDATION:- that the report be noted.

4 Community Magazine

The Area Council Manager provided Members with an update of the progress made in coordination of the next edition of the Community Magazine. The editorial group had met, with the cover of the magazine being one area they had discussed.

It was confirmed a new distributor had been sourced, and discrepancies in the postcodes used by the original distributor were noted.

Members noted that a proof would be available to view from 9th December, 2016 and it was agreed that the Area Council Manager circulates this as soon as available, making Members aware of the short timescales for comment before publishing.

RECOMMENDATION:- that the report be noted.

5 Performance Management Report

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, referring to the Performance Report circulated. For each of the commissions a RAG rating for performance was given, together with a corresponding narrative.

Dave Andy from Barnsley Citizens Advice Bureau was welcomed to the meeting and presented performance information in relation to the contract with the Bureau and DIAL Barnsley. To date 1,058 client contacts had been made, with 288 in the previous quarter. The centres at Mapplewell and Athersley North were sometimes congested and residents had been referred to less subscribed sessions at Emmanuel Church and in Darton. Though all residents were currently being seen, the sessions were nearing capacity. Feedback showed the importance of sessions being based in the locality.

Indications were that many residents either did not have access to the internet or did not currently possess the skills to use it, and device doctors had attended some sessions to offer assistance with this.

To date there had been £1.4m of benefit gained, with £20 returned for every £1 invested. The case studies detailed the positive personal benefit for some of the beneficiaries of the service.

Members questioned whether there was any further detail about the number of clients seen by the service in a week, and relating to the numbers of those unable to access services via the internet. It was agreed that these would be provided to Members.

Members of the Area Council gave thanks for Dave's attendance, and for the hard work of those involved in delivering the service, which had made a real difference in the area.

Attention was drawn to the low number of Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling in the area, which was contrary to the number of complaints received by Members. It was suggested that this be a focus for Kingdom Officers in the future.

The meeting discussed the need to consider the long term impact of commissions, supporting behaviour change in the area. It was noted that work had been undertaken on the Clean and Green contract to ensure the details for volunteers were collected and were available to share within data protection regulations, in order to be able to engage these residents in the longer term.

RECOMMENDATION:- that the report be noted.

6 Stronger Communities Grant 2017/18

The Area Council Manager introduced the report, referring to the appendices circulated. These included revised Terms of Reference and guidance for the fund, and an amended scoring matrix.

Members discussed the fund, and it was suggested that the guidance should be amended to provide more detail about the moderation stage, which took place after submissions were scored independently.

It was noted that the guidance provided clarity for repeat applicants.

The meeting discussed monitoring of the projects funded, and it was noted that funds were released in stages and that this was subject to the return of appropriate monitoring information. Should this not be forthcoming, then grant finance would be withheld.

The meeting discussed membership on the grants panel, and it was agreed that one member for each ward would be represented.

RECOMMENDATION:-

- (i) That approval be given to run a Stronger Communities Grant in 2017/18 with a total allocation of £100,000;
- (ii) That the remainder of the 2016/17 Stronger Communities Grant finance be added to that for the 2017/18 year;
- (iii) That, subject to the addition of information about the moderation stage of scoring applications, the grant guidance information included in the appendices circulated be approved;
- (iv) That Councillors Spence, Howard, and Leech, together with a Councillor from Old Town Ward represent their respective wards on the Stronger Communities Grant Panel.

7 Economic Regeneration - Business Survey Project Proposal

The Area Council Manager reminded Members of the history of the project, including a survey of small businesses which had taken place in August.

The proposal involved a maximum of £5,000 investment to be spent on advertising and promotion of BBIC's offer to small businesses trading more than 2 years. The marketing will be targeted at businesses who are based in North Barnsley.

It was recognised that other services existed to support start-up businesses up until the 2 year point, but that established independent business in the area were at risk of being overlooked.

It was noted that it was shortly to be the 30th anniversary of BBIC, and that this initiative would also benefit from the promotion associated with this.

RECOMMENDATION:- that approval be given to work in partnership with BBIC to provide small business surgeries, peer support, and networking, with up to £5,000 allocated towards advertising and promotion.

8 Financial Position and Forecast

The Area Council Manager drew the attention to the report providing an up to date financial position for the Area Council. Members were reminded that it was likely that the 2017/18 budget would be reduced by £40,000.

It was noted that for commissions to start in September, 2017 decisions would need to be taken in early 2017 to allow appropriate lead in time for procurement. This related to the Clean and Green, and Anti-Poverty priorities.

In relation to the Anti-Poverty priority, it was suggested that up to date definitions on children living in poverty be provided to Members alongside numbers per ward. It was suggested that Andrea Hoyland and Liz Pitt be invited to a future meeting to discuss the subject in more detail.

With regards to the Clean and Green priority, a suggestion was made to hold a future workshop to consider the legacy of current commissioned activities, and to discuss how to change behaviour and increase respect of the environment.

RECOMMENDATION:-

- (i) That the financial position for the Area Council, including forecast reductions in the 2017/18 budget be noted;
- (ii) That Andrea Hoyland and Liz Pitt be invited to a future meeting of the Area Council to discuss the Anti-Poverty priority, including child poverty in the Area;
- (iii) That consideration be given to holding a budget to consider the Clean and Green priority in the longer term.

9 Report of the Ward Alliance Fund

Members received a report containing Ward Alliance Fund budgets and expenditure for 2016/17.

Through the Chair the meeting received thanks from Councillor Hayward for the funding approved by Ward Alliances to commemorate the centenary of the Battle of the Somme. It was noted that the Council had been nominated for a regional award for their work on the commemoration.

RECOMMENDATION:- that the report be noted.

10 Notes from the following Ward Alliances

The meeting received the notes from the Darton East Ward Alliance held on 8th September, and 3rd October, 2016; Darton West Ward Alliance held on 11th July, 1st August, 12th September, and 10th October, 2016; Old Town Ward Alliance held on 7th September, and 5th October, 2016; and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 1st September, 13th October, and 20th October, 2016.

Darton East Ward Alliance - Councillor Spence provided an update on the work of the alliance, noting a meeting he had attended with Staincross Alliance to discuss land use. Also noted were the 8,000 bulbs ordered with the support of the Ward Alliance which the Mapplewell and Staincross Greenspace Groups would be planting with the help of volunteers.

The Christmas lights switch on had been planned to take place on Friday 2nd December, 2016 with a number of local schools involved, and Foster's Bakery had agreed to provide mince pies.

Darton West Ward Alliance - Councillor Burgess made Members aware of the fundraising taking place for Barugh Green Christmas lights, with a concert taking place on Sunday 4th December, 2pm at Barugh Green Club. Also noted was the open evening planned by Gawber History Group on 9th December, 2016 where a timeline of the history of Gawber would be available to view.

Councillor Howard made Members aware that the community defibrillator had successfully been installed at Thompson's Garage. It was also noted that funding had been awarded to plant perennials on Claycliffe Roundabout, but it was hoped in the longer term there would be a more permanent installation.

Members heard of a plan to reflect on the past 3 years of operation of the Ward Alliance with a view to identifying areas for improvement.

St Helen's Ward Alliance - Councillor Platts updated Members on the success of the cook and eat sessions held in the ward, with both sessions for children and adults well attended. Thanks were given to Councillor Burgess for opening the gala in her position as Mayor, a sentiment echoed by other Councillors for her commitment to their respective wards in her mayoral year.

It was noted that the Ward Plan had been developed and an open day had been arranged to engage residents and get their views.

A number of Christmas events had been arranged in the ward, with school choirs scheduled to perform. It was hoped these would also offer opportunities to engage residents and get their views on the Ward Plan

RECOMMENDATION:- that the notes of the respective Ward Alliances and associated updates be noted.

Chair

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Item 4

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:
Monday 23rd January 2017

Agenda Item: 4

Report of the
North Area Council Manager

NAC Opportunities for Young People –Procurement Update

1.0 Purpose of Report

To update the North Area Council on the progress that has been made by the working group to develop a project to meet the priority – *Opportunities for Young People*.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the North Area Council note the progress to date for this project.

3.0 Background

3.1 In April 2016 it was agreed that although the Area Council have been very pleased with the Summer Internship project and can see that it has produced good outputs and exciting outcomes, the Area Council would like to explore a more targeted piece of work.

3.2 North Area council representatives identified that they would like to develop a project that is specifically aimed at re-engaging young people who have triggered the Risk of NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) Indicator (RONI). It is hoped this would enable early preventative action to be taken and help improve life chances for the young people who meet the criteria.

3.3 Chris Sorby, Team Manager in Education Services and the Area Manager met with representatives from all the schools eligible to participate in the project to consult with them prior to finalisation of the specification. The majority of the schools were keen to participate in the programme. However the schools were disappointed that the Summer Internship programme has been discontinued.

3.4 A procurement pack was subsequently produced which included the following objectives:

For Participating Young People

- Improve attendance by an agreed % from the end of Year 10 until the end of Year 11
- Ensure GCSE target grades are achieved and in some cases exceeded
- Ensure progression into Post-16 learning
- Stay in Post-16 learning for at least 12 months

Social Value Indicators

- Increased number of economically active young people
- Enable young people to take personal responsibility for their own career development and future employability
- Contribution to the development of strong local networks
- Stronger, more cohesive communities
- Sustainable development of communities to promote their independence (self-help), ability to thrive and resilience
- Local spend
- The provider will ensure that all persons employed to deliver the contract are as a minimum paid the national 'living wage'.

4.0 Coproduction and Contract Management

- 4.1 It has been acknowledged that to ensure this project is successful ongoing knowledge, support and advice will be needed from the Skills, Enterprise and Employment Service.
- 4.2 It has been agreed that the development, procurement and contract management is conducted jointly for the duration of the project to maximise the likelihood of success.

5.0 Area Council Input

- 5.1 Contract Value: approximately £55,000 - £60,000 per annum (Accommodating: two part time staff, plus contract management, activities and overheads.)
- 5.2 Contract Length: 18 months working with a cohort of 20 young people. With the option to extend by a further two years (+1+1). A 6 month break clause is incorporated in the contract.
- 5.3 Price : Quality Split for procurement: 20:80

6.0 Procurement Update

- 6.1 The project was advertised on YORtender between Wednesday 26th October and noon on Wednesday 30th November.
- 6.2 Eight providers returned tender pack although only seven could be scored due the eighth provider failing to provide financial information.
- 6.3 The panel completed that quality scoring between the 6th December 2016 and the 19th December. At which point the moderation meeting was held.
- 6.4 As stipulated in the procurement plan three providers have been invited to attend interview on the 19th January 2017.
- 6.5 It is anticipated that the contract will be let in early February 2017
- 6.6 Contract will commence in April/May 2017.

7.0 Risks

- 7.1 Level of school engagement. To reduce this risk all the school eligible to participate in the programme were consulted prior to the tender packer finalisation. It has been suggested that a steering group be introduced that will meet at regular intervals to share operational information and keep the stakeholders engaged. This would involve specific cases being discussed so would be an officer meeting.

- 7.2 Overlap with other core services: Education Welfare, Stronger Families. It is proposed that other stakeholders are involved in the identification of suitable programme participants. The Early Intervention and Prevention Strategy Lead has offered support to help prevent duplication.
- 7.3 Schools may object to the withdrawing of the Summer Internship 2014, 2015, 2016 provision, which has been very well received.
- 7.4 The identified cohort will be challenging and this may have implications on engagement and retention for a provider. However engagement and retention are key part of the performance monitoring criteria.
- 7.5 The service outline dictates that the provider will work with Darton College, Holy Trinity, Carlton Community College and Horizon Community College. Working with 20 young people from up to four schools in the first year of delivery will be extremely challenging for any provider.

8.0 Next Steps

- 8.1 Interviews will take place on the 19th January 2017.
- 8.2 Once the preferred model of delivery is known planning work can commence with schools.
- 8.3 The Risk of NEET (RONI) data will be investigated in more detail and compared and contrasted with real time information held by schools.

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Item 5

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council:
Monday 23rd January 2017**

Agenda Item: 5

**Report of the
North Area Council
Manager**

Priority: NAC Economic Regeneration
Project Development: Small Business Surgery and Peer Support
Proposal

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the North Area Council on the development progress of the small business development surgeries model.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Area Council note the progress to date for this project.**

3.0 Background

- 3.1 Vibrant economies engender healthy communities where residents enjoy a high quality of life. They contribute to economic security through access to living-wage jobs, stable employment and help to contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community as well as the prosperity of the local economy.
- 3.2 The North Area Council agreed to the business case presented at the April 2016 Area Council Meeting. Subsequently the Area Manager and Area Chair Cllr Leech met with Adrian Waite and Kevin Steele from BBIC to discuss a survey to establish local business development needs. This was agreed at the Area Council meeting on the 25th July.
- 3.3 BBIC conducted a small business survey during August 2016 funded by the North Area Council. They presented their finding to the Area Council in September 2016. 44 businesses were visited and the survey focussed on business planning, marketing and business goals. 64% of the businesses had never received any business support and didn't know that there was any available. This showed that only 23% of business surveyed had current business plans. It also showed that word of mouth and social media were the most popular marketing methods.
- 3.4 The report contained recommendations for advice surgeries and peer support groups.
- 3.5 On the 9th November the Area Manager and priority working group representatives attended a meeting at BBIC to discuss how the project could be tailored to meet the needs of the local community and be successfully promoted throughout the North Area.
- 3.6 The Area Council agreed to proceed with the partnership project working arrangement with BBIC. The North Area's commitment includes up to £5,000 investment to assist with set-up costs and the delivery of a marketing plan.

- 3.7 The priority working group met again on the 12th December. The ward representatives agreed to assist the marketing campaign by including A5 leaflets as a supplement to their ward information papers. They also agreed to leaflet the high street business in the economic community hubs.

4.0 Service to be delivered

Surgeries – Provision of Business Support Clinics or Business Surgeries at BBIC (offering an initial free 30-45 minute consultation). The surgeries will take place between 17:00 and 20:00 on a fortnightly basis. Appointments will need to be pre-booked.

Networking Workshops –

Businesses would also be signposted towards a variety of monthly networking workshops being held at the BBIC. These will include the following:-

- Marketing Group – self-help peer group established, to discuss effective marketing strategies in small businesses including actual case studies of successful projects. This would need to include some support for starting to use social media;
- IT Group – self-help peer group established to discuss the effective implementation and use of IT within a small business;
- First Friday Breakfast Networking – a general networking group for residents of the BBIC, associated partners and invited guests;
- Crafty Biz Network – currently based at the BBIC and offering support primarily to part time businesses, many of whom are craft-based. This includes a monthly evening workshop and networking group.

5.0 Target Group

The target audience will be small business based within the North Area who have not previously received Enterprising Barnsley support and that have been trading for less than 2 years. If attendees can be referred to an Enterprising Barnsley Programme this will happen as a matter of course. If it is more appropriate for the business to be supported via Launch Pad the business will be signposted.

6.0 Next Steps

- 6.1 Project timeline to be defined in partnership with BBIC.
- 6.2 The marketing plan would need to be designed and agreed by the working group.
- 6.3 The working group will continue to work with BBIC during the 6 month exclusive pilot period.
- 6.4 It is anticipated that for the service to be used to its full capacity, may take up to three years. It is recommended that the Area Council commit to supporting the service provision for up to two years however the cost of the financial commitment would be reduced after the initial outlay, due to one-off start-up costs. A total of £5,000 has been committed.

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Item 6

BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
23rd January 2017**

Agenda Item: 6

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Council Community Magazine Editorial Group Update

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an update on the development of the North Area Council Community Magazine.

2. Background

- 2.1. The North Area Council agreed to the production of a North Area Magazine at their meeting on the 1st June 2015.
- 2.2. The North Area Council appointed an Editorial Group to help with the development of the publication. A representative from each of the four wards is part of the group which has met several times to discuss content and design.
- 2.3. The Community Magazine is produced at no cost to the Area Council, and is funded through the provision of advertising space in the magazine.
- 2.4. The only cost associated with providing a magazine was officer time and distribution.
- 2.5. The document is 24 pages in total, with 50% being editorial content and the remainder advertising. The editorial group is responsible for producing the content.
- 2.6. Two editions of the magazine have been produced. The first in December 2015 and the second in June 2016.
- 2.7. The stumbling block to date has been an unsatisfactory delivery method.

3. Progress

- 3.1. The third edition has been delivered to residential households throughout the North area during w/e 8th and 15th January. A new delivery provider is being trialled. Councillors are requested to notify the Area Manager if they are aware of instances where:
 - i. residents have not received a copy
 - ii. residents received additional copies
 - iii. residents received a magazine but don't live within the North area.
- 3.2. The magazine is also available to view online:
<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/media/4391/barnsley-north-winter-2016.pdf>

4. Next Steps

- 4.1. It is proposed that the summer edition of the Area Magazine will be delivered in early July 2017. It is anticipated that the content will need to be finalised by mid May 2017. The Area Manager will circulate a timetable for the editorial group in due course.
- 4.2. All members of the Area Council are requested to take good quality photographs at all the community based events that they attend. Where possible it requested that photographs are engaging to the wider population and will inspire community participation.

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Item 7

BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:
23rd January 2017

Agenda Item: 7

Report of North Area Council
Manager

Financial Position and Forecast

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides the Area Council with a financial position and forecast for expenditure based on the projects that have already been agreed.
- 1.2 This report seeks to determine which of the existing financial commitments the North Area Council wish to continue to fund.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **The North Area Council should note the existing budget position and forecast for the funding commitments.**
- 2.2. **The North Area Council note the reduction in North Area Council Budget from April 2017 to £360,000. This is equivalent to £10,000 per ward.**
- 2.3. **Members should determine if they wish to continue the Environmental Enforcement contract from April 2017.**
- 2.4. **Members should determine if they wish to devolve funding to the Ward Alliances based on the proviso that the total Ward Alliance budget is less than £10,000 on the 31st March 2017.**
- 2.5. **Members should consider which priorities they wish to concentrate for design and procurement of further commissioned projects which will address the Area priorities.**

3. Background highlighting all significant financial commitments

- 3.0 The Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project commenced on the 14th September 2015. This is a one year (plus one year) contract valued at £149,000 per annum. Due to run until September 2017. If this project is to continue it is recommended that the contract dates are brought in line with financial year and the corresponding reporting schedules.
- 3.1 The Clean and Green Service commenced on the 14th September 2015. This is a one year (plus one year) contract valued at £150,000 per annum. Due to

run until September 2017. If this project is to continue it is recommended that the contract start dates are brought in line with the fiscal year and corresponding reporting schedules.

- 3.2 Environmental Enforcement contract commenced in April 2016. This is a one year (+ one year + one year) contract. This has financial implications of up to £146,000 per annum. If all the options to extend are taken this contract will run until 31st March 2019.
- 3.3 On the 19th September 2016 members committed to the Positive Progressions – Stronger Futures pilot. The project is due to commence in April 2017. It is intended that the contract will be let for a year initially with the option to extend to accommodate two further cohorts (18months, +1yr, +1yr). It is predicted that up to £60,000 will be required for the first year's cohort. If the project runs for a maximum of three years ending in November 2020 the total contract value is estimated at £180,000.
- 3.4 At the Area Council Meeting on the 1st December the Area Council agreed to the Stronger Communities Grant Opportunity in 2017/18. The total value of this commitment is £100,000. Projects would need to be delivered between 1st April 2017 and 31st March 2018.

4. Procurement Progress Update

- 4.1. Positive Progressions – Stronger Futures tender opportunity is live at the time of writing. Written submissions have been scored by the panel and the interviews will take place on the 19th January 2017. This contract would not go live until approximately April/May 2017.

5. Financial Position

- 5.1. The appendix below shows a breakdown of the North Area Council's expenditure. Based on the current profiled spend agree with the providers the North Area Council has £213,202 uncommitted from the period 2014/15 – 2016/17 budgets.
- 5.2. If the Environmental Enforcement contract extension for 2017/18 goes ahead and the Young People's Positive Progressions project is successfully procured the Area Council will already have a committed budget of £292,336 for the financial year 2017/18. This is profiled in the appendix.

6. Future Commissioning

- 6.1. Members are asked to consider if they wish the following projects to be re-tendered in time for service continuation in September 2017, a decision would be needed in March 2017 to allow for procurement to take place:
 - Anti-Poverty Outreach Service
 - Clean and Green (a workshop to be held regarding the Environmental priority)

- 6.2. Please note: that the Area Council budget from April 2016 has been reduced by £40,000. In light of this information members are asked to consider if the Area Council intends to devolve funding to the Ward Alliances during the 2017/18 (it is recommended that funding is only devolved to those ward that have a budget balance of less than £10,000 at the end of March 2017).
- 6.3. A workshop is also planned to discuss if a Private Sector Housing Enforcement Officer would be an appropriate investment for the North Area.

7. Item for Decision

- 7.1. Members are asked to consider if they wish the following contract to be extended:
- Environmental Enforcement (April 2017 would be the start of year 2 of a 3 year contract).
- 7.2. Members are asked to decide if they wish to devolve funding to the Ward Alliances in 2017/18, based upon recommendation 2.4.

8. Risks

- 8.1. Members please note that if all the projects that are currently being considered reach fruition then the North Area Council will be 100% financially committed for 2017/18 prior to the receipt of additional FPN monies.

9. Next Steps

- 9.1. Private Sector Housing Enforcement workshop to be held.
- 9.2. Andrea Hoyland and Liz Pitt to be invited to the March Area Council meeting to provide information on poverty within the North Area, including information specifically children facing poverty within the locality. This will help inform the decision regarding the continuation of the Outreach Sessions or if an alternative provision would have greater impact.
- 9.3. Workshop to discuss the North Area's response to the Environment priority to be arranged. This relates directly to the continuation of a Clean and Green service in the North Area.

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Date:
10th January 2017

Project / Service	Provider	Contract Start Date	Length of Contract	Total contract value		Commissioning Budget 2015/16		Commissioning Budget 2016/17		Projections 2017/18	
						Profile	Actual	Profile	Actual	Profile	PROJECTED
Base Expenditure							£ 400,000		£ 400,000		£ 360,000
Summer Internship (2014)	C&K Careers	Apr-14	6 months	£ 39,410							
Environmental Enforcement (2014-15)	Kingdom Security Services	4th August 2014	1 year	£ 107,093		£ 35,697					
	BMBC Community Safety	4th August 2014	1	£ 19,752							
Healthy Eating, Healthy Lives	SWYP(NHS)FT	16th October 2014	18 months	£ 99,385		£ 70,160					
Summer Internship (2015)		9th March 2014	20 months	£ 42,065		£ 37,495		£ 3,240			
Stronger Communities Grant (2015)	Various x6	Apr-15	1 year	£ 100,000		£ 100,000					
Creating a Cleaner and Greener Environment in partnership with local people	Anvil CIC	14th Sept 2015	1yr + 1yr	£ 150,192		£ 44,316		£ 74,803		£ 31,073	
Anti-Poverty - Financial Inclusion (Contract value	CAB & DIAL	14th Sept 2015	1yr + 1yr	£ 148,120		£ 42,263		£ 75,000		£ 30,857	

amended Jan16)											
Environmental Enforcement (Aug15-Mar16)	Kingdom Security Services	4th August 2015	9 months	£ 81,844	£ 81,844						
	BMBC Community Safety	4th August 2015	9 months	£ 21,922	£ 21,922						
Fixed Penalty Notice Income				-£ 65,844	-£ 46,779						
Parking Penalty Notice Income				-£ 4,307				-£ 4,307			
Community Magazine Distribution Costs (Edition 1 - 10 2015)			1 year	£ 2,282	£ 2,282						
Celebration Event Nov 15				£ 3,000	£ 3,000						
Environmental Enforcement (2016/17)	Kingdom Security Services			£ 120,640				£ 120,640			
	BMBC Community Safety			£ 25,000				£ 25,000			
Summer Internship (2016) (£94,651 - N, NE & S)	C&K Careers	1st March 2016		£ 31,550				£ 31,550			

Stronger Communities Grants (2016/17) £100,000				£ 100,000				£ 70,234		£ 29,766	
Community Magazine Distribution Cost July 2016 Edition 2	Royal Mail	Jul-16		£ 2,793						£ 2,793	
Parks Contingency fund (play areas)	Parks Services			£ 10,000				£ 10,000			
Funding devolved to Ward Alliance (2016/17)				£ 40,000				£ 40,000			
Small Business Survey	BBIC	Aug-16	1 months	£ 2,250				£ 2,250			
Community Magazine Distribution Cost Jan2017 - Edition 3	SMART Distribution	Dec-16	2 months	£ 1,640				£ 1,640			
Small Business Development - Marketing and Promotion	Partnership with BBIC	Agreed Nov 2016	6 months	£ 5,000				£ 2,500		£ 2,500	
Positive Progressions - Stronger Futures (20months+1yr+1yr = £180,000)		April/May 2017		£ 55,000						£ 55,000	
Stronger Communities Grants (2017/18) £100,000		1st April 2017	1 year	£ 100,000						£ 100,000	

Funding devolved to Ward Alliance (2016/17) where March 16 balance is less than £10,000		Apr-17		£ 40,000						£ 40,000	
Environmental Enforcement (2017/18) & (2018/19) - £120,640 + BMBC £25,000	Kingdom Security Services	1st April 2017	1 year	£ 120,640						£ 120,640	
	BMBC Community Safety	1st April 2017	1 year	£ 25,000						£ 25,000	

Expenditure Incurred in year	£ 392,200	£ 452,550	£ 437,629
In year balance	£ 7,800	-£ 52,550	-£ 77,629
Balance Including any base expenditure not used in the previous financial year	£ 265,753	£ 213,202	£ 135,573

Total Commitment	£ 1,424,428
Allocation Remaining	£ 135,572

Item 8

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council:
23rd November 2016**

Agenda Item: 8

**Report of the
North Area Council Manager**

Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Funds

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report updates the North Area Council on progress in each Ward in expending the Ward Alliance Fund.

2. Recommendation

That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the remaining Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds in line with the guidance on spend.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 As part of the decisions made by the Council's Cabinet in 2013 each Ward was allocated an annual Ward Alliance Fund of £10,000. In addition the Area Council has devolved £10,000 for the financial year 2016/17.
- 3.2 All funding decisions must meet with Ward Alliance approval and be allocated with in accordance with the ward Alliance Finding 2016/17 – Briefing Note. Please refer to appendix 2 for further information.
- 3.3 In considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget, Members will need to be satisfied that:
- it meets a recognised need for the Ward,
 - it is in the wider public interest (whole community can potentially benefit),
 - it represents value for money.

4.0 Position Statement

- 4.1 The full grant allocation for the North Area's Ward Alliances for the year 2016/17 is £94,149.
- 4.2 By ward:

Ward	Allocation	Allocation Remaining
Darton East	£20,748	£9,131.02
Darton West	£20,085	£5,909.54
Old Town	£27,177	£15,383.54
St Helens	£26,139	£14,182.20
Area Total	£94,149	£44,606.30

4.4 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

5.0 Challenges and Opportunities

- 5.1 All wards should take an opportunity to consult on their ward plan during 2016/17. This will help the Ward Alliances to review the existing plans and reaffirm their ward priorities.
- 5.2 Any projects requiring a long lead in time will require the involvement of the Area Team as early as possible.
- 5.3 The breakdown by ward in 4.2 clearly shows that some of the wards are carrying a significant budget for this point in the financial year. All wards prioritise which projects they aim to complete before the end of the financial year.

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Appendix 1: 2016/17 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

DARTON EAST WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£748	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£20,748	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £10,374.00	Allocation Remaining £20,748.00
Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall - Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations	£2636.58	£1,318.29	£9,055.71	£18,111.42
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Recreational Group - Bedding plants for Mapplewell war memorial	£200.00	£200.00	£9,055.71	£17,911.42
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Recreational Group - Dog bin provision	£1,765.00	£1,765.00	£9,055.71	£16,146.42
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Recreational Group - Queens birthday celebration planting	£530.30	£530.30	£9,055.71	£15,616.12
Hope Street Allotment work	£629.60	£0.00	£8,426.11	£14,986.52
Bulbs for local area	£150.00	£150.00	£8,426.11	£14,836.52
‘We are 30mph’ sticker scheme	£1,650.00	£1,650.00	£8,426.11	£13,186.52
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace group - bulbs	£520.00	£520.00	£8,426.11	£12,666.52
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace group - bulbs for War Memorial	£200.00	£200.00	£8,426.11	£12,466.52
Village Hall Toddler Group - Toddler Group Christmas Party	£360.00	£360.00	£8,426.11	£12,106.52
DE Working Budget	£500.00	£0.00	£7,926.11	£11,606.52

Over 55's, Luncheon Club & DISC Combined - Winter Warmer Outing	£1069.50	£1069.50	£7,926.11	£10,537.02
DE Christmas Switch On	£700.00	£0.00	£7226.11	£9,837.02
Staincross & District Community Venture - Community Pantomime	£706.00	£706.00	£7226.11	£9,131.02

DARTON WEST WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£85	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	base allocation
£20,085	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £10,042.50	Allocation Remaining £20,085.00
Gawber History Group – Gawber Glass House Blue Plaque	£400.00	£400.00	£10,042.50	£19,685.00
Wilthorpe & Redbrook Afternoon Club	£301.96	£301.96	£10,042.50	£19,383.04
Hanging Baskets installation & maintenance	£2500.00	£0.00	£7,542.50	£16,883.04
The Yorkshire Military Band - Music in the Community	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£7,542.50	£15,383.04
Re-site litter bin at Day House Estate, Redbrook	£60.00	£0.00	£7,482.50	£15,323.04
Purchase & installation of community notice board at Redbrook & Wilthorpe Community centre	£1,155.00	£0.00	£6,327.50	£14,168.04
3 Interactive learning boards - Barugh Green	£1500.00	£0.00	£4,827.50	£12,668.04
Voice for Darton - Darton Village Fete	£700.00	£700.00	£4,827.50	£11,968.04
Gawber History Group - Room hire & materials for open evening	£775.00	£775.00	£4,827.50	£11,193.04
Bulbs for local area	£350.00	£350.00	£4,827.50	£10,843.04
Darton Primary School & College Environmental Group - Green & Clean project	£200.00	£200.00	£4,827.50	£10,643.04
Kexbrough Social Club - Community Events	£450.00	£450.00	£4,827.50	£10,193.04

Planting on Redbrook Roundabout	£2878.00	£0.00	£1,949.50	£7,290.04
Darton Voice - Winter Fair for Lincs2Nepal	£700.00	£700.00	£1,949.50	£6,590.04
Ward Alliance Celebration	£35.50	£0.00	£1,914.00	£6,554.54
Christmas Tree for Barugh Green	£645.00	£0.00	£1,269.00	£5,909.54

OLD TOWN WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£7,177.00	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£27,177.00	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £13,588.50	Allocation Remaining £27,177.00
Willowbank Special Interest Group – Willowbank Walk	£618.24	£618.24	£13,588.50	£26,558.76
Willowbank Community Partnership - Old Town News; newsletter	£1167.85	£1167.85	£13,588.50	£25,390.91
Bin replacement at Hollingsworth Park (Sugden's Rec)	£300.00	£0.00	£13,288.50	£25,090.91
Bulb planting	£170.00	£170.00	£13,288.50	£24,920.91
Christmas Tree/Lights	£3344.37	£0.00	£9,944.13	£21,576.54
BNWLG - Skip it, Don't tip it	£180.00	£180.00	£9,944.13	£21,396.54
x3 replacement bins for Wilthorpe Park & replacement gate at Sugdons Rec	£2,200.00	£0.00	£7,744.13	£19,196.54
Summer Lane Primary School - Young Voices Choir	£300.00	£300.00	£9,944.13	£18,896.54
Willowbank CP - Event insurance	£783.00	£783.00	£9,944.13	£18,113.54
Newtown Allotment & Garden Association	£2,750.00	£2,750.00	£9,944.13	£15,363.54

ST HELENS WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£6,139	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£26,139	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £13,069.50	Allocation Remaining £26,139.00
Clean & Green Team – Laxton Road Allotments clear up	£190.00	£0.00	£12,879.50	£25,949.00
Dog bin for Smithies Rec	£1,628.00	£0.00	£11,251.50	£24,321.00
Athersley TARA - Cook & Eat	£1,350.00	£1,350.00	£11,251.50	£22,971.00
Twilight Group - Reducing Isolation	£390.00	£390.00	£11,251.50	£22,581.00
Spring bulbs	£110.00	£0.00	£11,141.50	£22,471.00
Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch - CCTV Security Equipment	£344.00	£344.00	£11,141.50	£22,127.00
Athersley CAFC - Athersley Bonfire	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£11,141.50	£21,127.00
St Helens Christmas trees	£1,494.80	£0.00	£9,646.70	£19,632.20
Working budget for Information Open Day 26.11.16	£2,500.00	£0.00	£7,146.70	£17,132.20
New Hope Kids Club	£400.00	£0.00	£6,746.70	£16,732.20
Caterpillar Club - Preschool	£500.00	£0.00	£3,246.70	£16,232.20
St Helens Christmas Event Budget	£300.00	£0.00	£5,946.70	£15,932.20
New Hope Music Project	£750.00	£750.00	£5,946.70	£15,182.20
National Citizen Service	£350.00	£350.00	£5,946.70	£14,832.20

Appendix 2:

Ward Alliance Funding 2016/17 - Briefing Note

2016/17 Allocation

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

Carry-forward Ward Alliance Fund

Any carry-forward of remaining balances of existing Ward Alliance Fund at year-end will be combined and added to the 2016/17 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

All decisions on the use of this funding need to be approved through the Ward Alliance.

Area Council Devolved Funding Allocation

Discretionary Area Council payments will not be made to any Ward Alliance with more than £10k of remaining in-year budget.

Area Councils have the option to allocate up to £20,000/ward from the Area Council budget to their Ward Alliance. This is discretionary to each Area Council and the amount to be allocated is flexible up to the maximum of £20,000/ward.

Match funding

Overarching principle for all of the resources described above :

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).

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 however we would always strongly encourage as much matching as possible in here in the spirit of the key principles behind the Area arrangements of encouraging greater contributions from other sources (businesses and community)

Note we will keep this under review during 2016.

Ward Alliance Funding 2016/17

Basic Allocation £10k

+

Carry-forward Ward Alliance Fund £x

+

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**Discretionary Area Council Allocation
£x**

(maximum £20k – not available where Ward
Alliances have more than £10k in year balance)

**2016/17 Ward
Alliance Fund
£x**

**50% to be matched-
funded by volunteer
time, external
income or in-kind
resources**

**Both elements require
Ward Alliance
approval**

**50% does not
require match-
funding**

Item 9

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 23rd January 2017**

Agenda Item: 9

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be 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 (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) 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 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during recent months:

- Item 10: Darton East held on 8th November and 13th December 2016
Item 11: Darton West held on 7th November and 5th December 2016
Item 12: Old Town held on 2nd November, 7th December 2016 and 4th January 2017.
Item 13: St Helens held on 24th November 2016 and 5th January 2017.

The reporting into the North 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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Item 10

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
Monday 8th November 2016 – 6.00pm
Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall

Present:	Councillor Roy Miller	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Harry Spence	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Gail Charlesworth	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Sandra De-Donno	Mapplewell & Staincross
	Village Hall	
	Rebecca Battye	North Area Team
	Paul Marsh	Mapplewell Business Man
	Pauline Brooks	Methodist Church
1. Apologies:	David Hilton	Greenspace
	Jonathan Senior	Greenworks
	Julian Senior	Greenworks

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were declared a true record by Paul Marsh.

2. Matters Arising

Rats – Cllr Spence has met with the new manager at the Coop who has told him that all the shrubbery surrounding the car-park will be removed.

3. Declaration of Interest

Sandra declared her interest in the Toddler Group Application.

4. Area Ward Plan

- Cllr Miller stated that the local area was now known as a 'low percentage' area of deprivation and not able to access funding that is area based and not postcode based but realistically the deprivation figure remains the same it is due to new housing developments that the percentage appears to decrease.
- Mayfair Road is running on bare surface the Councillors have decided to road-chip this road as a priority instead of Cloudberry Way in the New Year.
- Confirmation has now been given that Birkinshaw does own the land next to the row of shops before the railway bridge in Darton. Next year it is proposed to plant a Christmas Tree and use the electricity from a lamppost at an approx. cost of £1,200 to light up the Tree.
- Two men from Highways have been telling shop keepers in the Village about the developments that will be taking place in the Village Centre. Councillor Spence suggested a public meeting to be held in the Village Hall to let the rest of the Community know and keep them in the loop.

- South Yorkshire Passenger Transport – no changes to timetables and buses in this area.
- St Georges Doctors Surgery (at the side of the Village Hall) will be closing in January and patients will be referred to Roundhouse Health Surgery at Athersley instead.

5. Applications for Funding

Project Title Senior Citizens Winter Warmer Outing
Name of Group Mapp & StainX Over 55's Social Club
Summary The Project involves taking 62 elderly people to Burntwood Hotel for a healthy, hot meal and an afternoon of entertainment in a warm social setting.
 This project will integrate 3 existing groups (Over 55's, Luncheon Club, Dementia Club (DISC), 2 from Day Centre/1 Carer and 3 Volunteers). These groups meet on a regular basis within the Village Hall. The Village Hall has sign posted members from one group on to another i.e. Dementia Club members now attend Luncheon Club etc.
Local Priority Be the ears and voice of the Community we serve
Project Priority Ensure our elderly residents are accommodated for in organised activities thus avoiding social isolation
Funding Required £1069.50
Action Proposed by Pauline Brook, Seconded by David Oates, Agreed by All Members

Project Title Darton East Christmas Switch On
Name of Group Darton East Ward Alliance
Summary Purchasing Christmas Tree, Erect and Cover with lights. 3 Schools invited to attend to sing carols with Santa present.
Local Priority Community Development
Project Priority To provide for and bring the Community together.
Funding Required £700 (working budget)
Action Proposed by David Oates, Seconded by Paul Marsh, Agreed by All Members

Project Title Bedding Plants for Mapplewell War Memorial
Name of Group Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Recreational Group
Summary To provide 250 bedding plants for Mapplewell War Memorial. This would greatly improve the appearance of the areas and improve the local environment. The plants will be planted by volunteers from Greenspace and other local groups will be asked to support.
Local Priority Environment
Project Priority Monitor state of parks and green spaces
Funding Required £200
Action Proposed by Pauline Brook, Seconded by Gail Charlesworth, Agreed by all Members

Project Title Mapplewell Toddler Group
Name of Group Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall
Summary Purchasing of Gift, Hire a DJ and Give a Tuck Box
Local Priority Community Development
Project Priority To provide for and bring the Community together
Funding Required £360.00
Action Proposed by Paul Marsh, Seconded by Pauline Brook, Agreed by All Members

Project Title	Village Hall Meeting Room Hire
Name of Group	Darton East Ward Alliance
Summary	Ward Alliance Meeting and Briefings
Local Priority	Community Development
Project Priority	To provide for and bring the Community together.
Funding Required	Working Budget £500
Action	Proposed by David Oates, Seconded by Gail Charlesworth, Agreed by All Members

6. Finances

- November 2016 Financial Sheet tabled.

7. Any Other Business

- Post Box is on the move. One of Highways Supervisors can supervise one of our Supervisors due to our Supervisors not having street qualifications. Cllr Spence is liaising with Ian Wilson, Highway Officer re underground checks. The Clean and Green Team will clear overgrown vegetation from the footpath.
- Sandra raised the question on whose responsibility it was to maintain the footpaths and overhanging branches etc. A Village Hall member had enquired about the footpath between the Village Hall and Fosters Bakery that leads down into the Estate stating that branches were hanging over into his Garden. Cllr Miller will chase this up with the Council.

8. Time and Date of Next Meeting

- 6pm – Tuesday 13th December 2016

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
Tuesday 13th December 2016 – 6.00pm
Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall

Present:	Councillor Roy Miller	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Harry Spence	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Gail Charlesworth	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Rebecca Battye	North Area Team
	Paul Marsh	Mapplewell Business Man
	Pauline Brooks	Methodist Church
	Jonathan Senior	Greenworks
	Julian Senior	Greenworks
David Oates	Mapplewell Business Man	

1. Apologies:	David Hilton	Greenspace
	Sandra De-Donno	Mapplewell & Staincross
	Village Hall	

2. Simon Dobby – Community Resilience Plan

Simon Dobby, Head of Corporate Health, Safety and Emergency Resilience, BMBC, came to talk to the Ward Alliance about the possibility of creating a Community Resilience Plan for the Darton East Ward. The main points from the discussion included:

- Community Resilience Plans are a National Programme to try and get communities/local areas to be more resilient and prepared if something happened.
- Simon advised that BMBC and the Emergency Services will still be responding to emergencies, however, resources have been reduced. Partners will be focusing on South Yorkshire/Yorkshire as a whole and not just Barnsley.
- Simon asked the Ward Alliance to identify any issues that might affect the Ward, to look at places of safety in case of an emergency and identify volunteers to help.

Questions:

- Councillor Miller asked if anything had been done with regards to the Bridges on Dearne Hall Road after the floods of 2007 and 2009 – this is a concern to him. Simon said he would look into it.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were declared a true record by Paul Marsh

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

5. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Spence declared an interest in the Cleaning Up Darton East application.

6. Area Ward Plan

Action Taken:

- Councillor Spence advised that the Councillors would like to do a tidy up/trimming back of the footpaths in the Ward. This project would work with the Clean and Green Team and it is hoped it will start February 2017. Councillor Spence said that he would do an audit of the footpaths and make a list of the ones that need trimming back.
- The Councillors advised that early in the New Year a Drop In Session will be held for the local community regarding the plans for Mapplewell Village centre.
- Councillor Miller advised that people had been complaining that there is nowhere to park in Mapplewell. He said that he had been in contact with CISWO (who own the land/football pitch on Spark Lane) about levelling the land in front of the football pitch to create a parking area. North Gawber FC currently lease the land from CISWO, however, CISWO might be looking for new leaseholders. Councillor Miller advised that he was going to look into whether the Darton East Ward Alliance could be lease holder of the land.

7. Applications for Funding

Project Title	Staincross and District Community Pantomime
Name of Group	Staincross and District Community Venture
Summary	There was a tradition of an annual Pantomime within Staincross. It is our aim to involve as wide a cross section of the community to renew that tradition. By empowering local people we hope to develop personal skills and build confidence by putting on a Pantomime of which the community can be proud. We will foster a 'can do' attitude and draw upon the talents of as many people as possible, valuing each individual contribution in all aspects of the production. We will involve existing groups of our community venture (crafty critters) to help with the work required, which will also include re-decorating the parish hall where the Pantomime will take place and is the venue for our group activities.
Local Priority	Health and Wellbeing
Project Priority	Pantomimes are fun; not only for those watching but for those taking part. This project will build self esteem of all who contribute which will foster well being. Moreover, it will build a stronger community given that young people will be working with the not so young leading to greater understanding. Additionally, there are clear mental health benefits of taking part in a project which brings people together building friendship and respect.
Funding Required	£706

Action	Proposed by David Oates, Seconded by Councillor Harry Spence. Agreed by All Members
Project Title Name of Group Summary	New Shelter for all Visitors Mapplewell Bowling Club To provide a shelter from the elements for ambulant and disabled visitors.
Local Priority Project Priority	Improving the Environment and Facilities in Mapplewell Park We get people coming as far as the gate but declining to sit and watch in less than perfect weather. This new shelter will offer them a chance to sit in a dry environment on wet and windy days. The shelter will be big enough to take wheelchairs and we hope it will encourage the residents of Mapplewell Manor to sit and watch. We already know that there are ex bowlers in Mapplewell who would welcome the chance to revisit their old green providing they can be warm and dry.
Funding Required Action	£8695 The Ward Alliance felt the amount requested was too high and that the group should re think their project/costs. Councillor Charlesworth to contact the Bowling Club and have a chat with them about their application.
Project Title Name of Group Summary	Cleaning Up Darton East Darton East Ward Alliance To clean up Darton East by removing graffiti from green boxes and bus shelters. Re painting the green boxes and cleaning up the boundary stones.
Local Priority Project Priority	Environment, highways, footways and transport This project will clean up Darton East, making it aesthetically pleasing for residents as it will remove the eyesore graffiti that is in the Ward. It will also make the highways and footpaths look neater and the entrances into the Ward neater by tidying and cleaning up the boundary stones.
Funding Required Action	£500 Proposed by Paul Marsh, Seconded by Pauline Brook, Agreed by all Members

8. Barnsley In Bloom

Councillor Spence said that he would like the Ward to get involved in Barnsley In Bloom 2017. It should be advertised across the Ward to get people involved and more active in keeping the area attractive – planting more, tidy front gardens and boundaries.

9. Financial Update

- December 2016 – Budget remaining for the financial year is £9,837.02. Funds need to be allocated by March 2017.

10. Any Other Business

- Sandra reported that the Toddler Group Christmas Party (funded by Darton East Ward Alliance) was a great success, it was enjoyed by all.

- Sandra reported that the Senior Citizen Outing (funded by the Darton East Ward Alliance) was a great day out, everyone had a fantastic time.
- John Race sent another letter to Sandra, dated 24th November. It was reported that Sandra had already replied to his original letter (September 2016) on behalf of the Darton East Ward Alliance.
- Councillor Charlesworth spoke about NCS (National Citizen Service) and asked if the Ward Alliance would support paying for some young people to go on a trip (£50 per person). The Ward Alliance said they would consider it.
- The Councillors said that the Christmas Switch On Event was a great success, the volunteers who helped on the evening were thanked.



11. Time and Date of Next Meeting

- 6pm – Tuesday 10th January 2017

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Darton West Ward Alliance

Notes of Meeting 7th November 2016 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr Linda Burgess, (Chair), Cllr Alice Cave, Carol Gamwell, Jason Gardner. Tom West, Louise Oxley, Dominic McCall, Richard Haigh

Visitors: 2 Student Learners from Darton College.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Cllr Sharon Howard, Mary Elliott. Ann Plant.

1. Welcome and Apologies.

Linda welcomed all to the meeting and apologies were received.

2. Notes of the Meeting 10th October 2016.

These were agreed as a true record.

Action Points.

- a. Jason and Darton Learners to keep the Group updated regarding the College Winter Fair.
- b. Rebecca to send Tom West an WA application membership form.
- c. Jason to arrange a date for Linda and Richard to discuss the new environmental project.
- d. Alice, Linda and Carol, to visit Kexbrough Social Club to discuss future developments.
- e. Rebecca to invite Ian Wilson, (Highways) to the next Alliance meeting .
- f. Rebecca to supply all members with the Alliance Network lists in readiness for the meeting at the Town Hall with Tom Smith.
- g. All members complete and return Review of Priorities Action Plan to Linda.
- h. Rebecca to email Richard with contact information of company making Gawber Blue Plaque, Richard to make contact and ascertain progress.
- i. Tom to email Richard to confirm date for Horizon Students to bulb plant at Gawber.

3.WAF Update 2016/17.

- a. The budget update was discussed and noted.
- b. WAF Applications.
Redbrook Roundabout Planting. Approved.
Barugh Green Primary School Christmas tree. Approved.
Reflective Celebration November Event. Approved.
Darton College, Winter Fair Lincs2Nepal Project. Approved.

4. North Area Council.

Updates were given on projects currently being under taken by the North Area Council.

Action Point.

Rebecca to supply relevant statistics from North Area Council quarterly.

5. Ward Priorities and Projects 2016/17.

Current projects were discussed and reviewed.

Richard gave information about the Gawber History Open Evening on Friday 9th December 2016, 6.00 pm until 8.00pm at Gawber Church Hall. Linda will open the event in her role as Mayor. All members welcome.

The possibility of BBIC support in links with small and medium sized business and possible links to Neighbourhood Network was discussed.

6. Any Communications.

The Ward Alliance leaflet was discussed.

Action Point.

Group to revisit this item in January 2017.

7.Ward Alliance membership and development.

WA members to let Cllrs know of any potential new members

The Reflective Celebration to be held on 28th November was discussed.

8 A.O.B.

Town Hall Open Day, 3rd December 2016, 10.00 am until 2.00 pm.

Date of the next meeting.

Monday, 5th December 2016.at the Darton Centre.

Darton West Ward Alliance

Notes of Meeting 5th December 2016 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave, (Chair), Cllr Linda Burgess, Tom West, Scott Ledger, Richard Haigh, Dominic McCall.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Cllr Sharon Howard, Carol Gamwell, Ann Plant, Jason Gardner, Mary Elliott.

1. Welcome and Apologies.

Alice welcomed all to the Meeting and apologies received.

2. Notes of the Meeting 7th November 2016.

These were agreed as a true record.

Action Points.

- a. Jason to arrange a meeting January 2017, with Linda and Richard to look at the next stage of the Darton College Environmental Project.
- b. Alice, Linda and Carol to make visit to Kexbrough Social Club, Sat 10th Dec 2016, to discuss future developments and report in the New Year 2017.
- c. Rebecca to invite Ian Wilson, (Highways) to next Alliance Meeting, Monday, 16th January 2017.
- d. Rebecca to check on progress with Gawber History Group Blue Plaque order.
- e. Richard to work with Rebecca to get permissions from Highways for 2 new planters at Day House Way, Redbrook and contact residents who will adopt planters. Rebecca to get initial costings for planters and report next meeting.
- f. Dominic to keep action plan updated and look at a version which all can access.
- g. Tom to visit Wilthorpe and Redbrook Afternoon Club to see what assistance can be given and report Jan 2017.
- h. Scott to investigate base for the Pickering Cup and report in January.
- i. Rebecca to work with Carol re: Completion of Volunteer hours for Barugh Green Events.
- k. Rebecca to invite the new Clean and Green Team member to the next meeting.

3. Feedback from Reflective Celebration.

It was agreed this was a useful undertaking and we would follow up findings in 2017 to assist with Action Plan and Priorities for 2017/18.

Carol Gamwell was thanked for her commitment to the Barugh Green Club Christmas Concert and fundraiser.

4. WAF Update. 2016/17.

The Budget update was discussed and noted. There were no WAF applications.

5. North Area Council.

The North Area Council Project performance report was available and discussed.

6. Ward Priorities and Projects 2016/17.

The priorities and updates were discussed in readiness for a review of the priorities for 2017-18 starting in February 2017

7. Communications.

The need for a W/A leaflet discussed.

Action point

A communications working group of Linda, Tom, Jason, Dominic to meet 18th January 2017 at Darton College.

8 AOB

The possibility of the Community Choir's involvement in the Stars event was discussed.

Date and time of next meeting.

16th January 2017, 5.00pm. The Darton Centre

**Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting
Wednesday 2nd November 2016
Barnsley Hospital Edith Perry Room**

Present-

Cllr Anita Cherryholme (Chair) Cllr Liz Grundy

BMBC Reps: Lee Swift, Rosie Adams, and Simon Dobby

Com. Reps: John Love, Bill Gaunt, Sheila Lowe, Kirsty Summerfield and Michelle Cooper

Apologies:

Cllr Phil Lofts, Cllr David Leech, Dorothy Hayes, Fr Craig Tomlinson and Amy Walker

Minutes from Previous meeting were accepted.

Honeywell Notice Board – this has been damaged and now needs the Perspex replacing. John Love will purchase and replace and submit the invoice for the Perspex.

Introductions were given to our guest speaker for the evening **Simon Dobby from BMBC Health and Safety.**

- Simon came to speak to the group about putting a Policy in place to set up an Emergency Contingency Plan for our area in case of a serious incident.
- Several discussions took place about – What were the expectations for our group? What incidents may occur? Identifying vulnerable people in our community? Suitable venues in our Ward?
- Simon will send us more information.
- We will contact our local venues to see if we can create a support structure.
 - St Pauls – Michelle
 - Emanuel – Liz
 - Wade Street – Sheila
 - Scout Hut – Kirsty

Matters Arising

Traffic Management

- Anita and Phil have met with Steve Croft – they will sort a date to meet again Steve and with John Love **ACTION ANITA**
- They found 12 areas to be included in the Traffic Regulation Order – Steve was informed we had a £5000 budget for this work and he is now going to look at costings and the best way to resolve some of the issues in the areas identified.

- He will then return to the meeting with full costings and details.
ACTION ANITA
- Speed Camera – The wards speed camera will be put on Honeywell Grove by Steve Crofts team – with no cost to us this year.

Fit Reds – Lee circulated information to all local groups and members

Christmas Trees – The trees have been sourced from a local garden centre and will be placed / removed etc by John Twigg. BMBC will arrange the switch on process.

Consultation –

- The analytic report from the data collection both from the hard copy questionnaires and the data collected from the web page has been sent to all members.
- More paper based questionnaires are required –
 - Honeywell – **ACTION ANITA AND PHIL**
 - Brettas Park – **ACTION BILL AND JOHN**
 - Questionnaires – **ACTION LEE**

Old Town Ward Plan Reports

Isolation –

- Liz met with Creative Recovery and unfortunately they are currently unable to bid for more work in the area.
- What has become more apparent is that we need to find a way to gather more information on vulnerable people within our ward.
- We will promote RVS Services in our Magazine
- We need to set more specific and realistic goals for our work in this area.
- All members were asked to come back to next meeting with ideas around the needs of vulnerable groups in our ward and how we may be able to support them. **ACTION EVERYONE**
- Liz to set up next Isolation meeting **ACTION LIZ**

Media Group

- Bill has done some minor adaptations on the web Site and added more information
- We need to simplify and add the ward Plan onto the site with a list of projects / programmes and their progress
- Another Media Group meeting needs setting up. (January)

- The site has been open for 3 months now and requires regular monitoring and updates
- The next edition of the Old Town News will be out late May 2017

LWYL Update

- Ad Astra did a Litter Pick around The Fleets and all the way to ASDA/ McDonalds
- Clean & Green Team along with some local residents did a clean up and cleared away trees and bushes on St Pauls Field
- Clean and Green Team are doing a Clean up 10th November in Honeywell – volunteers required
- Ad Astra are doing Community Bulb Planting November 20th meeting at St Pauls at 10.30am and going to Honeywell / Fleets area till 1.30pm – Please come along and help

Ward Alliance Applications

- **Newtown Allotment Association - £2750** – for fencing – this application was deferred until the group got an additional quote.
- **Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Group – Camouflage Cameras - £180** This application was accepted.

Forth-Coming Events

- **Litter Pick** – Honeywell – 10th November 2016
- **Community Bulb Planting** – St Pauls 10.30am - 20th November 2016
- **Ad Astra Coffee Morning** – Collecting Non Perishable foods for Barnsley Food Bank as well as Tea Coffee and Cakes etc.,
- **Willowbank / St Pauls Christmas Service** – Tuesday 13th December 2016
- **Ad Astra Singing Around the St Pauls Christmas Tree** – 16th December
- **Swift Street Carol Concert with Mulled Wine and Mince Pies** – Christmas Eve 6.30pm.

Any Other Business

- Liz asked if we could add – Dog Fouling Signs onto the December Agenda – **ACTION MICHELLE**
- Anita gave thanks to Bill for all the work he has done on the Web site and the Old Town News
- We had a discussion about the possibility of moving the meeting to any other day, as Cllr Lofts is currently unavailable on the first Wednesday of the month. After a discussion around the table on

alternative days etc., it was agreed that we keep the meeting on the first Wednesday of the month as this suited the majority of all our members.

- Fleets Area – Anita and Phil had had a meeting looking at the possibility of additional development around this area. More information is required to give the group a fuller picture of what is happening and available in the area. **ACTION ANITA**

Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting Wednesday 7th December 2016

Present

Cllr Liz Grundy (Chair) Cllr Anita Cherryholme

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift

Community Reps – John Love Amy Walker Sheila Lowe Dorothy Hayes Bill Gaunt Michelle Cooper

Apologies

Kirsty Summerfield Fr Craig Tomlinson Cllr Phil Lofts

Introductions around the table were done as we had a new member to welcome – Amy Walker.

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as a true copy.

Matters Arising

- John Love handed invoices in for the repair of the Honeywell Notice board – **ACTION LEE**
- We are still awaiting costings for the **Road Management** project from Steve Croft **ACTION ANITA**
- The **Christmas Trees** are now up and lit although there seems to be an issue with the St Pauls lights – **ACTION LEE**
- **Inconsiderate Parking** is becoming a major issue around the School Street and Kensington Road area – a lot of the people parking are heading towards the hospital many wearing NHS ID Badges. Could we ask Kingdom to monitor the area and also write a letter to the hospital re inconsiderate parking – **ACTION Cllr Grundy**
- **Consultation Leaflets** – Bill and John had a poor response from the Brettas Park area with only 4 being returned out of 58 – We need to re think the consultation process for 2017. **ACTION LEE**
- The **Speed indicator Machine** has yet to be put in place
- We had a lengthy discussion about ‘**Vulnerable Groups**’ in our Ward. There are increases in Council Tax and systematic failure from National Government down to grass roots. This is becoming a major issue for many groups within society and whilst discussing how we can become more aware of the issues that are arising we decided to set up a workshop in the New Year, inviting other agencies which will help us have more clarity of the issues in our community. All members were asked to send the names of relevant Agencies to Lee so that invites could be sent out once a date has been confirmed.
ACTION EVERYONE

- **Website/Consultation** – Bill is sending out analysis of the data collected from the web site. The Media Group will meet up again in January. **ACTION BILL**
- The **Community Resilience Plan**. Sheila spoke to Wade Street Chapel and Michelle spoke to Fr Stephen from St Pauls and both have said yes in principle. More details would be required. **ACTION LEE**

Old Town Ward Plan

- A review is required early 2017 **ACTION LEE**

Love Where You Live Update

- **Dog Fouling Signs** – the signs that have been placed in the area seem to be having a positive response. Unfortunately there seems to be other areas in the Ward that are becoming affected by irresponsible dog owners. Where could we put more signs – please let Michelle or Lee know ASAP – **ACTION ALL**
- Graffiti has been reported to Liz who has reported to the Graffiti Team – more spraying is being seen every week this appears to be by the same person / group. **ACTION LIZ**

Fleets

- There has been a couple of meetings with Barnsley College and Asda to look at the upkeep of this area

Community Champions – Liz has a form, which will be emailed over to Lee – If anyone else would like to nominate a Community Champion please let Lee or Michelle know.

WAF – Applications

Funding update was given – WAF Budget as of 7th December 2016
£21,396.13

- **Willowbank Community Partnership** applied for £806.49 for Multiple Community Event Insurance. This was granted in full.
- **Summer Lane Young Voices Choir** applied for £300 towards the cost of coach hire and T-shirts for a national competition they are performing in. This was granted in full.
- **Park Services** – applied for £2200 for three bins at Wilthorpe Park and a playground gate for Sugdens Rec. This was granted in full.
- **Newtown Allotments** – applied for £2750.00 for fencing around part of the allotment – this was deferred at the last meeting and the group

were asked to acquire further quotes, which they did. This was granted in full.

- An application was submitted to the panel for a subsidy for young people who are attending the NCS Project. The group were very positive about the application but they thought it lacked information about the management of the funds and how it was to be distributed and the decision making process for these subsidies and as to whether other Ward Alliances were making such grants – the group asked for more information to be brought back to the next meeting.

ACTION Cllr Lofts

Future Events

- Please pass on any information to Bill about any future event, which can be put on the Web Site.
- Ad Astra – Christmas Evening – Friday 16th December at St Pauls Church Hall 6pm to 8pm – Everyone Welcome.
- Ad Astra – Community Bulb Planting – Monday 19th December meeting at St Pauls at 10.45am planting bulbs in Honeywell along the new path towards Asda

Any Other Business

- Information now needs putting into the Honeywell Notice Board

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY
2017
7PM IN THE EDITH PERRY ROOM BARNSLEY HOSPITAL**

**Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting
Wednesday 4th January 2017
Edith Perry Room Barnsley Hospital**

Present

Cllr Anita Cherryholme (Chair) Cllr Liz Grundy

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift

Community Reps – Kirsty Summerfield Sheila Lowe Bill Gaunt Fr Craig

Tomlinson Michelle Cooper

Apologies

Cllr Phil Lofts John Love Dorothy Hayes Amy Walker

Minutes from Previous meeting were accepted as a true copy.

Matters Arising from Action Points of last meeting

Traffic Management/Costings (AC)

- Anita has been in contact with Steve from BMBC and the cost of the programme of Traffic Management will be in the region of £6000. The group had already agreed to the proposal of a £5000 budget once the figures could be verified. The group has now agreed to cap this budget at £6000 subject to the application form coming to the alliance. More Street names were added to the original list to take back to Steve for confirmation of final costings then a WAF will be completed once all details have been clarified. **ACTION ANITA**

Inconsiderate Parking.

- Many of the cars that are causing obstructions around the local area are staff from Barnsley Hospital. Contact will be made with Mike Lees. **ACTION LIZ**

Christmas Trees.

- These have been very successful again this year and many positive and complimentary comments have been brought forward.

Vulnerable Groups in our Ward.

- After a lengthy discussion about how we are going to take this programme forward it was agreed that Lee and Michelle will complete a Mapping Exercise of the services that are already running in our area. Several organisations have already agreed to attend a meeting/ Information Sharing event if we organise one. We need to find out what services are available and use their expertise to find out what the gaps are in our Ward. Alliance members who have contacts will forward information onto Michelle or Lee. **ACTION LEE / MICHELLE**

- Sheila – Wade Street / Wade St Chapel
- Liz – Amy and Emanuel
- Fr Craig – St Pauls
- Bill – BIADS
- Anita – Barnsley Hospital
- Kirsty – Age UK

Sub Group Meetings

- Media /Consultation/Web Site – towards the end of January **ACTION BILL**
- Isolation – Once Mapping Exercise is complete

Community Resilience Plan

- St Pauls and Wade Street Chapel have agreed in principle. Fr Craig will discuss this at the next PCC and confirm with the group and then Lee will contact Simon Dobby for the next stage.

Dog Fouling Signs

- The signs, which were purchased last year, are working very well – the group agreed to purchase more for different areas – Honeywell (New Path) x 3 Willowbank x 1.
- A recci needs doing in two other areas – Near Grey Horse and rear of Granville Street to check if there is anywhere we could have them placed. **ACTION LEE / MICHELLE**

Graffiti

- The Graffiti that has sprung up in Old Town is all over the borough. – Liz will again contact Neighbourhood Services **ACTION LIZ**

Old Town Ward Plan

- Our six-month review is almost due and we will hold a separate meeting at the start of April to coordinate the new Plan. **ACTION LEE**

Love Where You Live Update

- This year's theme is 'Super Heroes' for the launch of the Programme 3rd to 5th March 2017. Lee asked members to consider areas of waste that would make a good location for a clean-up project

WAF Applications

- Funds Available- Budget remaining as of today £15,363.13
- There was just one WAF Application this month – the NCS one that was deferred in December.

- The project idea of subsidising the cost to young people was approved by the group unanimously.
- The method behind the application was a cause for concern. It was noted that Ward Alliances had been approached prior to the submission and assurances appear to have been given to NCS that the money would be granted. As a consequence of this, the Ward Alliance Fund form was inadequately completed and missing large amounts of information.
- In previous meetings when money has been asked for retrospectively and with that little amount of detail, we have declined the application.
- The WA is still unanimous behind this decision to approve the application, but it was clearly noted that if any other application comes to the table under similar circumstances and with a similar lack of detail, it will be turned down.
- Michelle will contact Horizon to check the interest in this project and report back to the next meeting. **ACTION MICHELLE**

FORTH COMING EVENTS

- Please pass all information onto Bill so that he can put it on the Web Site
- Pogmoor will hold their annual Remembrance Service on Friday 6th January 2017

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- **Summer Lane School Crossing –**
 - It has been brought to our attention that there is a growing amount of inconsiderate / dangerous driving and abuse towards the 'Lollypop' Lady. Could we ask Kingdom to look at the area and give support? Liz will contact the relevant agencies. **ACTION LIZ**

Item 13

St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road
Thursday 24th November 2016 at 5:00 pm

Present:

Cllr. Dave Leech (Chair); Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall; Clyde Black; Madge Busby; Gemma Cobby; Ruth Gammon; David Gammon; John Hallows; Tony Lowe; Freda Stenton; Lee Swift

Apologies:

Kath Bostwick

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th October were approved.

Matters arising:

Sarah T has been given a contact for the Scout Group but as yet has to receive a reply.

Madge B reported that the Hallowe'en Cook and Eat was very successful.

Leaflets advertising their activities will be distributed at our Open Day.

Dave L read out a letter from the school thanking us for the donation of Spring bulbs and this letter is now on file.

Sarah T suggested the proposed Health event be added to our next agenda.

Funding Applications:

Kids' Club - a brief presentation was given in support of the application and after due consideration it was approved for an increased amount of £400 to allow for peripheral expenses.

Caterpillar Club - after a brief presentation the application was approved, again with the amount requested rounded up to £500.

New Hope Music Group - a number of issues arose and after careful consideration it was agreed to reduce the amount requested to £750 to reflect previous discussions as to what we will fund.

Treasurer's Report:

Clyde B submitted a financial statement showing a balance of £20,973.38 as at 24th November 2016.

Secretary's Report:

David G reported that his activities were focussed on the Open Day on Saturday 26th November and thanked Jenny P for her help in chasing up our contacts.

Any Other Business:

David G is to prepare a letter for Tony Lowe to take to New Lodge Co-op and others thanking them for their donations.

Dave L reported that he had received an email from J. Hayward thanking Ward Alliances for their support commemorating the Battle of the Somme. This is now on file.

The meeting closed at 18:35

Our next meeting will be 5pm on 5th January at TARA, to be chaired by Cllr. Sarah Tattersall.

St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road
Thursday 5th January 2017 at 5:00 pm

Present:

Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall (Chair); Clyde Black; Madge Busby; Gemma Cobby; David Gammon; Tony Lowe; Aimee Phillips; Lee Swift.

Apologies:

Cllr. Dave Leech; Ruth Gammon.

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting on 24th November were approved.

Matters arising:

Reds in the Community - No action for the moment; carry forward.

NLCC - Aimee P informed the meeting she no longer wishes to participate in the activities of New Lodge Community Centre.

It was agreed a meeting should be called of the NLCC Management Committee, which should include Ruth G. Lee S is to arrange the meeting.

The issue at the centre with N-Power has been resolved. The outstanding account has been reduced by £1000 to £1600.

Funding Applications:

No applications had been submitted.

Events:

The Open Day at New Lodge WMC was reasonably successful despite a low turnout. It was agreed future events should be later in the year with better weather and given wider publicity. Timing should extend beyond 3pm to involve parents on school runs.

St. Helen's Star Awards is to be held in May.

The Health event is to be held in June.

In each case a small working party is to be set up to organise and oversee.

Summer Gala:

The event should take place in July/August Monday through Thursday. We should contact the major participants to establish diary dates.

A working group is to be set up given the heavy workload in planning the event.

Ward Plan:

The Plan was considered item by item and will be up dated by Lee S to consider at a later meeting.

Any other business:

Flood Resilience representatives have been invited to our next meeting and will be included in the agenda.

A non-matched funding working budget has been reserved for projects including Health and Stars of St. Helen's. The cost of hanging baskets will also be funded from this budget.

A quote is also being obtained for handrails on steps for ease of access.

Treasurer's Report:

Clyde B submitted a financial statement showing a balance of £18,673.38 as at 5th January 2017.

Secretary's Report:

A Bursary application was approved and passed to Lee S to process.

The free raffle tickets handed out at the Open Day and the three Christmas Tree events totalled 117 and the winner was delighted with the Christmas Hamper.

Provisional dates for 2017 for our meetings are to be emailed to Madge B to check the availability of the TARA office.

Our next meeting will be 5pm on 16th February at TARA, to be chaired by Cllr. Jenny Platts.

The meeting closed at 18:45.