Dearne North Ward Alliance				
MEETING NOTES				
Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance			
Date & Time:	Thursday 21st July 2016 – 1pm			
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE			

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

	Action/Decision	Action lead
 Welcomes & introductions – round of introductions took place to welcome local resident Alan Williams to the meeting, Marie ran through the terms & conditions of observing. 		
2. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising Page 2 – Thurnscoe Amateur Dramatics – Marie has visited Jean Carr to run through the options, the theatre was having installation of the fire alarms as she walked in, when asked about the fire door situation Jean replied that they had been asking for kind donations from local businesses and taken a small loan from members of their group to ensure the doors could be fitted in the required timescale. Marie asked if they had considered renting the room out to other members of the community (schools, nurseries, youth groups etc) to use their theatre and facilities inside. Jean was unsure about this, but stated that most of the committee like to keep the building secure and to their own individual members who perform weekly inside the theatre, reading through scripts & lines and creating more productions. Marie spoke to Jean a few days later after she had taken the information to the group but sadly they declined the offer from the Ward Alliance	No further action to be taken	
David raised concerns over the pegs on the fishing platforms when he walked along the banking around the reservoir. Derek ensured everything looked fine on the walk that he and Alison had taken for the fishing competition, but would look more closely and speak to Warren if there were any further concerns.	Check the platforms & report back to next meeting.	Derek Bramham
 Appointment of Chairperson – All agreed for Cllr Pauline Phillips to be the new Chairperson of the Dearne North Ward Alliance 		
4. Financial Update		
Dearne North Ward Alliance balance - £ 7029.00		
Applications submitted:		
Salvation Army Job Club - £2500.00 split 50/50 with Dearne South to purchase the necessary equipment to run a community led voluntary job club on Mondays & Fridays where local people can come and access free internet/job search & advice & guidance from the local volunteers that have had training and guidance through their individual sessions previously run by funded agencies. The agencies have now subsequently lost funding and no longer run however there is a strong need in the area for this to carry on, at the moment we are using borrowed laptops from external agencies that could be taken back at any time. The need is there and we hope by funding the equipment we can carry on running this for future years. The members attending are regular clients that are actively looking for work not only to help with their financial situation, but		

their confidence & self-esteem too; the club is increasing in numbers every month, where we have seen many of our residents coming together to help each other with volunteering opportunities to gain experience on hands too. — Alison Sykes wasn't in attendance had no voting rights after submitting her application — all agreed to fund £1250.00

Dearne & District FC — application submitted for grass cutting to the new CISWO field throughout the season and secure the fencing around the site, after a lengthy discussion it was agreed to fund the fencing for $\underline{£312.50}$ but not the cutting of the grass - to be split with Dearne South Ward Alliance — **action: on hold until decision is made from Dearne South Monday 8**th **August.**

Bulky Rubbish Scheme – Cllr Gardiner requested the scheme be continued £1000.00 split 50/50 between both wards. – **£500.00 all agreed to fund**

Thurnscoe Library summer holiday activities - £250.00 - all agreed to fund

Working fund balance - £2000

Marie asked the group to clarify who are the current signatures to the account, Pauline and Charlotte stated they were with Teresa Sim, as Teresa hasn't attended any meeting for nearly 2 years it was decided to cancel her permission off the bank account and enroll Derek Bramham instead. Pauline & Charlotte will visit Yorkshire Bank to get a new Cheque book raised so monies can start to be paid out. Discussions about the paperwork will take place at the next meeting.

The group discussed requests from Russ Boland for concrete bollards across Thurnscoe Chapel Lane field to stop quad bikes & fly tipping vehicles entering the field and destroying the green space total amount is £1550 - Big Local Thurnscoe will contribute £1000.00 Ward Alliance commit to paying £550.00 - all agreed.

Big Local Thurnscoe requested a kind contribution towards the winter Wonderland event - £500.00 all agreed

5. Updates from Community Groups

Thurnscoe Park

Yorkshire in Bloom results will be announced 16th September Pauline is 85% completed but is hoping either silver or possible gold.

The concrete base for the memorial bench will be laid once the fencing has been completed after removal of the container.

Pauline has picked up the ping pong table from BMBC for the kids to play with during the summer holidays

Big Local Thurnscoe

The transition to change from VAB to BCB as the new local trust organisation has now been completed with Alison Vint the Development worker for BLT been employed through BCB.

The Green Space sub group has completed 3 walks around Thurnscoe identifying green spaces and local environmental issues on the way. Derek stated that the walks have been really useful in getting to know the village better and to identify unloved areas that Big Local could help to improve.

The free standing planters are now in situ and have been planted with regular daily watering (3 gallons in total) from Derek, this is to be looked at with help from local residents/businesses for sustainability, Derek is going to ask Twiggs to help too.

Incredible–Edible raised bed on Houghton Road- Derek suggested we have a rota for watering it or asking Rainbow Centre staff, there is now visible beans & lettuce ready for picking and eating.

Brief update given on the beach party Saturday 6th August all the activities booked, lots of variety stalls, weather looking good and banners have been displayed around Thurnscoe, all planned and on target. Derek asked for volunteers/stewards to help on the day.

Station House

Many families using the Station House for the 6 week holidays the holiday club $\,$ runs from 8am - 6pm with the children learning new skills from watering the planters, litter picking around the local

Visit bank to clarify who's on signatures, request new Cheque book

Pauline, Charlotte & Dave Perry

Derek,

Marie

Sinclair

Email Russ to confirm acceptance

nt Marie Sinclair

acceptance
Email Alison Vint
ask for invoice

Planning underway for the beach party – the use of a photo booth for anyone to have funny faces on photos to raise monies for the association.	
James will be providing all the marketing and social media content for Station House.	
AOB Marie asked everyone to ensure the advertising of the free swimming sessions were done around the groups and members of the community.	
David will speak to Derek with regards to helping on the fishing competition.	
Dates for next meeting – Tuesday 27th September 2016	