

Dearne North Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

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

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

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

5. Updates from Community Groups

Thurnscoe Park

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

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

Scott to cut down the silver birch tree

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

2 new volunteers starting from September.

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

Big Local Thurnscoe

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

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

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

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

AOB

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

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

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

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