

## **BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 21st November 2016**

#### **Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager**

#### **Dearne Area Council Financial Position and Progress of Projects**

##### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report provides an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend, and outlines the unallocated amount remaining for the 2016/17 and 2017/18 financial years.
- 1.2 This report also provides an update in relation to projects that were previously agreed at the Dearne Area Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2016

##### **2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1 Dearne Area Council members note the updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend and the unallocated amounts remaining for 2016/17 and 2017/18. Details are contained in Appendix One.
- 2.2 Dearne Area Council members note the progress of previously agreed projects that have been committed out of their 2016/17 finances

##### **3.0 Financial update 2016/17**

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

#### 4.0 **Financial update 2017/18**

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

#### 5.0 **Progress of projects**

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

The procurement timeline is as follows :

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

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

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

**See appendix one for full break down**

### **Appendices**

Appendix One: Financial Update

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