

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

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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