ROYSTON WARD ALLIANCE

Notes

Monday, the 21st November 2016 6pm at the Grove, Royston

Present, Cllr Caroline Makinson, Cllr M Clements, Mick Birkinshaw, John Craig, J Clare, John Openshaw, and S Croft

In Attendance, Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer and Jake Finney

- **1. Apologies for Absence**, Cllr T Cheetham, Howard Lavender, Gemma Conway, Graham Kyte, and Fred Harston
- 2. Declaration of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest, none declared.
- **3.** Correspondence & communications, the secretary reported the receipt of a letter of thanks from the Royston Greenfingers Gardening Club for the support given to the group.
- 4. Notes of previous meetings, 10th October 2016.

Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting were a true record.

5. Matters Arising

Royston in Bloom, J Craig updated the meeting on progress of the autumn planting. He also gave a report on the proposals for the Park View planter site and the flower beds on Royston Lane. The meeting agreed that he should negotiate the cost of planting the beds with local contractors.

6. Area Council Update

No update available, no meeting held.

7. Project Updates

CAB, a 6 month review was distributed, together with a 3 month review of the **DIAL**, project. Members were impressed with the success of the projects and the benefits that it brings to the residents of Royston. Members expressed their thanks to both organisations.

Achievement Awards, the meeting was updated on the progress, nominations from all 4 schools involved should be received in the New Year.

Christmas Event, the meeting was updated on the progress of the project; there will be trees and lights at the Albert Shepherd VC Civic Hall. The event at the will be held on the 7th December with members asked to be available from 1:30pm to prepare the site, children will be attending from 4pm with carols from 4:15 pm followed by a light switch on at around 4:45pm.

Cards, It was also agreed that cards would be sent to the Neighbourhood network in Royston and Alliance members.

LWYL Event, Members were updated on the event which took place on the 2nd November in Royston Park. The event with 3 primary schools together with a number of volunteers and staff from BMBC's corporate volunteering initiative, with Royston Bowling Club provided refreshments on the day.

Royston Park, members were invited to a meeting being held at the Life Long Learning Centre 4pm to 5pm on Wednesday the 23rd November to discuss improvement within the park and the formation of a "Friends of Royston Park"..

Allotments, The Chair updated the meeting on work at the new allotment site off Sycamore Drive. Work has started to establish 40 new allotment plots with residents on the allotment waiting list being contacted and offered an allotment.

- 8. Royston Family Centre, No Update available.
- **9. WW1 Commemorations**, The secretary had contacted John Niland draft designs would be made available at the next meeting.
- **10. Royston & Carlton Community Partnership**, The secretary reported that the group had been a finalist in the 2016 Proud of Barnsley Awards with members attending the awards ceremony at the Holiday Inn on Friday the 18th November, with Friends of Wombwell Cemetery winning the Community Group category.
- **11.** Funding Opportunities, No Update.

12. Ward Alliance finance update and to consider applications

The community Development Officer updated the meeting on the available budget. There were no applications to consider.

Members discussed possible future funding applications: Community Orchard, Notice Boards, Urban Arts Project.

13. Any Other Business

Dog Fouling, members were informed of a recent newspaper article on the issuing of dog fouling fines, Barnsley hands out nearly 10% of UK Fines in 2015.

Fly Tipping, members asked about proposals being put the BMBC's cabinet and requested feedback.

Rabbit Ings, there will be a Christmas Fair on Sunday the 11th December 11am to 3pm at the site. There are also proposals for a Summer Music Festival in August 2017.

14. Ward Alliance Members Actions

Royston in Bloom, John Craig to agree costs for planting the beds on Royston Lane with local contractor.

Notice Boards, the secretary to seek costs.

15. Dates of next meeting, 6pm on Monday the 9th January 2017.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7:30pm