

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 10th July 2017**

Agenda Item: 10

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appries the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to the received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during April, May and June 2017.
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The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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3rd July 2017**

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
Tuesday 11th April 2017 – 6PM
Mapplewell & Staincross
Village Hall

Present:

Sandra De-Donno Mapplewell Village Hall
Cllr Roy Miller Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Harry Spence Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Gail Charlesworth Darton East Ward Councillor
Rosie Adams North Area Team
Pauline Brooks Methodist Church
Paul Marsh Local Business Man
David Oates Local Business Man
David Hilton Greenspace
Helen Altun Minutes

1. Apologies:

Julian Senior Greenworks
Jonathan Senior Greenworks
Rebecca Battye North Area Team

2. Principal Town

Roy went through a presentation of the Principal Town. **The Glassworks.**

Main points were:

£54 million had been set aside for the redevelopment of the town. No money has been taken from any services.

The council were recommended to look at the car parks in town. The old council building has been demolished and a new car park built. There will be a bridge from the new car park linking it to the town. Railways have given £2.5m for the bridge and the council have £5 million set aside for the bridge.

The temporary new market will be in place for three years and the feedback from it so far is that stall holder's and the public think it's fantastic.

The new Glassworks will bring a change of culture to the town centre.

There will be a public square between the new glass library and the cinema. The public square will hold lots of events.

The aim is to complete the project by Spring 2020.

There will also be £5 million available for Barnsley and the surrounding areas.

Darton and Mapplewell will be able to bid for some money under one of the following categories:

Quality public realm

Shop front schemes

Business Security

Business Incentives

Transport Improvements

Car Parking Improvements

Low Maintenance public realm i.e curbs and bollards

Acquisition of buildings

Land delivering economic benefits

There will be a form to complete for any bids made.

David asked if projects which have already started can be enhanced – this can be looked at further down the line.

3. Mapplewell Village Centre Development Proposal Presentation

Roy showed a power point on the improvements which are going to be made to the village.

Main points are:

Initial proposals were rejected; we have now got what we want.

The current priority junction will be maintained and the developers will pay for new signs.

New blue benches and bollards will be introduced.

The work will take 4 – 5 weeks to complete and work will start in late July/early August during the school holidays.

4. Minutes from previous meeting

David explained after reading the minutes from the previous meeting he had spoke with Russ and the war memorial was down as council property and could be cleaned by Barnsley Council.

5. Matters Arising

None.

6. Declarations of Interest

None.

7. Ward Plan

Birkinshaw's land Darton - This year there will be a Christmas tree on the land. Mr Birkinshaw agreed to this if it is no cost to him.

School Street and Braithwaite Street – signs will be going up with slogans on it to stop parents parking at school time.

Woolley and Windhill Parks to be enhanced.

Dementia group – a new carer as been introduced to the group who can come in to the group with three people with disabilities.

09/05/17 Clean and Green are coming into the group for the group to complete hanging baskets.

Staincross in bloom – to get the village involved tidying up the village and stopping littering. People are making an effort in the area. 3 planters are going into the police station grounds and there will be 4 extra planters which will also be used to advertise businesses. The people who get the planters will need to plant it up and look after the planters. An advert will go out in the arrow for this. If the planter's are a success an application will be put in for more funding.

No one had been to visit the community shop in Mapplewell yet. It is not a charity. Harry and Rebecca are to visit the shop and Harry will report back at the next meeting.

8. Applications

No applications

£200 had already been agreed for Pye Avenue – we need to get a working budget in place for this

Paul raised if Security cameras could be introduced for Mapplewell – council to get guidance for this.

9. Finances

Darton East Funding update given.

10. AOB

Hope Street Allotments – a pipe was fixed but a leak is still there and there are still empty allotments, people still want allotments.

Footpath round the back of fosters is being used for alcohol and drug use. David and the council to send an email to the local policeman. The undergrowth needs to be cleaned out. To approach Clean and Green to complete this work.

Harry explained he had contacted Kath Fairweather a Safer Neighbourhood Team Officer to see if the green boxes with graffiti on could be painted. Kath emailed Harry back to say agents can not go round painting the green boxes. Harry explained the council have to remove anything which is racist or offensive. Harry also asked Kath Fairweather to come along to The Darton Ward Alliance Meeting but she has failed to attend. Matt Gladson agreed that Harry can go out and paint the boxes.

11. Next meeting 09/05/17 at 6pm

Darton East Ward Alliance

'CAN DO-WILL DO'

9th May 2017 – 6PM

Mapplewell & Staincross

Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Roy Miller Darton East Ward
Cllr Harry Spence Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Gail Charlesworth Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye North Area Team
Paul Marsh Local Business Man
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Jonathan Senior Greenworks

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Councillor Roy Miller explained that from the previous minutes the correct figure was £124 million had been set aside for the redevelopment of the town. No money has been taken from any services.

3. Matters Arising

No matters arising.

4. Declaration of Interest

David Hilton submitted a WAF application.

5. Ward Plan

Councillor Harry Spence explained he had met with the community garden in Darton to discuss what they can do on Birkinshaw's land. He asked if they would like a representative to join the Darton East Ward Alliance group. Harry would like to get the team on board.

Harry explained on Tuesday the grass at Shaw Lane was cut.

An audit on parks was completed with Jo Birch and it was decided:

The park on Dearne Street needs a clean up. Clean and Green have been notified to clean the park up as soon as possible. The park also wants a unit for play equipment.

Woolley Park - 4 units are to go down there.

Keswick Road – Multi-Goal posts have been up for 8 years can these be replaced or fixed.

Harry would like to get funding for these projects.

Every unit costs approx. £500.

Harry also explained he would like a fence to be put up around Woolley – Rebecca will see if she can get some 106 money for this. David Hilton asked to be copied in to the email and he will try to help out.

Roy negotiated for a Christmas tree to be put on Birkinshaw's land.

Roy also explained Windhill Park is overgrown and needs tidying up.

Planters – Harry explained he had been in touch with Highway's and sent in several locations for the planter's to be placed. Highways will decide yes or no. Bid put in for 7 planters, 6 have already been allocated without any advertisement. Clean and Green will help out with the planter's.

Gail explained she was still on with the sign project to go up on School Street, Church Street and Braithwaite Street and will be running a competition for a slogan at Mapplewell Primary School once the sat's exams have been completed.

June is Volunteer's month.

OXO game to be checked in Mapplewell Park it seems to be smaller than what was paid for.

6. Applications

- Pye Avenue – Deferred.
- Greenspace – Steam clean War Memorial - David Hilton explained that he did not need permission from the British Legion to clean up the war memorial. David left the room. £240 applied for approved.
- Wellgate Primary School Gardening Club £854.29 applied for approved. It was mentioned if they could put a small sign up saying funded by Darton East.
- Darton East Working Budget - £600 applied for and approved.

7. Finances

Rebecca confirmed there were £20,000 of Ward Alliance Funding available. Broken down there is £10,150.00 available for projects requiring match funding (volunteer hours) and £9,850.00 available for projects not requiring match funding.

AOB

- Harry is going to cut Birkinshaw's land and is hoping to buy a mower.
- It was mentioned that the area could do with something to store equipment. Paul Marsh explained they could buy a second hand container for £1000.
- Hanging baskets for the area – 32 in total, the same price as last year. It also need's to be planned for next year. Photo's to be completed to show before and after.
- Harry and Rebecca to visit community shop to find out if it is a charity.
- Letters have been sent out for the housing site on Wakefield Road where the old chicken farm used to be. The outline plan as gone through. Roy will look at what the development can do to help in the local area.

Next meeting 13/06/17 at 6pm.

David Hilton sent his apologies in advance.

Darton East Ward Alliance

'CAN DO-WILL DO'

13th June 2017 – 6PM

Mapplewell & Staincross

Village Hall

Present:

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Rebecca Battye North Area Team
Paul Marsh Local Business Man
Julian Senior Greenworks
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1a. Position of the chair

Cllr Roy Miller asked Cllr Gail Charlesworth if she would like to become the Darton East Ward Alliance chair. Cllr Gail Charlesworth agreed to be the chair of the Ward Alliance for the next 12 months.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Councillor Roy Miller explained that we have now got a lawnmower. Rebecca was asked if she and Councillor Harry Spence had visited the community shop in Mapplewell Village. Rebecca explained they were trying to see if it was a registered charity still. Councillor Roy Miller said it was not a registered charity.

8. Matters Arising

No matters arising.

9. Declaration of Interest

No declaration of interest.

10. Ward Plan

Councillor Gail Charlesworth explained that she had some photographs taken with local parents and wrote an article regarding signs to go up around the streets near Mapplewell Primary School to stop parents parking on the streets when dropping their children off at school. Councillor Gail Charlesworth also explained she had been to see the headmistress at Mapplewell Primary School and she is happy to send out a competition via school for a slogan and a picture for the road signs.

Gail is also investigating some leaflets to possibly hand out on a morning to parents to raise awareness to the parents about how parking there can affect the surrounding residents. Gail is waiting to see if it is ok to run with the leaflets.

A petition was received from Mr Race which is for a zebra crossing across Shaw Lane and Staincross Common. The petition is the same as what was submitted 18 months ago. The criteria for a zebra crossing to be installed must be a certain footfall in the area over a 12

hour period. This area does not receive anywhere near the footfall needed to install a zebra crossing. A footpath as already was put in on Shaw Lane.

11. Applications

- Lawn Mower for use by Darton East Ward Alliance - £450
- Walking for health – SAMS, 28 members around 20 from the Darton East Ward. Deferred. An invite to the next meeting to be sent to the chair and the secretary.
- Hanging Baskets – Approved with 3 extra for the Woolley area. 34 in total.
- Pye Avenue – Deferred.

12. Finances

Rebecca explained Ward Alliance Funding available. Broken down there is £9,055.71 available for projects requiring match funding (volunteer hours) and £9,250.00 available for projects not requiring match funding.

AOB

- An expression of interest form has been received from Jonathan Harrison to join the Ward Alliance. His form has been approved by the Councillors – Jonathan will join the Ward Alliance from July.
- Sandra De-Donno leaving party is on the 28/07/17 at 7.30pm at the village hall.
- Rebecca asked if we would like to have a summer community event. Everyone was happy to organise a summer event for next summer. To be put on agenda in January.
- Julian and Jonathan said there was a lady they knew who may have a storage container that they would give away free of charge to the area. They will speak to the lady and ask if this is still available.

Next meeting 11/07/17 at 6pm.

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance.

Notes of the Meeting 3rd April 2017 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr Linda Burgess (Chair), Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Ann Plant, Dominic McCall, Jason Gardener, Scott Ledger Louise Oxley, Richard Haigh.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Tom West, Mary Elliott, Carol Gamwell

1. Welcome and apologies.

Cllr Linda Burgess welcomed all members to the Meeting and apologies were received.

Fiona o' Brien was introduced and gave information re Principal Towns and Local Centres funding opportunities

Action Point. A Working Group is to be established to explore options for a Darton project. Cllr Linda Burgess, Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Alice Cave, Jason Gardener, Richard Haigh, Scott Ledger, Dominic McCall volunteered to be involved.

2. Notes of Meeting 13th March 2017.

The notes were discussed and the *following action points agreed.*

A. Rebecca to circulate Clean and Green Team rota.

B. Linda to speak with Steve Croft re: planters at Day House Way.

C. Linda and Tom to discuss ways forward at the Wilthorpe/ Redbrook Afternoon Club.

D. Linda to consult with the Pickering Family re use of the Pickering Cup at Darton College

E. Rebecca to speak with Jan Fretwell re: Ballfield Lane Issues and ways forward.

3. Updates on environmental projects for the Clean and Green Team.

Gawber and Claycliffe events with local residents have been completed

4. Highways Issues.

No current response. Cllrs to follow up.

5. WAF update.

A. Budget for 2016/7 was finalised

B Budget for 2017/8 was updated and discussed.

Action point: Rebecca and Richard to look at costings. It was agreed to allocate £2000.

Richard to supply details to Rebecca.

C WAF Applications.

Darton Crowns - approved. Brook Hill Road Project - approved. Sloppy Slippers - approved.

Darton College Farm Project - further information required

Action point: Sharon and Richard to visit the College for further discussions

6. North Area Council Projects Update.

To be discussed at next meeting.

7. Ward Priorities and Projects 2017/2018.

Potential projects for the communities of the Darton West Ward relating to the ward priorities were discussed

Action Point.

Dominic to create an action plan for 2017/8

8. Communications.

This will be an agenda item for the next Meeting.

9. AOB.

There was no other business

Date and Time of the next Meeting.

Monday, May 8th 2017, 5.00pm at the Darton Centre.

Darton West Ward Alliance
8th May 2017 at The Darton Centre

Attendees: Cllr Howard (Chair), Cllr Burgess, Ann Plant, Jason Gardner, Dominic McCall, Louise Oxley

In attendance: Rebecca Battye

Apologies: Carol Gamwell, Mary Elliott, Richard Haigh, Scott Ledger

1 Welcome and apologies

Cllr Howard welcomed everyone and apologies were received.

2 Notes of meeting on 3rd April and review of action points

Action points:

a Linda to contact Steve Croft re planters at junction of Dayhouse Way.

b Linda to contact Pickering family and Darton College re Pickering Cup

c Rebecca to write to Jan Fretwell to arrange a date for a meeting re Ballfield Lane

d Cllrs to meet with Paul Castle re a response to previous WA requests

3 Updates on environment projects for Green and Clean Team

Action points:

a Rebecca to ask G&C Team for an update on projects

b Louise Oxley to complete a WAF application for the painting of Barugh Green Rec fencing

4 WAF update

a Budget 2017- 18

The budget update was noted.

b WAF Applications

Hanging baskets – approved

Darton Parish Hall alarm system upgrade – approved

Darton Church – 500 Anniversary concert – approved

North Gawber Junior Football Club – approved with a condition

Darton Cricket Club – deferred

Darton College - deferred

6 North Area Council Project updates

There were no updates following the last WA update.

7 Ward Priorities and projects for 2017-18

The action plan was reviewed

Action points:

a Dominic to update the plan

b The review of the plan to be a priority item for the next meeting

8 A Local Centre Project for Darton

The potential for a Darton Local Centre proposal for BMBC funding will be discussed further with VfD

9 Communications

Action point: *This item to be a priority for the June meeting*

10 AOB

There was no other business

Date and time of next meeting

Monday 12th June 5 pm at the Darton Centre

Darton West Ward Alliance.

Notes of the Meeting 12th June 2017 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr Sharon Howard (Chair), Cllr Linda Burgess, Ann Plant, Jason Gardner, Richard Haigh.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Scott Ledger, Dominic McCall, Louise Oxley, Carol Gamwell, Tom West, Mary Elliott, Cllr Alice Cave.

1. Welcome and Apologies.

Cllr Sharon Howard welcomed all members to the meeting and apologies were received.

2. Notes of Meeting 8th May 2017 and review of Action Points.

The notes were discussed and the following Action Points agreed..

Action Points re planters at Dayhouse Way:

Cllr Howard to inform Linsey Williams and update.

Cllr Burgess to organise date for site meeting with Russ Bowland and copy in Richard Haigh..

Action Point re Pickering Cup:

Cllr Burgess to attend Darton College Primary Schools Sports Day and present the Pickering Cup

Action Point re Highways issues:

Ian Wilson to provide responses to previous queries for next meeting.

3, WAF update

A, Budget update was discussed and noted.

B, WAF Applications were discussed but as the meeting was not quorate decisions were deferred to a meeting on Thursday 15th June

4, North Area Council Project updates

Cllr Howard updated the Group regarding Environment Enforcement.

5. Update on Environment Projects for the Clean and Green Team.

Cllr Burgess and Rebecca updated members of projects taking place across the Ward Alliance Area.

6. Ward Priorities and Projects for 2017/18.

Members discussed Priorities and Projects and amendments were proposed to the plan.

Action Point: Cllr Burgess to discuss with Dominic so that the plan can be updated for the next meeting.

The review of the plan to be a priority for the July 2017 Meeting.

7. A Local Centre Project for Darton.

Linda updated members of the Principle Towns Project across the Borough A possible bid for Darton could include Darton Park Development and extended car parking provision to stimulate the visitor economy, community engagement and health and well being. A meeting for residents and businesses to be held on Tuesday 20th June.

8. Communications

Deferred to next Meeting

9 AOB

Clean and Green Team have repaired the fence at Darton Park

Action Point.: Richard to undertake a survey of all Ward Area Parks and Green Spaces

Date and Time of next Meeting:

24th July 2017 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting Minutes 3/5/2017

Present: Liz Grundy (Chair), Dorothy Hayes, Lee Swift, Cameron Stirk, Luke Holmes, John Love, Amy Walker, Sheila Lowe, Bill Gaunt.

Apologies: Cllr Anita Cherryholme, Michelle Cooper, Cllr Phil Lofts

Welcome Trevor Baugh, Brian Waddington.

Community Champions

The Community Champions Awards were made to both Trevor and Brian for their outstanding endeavour picking up litter in Wilthorpe Park.

Minutes of the last meeting. Approved as true record.

Matters Arising

- Dorothy Hayes asked about the reference to reducing loneliness and isolation: Liz Grundy and Lee Swift said that a South Yorkshire Housing Trust initiative was underway and that we intended to have a meeting which invite Darren Rowe (the South Yorkshire Housing representative for our district on this matter) to a future meeting. He could then inform us on what he is doing/achieving and we could see how this fitted into our objectives. In addition, work is being done at Emmanuel and this also needed to be taken into account. Liz said that we needed to get together and perform a Gap Analysis. Dorothy also identified that transport was a big problem for elderly people and that it went hand in hand with isolation.

Action: Lee to invite Darren to the next Ward Alliance Meeting

- John Love raised the issue of progress on cameras at the last meeting. Liz Grundy reported back that she has looked into this and spoken to John Hallows. He had received two cameras but he was not aware as to whom they belonged. Liz had identified that we have only purchased a single camera even though we discussed the option of purchasing a second camera. John Hallows can install the cameras in any location at our request.
- Dog bins. There are a number of locations selected for bins. A bin has been broken at Creswell Street. Cllr Grundy is arranging to have that replaced at no cost to the Ward Alliance. A new bin was suggested near Asda at the bottom of Honeywell Close.

Action: Lee to pass a WAF to Luke to complete for bin on Honeywell Cl

- Dog fouling signs. Lee Swift and Liz Grundy have been round to look the suggested locations. Lee presented a series photographs of these with a dog sign simulacrum

inserted. One missing location was identified which was the start of the Willow Bank opposite Rockingham Street. The locations were agreed.

Action: Lee to add Willowbank sign to the list of sites

Action: Lee to investigate owners of the land and get approval for these signs

Community champions.

A nomination was made for Noel James who picks up litter in the only between Salisbury Street and green football game that is the back of Granville Street. Liz is to contact him.

Action: Cllr Grundy to contact Noel James and invite to the next meeting.

Community resilience plan

Father Tomlinson has said that St Paul's have OK'd that St Paul's Church Hall can be used as an emergency venue. Plainly work on the roof may be an issue.

Media Sub Group

Bill stated that there needs to be a group to look at updating the website and also to help develop the next issue of the newsletter.

After discussion, it was agreed to push for the newsletter first, with the following articles identified:

- Friends of Wilthorpe Park – [Cllr Grundy](#)
- Pogmoor Area Residents – [Sheila](#)
- Willowbank Walk – [Bill](#)
- Dog Signs - [Lee](#)
- Emmanuel Church – [David Hines](#)
- Isolation article - ?
- Clean and Green Team – [Lee](#)

WAF Applications

Three applications were put forward but as the meeting was not quorate only recommendations can be made.

- Wilthorpe Park Notice Board.
Liz Grundy declared an interest but as chair (with no alternative available) she could hardly leave the meeting.
This application was generally agreed but the group recommended that the bid be deferred on the basis that 2 more quotes were requested.

Action: Lee to instruct the group to provide 2 more quotes

- Fencing at Brettas Park.
This application was reviewed and a member who had being to see this site said that replacing the low ranch style fencing with metre high bow top fencing would not stop footballs from going into the road, therefore, when the children went to retrieve the ball they would be channelled to a more dangerous part of the road. It was felt that the meeting couldn't make a decision and the parks department should be requested for their opinion.

- Action: Cllr Lofts to seek the opinion of BMBC Parks as to if the proposed work will be beneficial and solve the problems indicated

- Skips for Fleets clean up.

Whilst Lee Holmes made a declaration of Interest it was decided that he could best explain the needs and was not asked to leave the meeting.

The bid was for skips to undertake a clean up on the wooded area of the fleets as part of Love Where You Live. Luke stated that he is a local resident and he knows of at least 6 people who would help to undertake this. After discussion, it was agreed that the outcome of this bid is welcomed, but before it can be considered for approval, a number of questions will need to be answered:

- How are Barnsley College, ASDA, the Fleets and volunteers involved in this bid specifically?
- Who is coordinating and delivering this project?
- How long is the project expected to take?
- How long are the skips intended to be on site?
- Isn't it cheaper to hire a flat-back lorry from the Transfer Station across the road instead?
- What is the planned follow up work on this to encourage people to keep the area clean?
- Are the College and ASDA going to contribute anything?

Action: Lee to return the bid for Cllrs to consider these questions

Ward Plan

Lee Swift gave an explanation of what the plan is for the new members.

There have been some slight changes to the existing plan because various items had been achieved and the plan needed updating. A copy of the New Plan will be sent to Bill Gaunt for him to update on to the website.

It was agreed to look at a workshop event to develop new actions around June / July. Bill requested that the workshop explore more specific actions centred around the themes as opposed to working up actions and then fitting them to themes afterwards.

Forthcoming events

- Love Where You Live starts soon. An explanation was given for the benefit of new members.

Action: If members have any activities in June, consider passing them on to Lee for free publicity as part of the LWYL Month

- Old Town Carnival will be on the 2nd of July.

Any Other Business

Sheila asked if there was a possibility of some fencing being purchased and installed on Creswell Street to stop illegal parking.

Action: Lee to get costing of fence and send WAF to Sheila

Action: Sheila to complete WAF Form

Next meeting 7th of June at 7:30 Edith Perry Room BDGH.

Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting Wednesday 7th June 2017

Present

Cllr Anita Cherryholme (Chair), Cllr Liz Grundy

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift

Community Reps – John Love, Bill Gaunt, Sheila Lowe, Dorothy Hayes, Kirsty Summerfield, Luke Holmes

Apologies

Fr Craig Tomlinson Cllr Phil Lofts, Amy Walker, Michelle Cooper, Rev. Cameron Stirk

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as a true copy (but Honeywell Close referred to in the previous minutes is actually Honeywell Place).

Community Champions

- Noel James, the next recipient of the Community Champions Certificate was on holiday. It was agreed to invite him to the next meeting instead. – **ACTION Cllr Grundy**

Matters Arising

- Lee explained that he invited Darren Rowe from South Yorkshire Housing to come along and discuss their work around isolation and social prescribing. He didn't get a reply in time, and agreed to invite him again to the next meeting. – **ACTION Lee**
- Lee passed on the WAF application form to Luke for the replacement bin. It was confirmed that Neighbourhood Services are not currently replacing bins, but will honour the standard maintenance for the money given. Therefore, the bins will cost approx. £1,800 but if the bin gets broken or stolen, then they will NOT be repaired or replaced.
- Bill explained that he, Lee and Amy had met to discuss the newsletter and website format. Most articles are ready for the newsletter, except for the Emmanuel church and an article on isolation. It was agreed for Dorothy and Cllr Grundy to put something together for the isolation article. – **ACTION Dorothy and Cllr Grundy**. Sheila was asked to see if she had a better quality picture for the pogmoor article to send to Bill – **ACTION Sheila** Amy agreed to look at design options for the web page and let us know – **ACTION Amy**
- In terms of the fencing at Creswell St, Lee explained that he spoke to Russ Boland for a quote. He said it could be a lot cheaper if we just put in stakes rather than poles to connect them. He agreed to chase up with Paul Caswell for costings. – **ACTION Lee**

WAF – Applications

Funding update was given – WAF Budget as of 7th June 2017 £26,829.39

- **Wiltorpe Notice Board** - This was deferred as the companies approached for additional quotes haven't arrived yet.
- **LWYL Fleets Clean-up** - This was deferred until answers to the questions put forward have been received.
- **Brettas Park Fencing** – This bid has also been deferred until confirmation has been sought from Parks Services as outlined in the last minutes
- **Staying Healthy and Fit** – Ad Astra submitted a bid for a project with young people of the Old Town Ward, focussed around health and fitness. The project for £1,984 was approved, with the proviso that a report of the project be submitted to the Ward Alliance three months after it has begun, to show whether it has been a success.

- **Spring into Action** – This bid was submitted by St Mary’s Primary School Gardening club, and is looking at cutting back undergrowth, pruning trees and maintaining beds. Whilst the group welcomed a bid from the school, there was concern that the project involved cutting trees that likely belonged to the bowling club. Therefore, the bid was deferred until:
 - The group have received the other two quotes for the bid
 - The bowling club have given written permission for the trees to be cut
 - Andie Nixon at BMBC approved that the trees can be cut now, and not in Sept (due to nesting season).

Old Town Ward Plan

- A review is required once Michelle has returned - **ACTION Lee**

Love Where You Live Update

- Lee handed out volunteer cards for LWYL. This is so that any volunteers getting involved in future LWYL activities will be easier to record and hopefully will grant access to some prize support at a later point.
- Lee asked again for anyone who has activities that they would like us to promote, then please, get in touch.
- Sheila mentioned that there was going to be a clean-up at Creswell St on 28th June, 10am.

Mayor’s Parade

- Lee noted that the Area Team are going to have a walking procession as part of the Mayor’s Parade. We won a trophy last year for best walking group and want to achieve the same this time. We want bright, flashing clothing and everyone in LWYL shirts. If anyone on the Ward Alliance want to join in, then please let Lee know. - **ACTION All**

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY 5th July 2017
7PM IN THE EDITH PERRY ROOM BARNSELY HOSPITAL**

Appendix Four:

St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road
Thursday 11th May 2017 at 5:00pm

Present: Dave Leech, Jenny Platts, Sarah Tattersall (Chair), Clyde Black, Kath Bostwick, Madge Busby, Gemma Cobby, Ruth Gammon, David Gammon, John Hallows, Lee Swift and by invitation: Fiona O'Brien from Principal Towns, and Nicki Gough from Time for Tots
Apologies: Tony Lowe

Feeding Britain: This is a National initiative and Dan Jarvis invited the team to Barnsley for a workshop attended by key people working to address child poverty and food poverty in Barnsley. One of the projects mentioned was about feeding children in the school holidays. It was agreed for Jenny P to speak to a number of groups in our Ward to see if they would be interested in delivering this initiative.

Principal Towns: Fiona O'Brien spoke to the Ward Alliance about funding available for Principal Town and Local Centres. St. Helen's Shopping Area is a local centre. Fiona agreed to visit local businesses in our allocated area and try to arrange a joint working group with the Ward Alliance to agree any proposals to put forward for funding. These have to fit the set criteria for the project.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Matters arising: Growing Space Community Shop - there are ongoing drainage problems which are being addressed.

NLCC - No progress with regard to previous accounts. The secretary is to write a formal letter to Jill Barker of Bernslai Homes asking her to contact the previous management team to obtain the accounts, imposing a time scale.

Funding Applications:

Time for Tots - Nicki Gough gave a presentation in support of the application. The amount requested was increased by members to £700 to make provision for DBS checks.

St. Helen's Ward - this application was funded from the Councillors' Ward Alliance funds in view of the priority of erecting fencing on Carlton Road opposite the school. The application was formally approved for £4,000.

Gala: Secret Garden will hold their own event on the 2nd August. It is proposed we have our event on the Village Green on the 27th July but this is subject to

confirmation. A working party is to be set up. The secretary is to pass to Sarah Tattersall the paperwork from last year. It has been suggested we set up a tombola stall both at our own event and with Secret Garden. RG to facilitate. Health Event: This is proposed to be in September.

Ward Plan: Lee S circulated a copy of the up-to-date plan for brief discussion.

Treasurer's Report: Clyde Black provided his customary report which currently shows a balance of £26,010.13

Secretary's Report: David Gammon advised the meeting he will be standing down as secretary after our next meeting in June. The Councillors have been formally informed and DG will send a confirmatory email to all members. A vote of thanks was given for his work over the last four years.

Any Other Business: June is the Love Where You Live Volunteer Month. If Alliance members have any area they would like us to focus on they should let Lee S know.

Gemma Cobby gave a brief update of forthcoming events. David G will circulate this information once dates are known.

The meeting closed at 18:50.

The next meeting will be 5:00pm Thursday 22nd June at TARA.

St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road
Thursday 22nd June 2017 at 4:00pm

Present: Cllr. Dave Leech; Cllr. Jenny Platts (Chair); Cllr. Sarah Tattersall; Clyde Black; Kath Bostwick; Madge Busby; Gemma Cobby; Ruth & David Gammon; John Hallows; Tony Lowe; Freda Stenton; Lee Swift; Michelle Cooper by invitation; Helen Murphy of Coalfields Regeneration by invitation
Apologies: None

NLCC: Michelle Cooper of Ad Astra gave a short presentation on the substantial progress being made at the Centre with attendance numbers increasing supported by a wide range of activities. Information is to be obtained from VAB regarding Food Hygiene and First Aid courses.

Funding Applications:

Honey Pot Café - after a presentation by Jenny Ziolowski and Margaret Black the application was approved in full for £1139.85p. It was agreed it should be made clear to others using the facilities that the equipment was for Honey Pot's exclusive use.

Athersley Cares - Jacki and Christina MacKay outlined the gardening project in St. Helen's Churchyard, supported by the Clean & Green team. John Hallows, chair of Neighbourhood Watch is to discuss security with them. The application for £260 was approved.

Coffee Lodge - this project is to help provide a children eat free facility during the summer holidays and will be in addition to the Brunch Club, already proving successful. The kitchen is being run by Joanne and Michael Mann. The application for £285 was approved.

Feeding Britain pilot and Athersley Rec - both these schemes are being supported from the Councillors' funds but needed the approval of the Ward Alliance. £540 was approved for Feeding Britain and £500 for Athersley Rec for work on the car park.

Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes were approved.

Matters arising:

The drainage problem at the Community Shop has been resolved

Previous NLCC accounts are now to hand and bank statements ordered. Ruth G returned two unused blank cheques.

Principal Towns - Some initial idea were put forward but these need to be discussed in detail with the Ward Alliance. Fiona O'Brien is to be invited to the next WA meeting.

Flood Resilience: David G advised that letters had been delivered to local organisations with available space, including schools, churches, and WMC's. Replies are being received, all positive and this information will be forward to Simon Dobbie.

Gala: Preparations are in hand. There will be a clean-up of the Village Green site on 21st July. The Gala will open at 11:00 on Thursday 27th July. Ruth G is requesting items for the Tombola stall

Ward Plan: As there were no developments since our last meeting the Plan was carried forward.

Treasurer's Report: Clyde Black provided his customary report which currently shows a balance of £27,345.12

Secretary's Report: Activity focussed on the Flood Resilience register. As David G has now stood down as secretary, agendas and minutes will be undertaken by Cllr. Tattersall until a new secretary can be appointed.

Any Other Business:

It was agreed unanimously that our **future meetings should commence at 4pm** Permanent Christmas trees are to be planted at the Community Shop and NLCC. Pricing, soil type and tree species are being investigated.

Gemma Cobby attended to bid us farewell. We recorded a Vote of Thanks for her input this last year.

The meeting closed at 5:30

The next meeting will be at 4:00 pm Thursday 3rd August at TARA.