

## **NOTES OF PENISTONE EAST AND WEST WARD ALLIANCE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2016 AT PENISTONE TOWN HALL**

**Present:** Cllr R Barnard (Chair), Cllr J Unsworth, Cllr A Millner, B Green, J Cutts, A Rusby, A Pestell, R Leech, D Edmondson and B Blyth, John Hallows, (Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Group) and Mick O’Roarke (Penistone Youth Worker).

**In Attendance:** E Slater Penistone Area Council Manager and J Openshaw, Community Development Officer.

### **1. The chair opened the meeting with introductions.**

**2. Youth Service Update,** the Chair welcomed Mick O’Roarke who went on to update the meeting with an overview of the work and projects delivered at the Young Peoples Centre in Penistone. The Centre has been supported by the Ward Alliance to deliver a wide range of environmentally focussed projects. The centre continues to offer practical engagement of young people within the Penistone area. The environmental focus of the projects has enabled the centre to forge strong links with the Walls and Woods project commissioned by the Area Council. An open invitation to visit the centre was extended to members. The Chair thanked Mick for his presentation.

**3. Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Group** the chair welcomed John Hallows who gave an informative presentation on the work of the liaison group who are a borough wide group of Neighbourhood Watch Schemes. One of their initiatives is the deployment of CCTV cameras into resident’s homes in the last 3 years cameras have been used in 250 premises. John went on to explain how the cameras were used and how the information is recorded. Since September 2015 the cameras have been deployed across Penistone 8 Times. The project currently has 25 with 50% over 5 years old; proposals are to update the cameras with at least one per ward. Members questioned john on the use of cameras in rural areas and how the installations are requested and the cost of the equipment. The chair thanked john for his informative presentation.

**4. Apologies:** Cllr P Hand-Davis, Cllr D Griffin, Cllr J Wilson, A James, B Meek, K Richardson, and S Webber.

### **5. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interest**

None declared

### **6. Notes of the Meeting Held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

The notes were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

### **7. Matters Arising**

**Remembering the Battle of the Somme,** the Community Development Officer, updated the meeting distributing information on 6 individuals from Penistone who were killed on the first day of the battle 1<sup>st</sup> July 1916. He also reported that St Johns Junior School had expressed an interest in being part of the project.

**Older Persons Project,** B Blyth gave an update on the development of the project proposal.

## **8. Applications for Financial Assistance**

The Community Development Officer gave an update of the funding available.

### **The following applications for financial assistance were considered:-**

**a. The Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Group** the provision of CCTV Cameras for use around the Borough for security purposes, to identify Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour, and other quality of life issues.

Members recommended an allocation of £1,000.00

**b. Thurgoland Welfare Village Hall**, the installation of a hearing loop, the community centre is used by many community groups serving the elderly, many of whom are hard of hearing.

The total project cost is £986.00 the request is for £586.00.

Members recommended an allocation of £586.00

## **9. Clean and Tidy Service**

The Community Development Officer gave an update on the project and the work undertaken to date.

## **8. Any Other Business**

### **a. Community Magazine**

Members were questioned on receipt of the magazines some areas had not received copies and others have received copies of the publication produced by other area councils.

### **b. Clean For The Queen**

The Community Development officer reported on an initiative by the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday a national clean up on the weekend of 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> June. If members wanted to arrange an event the Penistone team were available to give support.

### **c. Community Defibrillator,**

The Community Development officer reported on an application submitted to the British Heart Foundation for three defibrillators to be located at Hoylandswaine Cricket Club, Tesco's and Millhouse Institute.

### **d. Round Table Sleigh**

Members were updated on the success of the Round Tables Christmas event and the sleigh funded by the Ward Alliance.

## **9. Date and time of next meeting –**

Members agreed that the next meeting would be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016 7pm at Penistone Town Hall, requesting a timetable of dates for the rest of the year.

**The meeting closed at 8:30pm**