

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting
22 September 2014

Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Council Procurement and Commissioning Update

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report updates members on the progress of procurement and contracting commissions for the following:

Dearne Training for Employment – Skills for Work Priority

Dearne Additional Enforcement Officers – Improved Environment Priority

2.0 Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 **Members note the progress on the procurement and contracting arrangements for the Additional Enforcement and Training for Employment commissions.**
- 2.2 **Members note the Financial Position Update and discuss any forthcoming ideas for future commissions they wish to progress.**

3.0 Training for Employment Project Commission Update

- 3.1 A pre-contract meeting between the Dearne Area Council Manager, NPS Barnsley and the successful provider Voluntary Action Barnsley (VAB) took place on Wednesday 13 August, 2014 to discuss and agree a rescheduled payment agreement and outputs timetable which takes into account a start date of 1 October for the project. NPS Barnsley officers are presently drawing up the contract in discussion with VAB for a planned start date of 1 October 2014.

4.0 Additional Enforcement Commission Update

- 4.1 The two Private Sector Housing and Environment Officers (1 funded through the Economic Strategy and 1 through Dearne Area Council), as well as the generic Environmental Enforcement Officer funded through the Dearne Area Council are now in post under the day to day line management of the Dearne Tasking Officer. The Tasking Officer will give a verbal update to the Dearne Area Council on the activity to date of the 3 additional officers.

5.0 Financial Position Update

- 5.1 The financial position of the Dearne Area Council remains unchanged from the

last report with £144,381 being committed from its £200,000 leaving a remainder of £55,619. If no further commissioning come forward for the current financial year this amount along with any underspend of the £144,381 will be earmarked to go forward and show as an add on to the 2015/16 budget.

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