

Wombwell Community Alliance

Held in Library at 6pm on 10/3/15

Present

Cllr Rob Frost	Chair
Cllr Dick Wraith	Vice Chair
Brian Whitaker	Treasurer
Joan Whitaker	We Love Wombwell
Alan Taylor	
Wendy Slater	BMBC
Jola Walker	Bernslai Homes
Sara Brautigam	Secretary

Apologies

Cllr Margaret Morgan, John Copper, Julie Bovan, Graham Wright.

Wendy read out an email informing the group of Tony Dutton's decision to resign with immediate effect. It was decided that more people need to be encouraged to join the alliance to make sure further meetings remain quorate.

Minutes of last meeting and Matters Arising

For clarity and governance purposes it was requested that the following be added to the minutes:

Since the resignation of the former secretary, the Ward Alliance has struggled to find a replacement. During a discussion at a members briefing on the subject it was mentioned that the Senior Local Support Officers daughter was looking for work based opportunities, and was willing to be considered for this role.

It was agreed to take the proposal, that Sara be considered for the post in line with Ward Alliance guidance including the bursary payment, to the Ward Alliance meeting for approval.

At the meeting on 10th February 2015 it was agreed that she be appointed as the non-executive Ward Alliance Secretary without voting rights, by unanimous vote. The Secretary Agreement will be completed and the bursary of £125 be paid quarterly in arrears as per the governance terms.

The minutes were agreed subject to this addition.

Market Update

Wendy proposed a funding bid that Markets had placed for £200, this will be for the 4 planned extra markets this year and will cover costs of things like cream eggs, incidentals and little prizes to help make them more of a family event. She also informed the group that there may be a potential for them wanting some more funding in the future if they can not source a catwalk for the fashion show. The alliance agreed full funding of £200 for markets, this was a unanimous decision with all present.

The question was raised about the number of stalls available for April event, Wendy to contact markets and forward the information to the alliance members.

Treasurers Report

A written financial report was given for Alliance and Public Health funding Brian raised the question that if the alliance needed more money, if this was possible and how to do it. It was suggested the alliance could look into the possibility of putting a bid in against themselves. Wendy is to look into this and report back to the group.

Brian also asked about the potential to close down the group bank account in case funding wasn't continued next year, Wendy informed the group that the funding will carry over into next year, relieving the pressure to spend the £15000, it was also brought to the groups attention that they should consider using the Portas money on relocating the fences in the market, and also the possibility of any remaining money on Christmas lights and hanging baskets. The group agreed that a site visit needed to be conducted with Markets to create a plan as to where they wanted the fences relocating to. Also collate quotes for doing the work.

ACTION: Area Team to arrange a site visit after Purdah.

Funding Application

No direct applications were brought to the alliance.

Wendy informed the group about the 12 Miles North production team being in contact with her looking for an empty shop that they could use to put their play on. The Alliance group stated they full supported the group and would try and provide any help needed.

Rob informed the group about the Qudos Anti-Smoking play and the possibility of funding the project to help it get into schools. An approach had been made to Netherwood, but with no response, he therefore was going to approach the primaries and report back to the group.

Alan asked the alliance about their views on the pictures in the library and if they thought it would be better to reuse the frames but have pictures of Wombwell in them rather than generic photos of Barnsley. He told the alliance that the rough costings to enlarge each individual photo would be between £25-£40. It was suggested that if the library were to fill in the application form for the funding, the alliance could use the room hire in payment in kind. Alan also said that the Alliance could reframe the photos.

ACTION: Alan to submit a funding bid.

Tidy Team Update

There was nothing to report for The Tidy Team as the meeting was cancelled.

Steering Group Update

Jola asked the group about the possibility of match funding car parking spaces on Kitchen Road, Wendy told her this was not something that would be eligible for Ward Alliance funding.

She asked the group about the possibility of turning a land locked area into a community garden, to help encourage growing healthy food potentially on Washington Avenue. Also look at Mind having a section of the garden for them to use. The alliance agreed in principle.

ACTION: Jola is to look into plans and bring them to another meeting when they have been decided.

Alliance Monitoring

The alliance were in agreement that everything was working well, their main focus is to keep supporting Rob as the Chair.

They also asked for a collation of all the information gathered from all the areas in the Alliance Monitoring.

ACTION: Area Team to provide data from other Ward Alliances when available.

A.O.B.

Poo in the park, the group agreed there needed to be an assessment of the park to decide whether they will be doing the project again this year.

ACTION: Area Team to co-ordinate.

Wendy informed the group that due to the restructure this was her last meeting for the alliance, the group collectively showed there appreciation for all the work she has done over the past year to help get the group to where they are now.

Next Meeting

Thursday 21st May at 6pm at Wombwell Library

Tuesday 14th July 6pm

Tuesday 8th Sept 6pm