

<b>MEETING:</b>	North Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 1 February 2016
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 1, Barnsley Town Hall

## AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

### Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 23rd November 2015 (*Pages 3 - 6*)

### Items for Information

- 3 National Citizen Service (*Pages 7 - 12*)  
Guest speaker with presentation

### Performance

- 4 Procurement Update (*Pages 13 - 14*)
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### Ward Alliances

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- 7 Notes of the Ward Alliance Meetings (*Pages 33 - 46*)  
Darton East – held on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015  
Darton West – held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
Old Town – held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015  
St Helen's – held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016

To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

Councillors Burgess (Chair), Cave, Cherryholme, Duerden, Grundy, Howard, Leech, Miller, Platts, Spence and Tattersall

Area Council Support Officers:

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Friday, 22 January 2016

<b>MEETING:</b>	North Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 23 November 2015
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 14, Barnsley Town Hall

## MINUTES

**Present** Councillors Burgess (Chair), Cave, Cherryholme, Grundy, Howard, Spence and Tattersall

### 34 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

### 35 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 21st September 2015 (Nac.23.11.2015/2)

The Area Council received the minutes of the previous meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015 be approved as a true and correct record.

Minute no. 24 - it was highlighted that a Councillor representative from each ward also sits on the financial inclusion project steering group, alongside the Area Council Manager.

Minute no. 27 (ii) – it was agreed that the Area Council Manager will establish detailed information in respect of the fee payable to BMBC Enforcement Services.

Minute no. 27 (iii) – following enquiries made to the Legal Department, income received from littering, dog fouling fines and nuisance parking can be used to offset the cost of procuring the service in the future.

### 36 Sheffield City Region - DEC Representative

Martin Beasley, Economic Policy Manager, Economic Regeneration, was welcomed to the meeting to speak about the Sheffield City Region (SCR) Strategic Economic Plan and Devolution update. Key issues to note included:

- This is an economic deal. The SCR single pot for economic growth includes the £30m x 30 years allocation.
- The Combined Authority (CA) Mayoral governance remit will not have powers over the Police and Health Services.
- Full devolution of the Adult Skills Budget for college and training providers and co-design and co-commissioning of new employment programmes
- The directly elected Mayor and CA will receive powers from Whitehall rather than aggregate powers from local areas.
- Skills, infrastructure, housing and business growth are key objectives.

- There is much to be negotiated over the coming months, with the current Spending Review process a significant issue.

It was highlighted that Barnsley will be leading on the £3.8m business start up programme. The Business Plan will be submitted by 4<sup>th</sup> December. Chesterfield, North-East Derbyshire and Bolsover have pulled out due to financial constraints.

It was reported that as Barnsley borders West Yorkshire it is also involved with the Leeds City Region (LCR) partnership, where a much simpler approach is used.

It was pointed out that the North Area Council has contributed to the skills development objective with the Internship project. The Enterprising Young People project has also been very successful.

RESOLVED that a workshop will be set up in each Ward to test out ideas for skills and business development and to identify gaps.

Martin Beasley was thanked for his attendance and contribution.

### **37 Celebration Event Update (Nac.23.11.2015/4)**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item and updated Members with respect to the organisation of the event, which is to take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November with a 6.30 p.m. start. A briefing note will be sent out to all Members, outlining their responsibilities as hosts for the event. The event will provide an opportunity for the Ward Alliances to showcase their work alongside the Stronger Communities Grants projects and Area Council commissioned projects. The main outcomes will be 'learning, sharing and networking'. Invitations have gone out to all identified groups, with confirmed guests standing at 53 as of today's date.

### **38 Community Magazine Update (Nac.23.11.2015/5)**

The Area Council Manager provided members with an update on the development of the North Area Council Community Magazine. Comments which have been received will be taken away by Corporate Communications. All members will receive a copy of the final draft prior to publication on Friday and distribution on 14<sup>th</sup> December along with CAB and DIAL leaflets. The Area Council Chair and Manager will oversee any further changes. It was pointed out that this is an opportunity to share with residents the good work which has taken place in the North Area Council area.

### **39 Procurement Update (Nac.23.11.2015/6)**

The Area Council Manager provided Members with an update with respect to the financial position and forecast for expenditure together with updates regarding the procurement of the Summer Holiday Internship 2016 project and the Environmental Enforcement procurement project for service provision post March 2016. It was highlighted that £68,483 remains uncommitted from the 2014/15 and 2016/17 budgets. Future budget allocations for post 2016/17 remain unclear. Future contracts will be let on a year by year basis with break clauses. The Summer Holiday Internship tender is out to advert at the moment with a return date for expressions of interest of 7<sup>th</sup> December. It is envisaged that interviews will be held in January. The Environment Enforcement tender will be advertised in early December.

**RESOLVED** that the North Area Council considers how the remaining funding is utilised to meet the needs of the Area, concentrating on the design and procurement of projects which will address the Area priorities.

#### **40 Commissioned Projects Performance Report (Nac.23.11.2015/7)**

The Area Council Manager provided an update with respect to the Summer Holiday Internship project 2015 together with the Environment Enforcement project. It was noted that although C & K Careers Summer Holiday Internship project delivered well against outcomes, it fell short of the total number of young people enrolling on the 2015 programme despite initial positive interest from schools. 86 students from the North and North East were engaged by the end of July against a target of 120. The successful provider for summer 2016 will be expected to link in with all the eligible colleges to ensure maximum participation in the project.

The Environmental Enforcement service provided by Kingdom Security met all agreed outcomes. To date 176 fixed penalty notices (FPNs) and 58 parking charge notices (PCNs) have been issued in the area. The number of FPNs/PCNs has decreased over recent months, due to a combination of education and officers concentrating on parking contraventions. Sustainability and continued Area Council investment was discussed in relation to the future of this project.

The juvenile 'litter pick' case study was discussed. Juveniles committing an offence of littering are offered the opportunity to discharge the liability for the offence through attending an organised litter pick rather than a financial penalty. To date 35 juveniles have opted for the litter pick.

**RESOLVED** that Members note the Project Performance Reports for the Summer Holiday Internship and the Environmental Enforcement Service.

#### **41 Stronger Communities Grant Performance Report (Nac.23.11.2015/8)**

The Area Council Manager outlined the performance of the five Stronger Communities Grants Projects, which are Ad Astra Barnsley CIC – Broadening Horizons; Athersley Cares; Romero Communities; Greenworks Barnsley and RVS – Barnsley North Looking Out for Older People. More detailed performance information will be provided at the next relevant meeting.

#### **42 Report on the use of Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Nac.23.11.2015/9)**

The report was introduced by the Area Council Manager, and attention drawn to the levels of finance carried forward, and current levels of expenditure in respect of the Devolved Ward Budget, Ward Alliance Fund and Public Health financial contribution. Members were reminded of the need to prioritise the efficient expenditure of the remaining budgets, in line with guidance on spend.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

#### **43 Notes from the following Ward Alliances (Nac.23.11.2015/10)**

The meeting received the notes from the Darton East Ward Alliance held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September and 8<sup>th</sup> October; Darton West Ward Alliance held on 12<sup>th</sup> October; Old Town Ward Alliance held on 14<sup>th</sup> October and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 8<sup>th</sup> October.

In Darton West a 'Monday Afternoon Club' is being developed to encourage engagement and involvement of older residents. The Ward Alliance is also working with Darton College who have generously provided some IT training.

It was reported that the litter pick at Asda went well, with 62 bags collected in less than 2 hours. It was reported that Barnsley Football Club are looking at placements for young people as part of the National Citizenship Service programme. It was felt that this should follow on from the summer internship programme.

A blue Norwegian spruce 'memory tree' has been erected at the New Hope Methodist Church in the St. Helens Ward, with funding from the devolved ward budget. Thanks were expressed to the Forge who have transformed 10 out of 20 of the community allotments, which people are now coming forward for.

**RESOLVED** that the notes of the respective Ward Alliances be noted.

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Chair



# National Citizen Service

- Programme for Year 11 & 12 students (or equivalent age)
- Government funded – Football League Trust – Barnsley FC
- Started delivery in 2011
- **NCS Nationally:** Over 130,000 YP have taken part so far
- **Yorkshire & Humber :** Past year - 4227 young people



IT ALL STARTS AT *YES*



## NCS Programme

Week 1: Take part in a spectrum of adrenaline-fuelled activities designed to push the young people, build confidence and develop skills such as teamwork, decision making and leadership.

Week 2: During this time the YP will develop important life skills and start to find their own independence through learning to budget, cook for themselves and look after each other.

Week 3 & 4: Put all the skills and experiences they have learnt into practice as a team, by completing a social action project in the community.



**IT ALL STARTS AT YES**





# Local Picture

Barnsley Fc NCS Summer from 2013 to 2015

School Name	Summer 2013	Summer 2014	Summer 2015	Total overall
Shafton	16	23	47	86
Horizon	6	28	37	71
Carlton	9	20	26	55
Penistone	6	18	21	45
Netherwood	22	3	16	41
Darton	7	22	4	33
Holy Trinity	4	10	11	25
Kirk Balk	2	4	16	22
Dearne ALC	2	0	19	21
Barnsley Academy	0	4	3	7



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## How you can help

- Provide 1 social action project
- Encourage students to sign up
- Contacts with school governors



**IT ALL STARTS AT YES**



## Why you should get involved

### **No work or cost for you**

No extra work load or financial cost attached. NCS is fully delivered by a network of professionals

### **Fully Staffed**

Young people are in groups of 15 with 2 members of staff so they will be never left alone.

### **Puts you on the community's map**

Your students will engage the local community, providing you with great PR opportunities by shining a light on all the great things young people from your school do

### **Practical skills for employment and life**

NCS can give your students the edge in today's competitive job market, giving them the leadership, team building and problem solving skills employers look for on CVs



**IT ALL STARTS AT YES**



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IT ALL STARTS AT *YES*

# Item 4

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:  
2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016

Agenda Item: 4

Report of North Area Council  
Manager

### Procurement Update

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides the Area Council with a financial position and forecast for expenditure.
- 1.2 This report provides an update regarding the procurement of the Summer Holiday Internship 2016
- 1.3 This report an update on the Environmental Enforcement procurement for service provision post March 2016.

#### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **The North Area Council should give consideration to how the remaining funding is utilised to meet the needs of the North Area.**
- 2.2. **Members should consider which priorities they wish to concentrate on for design and procurement of further commissioned projects which will address the Area priorities.**

#### 3. Background

- 3.1. At the Area Council meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> July it was agreed in principle to run a Summer Holiday Internship in 2016, provided the feedback from summer 2015 was satisfactory. C&K Careers delivered an engaging Celebratory Evening for participants on 15<sup>th</sup> September and attend the North Area Council on 21<sup>st</sup> September to deliver a presentation on the delivery over the summer months. Following which it was agreed to proceed with the commissioning of the 2016 project. Up to £45,000 has been allocated for this project.
- 3.2. Following a review of North Area Council priorities The North Area Council agreed to continue with the commissioning of an environmental enforcement service. The current contractual agreement runs until the end of March 2016. £125,000 per annum has been earmarked to fund this service provisionally for two years.

3.3. To recommission both of the services opportunities needed to be advertised and a full procurement process was necessary.

#### **4. Procurement Progress Update**

4.1. The Summer Holiday Internship tender opportunity was advertised in November 2015 with a closing date of 7<sup>th</sup> December. At the time of writing the paper based evaluation and moderation has been completed and the provider interviews will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> January. This is to enable the successful provider to begin working with the school from February 2016.

4.2. The Environmental Enforcement tender opportunity was advertised in December 2015 with a closing date of 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016. At the time of writing the individual evaluations are complete. The panel moderation meeting will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> January and the interviews will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> January.

#### **5. Financial Position**

5.1. The appendix below shows a breakdown of the North Area Council's expenditure. Based on the current profiled spend agree with the providers the North Area Council has £66,562 uncommitted from the period 2014/15 – 2016/17 budgets.

5.2. No clear indication has been given regarding the future budget allocations for Area Councils post 2016-17. For the foreseeable future contracts will be let on a year by year basis with break clauses.

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12<sup>th</sup> January 2016

# Item 5

## BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:  
1<sup>st</sup> February 2016

Agenda Item: 5

Report of North Area Council  
Manager

### **Commissioned Project Performance Updates – Anti-Poverty – Community Outreach Project, Environment - Clean and Green Service and Health and Wellbeing – Now You're Cooking Project**

#### **1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report includes a performance report for three of the current commissioned projects.

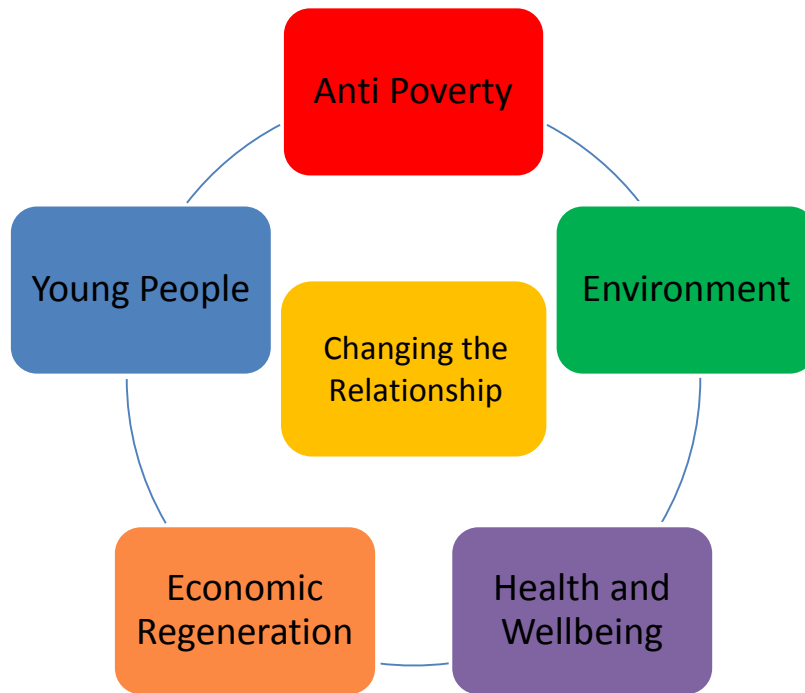
#### **2. Recommendations**

**It is recommended that:**

- 2.1 **Members note Appendix 1, Project Performance Report for Anti-Poverty – Community Outreach Project.**
- 2.2 **Member note Appendix 2, Project Performance Report for NAC Clean and Green Service.**
- 2.3 **Members note Appendix 3, Output figures of the Now Your Cooking Project. Member should note that this contract ends in mid April 2016.**

#### **3. Background**

- 3.1 In late 2013 North Area Council agreed the following priorities which were identified following a series of workshops at which members considered a range of statistical and consultation data from a variety of sources:



3.2 The appendices to this report provide a performance update for three of the commissioned services. The table below show the funding allocation for each project.

	Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract start date
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Financial Inclusion Service	CAB & DIAL	£145,000 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015
<b>Environment</b>	Clean & Green Community Development	The Forge, Anvil CIC	£150,000 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Healthy Eating Project	South and West Yorkshire (NHS) Foundation Trust	£98,893 18 months	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2014

#### 4.0 Performance

- 4.1 Appendix 1 shows that CAB and DIAL are delivering well against all of its outcomes and outputs. Demand for the service has been high than initially anticipated.
- 4.2 Appendix 2 shows that The Forge have required time to learn about the geography of the North Area, familiarise themselves with the local green spaces and begin to build working relationships with the Ward Alliances and other groups involved in clean and green related activities.



- 4.3 Appendix 3 shows that SWYPFT have exceeded their targets for the Cook and Eat Project over the last quarter. The qualitative feedback is also to a high standard.
- 4.4 All new contracts will have break clauses included in the contract arrangements to ensure that the Area Council can react if the budget allocation is amended.

**5.0 Review of Priorities / Allocation of funds**

- 5.1 The Now You're Cooking project will end on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016. The Area Council Manager has received no instruction to extend this contract.
- 5.2 Members should consider which existing projects they wish to prioritise, based on the information provided.
- 5.3 Members should consider which priorities they wish to concentrate for design and procurement of further commissioned projects.

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**18<sup>th</sup> January 2015**

## Appendix 1: Project Performance Report for Anti Poverty – Community Outreach Project

### CAB & DIAL - Quarterly report received on 7th Jan 2016

<b>Anti-Poverty</b>		<b>RAG</b>
	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Milestones achieved	●
	Outcome indicator targets met	●
	Social value targets met	●
	Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
<b>Economic Regeneration</b>	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

#### Overview

Advisers from CAB Barnsley and DIAL are delivering outreach sessions as follows:	
<b>Old Town Ward</b> Emmanuel Church Huddersfield Road, Barnsley S75 1DT Every Monday 9 - 1 pm	<b>Darton East Ward</b> Mapplewell Village Hall Darton Lane, Barnsley S75 6AL Every Wednesday 1 - 5pm
<b>Darton West Ward</b> The Darton Centre Huddersfield Road, Darton S75 5NB Every Thursday 9 - 1pm	<b>St Helens Ward</b> Roundhouse Lifelong Learning Centre Laithes Crescent, Barnsley S71 3AE Every Friday 12.30 – 4.30pm

The provision of this service commenced on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and is delivered by CAB and DIAL. The contract is one year (plus one year subject to contract).

CAB described the uptake of provision has been unprecedented. There has been a rapid uptake, with 14 clients accessing the service in the 1<sup>st</sup> week. It is believed the service is very popular because there are no appointments and people know that they can have immediate access to information and advice.

26% of service users are retired

27% of service users are Berneslai Homes tenants.

## **1. Performance monitoring, Quarter 1 reports**

### a. Milestones

All milestones relating to the contract have been achieved.

### b. Outcomes

A total of 128 client impact evaluations have been completed. This involved benchmarking their perceived wellbeing at initial contact stage.

86% reported feeling less stressed

38% report they feel more able to manage their own affairs

38% report they are experiencing improved health and wellbeing

An existing volunteer form CAB has been deployed to act as a receptionist at the Darton Centre.

### c. Outputs

The output figures are currently exceeding the expectations of the performance monitoring targets. To date 205 people have accessed the provision. The highest attendance figures are within the Darton East Ward with 33% of the total clients. The Old Town venue was initially the quietest outreach session but attendance has increased.

50 clients have received advice relating to benefit gains which are estimated to bring an additional £177,053 of income to the North Area.

### d. Case Studies

Three case studies were provided.

## **2. Communication, promotion and marketing**

Representatives have now attended three out of the four Ward Alliances and are keen to attend the fourth as soon as possible.

## **3. Steering Group**

The steering group has now met twice and is attended by NAC representatives: Cllr Miller, Cllr Burgess, Cllr Cherryholme and Cllr Leach.

## Appendix 2: Project Performance Report for North Clean and Green Project

### The Forge – Anvil CIC

	RAG	
Environment	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
	Milestones achieved	●
Changing the Relationship	Outcome indicator targets met	●
	Social value targets met	●
	Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Economic Regeneration	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

The Forge have been commissioned to work in partnership with local people to achieve results and build community resilience in relation to environmental improvement and community ownership. Enabling local residents and business owners to participate via a community development and participation model. The Forge will be working with the Ward Alliances to identify and develop projects which will be delivered in partnership with local people. The recruitment, engagement and motivation of volunteers is key to the delivery of this contract if Forge are to help realise projects through project design and leadership.

Securing this project resulted in the recruitment of three new employees for The Forge. The team have spent much of the first quarter orientating themselves in the North Area and learning about the geography of the area. They have attended all of the Ward Alliances to understand what the different communities want to realise this has led to more detailed meeting with community groups and Councillors to develop and action plan of projects for delivery.

The NAC Clean and Green Team are in the process of establishing a base within the North Area. This will reduce travelling for the time and make them more efficient. It will also help give them a greater sense of autonomy and personal responsibility.

Quarter 1 report to follow which will provide further information on this contract.

## Appendix 3: Output figures for Now You're Cooking Project

### SWYPFT – Quarter 1 report received on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016

	RAG	
Health and Wellbeing	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
	Milestones achieved	●
Anti Poverty	Outcome indicator targets met	●
	Social value targets met	●
Changing the Relationship	Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

As illustrated in the table above, SWYPFT are meeting all milestones and targets set. There is overall satisfaction that the service is performing well and is making good progress in line with the contract. The Quarter 2 Contract Management Meeting was held on 24<sup>th</sup> April.

N.B. The Yr2 Q1 Contract management meeting for this contract had not taken place at the time of writing. The meeting will take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January. However SWYPFT had submitted their quarterly report, please find extracts below.

#### Yr2 Q1 – Output figures:

- 56 people completed cook and eat courses during. These figures exceed the targets by over 50% for this quarter.
- 6 volunteers have been trained to deliver cook and eat sessions
- 9 participants have completed the 'Train the Trainer' course.
- 5 community volunteers have been trained to run a luncheon club. They are awaiting a food hygiene certificate before opening to the public.

*Unfortunately 2 scheduled courses were cancelled for Roundhouse Resource Centre & St John Evangelist Church Staincross.*

## **Yr2 Q1 – Outcome Information**

12 lifestyle questionnaires have been completed by participants. 58% indicated an improvement in their lifestyle choices after completing the cook and eat training. Evaluation forms were completed which demonstrate: intention to change, positive changes and change in knowledge. In the last quarter 100% of participants have shown positive behaviour changes as a result of accessing the training provision.

Service user feedback:

### **Evaluation Feedback – Cook & Eat Training Tara 14.9.2015 – 23.11.2015**

- I learning a different way to cook peppers
- I tried our new vegetables, cooking without salt, sugar & fat
- I learnt how to eat healthier and the meals we cooked were different, recipes were varied and enjoyable
- I learnt to try different ingredients and that you can cook a meal on a small budget
- I learnt how to use ingredients available eg cupboard items
- I learnt a lot which will help with my diet

### **Evaluation Feedback – Train the Trainer 24.11.2015**

#### **Has the course met your expectations?**

This has been an excellent course and I have learnt a lot about food. Really good session. Enjoyed it and some helpful advice. This has been an excellent course, very informative. Friendly and informative.

#### **How will this course influence your work?**

We are going to carry on with the cook & eat ourselves. Working with young people this course supports our work. It will help to pass information onto new members to our group. I will be able to put into practice what we have learnt and it has given me lots of tips. Use the information sheets to refer to.

#### **Were you happy with the facilitators' delivery of the course**

Very happy with the facilitators, they have been excellent with us all and we will miss them in the future. Great team, complimented each other throughout. Brilliant presenters. We all enjoyed the course. Easy going environment and chatting while learning.

#### **What did you find useful about the course and why?**

The information shared. Learning about healthy eating was good. Hygiene and risk assessment of the kitchen. Food hygiene and hidden sugars & fats, food portion sizes.

**Looking ahead to Yr2 Q2:**

Darton East – Cook and eat – Wesleyan Church, Mapplewell – 14/1/16 for 6 weeks, 10am-12 Thurs mornings.

Darton West – Cook and eat – Cubs – 19/1/16 for 4 weeks, 6pm – 8pm Tues evenings.

Old Town – Cook and eat – Ad Astra – 11/1/16 for 6 weeks, 4pm – 5.30pm Mon evenings.

St Helen's – Luncheon Club development hoping to start in Feb 15. Fri mornings 12-2pm

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# Item 6

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council:  
2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016**

**Agenda Item: 6**

**Report of the  
North Area Council Manager**

### Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Funds

#### **1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report updates the North Area Council on progress in each Ward in expending the Devolved Ward Budget, Ward Alliance Fund and Public Health financial contribution.

#### **2. Recommendation**

**That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the remaining Devolved Ward Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds in line with the guidance on spend.**

#### **3.0 Introduction**

- 3.1 As part of the decisions made by the Council's Cabinet in 2013 each Ward was allocated an annual Devolved Ward Budget of £20,000 and each Ward Alliance a fund of £10,000. Please note that as of April 2015 the Devolved Ward Budget has been reduced to £10,000 per Ward.
- 3.2 When considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Funds, Members need to be satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.
- 3.3 In addition each ward received an allocation of £7,000 from Public Health in 2013/14. Any underspend has been carried forward into 2015/16 and is included in the Ward Alliance budget. This funding is to be utilised to drive forward the actions within local ward actions plans that can demonstrate an improvement in health and well-being and an asset based approach to community development.
- 3.4 In considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget, Members will need to be satisfied that:
- it meets a recognised need for the Ward,
  - it is in the wider public interest (whole community can potentially benefit),
  - it represents value for money.

#### **4.0 Position Statement**

- 4.1 The full grant allocation for the North Area Council, which is £134,390.97 for the 2015/16 financial year. This is made up of a £60,351.34 Devolved Ward Budget allocation, a £74,039.63 Ward Alliance allocation (which includes the Public Health funding).
- 4.2 To date, the North Area Council has committed £33,896.18 of its £60,351.34 Devolved Ward Budget allocation.
- 4.3 To date the North Area Ward Alliances have committed £39,003.36 of their £74,039.63 combined allocation for 2015/16.
- 4.4 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

#### **5.0 Challenges**

- 5.1 The devolved ward budget allocation has been reduced for the financial year 2015/16 from £20,000 per ward to £10,000. All wards have had an opportunity to discuss their annual commitments in ward briefings and agree which projects should be prioritised in the future council arrangements.
- 5.2 The deadline has now elapsed for projects requiring a long lead in time. For example Highways projects.
- 5.3 It is not yet know whether it will be permitted to roll funding for ward into 2016/17. It is therefore recommended that the efficient expenditure of both the Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Fund is given a high priority by each Ward.
- 5.4 All wards have taken an opportunity to consult on their ward plan during 2014/15 which should enable all Ward Alliances to review their ward plans and ensure that their priorities are fit for purpose moving forwards. Ward are continuing with further consultation this year to refine their priorities where appropriate.

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**Appendix 1: North Area Council (January 2016) Update**  
**Devolved Ward Budget Overview**

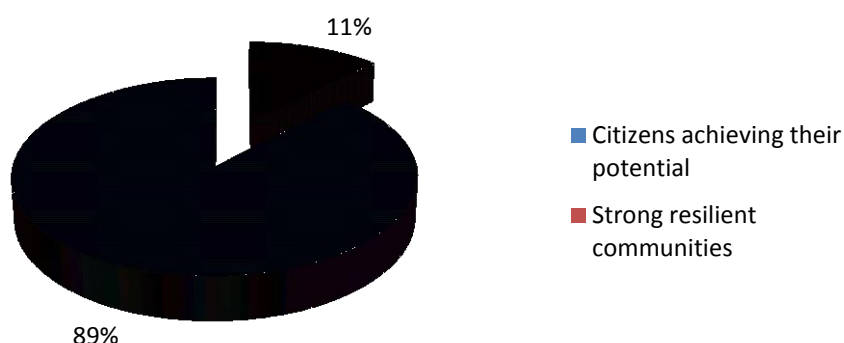
The North Area Council has a Devolved Ward Budget grant allocation of £60,354.34 for the 2015-2016 financial year. This allocation, broken down by Ward below, is made up of a £40,000 allocation for 2015-2016, and a carry forward allocation of £20,354.34 from the 2014-2015 financial year.

<b>2015/2016 DEVOLVED WB</b>	<b>Carry Forward 2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16 allocation</b>	<b>Full 2015-16 Allocation</b>
<b>NORTH</b>	<b>£ 20,354.34</b>	<b>£ 40,000.00</b>	<b>£ 60,354.34</b>
Darton East	£ 12,672.60	£ 10,000.00	£ 22,672.60
Darton West	£ 766.81	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,766.81
Old Town	£ 5,589.69	£ 10,000.00	£ 15,589.69
St Helens	£ 1,325.24	£ 10,000.00	£ 11,325.24

To date, the North Area Council has committed £33,896.18 of its £60,351.34 Devolved Ward Budget allocation, with £10,555.50 of this commitment being charged.

<b>2015/2016 DEVOLVED WB</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Committed spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>
<b>NORTH</b>	<b>£ 60,354.34</b>	<b>£ 33,896.18</b>	<b>£ 26,458.16</b>	<b>£ 10,555.50</b>
Darton East	£ 22,672.60	£ 10,792.02	£ 11,880.58	£ 5,047.02
Darton West	£ 10,766.81	£ 5,760.66	£ 5,006.15	£ 95.00
Old Town	£ 15,589.69	£ 16,111.18	<b>-£ 521.49</b>	£ 3,839.98
St Helens	£ 11,325.24	£ 8,521.00	£ 2,804.24	£ 1,573.50

A breakdown of how this commitment supports the corporate plan priorities is below:



The Darton East Ward has allocated £10,792.02 of its £22,672.60 Devolved Ward Budget allocation. To date £5,047.02 of this allocation has been charged to the Ward.

The Darton East Ward has an allocation of £11,880.58 remaining.

<b>Devolved Ward Budget Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
x32 Darton East Hanging baskets	£ 1,760.00		£ 20,912.60
Dog & Litter bins for Hope Street/Kingsway etc	£ 3,456.00	£ 3456.00	£ 17,456.60
Environment Improvements - screening of Carr Green Lane	£ 274.95	£ 289.95	£ 17,181.65
Celebration Gala Working Fund	£ 1,301.07	£ 1,301.07	£ 15,880.58
Working fund - Bench at Sackup Lane	£ 1,000.00		£ 14,880.58
Christmas Tree Light switch on working budget	£ 1,000.00		£ 13,880.58
Media Reporter for the Ward Alliance	£ 2,000.00		<b>£ 11,880.58</b>

The Darton West Ward has allocated £5,760.66 of its £10,766.81 Devolved Ward Budget allocation. To date, £95 of this has been charged to the Ward.

The Darton West Ward has an allocation of £5,006.15 remaining.

<b>Devolved Ward Budget Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Darton West Working Budget	£ 1,500.00	£ 95.00	£ 9,266.81
Christmas in Barugh Green	£ 645.00		£ 8,621.81
Dual use bin stickers	£ 185.66		£ 8436.15
Dog fouling signs(x3)	£ 480.00		£ 7,956.15
Keep Darton West Tidy – cigarette bins	£ 300.00		£ 7,656.15
Youth Theatre Equipment	£ 500.00		£ 7,156.15
Barugh Green Christmas Lights working budget	£ 2,150.00		<b>£ 5,006.15</b>

The Old Town Ward has allocated £16,111.18 of its £15,589.69 Ward Budget allocation. Although this is a forecasted overspend of £521.49, it is expected that some of the grant will be re-allocated resulting in an even balance.

To date, £3,839.98 of this has been charged to the Ward.

The Old Town Ward has no Devolved Budget remaining to allocate.

<b>Devolved Ward Budget Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Tour de Yorkshire Working Budget	£ 600.00	£ 450.00	£ 14,989.69
Hanging Baskets Infrastructure and Installation	£ 6,500.00	£1,897.00	£ 8,489.69
Wilthorpe Bike Park	£ 830.00	£ 830.00	£ 7,659.69
Wilthorpe Park Refurbishment	£ 2,556.30	£471.48	£ 5,103.39
Old Town Carnival	£ 31.50	£ 31.50	£ 5,071.89
BIZBOT II	£ 75.00		£ 4,996.89
The BOT Distribution	£ 460.00		£ 4,536.89
Food Hygiene Course	£ 200.00	£ 160.00	£ 4,336.89
The BOT - Summer edition	£ 1,129.00		£ 3,207.89
Christmas lights & trees	£ 2,300.00		£ 907.89
Additional Refurb to Wilthorpe Park	£ 254.30		£ 653.59
Old TownNHW Scheme	£ 250.00		£ 403.59
Gateway project - VAT Payment	£ 465.08		£ 61.49
The BOT - Issue 3 distribution	£ 460.00		<b>-£521.49</b>

The St Helens Ward has allocated £8,521 of its £11,325.24 Devolved Ward Budget allocation. To date, £1,573.50 of this has been charged to the Ward.

The St Helen's Ward has an allocation of £3959.24 remaining.

<b>Devolved Ward Budget Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
x32 St Helen's Hanging baskets	£ 1,760.00		£ 9,565.24
St Helen's Working Budget	£ 2,500.00		£ 7,065.24
Maintenance of Laxton Road Play Equipment 2015	£ 406.00		£ 6,659.24
St Helen's Gala 2015 Working Budget	£ 1,200.00	£ 323.50	£ 5,459.24
Litter bin replacement project	£ 500.00	£ 350.00	£ 4,959.24
Wooden fencing at Carlton Rd/Derwent Rd	£ 900.00	£ 900.00	£ 4,059.24
Warsop Road Litter bin relocation	£ 100.00		£ 3,959.24
Warncliffe Woodmore Memorial field notice board	£ 600.00		£ 3,359.24
Memory Tree	£ 500.00		£ 2,859.24
Lamp-post investigation & bulb replacement	£ 55.00		<b>£ 2,804.24</b>

## **Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview (Includes Public Health Funds)**

The North Area Council's Ward Alliances has a Ward Alliance grant allocation of £74,039.63 for the 2015-2016 financial year.

This allocation, broken down by Ward below, is made up of a £40,000 allocation for 2015-2016, and carry forward allocation of £33,854.79 from the 2014-2015 financial year.

<b>2015/2016 Ward Alliance Fund</b>	<b>Carry Forward 2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16 allocation</b>	<b>Full 2015-16 Allocation</b>
<b>NORTH</b>	<b>£ 34,039.63</b>	<b>£ 40,000.00</b>	<b>£ 74,039.63</b>
Darton East	£ 12,909.50	£ 10,000.00	£ 22,909.50
Darton West	£ 794.25	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,794.25
Old Town	£ 14,350.68	£ 10,000.00	£ 24,350.68
St Helens	£ 5,985.20	£ 10,000.00	£ 15,985.20

The Darton East Ward has allocated £15,739.33 of its £22,909.50 Ward Alliance allocation.

The Darton East Ward has £4,876 of Public Health Funds remaining which is included in the total allocation for 2015/16.

The projects have declared a total of 1166 volunteer hours which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £12,930.94

The Darton East Ward Alliance have an allocation of £7,170.17 remaining.

<b>Ward Alliance Fund Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Mapplewell & Bowling Club - PVC covering of Timber surround	£ 619.53	£ 619.53	£ 22,289.97
Staincross Methodist Youth Club – Climbing wall	£ 160.80	£ 160.80	£ 22,129.17
Easy PC Group – computer courses	£ 1,300.00	£ 1,300.00	£ 20,829.17
Mapplewell Singers – Choir singing	£ 750.00		£ 20,079.17
Mapplewell & Stainx over 55s Club - Senior Citizens Winter Warmer Outing	£ 561.00		£ 19,518.17
Greenspace - Community benches working budget	£ 12,348.00		<b>£7,170.17</b>

The Darton West Ward has allocated £6,623.76 of its £10,794.25 Ward Alliance allocation.

The Darton West Ward has £662 of Public Health Funds remaining which is included in the total allocation for 2015/16.

The projects have declared a total of 397 volunteer hours which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £4,402.73

The Darton West Ward Alliance have an allocation of £4,170.49 remaining.

<b>Ward Alliance Fund Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Darton Children's Centre	£ 2,862.00		£ 7,932.25
Voice for Darton – Environmental project	£ 968.00		£ 6,964.25
Darton Welfare Bowling Club – Hedgetrimmer	£ 450.00	£ 450.00	£ 6,514.25
BNWLG – CCTV Security camera	£ 1,100.00	£1,100.00	£ 5,414.25
25th Barnsley Scouts – Patrol camping	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	£ 4,914.25
Darton West Alliance WG – Autumn bulb planting	£ 60.00		£ 4,854.25
Redbrook TARA – Spring bulb planting	£ 21.60		£ 4,832.65
Kexborough Apaches	£662.16		<b>£ 4,170.49</b>

The Old Town Ward has allocated £8,494.27 of its £24,350.68 Ward Alliance allocation.

The Old Town Ward has £5,715.16 of Public Health Funds remaining which is included in the total allocation for 2015/16.

The projects have declared a total of 1107 volunteer hours which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £12,276.63

The Old Town Ward Alliance have an allocation of £15,856.41 remaining.

<b>Ward Alliance Fund Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Friends of the Fleets	£ 2,159.30		£ 22,191.38
Creative Recovery – UPLIFT Coffee Café Choir	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	£ 20,191.38
Newtown Allotment & Garden's Association – Safer & Cleaner allotments	£ 3,340.00	£ 3,340.00	£ 16,851.38
Willowbank community partnership – Old Town Website	£ 300.00	£ 300.00	£ 16,551.38
Willowbank Community Partnership - Insurance	£ 270.00		£ 16,281.38
Sugdens Bowling Club – Bowling Club improvements	£ 424.97		<b>£ 15,856.41</b>

The St. Helen's Ward has allocated £8,146.00 of its £15,985.20 Ward Alliance allocation.

The St. Helen's Ward has £1,714.31 of Public Health Funds remaining which is included in the total allocation for 2015/16.

St Helen's Ward Alliance have an allocation of £7,839.20 remaining. However, as the St Helen's Ward Alliance Secretary has had a bursary of £375 to date, this leaves the actual allocation of Ward Alliance funding to allocate at **£7,464.20**.

The projects have declared a total of 923 volunteer hours, which equates to the equivalent monetary value of £10,236.07.

<b>Ward Alliance Fund Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Caterpillar Club	£ 435.00	£435.00	£ 15,550.20
Junior Tykes F.C – container	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00	£13,050.20
Twilight Group	£ 711.00	£ 711.00	£ 12,339.20
New Lodge Community Centre – Rejuvenation project	£ 3,500.00	£3,000.00	£ 8,839.20
Athersley Community Association – Community Bonfire	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	<b>£ 7,839.20</b>



# Item 7

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:  
Monday 2nd February 2016

Agenda Item: 7

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 to 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 notes to be 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 between 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Appendices:

Darton East Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix One
Darton West Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Two
Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Three
St Helens Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Four

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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## Appendix One

**Darton East Ward Alliance**  
**'CAN DO-WILL DO'**  
**10<sup>th</sup> December 2015**  
**Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall – 6.00pm**

Present:	Councillor Roy Miller Councillor Harry Spence Sandra De-Donno	Darton East Ward Councillor Darton East Ward Councillor Mapplewell & Staincross Village
Hall	Jonathan Senior Julian Senior David Oates Pauline Brooks Rebecca Battye	Greenworks Barnsley Greenworks Barnsley Mapplewell Business Man Methodist Church North Area Team

The meeting commenced with Councillor Miller announcing his resignation as Chairperson from this Committee as a point of principle with regard to procedures executed against decisions agreed at Committee level and later quashed by people at higher levels. Councillor Miller then went on to nominate Councillor Spence to take over the Chair which was seconded by Jonathan Senior and agreed by all members.

**1. Apologies:** Councillor Lesley Duerden Darton East Ward Councillor

**1. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

These were declared a true record by Cllr Spence and David Oates

**2. Matters Arising** - Pauline Brook wanted it noted that in the minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> September that she 'Declared an Interest' before submitting the funding application for the Methodist Youth Club outing which was granted at that meeting.

**3. Declaration of Interest** – None

**4. Area Ward Plan**

- A wall on Darton Lane has been knocked down by Utility Services and it is therefore up to them to repair it.
- Carr Green Lane has been moved into priority Zone 1 for salting in bad weather.
- No Green Waste will be collected during the winter months.
- Xmas Lights Switch on took place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. 2 Schools got involved Wellgate and Mapplewell Primary, it was a real success. Thank you goes to Rebecca, Lee, and Christine and John Foster plus of course Father Christmas who put in an appearance.
- Greenworks have carried out some planting at schools. The children are enjoying engaging with staff and finding it a good experience. Funding for this project came from the North Area and is aimed at engaging with 3 schools.
- Greenworks and Greenspace each provided a 5 minute presentation at the North Area Celebration Evening held at Metrodome on Thursday 26 November.
- The Police Station in Mapplewell had been highlighted as a meeting place for the PACT meetings but Councillor Spence is unsure as to whether they are actually happening anywhere in this Ward.

**6. Applications for Funding**

Project Title Senior Citizens Winter Warmer Outing  
 Summary Social integration of 2 groups. Extended form of 'Check on your Neighbour' making sure older people are watched over by the Community during the Winter months. Encourages people living alone to join in a group situation.

Local Priority To be the ears and voice of the Community we serve  
 Project Priority Raise awareness of elderly people in the area, Community groups integration, health, nutrition, social inclusion, confidence building.

Funding Required £561.00  
 Outcome Moved Councillor Miller Seconded David Oates

Project Title Community Benches  
 Summary To purchase throughout Darton East Ward 12 new benches to replace the aged, unsafe and unsightly benches presently in situ.

Project Priority Environmental and Social Improvements – These benches will give elderly residents a place to rest whilst tackling the many hills within the Darton East Ward Area thus enabling them to leave the confines of their homes to venture out in fine weather. They will provide respite to people with breathing difficulties who also find it hard to trek the hills homeward after shopping etc.

The benches will provide a social aspect to the Community allowing people time to people watch and talk to each other

Funding Required Not expected to exceed £13,000  
 Outcome Moved Councillor Spence Seconded Pauline Brooks

Project Title Remembering the Battle of Somme: Schools Project and Remembrance  
 Event Summary This would be a partnership scheme with Barnsley MBC Cultural Services Experience Barnsley Team.

To mark the centenary of the First World War and explore the impact of the battle of the Somme in Barnsley we would like to work with Schools to help them to explore and understand the war better, uncover its stories and explore what it means to us today. The schools involved would discover the stories behind the Barnsley soldiers who took part in the battle and create an installation to remember those who fell for a Remembrance event at the Town Hall on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

The school children would work with an artist to create finished pieces which would be placed into the gardens at the front of the memorial. The schools taking part would complete their Discover Arts Awards and gain a certificate of achievement for their involvement.

Project Priority Increased opportunities for achievement for local residents  
 Youth Provision

Funding Required £7,050  
 Outcome This project was discussed in detail by the Committee and after a vote was taken it was unanimously agreed not to support this project with funding from the Darton East Ward Area budget.

## 7. Finances

- Rebecca tabled a finance sheet (attached).
- All members were asked to encourage groups/organisations to complete funding forms for submission to the next meeting in January.
- Councillor Miller discussed the issue of the money raised at the joint Celebration Gala held at the Village Hall in September.

A grant was awarded from the devolved budget of £1,301.07 and on the Gala day £564.50 was raised from various activities which were kept in the Village Hall Safe. Sandra said that she had concerns that Rebecca came into the Village Hall office and requested £171.69 of the gala money to purchase Selection Boxes for the Christmas tree light up and no-one seemed accountable for the funds. Councillor

Miller asked if it was possible for the remaining funds to be allocated as a Community Fund which himself, Councillor Spence and Sandra could agree to award to a project. Rebecca said that it was OK to do this so the money will remain in the Village Hall safe and a report will be given to this meeting once the money has been allocated.

#### **8. Any Other Business**

- PACT Meeting – Cllr Spence had concerns about the PACT meetings and the fact that none appeared to be happening in the Mapplewell and Staincross area even though venues were being made available for these. It was therefore decided to invite Cath Fairweather to inform the members about PACT and it's development and action plan in Mapplewell and Staincross.
- Enforcement Officers – Cllr Spence asked the members if anyone had seen the Enforcement Officers recently. The response was no and for quite a considerable time therefore Cllr Spence requested that the Supervisor to the Enforcement Project also be invited to the next meeting to give an update on their work-plan.

#### **9. Time & Date of Next Meeting**

- 6.00pm – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016

## **Appendix Two**

### **Darton West Ward Alliance Meeting.**

#### **Notes of Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015 5.00 pm Darton College.**

**Attendees:** Cllr L Burgess (Chair), Cllr A Cave, C Gamwell, L Warden, J Gardner, R Haigh.

*North Area Team:* Rebecca Battye, Community Support Officer.

*Darton College Learners:* Connor Swift, Jack Leach.

*Apologies:* Mary Elliott. Dominic McCall. Cllr S Howard.

N.B. All Ward Members undertook I.T. Training at Darton College prior to the Ward Meeting, Cllr Burgess thanked on behalf of Members the I.T. staff for their support.

#### **1. Welcome and Apologies.**

Cllr Burgess welcomed all to the Meeting in particular the College Learners.

Apologies were given as above.

#### **2. Notes of the meeting 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015.**

These were agreed as a true record.

##### ***Action Points***

- a. Jason Gardner to commence work with Darton Bowling Club, Summer 2016.
- b. Rebecca Battye, Cllr A Cave, Cllr S Howard to follow up siting and costs of defibrillator with relevant parties and report at next meeting.
- c. Rebecca Battye to supply contact person in Youth Services to R Haigh to look at services available to assist with graffiti removal and painting at Darton Park Shelter.
- d. Cllr L Burgess and D McCall to finalise Ward Alliance Community Safety Leaflet.
- e. R Haigh to contact Gawber Primary School to see if they would like to be incorporated into the Ward Network List and send a representative to the Gawber History Group.

#### **3 North Area Council Advice Project**

David Andy gave an introduction to Citizens Advice Barnsley and DIAL Barnsley.

David circulated booklet of information, regarding the North Area Outreach Project for Members attention and discussion.

He gave a comprehensive insight into the workings and aims of the Project

#### **4 Green and Clean Project Update.**

Cllr Burgess updated group of Green and Clean Programme and the introductory meeting held 3 November Members thanked Neil Spencer, ( Green and Clean Manager) for his attendance and the introduction to the new project.

##### ***Action Points***

- a Rebecca Battye to find out protocols to engage with the Green and Clean Team and supply to Members for involvement. All members, to consult Rebecca if wishing to move forward with a project and bring to Ward Alliance Group for approval.

#### **5 WAF Update**

5.1 An update was provided on the meeting with Charlie Wilkins from Barugh Scouts to agree their footpath mapping and litter picking payback project

5.2 Rebecca Battye supplied WA and DWB funding and spending accounts to group members. Cllr L Burgess highlighted current spend and balance available and the need to identify any further spend from the 2015/16 budget as soon as possible.

The following were areas identified as potential funding requirements:

-Darton College Environmental Project, Darton Park, Gawber History Group, Community Safety Projects Initiatives and the Ward Safety Card.

5.3 A funding application from Barnsley Arts, Museums and Archives re the Somme Project 2016 was approved.

5.4 Rebecca to check possibility of defibrillator site at Liberal Club

### ***Action Points***

Jason Gardner to investigate, with relevant College Departments and SMT as to any future College involvement with the Somme Project.

## **6 Action Plan 2015/16 updates and budget proposals**

Updates were given on the 5 priority action plans including:

*Park and Recreational Inspection.* Lesley and Richard were thanked for their completed Autumn Inspection. Copies were sent to all members of the findings for any future discussion and projects. Dog fouling Dual Use stickers have been attached to all litter bins across the Ward.

*Horizon College Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015.* Cllr L Burgess, Cllr A Cave D McCall Jayne Manley held discussions to look at ways Horizon Students can become in Ward Initiatives. Ward Members to explore options for Gawber area which young people could get involved in for example,

Hospice, Harry Road Rec. Local History Group, BBIC

*Neighbourhood Network:*. Cllr L Burgess presented Group with a list of Business and Companies across the Ward.

It was agreed to look at this in more detail and develop a future Strategy regarding protocols an future involvement with the Business Community.

*Planters:* R Haigh to contact Russ Bowland to look at ownership of 2 Planters on Darton High Street adjacent frontage of the Pharmacy. R Haigh to inform Jason Gardner of outcome of above for involvement in tidying planters by Darton College Learners.

### ***Action Points***

a All members to consider future projects for funding and discuss next time.

b R Haigh to forward copy of the positive parks inspection to Parks Officers

c Cllr L Burgess, Cllr A Cave, Jo Birch ( Parks Officer) to look at the siting of Football Shooting Station. Funding provisionally approved of £2500 for either Kexbrough Rec or Darton Park.

C Cllr L Burgess will supply Group Members with updated copies of action plans for the next meeting.

## **7 North Area Council Celebration.**

Richard and Mary will be speaking on Environment activities and Ward Celebration Evening on **Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm for 6.30pm Rigby Suite, Metrodome.**

### ***Action Point.***

Rebecca Battye to fix date for run through of speeches with Cllrs, before event and supply date to Richard and Mary once agreed.

## **8 North Area Council Magazine.**

Currently being finalised and hopefully out before Christmas.

## **9 Darton West Community Stars 2016.**

Cllr A Cave to convene the Celebration Awards Event Group, to meet before Christmas and commence organisation arrangements for the Event on Friday 4th March 2016, 6.30 at the Town Hall

Group members involved as last year, Cllr A Cave, Cllr S Howard, Mary Elliott. Rebecca Battye. Dominic McCall Richard Haigh

## **10 Communications.**

Nothing to report.

## **11 AOB.**

**a. I T Training all WA Members 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 4.00pm Darton College.**

**b. Next Meeting. Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 5.00 pm. Darton Centre.**

***Darton West Ward Alliance***  
***11th January 2016 5 pm***  
***The Darton Centre***

**Attendees:** Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Linda Burgess, Mary Elliott, Lesley Warden, Carol Gamwell, Dominic McCall

**Apologies:** Richard Haigh, Jason Gardner

**North Area Team:** Rebecca Batty

**1 Cllr Cave welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were accepted.**

**2 Notes of meeting on 16th November**

The action points were reviewed.

**Action:** *Rebecca to follow upon the siting of the defibrillator at Thompson's Garage*

**3 Follow up to IT training at Darton College**

Linda has asked BMBC IT to check out the possibility of linking with docs on Google

**4 WAF update**

**a) Applications – Darton Afternoon Club**

The application was approved

**b) Budget for 2015-16**

The budget update was noted

**c) Budget for 2016-17**

There was discussion about the loss of the Devolved Ward Budget next year and the possibility of devolved funding from the North area Council

**Action:** *The need to clarify numbers of volunteer hours in relation to WAF to be an agenda item at the February meeting*

**5 North Area Council Green and Clean Project**

Potential ward projects with the Forge Partnership were identified as Longfield and Darton Park projects linked to Voice for Darton

**6 Area Council Stronger Community Grants**

The new round of Stronger Community Grants was discussed and it was agreed to promote the opportunity to local groups and organisations

**7 Action Plan 2015/16 updates and budget proposals**

Updates were given to the priorities of community networking, young and elderly people, recreation, sports and arts, community safety and the environment. Particular discussion took place relating to the successful launch of the Darton Afternoon club and the preparation of the Community Safety Information Card.

**Action:** *Carol to work with Barugh Green community to prepare for next Christmas events and funding possibilities*

**8 Feedback on North Area Council Celebration event and magazine**

The Celebration Event was agreed to have been successful and enabled sharing and learning between attendees.

Concerns were raised that the North Area Magazine had not been delivered in all parts of the ward and in some cases outside the ward.

**9 Darton West Community Stars 2016**

Cllr Howard updated on the preparation for the 2016 Community Awards. It was agreed that all members would encourage appropriate nominations.

**10 Ward Priorities for 2016-17**

There was some discussion of possible priorities for 2016-17 and it was agreed to spend time at the next meeting identifying outcomes to be achieved and the priorities to be addressed.

**11 Communications**



It was agreed that the community grants and the community star awards would be circulated on the Neighbourhood Network. A letter of thanks would be sent to the Chronicle for Millie Johnson's support for the Afternoon Club launch.

**12 AOB**

There was no other business

**Date and time of next meeting: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 5 pm at the Darton Centre**

## Appendix Three

### Old Town Ward Alliance Minutes Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 Edith Perry Room – BDGH

#### Present

Cllr Anita Cherryholme

BMBC Rep. Lee Swift

Community Members – John Love – Bill Gaunt – Malcolm Wood – Sheila Lowe – Michelle Cooper

**The group is quorate for members but not elected officials so any decisions will need ratification**

#### Apologies

Cllr Phil Davies – Cllr Liz Grundy – Dorothy Hayes – Jane Barry – Kirsty Summerfield – Garry Swift – Zbigniew Zaremba

#### Presentation

Aimee Phillips from RVS gave a short presentation of the work they are doing in the ward and in the North Area Council Area.

We will send all contact details for referral and volunteering opportunities as soon as they arrive from Aimee.

Aimee to let Anita have some leaflets and she will distribute them in parts of the ward.

**ACTION ANITA**

#### Michelle read a letter of resignation from Cllr Phil Davies

The members accepted this letter and the group offered their thanks for all the work and support that Phil had given during his time on the ward Alliance and although not everyone had always seen 'eye to eye' on certain topics he was always a positive and active working member within our community. They expressed sadness to see him go and once this became public knowledge we would address if he still wanted to be involved with the Ward Alliance.

#### Sub Group Feedback – Local Pride

Cllr Cherryholme and Lee Swift met – they discussed the targets on the plan and confirmed we are on target with the majority of the plan.

Leaflets were discussed for fly tipping and dog fouling. It was said that local residents do complain about dog fouling in the area but do not report this officially.

We discussed talking to Kingdom to see if we could find a way forward and work on a reporting procedure. **ACTION MICHELLE**

Local Business Awards were discussed at length, as one of our aims is – Good Quality Shops and Business. It was agreed that John would do some research and come up with some ideas of how we could deliver this event. **ACTION JOHN LOVE**

Bill did speak to Phyllis about how the town centre runs this and she has offered to come and talk to the group if we so wish.

#### Minutes from Previous Meeting

These were accepted as a true copy although Malcolm Wood asked of the October minutes if his name could be removed from the discussion about Rolling Chair, as he didn't request this.

#### Matters Arising

**Snow Patrol** – Lee did discuss this with the relevant workers within the council

**Certificates** The Community Champions Award Certificates have been given out.

**Forge Partnership** – Lee did give all contact details to the Forge Partnership

**Insurance** – Bill discussed the amount that is left within the Willowbank Partnership account and it was agreed that we support the purchase of Insurance for the WARD. We will require an application form for the next meeting. We also discussed at length the cover available from BMBC if a councilor was onsite during the event. It was stated that if a Cllr was involved with plan and prep etc and the actual event - Insurance cover should be sorted through BMBC

**ACTION BILL for application form**

**Dog Fouling Signs** - We discussed at length Dog Fouling Signs for our area. WA Form needs completing – **ACTION MICHELLE**

### **Old Town Plan Review**

This is discussed at each Sub Group meeting then followed up at the full meeting.

The plan will need a full review in the Spring Term

### **Love Where You Live Update**

The Celebration Event was well attended and everyone found it was a good networking Address.

More Spring Clean ups are planned for next year....

### **WAF Applications**

**Barnsley Arts – Remembering The Battle of the Somme** – A project to be run by Barnsley Arts Museums and Archives. There was a selection of questions about this application including the numbers of young people participation from our area. The number of YP to be involved – the match-funding element – the costings for the artist etc and who will actually be delivering these workshops and whether they are actually already employed the local council.

The group's recommendation was to reject the application.

The group took a vote and 4 were against the application.

**Sugdens Bowling Club** - A project requesting funds for a water heater lap top and cleaner.

The group discussed the monies requested and talked about the fact that Sugdens Bowling Club is a membership organisation and the members are showing no financial contribution to this application

The group's recommendation was to award funds for the laptop only.

We need to discuss both applications with the remaining members of the group not in attendance tonight to make recommendations and a way forward.

The Ad Astra Team who were awarded a grant to deliver a sporting fun fitness and health programme advised they had a small under spend on the rent they were allocated and asked if they could use this for a different sports activity for the young people.

The group thanked Ad Astra for being upfront and honest and said yes to the request and asked them to inform Theresa from BMBC of the alteration to the original grant.

**ACTION MICHELLE**

### **Any Other Business**

Bill discussed the Web Page he has developed for the group and asked if he could have some information about each member of the group as to why they became involved in the Ward Alliance – He also asked for a photo of all the members – He also requested information about WA Grant Applications

**ACTION ALL MEMBERS – LEE SWIFT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## Appendix Four

### St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 5:30pm

#### **Present:**

- Cllr. Dave Leech; Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall (Chair);  
Madge Busby; Ruth Gammon; David Gammon; John Hallows; Lee Swift

#### **Apologies:**

- Clyde Black

[There has been no contact from David Mott and as this is his third consecutive absence the secretary is to write to ascertain whether he wishes to remain a member]

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

- The minutes were adopted

#### **Matters arising:**

- The areas on Laithes Lane which have been cleared of accumulated rubbish and greenery are to be grassed in.
- The Memory Tree event was much appreciated by those who attended. The secretary is to send a letter of thanks to Deacon Debbie Marsh for their support. Madge B expressed her thanks for the support given by our Ward Alliance.

#### **Funding Applications:**

- No applications were presented at this meeting

#### **Ward Plan:**

- Lee S provided an updated Plan. It was agreed this should be on the agenda for our next meeting when more members are hoped to attend

#### **Forthcoming Events:**

- Stars of St. Helen's arrangements were well in hand. The mayor will be attending but unfortunately Dan Jarvis MP has a prior commitment in the House.

- A working party is to be set up for the 2016 Gala. Lee S will check dates of other similar local events.
- The secretary is to email our WA members: Start time 5:30pm for 5:40;  
After the Awards Ceremony there will be a (free) buffet. Unless exempt it will be necessary to pay 70p car parking up to 6:00pm.
- Ruth G is to speak to her contact in a local ladies' choir for vocal entertainment.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Clyde B was unable to attend and his customary report will be carried forward

**Secretary's Report:**

- There had been no responses from local residents who had attended the summer Gala.
- Those organisations who have benefitted from WA Funding are to be reminded to include our logo on their publicity material.
- The quarterly secretarial bursary of £125 was approved by Cllr. Platts and passed to Lee S to process

**Any Other Business:**

- For the coming season 31 hanging baskets can be supplied by a local firm for around £1600. This represents a substantial saving over previous years.

It was agreed we should go ahead because of the "feel good" factor.

- Lee S was authorised to purchase five 5' by 2' banners at a cost of £65

**Next Meeting:**

- 18<sup>th</sup> February at 5:30pm at TARA, Mansfield Road

Our meeting closed at 6:06pm.

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