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DATE:	Monday, 23 January 2017
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

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To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

Councillors Noble (Chair), Gardiner, Gollick, C. Johnson, Phillips and Sixsmith MBE

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Friday, 13 January 2017

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MEETING:	Dearne Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 21 November 2016
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

MINUTES

Present Councillors Noble (Chair), Gardiner, C. Johnson and Sixsmith MBE.

29 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

30 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 19th September, 2016 (Dac.21.11.2016/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council, held on 19th September, 2016.

With regards to the delivery of the Community Magazine, it was noted that an alternative distributor had been sourced and engaged for the next edition. It was hoped that over £400 per issue could be saved.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on 19th September, 2016 be approved as a true and correct record.

31 Performance Report (Dac.21.11.2016/3)

The Area Council Manager provided an update to the meeting, referring to the Performance Report previously circulated. Overall all services were performing satisfactorily, achieving targets set.

With regards to the Environmental Enforcement Service, it was noted that there had been a slight dip in the number of Fixed Penalty Notices. Possible reasons for this were discussed, which included changes in staff in the area. Members heard how 67 Fixed Penalty Notices had been issued in the quarter in question, of which 59 were for littering. The meeting heard how the payment rate was currently only at 40% but this was likely to increase.

Members heard how Barnsley had recently been in the national news as 8% of all Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling issued nationally had been within the borough. Also noted was the income to date from this commission which was over £5,800. The meeting discussed the tasking of Kingdom Security officers, noting that this was a mix of patrolling and targeted operations. The need to ensure specific intelligence was provided was acknowledged, as was the reticence of some members of the public to provide this for fear of being identified by perpetrators.

The meeting discussed the work alongside enforcement to improve the environment, including community clean ups, and work with schools and voluntary groups to raise awareness of the impact of littering. It was suggested that awareness raising could be more targeted around litter hot-spots.

Issues with dog bins being emptied at Carrfield Park and the contents thrown around were discussed. It was suggested that this could be a focus for PCSOs in the area, and the dangers of dog faeces could be discussed in schools.

Members heard how a number 7 young people from the area had taken part in a restorative justice session, instead of paying their Fixed Penalty Notice.

With regards to the Housing Enforcement Service Level Agreement, within the last quarter 297 complaints had been received, 73 of these related to waste on premises. The service was increasingly supporting vulnerable people, and had been asked to keep records of what services individuals were referred or signposted to.

Within the report was a case study referring to a fly tipping incident, which was due to go to court. It was suggested that this could be used in the Community Magazine to raise awareness of the need to employ individuals with a waste carriers licence to remove waste.

The performance of the contract with Twiggs Grounds Maintenance was discussed and in the previous quarter the project had engaged 25 businesses, and assisted residents take ownership of 16 areas. It was noted that a recent focus had been to encourage businesses and residents to take responsibility for their own environment.

In addition the team had worked with 78 established groups, helping to collect 925 bags of rubbish. Awareness raising sessions had been held at two local schools.

The meeting went on to discuss the success of the projects funded by Dearne Development Fund. The Allotment Group had worked with PSS and the Salvation Army, and had donated food to the cook and eat sessions held. The project supported those with learning difficulties, who helped to sell produce, which in turn helped to make the allotment sustainable.

The events organised by Goldthorpe Development Group continued to be very well attended with 80-100 people at each. A number of support agencies engaged in the events, and at least 10 volunteers were in support.

The DIAL drop in service continued to be well subscribed, and were of increasing importance given the changes to benefits. 12 sessions were held each quarter, with 71 residents seen in the previous quarter. Based on 45 clients seen, the additional benefit gained was £130,000. The meeting discussed how residents were made aware of the service, and it was noted that this was often through word of mouth, but that the Housing Enforcement Team did refer individuals. It was suggested a feature in the Community Magazine would be useful.

Regarding the Workability Project, members heard how 51 learners had been engaged so far, with 5 entering employment locally. Members noted that the success of the project was related to it being local, supportive and inclusive. A suggestion was made to try to match the training offered to the skills required by local employers, and to try and engage businesses such as Barclay's who had digital champions.

Members noted that the TADS programme came to an end in January, 2017 and the feedback received was extremely positive, with participants benefitting greatly from early intervention.

The meeting was updated on the more recent applications for the Dearne Development Fund. 8 had been successful, with 6 having matching funding. Where appellants had already previously received funding, work was being undertaken to look at sustainability, and to reduce reliance in the long term on Area Council funds.

Members noted a funding workshop being held in February, and a suggestion was made that a dedicated funding officer in the area would be extremely beneficial.

Members attention was drawn to the additional report circulated which provided an update on the performance of community safety in the Dearne. The meeting noted inaccuracies in the report. The Chair made members aware of her recent meetings with the new Chief Inspector for the area to discuss the policing presence in 2017 and in the interim until the new system is in place.

It was suggested that levels of crime in the area had risen due to the withdrawal of PCSOs from the area, and it was hoped that a visible presence back in the area would help return levels to those seen previously.

RESOLVED:- that the performance of the two Dearne Area Council commissions, the Service Level Agreement, and Dearne Development Fund projects be noted.

32 Dearne Area Council Financial Position and Progress of Projects (Dac.21.11.2016/4)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item. Members were reminded that the Area Council budget for the 2016/17 year was £200,000 with an additional amount of approximately £20,000 carried forward from the previous financial year.

Taking into account finances committed and those earmarked, together with anticipated income from Fixed Penalty Notices, £31,000 remained for allocation.

With regards to the Embankment project, members heard how Sheffield University students had now produced a final feasibility report which was available to view via the Area Team. The report provided a number of areas for future development including possibilities for future funding.

Members heard that the Environment and Volunteering Service was now out to tender. Returns were due in mid December, and interviews were scheduled to take place in early January 2017.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the updated financial position for 2016/17 and 2017/18 be noted;
- (ii) That the progress made in taking forward projects agreed at 19th September, 2016 be noted.

33 Housing Enforcement (Dac.21.11.2016/5)

Members heard how the Housing Enforcement Service Level Agreement came to an end in March, 2017. Given the success of the service, a proposal was made to continue the service through a revised Service Level Agreement with Barnsley Council Community Safety Service. This would provide a Private Sector Housing and Environment Officer, and an Enforcement and Investigations Officer.

Members supported the proposal, noting that the service was much wider than just housing enforcement and provided support for many vulnerable residents in the area.

RESOLVED that approval be given for a Service Level Agreement within Barnsley Council to provide a Private Sector Housing and Environment Officer and an Enforcement and Investigations Officer post for a year at a cost of £76,162.

34 Notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group held on 12th September, 2016 (Dac.21.11.2016/6)

Members considered the notes from the meeting held on 12th September, 2016.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group held on 12th September, 2016 be received.

35 Notes from the Ward Alliances (Dac.21.11.2016/7)

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne North Ward Alliance held on 27th September, 2016, and Dearne South Ward Alliance held on 10th October, 2016.

Members discussed the provision of a flood store for the area. It was acknowledged that, given the number of sandbags required per household, the store would never be able to support all the households required. However, it was acknowledged that the strategy being taken was to support householders so that they made necessary provisions themselves.

With regards to storage of rock salt for the area, the Chair made Members aware of a possible solution at Brick Yard Pond.

RESOLVED that notes from the respective Ward Alliances be received.

36 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.21.11.2016/8)

It was noted that from a total balance of £20,069, approximately £11,000 remained unallocated for the Dearne North Ward Alliance. 8 of the 13 applications funded had provided match funding.

For the Dearne South Ward Alliance, from a total balance of £21,160, approximately £13,500 remained unallocated. 6 of the 9 applications funded had provided match funding.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

Chair

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 23rd January 2017

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Dearne Area Council Financial Position and Progress of Projects

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend, and outlines the unallocated amount remaining for the 2016/17 and 2017/18 financial year
- 1.2 This report also provides an update in relation to projects that were previously agreed at the Dearne Area Council

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Dearne Area Council members note the updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend and the unallocated amounts remaining for 2016/17 and 2017/18.
- 2.2 Dearne Area Council members note the progress of previously agreed projects that have been committed out of their 2016/17 and 2017/18 finances
- 2.3 Dearne Area Council members agree the continuation of the Kingdom service based on their in principle agreement for the contract that started in April 2016

3.0 Financial update 2016/17

- 3.1 Including monies carried forward from 2015/16 the Dearne Area Council had an allocation of £220,664 to spend on meeting the Dearne Area Council priorities in the 16/17 financial year. To date the Area Council have spent and earmarked £217,280 on previously agreed projects/services, leaving £3,384 in the budget from the original allocation.
- 3.2 Although earmarked the Dearne Area Council have only spent £57,247 of its £80K Dearne Development Fund allocation leaving £22,753 of monies earmarked to spend on meeting future area priorities. Not all of the eight allocations will have cleared at the end of the 2016/17 financial year as most of these funds are paid on a monthly basis over a period of twelve months and the projects were only due to start in November and January. Further the community newsletter was previously earmarked out of the 2016/17 finances but will not come out of the budget until after April.
- 3.3 The fix penalty notice income will also have to be added to the unspent allocation in the 2016/17 financial year. The actual amount will not be known

until the end of the financial year. Therefore taking this into consideration and excluding earmarked or committed funds the total amount unallocated for the 2016/17 financial year approximately will be £9,199.

4.0 **Financial update 2017/18**

- 4.1 At the Dearne Area Council on the 21st November 2016 members agreed to allocate £72,162 to fund the Investigations and Housing Officer roles for the Dearne from their 2017/18 allocation. Members also agreed the procurement of the volunteer, education and environmental service at a cost of £75,000
- 4.2 The Kingdom enforcement commission is due to continue for a further year after March 31st 2017, as per the original contract agreement. Based on the fact that the financial position for 2017 is now secure, satisfactory performance/ delivery and members of the Dearne Area Council approving the continuation of the Kingdom enforcement service, this will cost the Dearne Area Council £32,898 from their 2017/18 allocation. This amount includes the BMBC community safety contribution.
- 4.3 Taking all of the above into consideration this brings the total spend already committed from the 2017/18 financial year to £180,060, leaving £9,139 unallocated. This amount does not include any previously earmarked or committed funds from the 2016/17 financial year.

5.0 **Progress of projects**

- 5.1 At the Dearne Area Council meeting on the 19th September, 2016 members agreed to allocate £10k towards the Railway Embankment Project. This project has since received £40k from section 106 monies and the group have submitted other bids for equipment and bulbs. The group will be discussing the access route to the site and how it will be managed.
- 5.2 Members also agreed to the procurement of the environmental and volunteering service at a cost of £75k with the option to continue the service for a further year. Two applications have been submitted and are currently being evaluated. The evaluation panel will consist of the Area manager, Chris Smith from Parks Service and Cllr Johnson. Interviews will take place on the 12th January, 2017.

Appendix one- financial update

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23rd January 2017

Appendix one: Financial Update

Area Council Spend	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/18
	£ 200,000	£ 200,000	£200,000	£180,000
		+£ 55,438	+£20,664	+£9,199
		£ 255,438	£220,664	£189,199
Environmental Enforcement	-£ 27,181	-£ 18,465	-£ 27,898	-£27,898
Environmental Enforcement - BMBC contribution	-£ 8,000	-£ 5,000	-£5,000	-£5,000
Community Newsletter		-£1,846.00	-£1,846 -£1,800	
Training for Employment	-£ 74,381	-£ 37,000		
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	-£ 35,000	-£62,300	- £12,000	-£72,162
Dearne Clean & Tidy		-£ 75,000	- £43,736	-£75,000
Dearne Development Fund		-£ 62,646	-£15,000	
Dearne Development Fund - Phase 2			-£80,000	
Ward Alliances			-£20,000	
Contribution towards Railway Embankment			-£10,000	
Total spend (actual)	£ 144,562	£262,257	£217,280	£180,060
Allocation remaining	+£ 55,438	-£6,819	+£3,384	+£9,139
FPN income received		+£27,483	+£4,290	
Parking FPN income received			+£1,525	
Final Allocation remaining	+£ 55,438	+£ 20,664	+£9,199	

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting:

**Report of Dearne Area
Council Manager**

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report appraises the Dearne Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance action plans and review of the priorities.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Dearne North and South Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes 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 (Cab.21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab.13.2.2013/9) 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 The Dearne South Ward Alliance meeting was held on the 27th of November 2016. The group members discussed funding applications and the flood resilience plans which were finalised and sent on to Derek Bell and Simon Dobby for final approval. It was noted that training for the flood wardens will take place in the New Year. The alliance is also discussing plans to have an Easter event.

4.2 The Dearne North Ward Alliance was held on the 17th November 2016. Discussions took place regarding merging the alliances in the New Year. The group are also looking at new projects to meet the priorities of health, environment and young people. The group also allocated funds to a tooth fairy project and the community gardens scheme

5.0 Appendix

Appendix One: Dearne South Ward Alliance Meeting notes

Appendix Two: Dearne North Ward Alliance Meeting notes

The reporting into the Dearne 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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Dearne South Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne South Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Monday 27th November 2016 at 10am
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe

Attendees	Apologies
<p>Cllr May Noble (acting Chair), Alan George (treasurer), Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Terry Walton, Claire Milne, Graham Jarvis, Vicky Cuming, Terry Walton & Debbie Feast (BeWell Barnsley)</p> <p>Derek Bell & Simon Dobby both Principal Network Resilience Manager (BMBC)</p>	<p>Suzanne Storey, Alison Sykes</p>

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>As there was no apologies from Cllr Sixsmith Cllr May Noble agreed to chair the meeting.</p> <p>1. Welcomes & introductions (Apologies – as above)</p> <p>A round of introductions to welcome Derek & Simon to the meeting.</p> <p>2. Flood plans update</p> <p>Derek read through the draft copy of the Dearne South flood plan with discussions on what to do in an emergency; the members went through it page by page.</p> <p>The location of the flood has now been confirmed as the renaissance Centre, priory road, Bolton on Dearne. Marie has had discussions with Malcolm (Manager of the Centre).</p> <p>The container is safely in place on the Renaissance grounds, main key holders are Alan George who lives at number 21 Priory road straight across from the Renaissance center, and the other key is upstairs in Goldthorpe library. It was agreed that if flood warnings are alerted then the spare key at the library would be given to a member of BODVAG to help with the equipment in case of an emergency situation.</p> <p>Derek stated that although the environmental agency does help with alerting of local people in affected areas, the protection of properties from water is solely with the tenants to act in this situation. The flood plans are there to help with who to contact & what to do in a flood situation, all volunteers who actively take part in assisting with tenants vacating their property and assist those affected with flood equipment, i.e. Sandbags, shovels etc.</p> <p>Questions were asked about soakaways & tanks in the area. Derek stated that everyone that had been flooded in 2007 or was a potential risk had agreed to sign up for warnings beforehand. Since the flood in 2007 there has been a PLP (property level protection) scheme put in place where the places that were heavily flooded have been improved so it won't happen again, residents were also given funding to apply for flood prevention to their homes. The flood wardens get 3 levels of warnings 1. Alert, 2. Warning and 3. Severe warning.</p> <p>Derek bell said they have been working with Yorkshire water on the flooded area of meadow</p>	Ask Yorkshire Water	Derek

<p>gates. A discussion took place.</p> <p>Information regarding insurance to properties in flood areas had been highlighted in local Parliament resulting in a new insurance scheme to help people affected with high premiums. If insurance companies have signed up this decreases the costs to the tenants.</p> <p>What equipment is needed was agreed then how & where this could be sourced and bought locally, all agreed to use from working funds and buy from Terrys DIY, once purchased a date to be set for members of the community to help with putting these items into storage.</p> <p>Marie to update the Plan and send to Derek as a final draft, which can then be signed off and used in emergencies.</p> <p>3. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising that are not on the agenda</p> <p>No matter arising.</p> <p>4. Merging of the Ward Alliances</p> <p>Marie informed the members that the Dearne North Ward Alliance were happy to merge the meetings but wanted to keep the monies for North/South separate, same with the working funds. The first meeting is to be held in February with a friendly open meeting for everyone to get to know each other. (Updates will be had so each area can understand what they have both been involved in)</p> <p>5. Financial update</p> <p>Working Fund - Balance £2955.88</p> <p>Carrfield school has now cashed the Cheque for the bulbs/flowers etc.</p> <p>Charlotte Johnson stated that the flood container has been moved charlotte said BODVAG has paid the £80 to move it – all agreed to reimburse BODVAG from working fund.</p> <p><u>Funding applications</u></p> <p>Dearne Allotment group £500.00 extension to the shelter – all agreed</p> <p>Friends of Broadwater (FOB) applied for £633.91 towards Startup costs for computer & stationary to enable them to raise awareness of FOB and forthcoming events and recruit new volunteers.</p> <p>Cllr Noble had reservations regarding buying another laptop, groups in the area should be sharing their equipment which would cut down on the costs, everyone agreed. Charlotte stated she would ask at the BODVAG meeting if sharing of their laptop could be an idea (a short discussion took place around groups sharing equipment and logistics)</p> <p>All agreed this group had great intentions and were doing really well, Marie highlighted the fact she was still waiting for quotes for their public liability insurance for FOB to take on clean up's and events with children's safeguarding. Monika is still awaiting the quote however other quotes were around £300. The Ward Alliance all agreed to fund this project but had concerns regarding the amount of equipment been bought for individual groups, these items should be shared amongst other groups to help with their projects. All agreed to fund £800.00 to include the insurance costs.</p>	<p>for update on what work has taken place.</p> <p>Purchase of equipment / delivery date to be arranged</p> <p>Update draft flood plan, send to Derek & WA to agree</p> <p>Revise application & inform Monika.</p> <p>BODVAG to be asked about loaning their laptop & other equipment to other groups</p>	<p>Bell</p> <p>Terry Walton</p> <p>Marie Sinclair</p> <p>Marie Sinclair</p> <p>Charlotte Johnson</p>
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Charlotte asked about the replacement bin on Carrfield playing fields (dog bin to be replaced by grey household bin) – Terry has a spare bin in his workshop but stated he didn't have any instructions or authority from Area Team / WA or Cllrs as to where it was to be located, also permission from Highways. Marie will speak to Neighbourhood Services to cost up how much and if this is ok to have external provider to fit a BMBC bin. Costs from Terry would be £120.00 fitted. If sourced through Terry could stickers on bins be order to ensure residents/dog walkers are aware they can put the dog waste in the black bins.

Howard to be emailed re bin situation

Marie Sinclair

DEARNE SOUTH WARD ALLIANCE FUNDING				
Name of Project/	Group Contact Person	Grant Requested	Grant Awarded	Priority
001 Dearne FC (Comrades)	Gary Wilde	£650.00	£650.00	Pride & Quality of Life
002 BPL (FREE SUMMER SWIMS)	Area Council	£500.00 Split 50/50	£250.00	Youth Provision
003 BODVAG	Graham Jarvis	£3,200.00	£3,200.00	Pride in Dearne South
004 Girl guide scraves/neckers	Goldthorpe Girl Guides	£805 (partial payment of uniforms) agreed to fund 50/50 with Dearne North	£81.00	Youth provision
005 Goldthorpe Library holiday arts & crafts	Toni Allen	£740.00 split 50/50 with Dearne South	£370.00	Youth provision
006 Bulky Rubbish	Cllr Gardiner	£1000.00 (split 50/50)	£500.00	Pride in Dearne South
007 Dearne & District FC	Sharon Jamsab	£2000 part funded for secure fencing total £625 split 50/50	£312.50	Youth provision, Quality of life
008 Salvation Army Volunteer Job Club	Alison Sykes	£2500 split 50/50	£1,250.00	Jobs, training & life skills, quality of life, info
009 Bulky Rubbish 1st extension	Cllr Gardiner	£2000.00 split 50/50 with dearne south	£1,000.00	Pride in Dearne South
010 Bulky Rubbish 2nd extension	Cllr Gardiner	£2000.00 split 50/50 with dearne south	£1,000.00	Pride in Dearne South
011 Dearne Allotment Group	Mick Moore	£500.00	£500.00	Pride in Dearne South, Quality of Life, Training,
012 Friends of Broadwater	Monika Alvery	£800.00	£800.00	Pride in Dearne South, Quality of Life, Training, youth provision
Total allocated 2016/16 £10000.00	BF £1160.00	Total allocated so far	£9,913.50	
Total allocation for 2016/2017	£11,160.00			
Monies still to be spent	£11,246.50			

Ward Alliance balance £11,246.50

Cllr Noble requested that £5000 be drawn down to the working fund to help pay for the flood defense equipment and any emergency situations that may arise in 2017.

6. AOB

May confirmed the bulky rubbish had been successfully extended costings now £5000 this year between both wards, balance was around £1500.

The Bolton on Dearne Church clock needs winding up every week in the past Alan George used to volunteer (he was paid as a goodwill payment £10 every time) Alan will go to the meeting to see the full request on how much – the group agreed to pay £10 for a year but not for every week. Charlotte also asked if the working fund would pay for a Christmas tree to be installed and decorated in the church grounds, further costings are required.

May Noble reminded the members about the Kiln (bought in summer 2014 never opened or used due to lack of interest and trained professionals? Everyone agreed to ask around local schools/community groups in the Dearne area to see if anyone could make use of it.

7. Date & Time of next meeting –

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Dearne North Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Thursday 17 th November 2016 – 1pm
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Pauline Phillips, Cllr Alan Gardiner, Cllr Annette Gollick, Alison Sykes, Charlotte Williams, James Malone, Derek Bramham (Big Local Thurnscoe), Tina Brooke (local resident), Marie Sinclair (Dearne Area Team) & Stephen Hurd.	

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Welcomes & introductions took place to welcome Tina to the Ward Alliance.</p> <p>1. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising</p> <p>Marie to check if David has taken the paperwork to the bank as countersignature on the account.</p> <p>2. Merging of the Ward Alliances</p> <p>Both Alliances have agreed to merge on a meeting basis only; the monies will still be used in both wards individually with their own desperate working funds for projects in each area, still working to the same priorities.</p> <p>3. Finance / applications received</p> <p>£1000 for extension of bulky rubbish scheme had been agreed after the last meeting via email also monies set aside for the clean-up of the Bullring with Big Local Thurnscoe giving £1000 towards the initiative.</p> <p><u>Dearne North Ward Alliance previous balance - £ 9476.50</u></p> <p><u>Applications submitted:</u></p> <p>Goldthorpe Development Group – Christmas tooth fairy project £400.00, Charlotte asked if the school nurse scheme was still available. (School nurses work in partnership with families, schools, social care and other health professionals, to support children and young people to make sure that their health needs are being met. Their aim is to visit schools regularly, offering health information, advice and support to pupils, parents and staff, as well as offering health promotion activities in the classroom), a short discussion then took place.</p>	Email David	Marie

<p>All agreed this project is excellent, meeting the quality of life priority against healthier lifestyles in children, by providing gifts at the Christmas Fayre from Santa with Oral hygiene gifts (toothbrushes, toothpaste, fruit and a book) – all agreed</p> <p>Goldthorpe Town Centre Group – New group (insurance) set up £379.80, all agreed this was a good application and agreed to fund 2 years to help the group sustain their finances from external funders and enable the group to start their projects on Goldthorpe High Street. – all agreed</p> <p>Thurnscoe East Bullring Clean-up - Marie asked the group if they would be willing to allow more funds for the Clean-up of the Bullring, to ensure all the work that had been started was finished before Christmas; the skips were all used and paid for, however there is still more debris/non-recyclables to be discarded. Prices for a grab wagon would be cheaper £150.00 a load, Big Local Thurnscoe (BLT) has agreed to donate £300 towards the costs. In the New Year The Ward Alliance will be working with, Twiggs, BLT (Green Space Group), Thurnscoe Tenants & Residents Association and local residents. All agreed £1500 in principle</p> <p>Marie will speak to Claire (Area Council Manager) with suggestions of section 106 monies to help with the project of a green space area in which local residents would potentially take ownership and look after once the project is complete. A consultation with residents in the area will be required Feb/March 2017.</p> <p>4. Updates from Community Groups</p> <p><u>Thurnscoe Park</u></p> <p>Remembrance Sunday was a huge success, a little wet but plenty of attendees. More conifers are to be planted in the new year; Derek is to give his Christmas tree as a living one.</p> <p>A new volunteer has approached Pauline with the aim of filling out funding applications in the future.</p> <p>Thurnscoe Park will be going for 'GOLD' next year, Pauline has downloaded all relevant articles/information on what is required, watch this space and everyone help out when necessary.</p> <p>The gates have now been fitted, the flowers are to be painted poppy red, and the container will be delivered in 2017 once the footpath has been repaired.</p> <p>Looking forward to the event on 19th November – 'winter wonderland'</p> <p><u>Station House</u></p> <p>Membership At Station House is currently full to capacity with demand in this area at its highest; proving that wealth in the area is growing, the more families are using afterschool care the more the Dearne economy is growing.</p> <p>Charlotte thanked the members for the funding towards a photocopier she reported that her new contract has saved 20% off the costs helping the environment.</p> <p>Lots of Christmas activities with the children to come in December including Santa's arrival, all of the children are rehearsing their carols for the community singalong at Thurnscoe Library 'light switch on'</p> <p>James has been tasked with promoting Station House through social media, & marketing of all their events. A newsletter will be devised in 2017 to highlight all the good work the children & families have done.</p>	<p>Speak to AC Manager - re sec 106</p>	<p>Marie</p>
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Charlotte asked if anyone knew of any knitting groups for the surplus wool she has been donated. Several options were discussed.

Salvation Army

Working families' foodbank went really well, lots of interest on social media with positive feedback, the next one is Saturday 19th November at 9.30 – 11.30am, Alison has requested food from several local supermarkets/businesses. Be well have made quite a few of referrals too.

Christmas craft session on Monday 21st November to showcase the fantastic work that Junior HOurbank #iWill initiative completed with Salvation Army families.

Big Local Thurnscoe

Planning of the Winter wonderland is well underway, Saturday 19th November 12pm – 6pm ending with firework display. Father Christmas arriving by train with elves walking alongside into park. Claire & Ann to help out on the day, everyone welcome to come along!

Dipping pond platform is still not erected yet, BLT waiting for instructions from DVLP, monies have been allocated but due to winter weather it may now be spring 2017 before completion

Alison has priced up the cost of hanging baskets for along the main shopping area (Houghton Road /Lidgget Lane) from the same Garden Centre that supplies the local council. BLT have approved for 20 baskets hoping it will encourage more shoppers to the local area.

The annual review has now been completed and submitted to BCB our Local Trusted Organisation. Once the report is signed off by the Local Trust our budget for the next 2 years should be agreed and the first six months drawn down in January 2017.

The Partnership has agreed for a further £300 for the removal of rubbish from the cleared Bullring area.

5. Group Project – working together

Multi agency clean-up – Marie will let everyone know when the next work is to be planned, removal of the waste is still top priority, by spring 2017 consultation with the local residents in the area needs to be completed to find out what kind of area green space they would like to be created.

LWYL – Marie asked everyone to keep up the good work and think of projects for working together with the Love where you live' theme at the start of Kept Britain Tidy campaign

AOB

None.

Dates for next meeting – 2nd February 1.30 Goldthorpe Library

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**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 23rd January 2017**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Ward Alliance Fund spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report seeks to inform Members about spend to date from Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne Area.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes any spend to date for the Wards of Dearne North and Dearne South.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

3.2 In considering projects for the use of the Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4.0 Commitments to Date

4.1 In the 15/16 financial year the Dearne North Ward Alliance underspent by £69. Therefore for the 16/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has a starting budget of £10,069 to spend on Dearne North projects. Further at the Area Council on the 19th of September members agreed to devolve a further £10k taking the total budget to £20,069.

To date Dearne North Alliance has spent £12,224.30 on eighteen projects. Of these projects eleven were matched funded to a cost of £8,172.30. As of January 2017 the Ward Alliance has a total allocation of £7844.70 to spend on meeting Dearne North Priorities.

4.2 In the 15/16 financial year the Dearne South Ward Alliance underspent by £1160. Therefore for the 16/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has a starting budget of £11,160 to spend on Dearne South projects. Further at the Area Council on the 19th of September members agreed to devolve a further £10k taking the total budget to £21,160.

To date Dearne South Alliance has spent £9,913.50 on twelve projects. Of these projects eight were matched funded at a cost of £7,163.50. As of January 2017 the Ward Alliance has a total of £11,246.50 to spend on Dearne South priorities.

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23rd January 2017

2016/17 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2016/17 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

50% of the funding requires a match-funding element of volunteer time that directly relates to the project in question, or other match funding resources (such as free room hire or donations of goods and equipment). This reflects the fact that the fund is intended to support volunteering and social action in our communities.

50% can be used for initiatives that have no volunteer element – such as the purchase and installation of benches, hanging baskets or other street furniture.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2015/16 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2016/17 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

DEARNE NORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2016/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£69	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	Devolved from area council
£20,069	total available funding

Match funded allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Thurnscoe East Angling Club - Maintenance of reservoir & re-stock fish	£1,990.00	£18,079.00
6th Barnsley (Goldthorpe) Scout Group - Scout group community litter picking	£350.00	£17,729
Goldthorpe Library - Children's crafts & activity sessions	£370.00	£17,359
8th Barnsley Guides - Goldthorpe Guides	£80.00	£17,279
Salvation Army Job Club	£1250.00	£16,029
Dearne & District JFC - Junior pitch development	£312.50	£15,716.50
Sacred Heart Parent Group	£1900	£13,816.50

Station House	£480.00	£13,336.50
Goldthorpe Development Group	£400.00	£12,936.50
Goldthorpe Town Centre	£379.80	£12,556.70
Bullring skip hire	£660.00	£11,896.70

Non match funding allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining allocation</u>
Dearne Summer holiday swims	£250.00	£11,646.70
Thurnscoe Library - Children's Activity & Crafts sessions	£250.00	£11,396.70
Bulky Rubbish Collection	£500.00	£10,896.70
Extension of Bulky Rubbish	£1000	£9,896.70
Relocation of High Street bins	£200	£9,696.70
Grab wagon bullring	£852.00	£8,844.70
Bulky rubbish	£1000	£7,844.70

Total spend = £ 12,224.30

Match funded 11 applications =£ 8,172.30

Non match funded 7 applications = £4,052

DEARNE SOUTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2016/17 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£1,160	carried forward from 2015/16
£10,000	Devolved from area council
£21,160	total available funding

Match funded allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Dearne Football Club - upkeep of ground and facilities	£650.00	£20,510
Bolton on Dearne VAG - support to group to run community events	£3,200.00	£17,310.00
Goldthorpe Library - Children's crafts & activity sessions	£370.00	£16,940
8th Barnsley Guides - Goldthorpe Guides	£81.00	£16,859
Salvation Army Job Club	£1,250.00	£15,609
Dearne & District JFC - Junior pitch development	£312.50	£15,296.50
Dearne allotment group	£500	£14,796.50
Friends of Broadwater	£800	£13,996.50

Non match funding allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining allocation</u>
Dearne Summer holiday swims	£250.00	£13,746.50
Bulky Rubbish Collection	£500.00	£13,246.50
Bulky Rubbish	£1000.00	£12,246.50
Extension of Bulky Rubbish	£1000	£11,246.50

Total spend= £9,913.50

Match funded 8 applications = £ 7,163.50

Non match funded applications 4 = £2,750

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