

MEETING:	Dearne Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 20 March 2017
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

AGENDA

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Minutes

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- 8 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.20.03.2017/8) (*Pages 41 - 46*)

To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

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

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MINUTES

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

37 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

38 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 21st November, 2016 (Dac.23.01.2017/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of the Dearne Area Council, held on 21st November, 2016 and arising therefrom Councillor Noble confirmed that the arrangements for the flood store referred to in Minute 35 had now been agreed.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on 21st November, 2016 be approved as a true and correct record.

39 Dearne Active (Dac.23.01.2017/3)

A. Norris, Senior Health Improvement Officer attended the meeting to provide details of the Dearne Action initiative. He stated that a bid for up to £350,000 of funding would be made to Sport England for a three year project that would encourage physical activity in the Dearne.

Members indicated their support for the bid and emphasised the need for the project to include a wide range of activities to ensure that families are captured. It was confirmed that the consultation responses would determine such activities but that this was likely to include a variety of activities to ensure that the most inactive are engaged. It was confirmed that the project must be sustainable beyond the three year funding period.

RESOLVED that Members welcome the Dearne Active initiative and further updates be provided to this meeting in due course.

40 Dearne Area Council Financial Position and Progress of Projects (Dac.23.01.2017/4)

The Area Council Manager introduced a report providing an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend. In particular it was noted that, to date, the Area Council have spent and earmarked £217,280 on previously agreed projects/services, out of the allocated £220,664 for 2016/17, leaving £3,384. The addition of fixed notice penalty income to this amount left approximately £9,200 unallocated for 2016/17.

With regard to 2017/18 it was reported that, as a result of the allocation of resources to the Investigations and Housing Officer roles, the procurement of the volunteer, education and environmental service and the continuation of the Kingdom enforcement service, the total spend committed for 2017/18 was £180,060, leaving £9,139 unallocated.

Members discussed the feedback they were getting from the community with regard to enforcement activity and expressed their concerns that there had been a reduction in activity, particularly on dog fouling. It was recognised that Kingdom had experienced some staffing issues, however, there was a need to investigate further the reasons for the reduction in activity and to consider how to improve performance by utilising more targeted operations and improved contract management.

Members noted the progress on projects and in particular the Railway Embankment Project, where the group are considering the access routes to the site and how it would be managed. Two applications had been received in respect of the continuation of the environmental and volunteering service and interviews would take place on 12th January, 2017.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the updated financial position for 2016/17 and 2017/18 as now reported be noted;
- (ii) that the progress of previously agreed projects that have been committed out of the 2016/17 and 2017/18 allocation be noted; and
- (iii) that approval be given to the continuation of the Kingdom enforcement service, in accordance with the original in principle agreement for the contract that started in April 2016.

41 Notes from the Ward Alliances (Dac.23.01.2017/5)

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne North Ward Alliance held on 17th November, 2017 and Dearne South Ward Alliance held on 27th November, 2017.

It was stated that Flood Warden training was planned for the new year and the discussions on merging the Ward Alliances were noted.

RESOLVED that notes from the respective Ward Alliances be received.

42 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.23.01.2017/6)

The meeting received a report on the expenditure from each of the Ward Alliance Funds in the area, from the beginning of the financial year.

For Dearne North, from a starting budget of £20,069, £7,844.70 remained. For Dearne South, from an opening balance of £21,160, there was a remaining balance of £11,246.50. Details of the match funded allocations, set out in the appendix to the report, were noted.

RESOLVED that the report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds be noted.

Chair

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL

Performance Report

Oct-Dec 2016



INTRODUCTION

Dearne Area Council Priorities



Table 1 below shows the Providers that have been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Dearne Area Council.

	Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract end date
Environment	Environmental enforcement	Kingdom security	£31,000	April 2017 option to Extend
Environment	Private sector housing enforcement	BMBC	16/17 £12,000	Funded until March 2017
Environment	Clean and Tidy	Twiggs	£112,450 18months	Funded until March 2017

PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

The Dearne Area Council commissions also contribute to the Councils overall priorities of thriving vibrant economy, stronger resilient communities and citizens achieving their potential. The achievement of the outcomes which includes the figures from the Dearne Development fund are listed in table's below:

*the targets below include the stats from the Dearne Development Fund

Thriving and Vibrant Economy

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. of FTE jobs created and recruited to	4	10
No. of PT/sessional jobs created and recruited to	7	9
No. of apprentice and placement created and recruited to	1	1
No. of group/service match funded	-	6
Local spend (average across all contracts)	88%	95%

Stronger resilient communities

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. of adult volunteers engaged	59	120
No. of young people engaged in volunteering	9	14
No. of new volunteers	5	6
No of community groups supported (Twiggs)	4	14
No. of volunteer opportunities through commissions	2	68
No. of local business involvement	6	8

Citizens achieving their potential

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved
No. residents achieving qualification	0	20
No. residents educated (littering)	10	38
No. of residents receiving health and wellbeing advice/referrals	8	88
No. of young people pre mental health service intervention	0	30

At present, two contracts and one Service Level Agreement (SLA) with BMBC have formally completed their contract monitoring/contract management reporting. The following tables therefore reflect the overview of performance of **three contracts**. These contracts are based on the Dearne Area Council priorities. These contracts are:

Environment: Enforcement- Kingdom

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Patrol Hours completed	433	450
No of litter and dog fouling operations	2	3
No of litter and dog fouling FPNs issued	-	67
No of parking PCNs issued	-	1
Income this quarter	-	1,765
Local spend	85%	95%

Environment: Housing Enforcement -BMBC

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Initial contacts made	100	232
Vulnerable households identified	10	18
Number of requests for action to landlords	8	26
People sign posted to other services	8	18
CPN written warnings issued	0	6
Households supported with waste/recycling	20	62
Local spend	90%	100%

Environment: Clean and Tidy -Twiggs

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved Q2
Twiggs social action events	1	6
Community groups supported	4	14
Residents educated	10	38
School education sessions	1	1
Residents taking responsibility for areas	4	4
Local business engagement	6	4
Local spend	90%	90%

PART B - SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

REPORT FOR EACH SERVICE

Environmental Enforcement- Kingdom Security

Quarter 3 report received on the 6th January 2017

Environment

Growing the Economy

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

To date 68 FPN's have been issued in the area. 66 of these have been for littering offences 1 PCN's for parking and 1 for dog fouling offences. The Officers concentrate their patrols around intelligence led information from the tasking process and also from complaints on the street, from the community at large. To date this quarter complaints and operations are on-going and continue to be reported although few in number but are quality with good information and attended. The service have also been met with an increase in specific witness information re offenders. The service offers on the first instance, an FPN armed with a statement from the witness and allow the individual to discharge their liability rather than have us compile a file for prosecution at court.

	Littering	Dog Fouling	Parking	Dearne North	Dearne South
Quarter 1	66	8	6	52	28
Quarter 2	59	7	3	42	26
Quarter 3	66	1	1	43	25

Prosecutions continue for Littering and Dog Fouling. To date offenders have paid prior to attending, pleaded guilty prior to court or have been found guilty at court. There has been a 100% success rate for those that make it to court. The revenue raised thus far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) for this quarter is £1,765.00. The cumulative figure for this financial year to 31st Dec is: £7,910.00.

Lowfield Lane Dog Fouling.

A high proportion of complaints in the Dearne South Area have been received regarding dog fouling on Lowfield Road and adjoining public footpaths. Kingdom has made these areas Hotspots for regular patrols and on an ad hoc basis patrol in numbers. Leaflet drops in the first instance highlight the consequences of allowing dogs to foul but also that officers are on patrol in the area. These deterrents appear to work but for short periods and the problems seem to start up again.

Two separate operational days involving half of the Borough officers in plain clothes and uniform patrolling the streets commenced. On this occasion we have not issued or seen any individuals allowing their dogs to foul and leaving it all have picked up. So far one FPN has been issued since. Some useful information has been supplied by local residents for further investigation and directed patrols which continues.

Dearne North Action Day

Dearne North area was subject to a Community Action Day, on Beever Street, Goldthorpe in October 2016, organised by the local action groups. Along with other agencies Kingdom were invited to attend and support the initiative and seize an opportunity to engage with the public of Goldthorpe. Kingdom took the initiative to organise a juvenile, 'litterpick' in the vicinity on the day in question.

All juveniles who are subject to the Fixed Penalty scheme by depositing litter irresponsibly are given the choice through their respective parent /guardian, to attend a 'litter pick' locally rather than pay the requisite £75.00. This operated under the 'Restorative Justice Scheme' (RJS), are designed to divert juveniles away from criminal convictions at an early age.

Kingdom were fully supported by the local volunteer 'LitterPick' team and were very grateful and look forward to a continued relationship as Juveniles are caught and subject to this 'RJS'. On this particular day 7 Juveniles attended, enjoyed the experience and were obviously educated in environmental crime and how it directly affects the community.

Environment- Private Sector Housing (SLA)

Enforcement – BMBC Quarter 2 report submitted 14th of September 2016

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

During the months October to December 2016 the service received **232** complaints, queries and requests; these include advice and referrals to other agencies including South Yorkshire Police. Some of these were dealt on an informal basis, either speaking to the tenant/occupier or just sending a general advice letter; others went to more formal action. All cases closed within quarter two are recorded as having a successful outcome.

62 Waste on Premises reports were received and investigated during October to December. Occupiers were spoken to or general waste letter was sent asking them to remove the waste within 14 days, of these **56** complied. The ones that did not comply were issued with a CPN Written Warning (6 in total), of these **5** complied with **1** resulting in a Community Protection Notice being issued. Failure to comply with the Community Protection Notice has resulted in a £100 fine. The service identified 10 vulnerable household with 8 off the households sign posted on to services in order to support their needs.

Anti-Social Behaviour

There were **7** ASB cases reported in this quarter. These ranged from loud music to neighbour disputes. All these have been investigated with **2** having a successful outcome. The other **5** are ongoing with continuing support and advice being provided to the victims

and also the perpetrators in relation to making referrals to the relevant bodies i.e. social care, South Yorkshire Police.

Bins

Large number of contaminated bins are still being identified and reported to Waste Management for them to be removed. The free delivery of bins to residents within the Dearne area has ceased. At the recent Landlord meeting in January 2017 this was discussed, ideas to find a solution have been asked for.

Fly tipping

In total **48** fly tipping reports/referrals have been dealt with. Where items of waste have been fly tipped and no evidence has been found, email is sent to Neighbourhood Services along with photographic evidence requesting for the waste to be removed.

Operation Duxford

A multi-agency Operation took place within the Barnsley area, targeting properties where intelligence had been received with regard to illegal operations. One property within the area was visited and a number of cannabis plants were found. The occupiers were subsequently arrested.

Bullring, Windsor Square, Thurnscoe

Following many years of complaints of fly tipping on the Bullring, which is owned by Thurnscoe Tenants, Big Local, Thurnscoe and the ward Alliance funded a clean-up of the area by providing skips for waste, rubbish etc. This took place at the beginning of November. Letters were delivered to properties surrounding the area informing them of this clean up and on the day residents, volunteers from Big Local, Dearne Area Team, Community Safety and Enforcement Service and Twiggs took part. Bags of waste, burnt waste, mattresses etc. were removed and the area strimmed back. Over the weeks work has progressed with one resident having use of a digger to remove vegetation. Work is still ongoing with this area. Plans are to consult with the community as to what they want the area to be used for.



Environment – Twiggs

Quarter 3 report submitted 6th January 2017

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

Four people are employed through this contract 1 x full time, 2x part time and an apprentice. The service continues to work with established community groups in order to maintain specific areas, they have supported 14 groups this quarter as well as doing their own social action events. Twiggs have also worked with 8 businesses and targeted 206 areas for clean ups, this is in addition to the 127 areas Twiggs identified. The team have delivered 2 impact of littering courses at Carrfield School and Dearne Valley College.

Dearne Valley College

The Twiggs management team had an indepth meeting with a tutor from Dearne Valley College. They discussed at length the quality of work placements we have available for students, and they now have plans in place to run an introductory event in the Dearne Area with a group of students with varying abilities along with supervising assistants. The college are very keen to be involvd with the team, and they hope that the introductory event in Spring will help to identify particular students with a keen interest in building upon their skills. This is a great opportunity for both the Dearne Area Clean and Tidy Team, and Dearne Valley College, to work together and enable the students to leave the classroom and get some hands on work experience.

The Reparation Team

Twiggs have built a good working relationship with Sarah Kendrick and the Reparation Team this quarter, and are keen to continue working together in the area over the coming months. In circumstances when the Clean and Tidy team have been otherwise engaged and unable to physically support the litter picking activities with offenders, the management

team have supported Sarah by providing ideal target locations for the day, even outlining specific areas on maps and emailing details through to the team.

*Pictures Bolton Upon Dearne, area to the back of the sewage works, strimmed, widened footpath, lifted trees, cut back brambles and litter picked



The service continues to receive good feedback from members of the public and local businesses alike. Earlier this quarter the Clean and Tidy Team were victims of a theft in the Goldthorpe area, when tools were stolen from the vehicle. As disheartening as this was at the time, the support they received from members of the public was incredible. Residents even made the effort to try and locate the missing tools and report any useful information via their facebook page/ The Dearne Area Team. The facebook post informing local people of the theft was viewed more than 6000 times and received 92 shares, and the number of supportive comments/ messages was unbelievable. The Twiggs team feel valued by the Dearne area community, and the efforts to go above and beyond are recognised by the wider public. Early October they received a thank you message from a resident for the improvement works they had carried out in her area. She requested that they keep her informed of the next time they are working nearby. Following a quick message to this particular lady informing her of them working in her area that morning, she arrived shortly after with refreshments and biscuits which were donated for Twiggs by the local shop keeper. This is again is great recognition for the works being carried out in the area.

PART C- Dearne Development Fund

Applications: 2015-2016

The panel consisting of Elected Members, the Area Council Manager, Community Development Officer and residents from both Dearne North and South met twice in the 15/16 financial year. 21 groups and services applied through this process and 9 were successful. £80,000 was allocated to the Dearne Development Fund in order to meet the Dearne Area priorities and the 9 applications came to a total of £77,646 from 2015/16 finances

Note: The silver surfer scheme and Salvation Army projects have now come to an end, others will have come to an end in November, December and January

Provider/group	Priority	Impact	Cost	Start Date	End date
Dearne Allotment Group	Improving health/Improving the environment	To provide a coordinator in order to continue with the development of the community allotment	£7,500	1/12/15	30/11/16
Goldthorpe Development Group- Community Alliance Project	Improving Health (older people) Young people	To provide events and health awareness days in order to reduce loneliness and isolation of older people. Events also to engage with younger people.	£9,080	7/12/2015	6/12/2016
DIAL- drop in advice project	Information and support	Independent advice service supporting disadvantaged people that are faced with financial exclusion	£6,050	1/1/2016	31/12/2016
Salvation Army- Seasons hope project	Improving health/quality of life/ information and support	Supporting families in crisis across the Dearne area by providing support by way of information packs. The project will also provide cook and eat sessions.	£3,154	30/11/2015	30/11/2016
Dearne Electronic Community Village- silver surfers	Information and support/ skills and learning for work	Engaging with local resident 55+ in order to promote social inclusion by delivering ICT sessions. This service worked with 22 learners.	£6,122	4/1/2016	31/3/2016
Dearne Electronic Community Village- workability	Information and support/ skills and learning for work	The tutor will organise, plan and deliver workshop sessions in ICT and Employability skills, working in partnership alongside the DWP and a CRT outreach worker based	£14, 924	2/5/2016	29/12/2016

		at DECV and also DVC for functional skills			
Dearne Valley bulldogs	Improving health/ young people	To provide Integrated changing rooms and showers facilities. The hope is that new facilities will relieve the pressure on the club in regards to safeguarding policies and logistical challenges.	£15,000	1/3/2016	3/11/2016
DIAL-hOurbank	Information and support	The hOurbank will facilitate the exchange of skills and time and is run on an 'hour for an hour' principle. This scheme will build on the pilot that was previously run in the Dearne.	Asked for £15,000 panel contribute £7,000	1/4/2016	31/12/2016
Therapies for depression anxiety and stress	Improving health/ young people	The project will be based at the Dearne ALC. TADS will work with 30 young people 11 – 18 to engage in 6 full therapy sessions, 30 minute therapy session and further 20 minutes to complete wellbeing exercises and learn coping techniques	Asked for £12,250 panel gave £8,813	1/4/2016	30/3/2017

Dearne Allotment Group

During the winter the group have undertaken some much need remedial work, which included adding an extension to the shelter in order to accommodate more volunteers. The volunteers now have their own programmes of work; therefore they have a purpose each time they attend. The group have also planned to contact the school about the grow and eat initiatives in the summer. The group are also working in partnership with other local groups such as the Salvation Army, Goldthorpe development group, Thurnscoe Park and the Big Local

Goldthorpe Development Group (GDG) reducing loneliness and isolation

The Goldthorpe Development Group received funding through the Dearne Development Fund in order to provide health events for older people with the principal aim to reduce loneliness and isolation, but to also deliver health and wellbeing benefits. They held 12 events last year and had their final one in December. Although some will be the same people in total the group attended to 1,093 individuals throughout the twelve months. Between 8-12 volunteers assisted at each of their events. If you used 10 as an average figure and did the social return on investment in relation to volunteer hours and costs, the return on investment would come to £5,467.20 over the twelve month period. Some of the

providers attending the events were, Bewell Barnsley, dementia services, Age UK, hOurbank, energy efficiency and the Fire Service.



Dearne Electronic Community Village September-December

The project started on the 9th May 2016. Since the last report Rory has enrolled a further **20 learners** taking the total for the project to **71 learners (the target was 40)**. All learners have enrolled onto the **OCR ICT (Entry 3) qualification** and also the **Learn My Way online course (UK Online)**. All **71** will eventually receive the qualifications and **7** into full time employment. The latest cohorts are being marked to be sent to OCR early Feb 2017.

Rory's work consists of dedicating time with learners 1 to 1 for CV / Jobsearch / Universal Jobmatch / Online Application activities. He's currently working with 2 volunteers one day per week with occasional help from college (Dearne Valley) placements.

All learners are unemployed (Jobseekers Allowance or Universal Credit) and many on ESA. There's still a sharp rise in the number of learners attending with learning difficulties and many who have been taken off ESA onto Jobseekers Allowance, some fighting appeals. Many of these are long term unemployed with health problems and suffer financial hardship, particularly if awaiting an appeal decision. Many learners are also around 60+ and feel they have nothing to offer the job market. These are the most challenging to work with. I'm also helping individuals with Pip forms / Redundancy Forms / Council tax. Basically anything that involves a computer!

The partnership with the Jobcentre is working very well for referral's (80% of my referrals are from the Jobcentre), others are from Coalfields Regeneration Trust, Salvation Army and the Library. I'm still partnership working closely with Richard Jones from CRT and Sarah Hart from the DWP who both use DECV's facilities.

Job roles include

2x Support workers at Robert Ogden's, 1x Driver (Agency), 1x Administrator – PP Coatings, 1x Warehouse – Asos, 1x Apprentice Placement Advisor – Rotherham College, 1x Phone advisor (Benefits) – Capita, 1x Temporary position – Mechanical Fitter

Case studies

Gillian first came to see me in May 2016, at the start of the project. I'd already been informed by Gillian's ESA advisor that Gillian had problems in crowded spaces and suffered

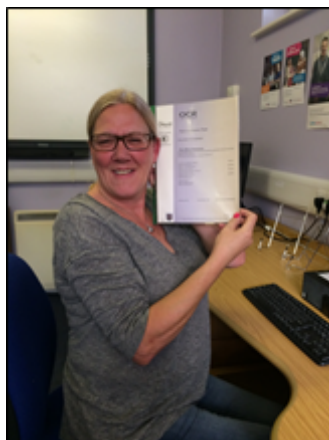
with anxiety. I arranged a 1 to 1 initially and booked her in a Friday Morning slot, which would be quiet. When she walked in the room she was visibly shaking and she struggled to get her words out.

She explained it had been a major task just to travel to the centre, as she had problems sitting on crowded buses but was pleased she had made the effort. Gillian explained she hadn't done any learning since school and was now in her 60's. She had no qualification to speak of, or training certificates. The very first 2 hour session we spent 2 hrs talking, nothing more. I made drinks and put Gillian at ease. We talked about her life and eventually got round to computers, of which she had no experience at all and had always avoided them. I explained the course, the student centred approach to learning, the relaxed atmosphere and most importantly the fact that she could work at her own pace, and I would make her as much tea as she wanted! Gillian had expected a class full of people and a rigid pace, like in her school days.

The job advisor had told me to start the slow process of getting Gillian looking at employment options, and although getting a job would be far in the distance, we would put together everything needed to find employment and start looking at options.

Through the summer of 2016 we worked slowly through the course and eventually another learner joined our morning session. Luckily, this was someone in a similar situation and they found common ground. The social aspect of the morning began to take shape and I noticed Gillian coming out of her shell, more talkative, smiling and showing a great sense of humour. She also gained confidence with the computer, particularly typing and MS Word. She began to see the potential of the Internet, looking at holiday destinations and email, for getting in touch with family. By October Gillian was looking forward to the sessions and the once small class I had reserved for Gillian began to grow in number. Gillian eventually completed her portfolio and was awarded her certificates. She has also completed the Learn My Way Online course and is currently looking at the Level 1 ITQ ICT Award.

Although Gillian has completed the course she still very much enjoys attending, with a newfound passion for learning! Gillian told me she was proud of herself; and so she should be!



Over the past 12 months I believe I've found the main barrier to learning and finding employment was the individual's lack of confidence in their ability to cope with learning and their subsequent loss of self-esteem, usually stemming from previous poor experiences in education, job loss or personal problems.

Some of the people when they first came in to DECV couldn't even look me in the eye. I noticed they would talk to me and be looking at their feet, they'd be looking at anywhere in the room and they didn't think that they were capable of doing any form of learning; because they'd had so many knockbacks and bad experiences. A key factor was the first meeting, the Initial Assessment. It's important the learner can identify, with help, his or her own needs and the individual will also quickly realise it's a relaxed, un-intimidating atmosphere.

A lot of people who come in haven't been in education for 20 to 30 years. Computers are something that's totally new to them, so just starting the course is maybe not the first step, they need some work doing first of all, whether it be in basic skills or confidence building or careers guidance work. In sessions I do group training, one to ones, and I did different activities with learners, centred on ICT. Progression for many of them in real terms was to use ICT in terms of employability and finding work, using the technology available. Slowly, with time and the correct atmosphere I would notice the changes in them, as individuals and as people that they can do it, that they can use a computer, and they are worthy and can achieve, and the realisation in them that people are around to help, is amazing, and their confidence and motivation will increase.

There are so many different things that they get from the sessions, particularly working in a group and the social aspects of working with people in an ICT setting. I found small group settings to be the most effective from a social aspect. I noticed people would relax considerably when able to eventually talk with others who are in a similar situation, in this case regarding unemployment and the stress from the demands of the DWP and the lack of help, understanding and advice they had been given. Learner 1: Rory took the time to help me look for a job that I was Interested in, and the Job Centre, they just don't do that. They help you much better here. That is what makes me come here all the time. Whatever help I need, they'll help you. If you're looking for a job they will help you with the jobs you want. What I'm looking for is retail. I've had a couple of interviews with them so far. I've also completed a qualification, actually, my first ever certificate! Learner 2: I use the computer for looking up any jobs. Once I've looked for a job I e-mail, I check in my e- mail if anything comes up. I had a reply yesterday, so I sent back a reply today. Here (DECV) they have computers, everything you need: stamps, envelopes, they'll send it for you. You don't need any money.

Dearne Valley Bulldogs

They Bulldogs have now received official confirmation of their 75K funds from sports England. Therefore they have now received the 15k match funding from the Area Council so

that they can progress with their project. The work is due to commence in the next couple of weeks and pictures of the transformation will be sent to the Area Council.

DIAL hOurbank

hOurbank continues to flourish and membership is growing at a significant pace. Monthly activities, coupled with weekly coffee mornings give members a broad opportunity to meet and to make one to one exchanges. The Steering Group continues to work as ambassadors for the project and they work closely with the wider membership to promote the project and to facilitate exchanges.

To-date there are eight members of Young hOurbank. These eight are meeting regularly however this is only during the holidays to facilitate a longer meeting and more worthwhile activities. All the young people are committed to Young hOurbank and everyone has commented that they enjoy the activities and friendship building which goes with the project.

Tom commented;

‘Thank you for letting me get involved with Young hOurbank. I have really enjoyed doing something different and getting involved with others’

70 members have taken part in hOurbank activities to-date. This is an amazing achievement and represents 140% of the projected totals. Activities such as the Christmas party held in December brought the community together with a shared interest in dance with members taking the opportunity to learn a new skill of Swing dancing delivered by a fellow member whilst participating in a free social event which was requested by the wider membership. This provided the opportunity for members to spend banked time credits in a way which connected the community without exclusion.

The Dearne Development Fund contribution to the project is 28% in year one with the remaining 72% coming from The People’s Health Trust.

Summary of Statistics:

- Attendees for weekly coffee mornings averages 14 members per week.
- Attendees for monthly events averages 47 members
- Over the quarter, 70 different members participated in events
- Number of hours banked by members up to 31st December is 5203
- Number of hours earned and spent by members in one-to-one exchanges is 212



TADS- September to December

20 children have had 5 sessions each at the local Primary Schools. Further 10 young people at Dearne ALC have completed 3 sessions each. During this time the team have assisted young people with anger, bereavement, anxiety, low mood, anger & frustration issues.

Applications: 2016-2017

The panel also met on the 17th of October and out of the 10 application that applied the panel awarded to 9 of the projects. Out of the 9 projects that were successful 6 of those had match funding. Some of the projects that were a success last year have been allocated funding again to ensure continuity. However the grant panel have also offered advice on how to become more sustainable in the future. The Dearne Area Council have committed 80K to the development fund and currently spent £57,247

***Monitoring information for these projects is not yet available.**

SERVICE	PRIORITY	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END
CAB	Improving Health	Dearne area financial inclusion outreach project	£9,974	Oct 2016	Oct 2017
Dial Drop in	Improving Health improving the economy	Dearne drop in advice	£6,175	Jan 2017	Dec 2017
Goldthorpe Development Group	Young people	Bounce into summer	£2,000	Aug 2017	Aug 2017
Alzheimer's	Improving health	Carers information support programme	£1,022	Oct 2017	Dec 2017
Goldthorpe Development Group	Improving health	In your prime get together	£4,000	Dec 2016	Dec 2017
Allotment	Improving health, skills and learning for work, young people	Sessional worker	£8,000	Jan 2017	Nov 2017
Goldthorpe town centre group	Improving the economy	Open for business	£5,524	Nov 2016	Oct 2017
Reds in the community	Young people	Kicks programme	£5,752	Jan 2017	July 2017
Dearne Electronic community village	Skills and learning for work	Employability project	£14.800	Jan 2017	Oct 2017

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BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 20th March 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 £80,000 Dearne Development Fund allocation leaving £22,753 of monies earmarked to spend on meeting future area priorities. The next panel will meet on the 22nd of March 2017.

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 some of 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 fixed 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 also agreed the procurement of the volunteer, education and environmental service at a cost of £75,000. Further members agreed to allocate £72,162 to Fund the investigations and housing officer roles for the Dearne from their 2017/18 allocation for a further year.

- 4.2 However at a contract meeting on the 1st of March with the case management service manager, the restructure of the service was discussed. Both officers previously employed through the area council have secured a role in the core service through this process. Although the private sector housing officer has secured a position she still wants to continue to work in the Dearne for a further year, although her role in the main structure will remain secure. The investigations officer role in the core structure is a promotion for the officer so will stay in the core service.

Therefore from April 2017 the Dearne will not have an investigations officer solely working in the area. However assurances have been made that all cases fed up to the investigations officer from the Dearne private sector housing officer will still be investigated in a timely manner. Therefore out of the Dearne Area Council allocation for 2017/18 it will now only cost the Area Council £36,081.

In addition in the new structure the Dearne and South Areas will share 2 case management officers, a team leader, a victim support officer, private sector housing officer and 2 community safety officers. Meaning an increase in the resources available to the Dearne Area.

- 4.3 Further 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.
- 4.4 In the 2020 Barnsley financial statement the Area Council was allocated £200,000 for the 17/18 financial year. Taking all of the above into consideration this brings the total spend already committed from the 2017/18 financial year to £143,979 leaving £65,220 unallocated that can be earmarked for projects. 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 of September members agreed to allocate £10,000 towards the Railway embankment project. This project has since received £40,000 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. Meetings are taking place with landscape architects and Twiggs are already on site clearing.
- 5.2 Members also agreed to the procurement of the environmental and volunteering service at a cost of £75,000 with the option to continue the service for a further year. Two applications were submitted and evaluated. The evaluation panel consisted of the Area manager, Chris Smith from Parks Service and Cllr C Johnson. Interviews took place on the 12th of January 2017. Twiggs were the successful providers and the area manager is working on the reporting schedule and outcomes framework that will be reported on a quarterly basis.

Appendix one- financial update

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Appendix one: Financial Update

Area Council Spend	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/18
	£ 200,000	£ 200,000	£200,000	£200,000
		+£ 55,438	+£20,664	+£9,199
		£ 255,438	£220,664	£209,199.
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	-£36,081
Dearne Clean & Tidy		-£ 75,000	- £43,736	-£75,000
Dearne Development Fund		-£ 62,646	-£15,000	
Dearne Development Fund - Phase 2			-£80,000	
Ward Alliance's			-£20,000	
Contribution towards Railway Embankment			-£10,000	
Total spend (actual)	£ 144,562	£262,257	£217,280	£143,979
Allocation remaining	+£ 55,438	-£6,819	+£3,384	+£65,219
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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DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP

Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe: 9th January 2017

Members Present: Derek Bramham (Chair), Wendy Lowder , Cllr Noble, Claire Dawson, Alison Sykes , Suzanne Story, Helen Jaggar, Gemma Cobby , Dianne McQueen, Carl Hickman, Jenni Hobson, Chris Darby

Apologies: Cllr Gardiner; Alison Vint , Tom Smith, Cllr Gollick, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Phillips, Sarah Cartwright, Carrienne Stone, Phil Hollingsworth

<u>Welcome and Introductions:-</u> A round of introductions took place <u>Apologies:</u> - As listed above	Action By
<u>Notes of Meeting held 7th November 2016</u> <u>Matters Arising –</u> 1) Cllr Noble informed the group that the bin scheme had now come to an end 2) Contact Big Local regarding CCTV update and how area are identified with regards having CCTV	CDawson

Healthwatch

Claire informed the group with regards the report that Carrienne had submitted to the group. The group discussed various ways of engaging with GP and Claire will send comments back to Carrienne and invite her to a future meeting.

CDawson

General consensus was that we should get DNA results from GP in order to inform the wider public with regards the importance of cancelling so others could have their appointment. The group also thought they could promote pharmacy advice more.

Health

Suzanne informed the group that the health event which is being planned will be in the six weeks holidays. The event still needs organizing so the groups are going to have regular meetings on Wednesdays. They would like to have stalls that look at cancer awareness.

There will be different apps for the youngsters. They also want change for life, decorating food for kids, men's and woman's health advice, local providers to come along and the practice nurse. They hope to get all these things at the health event. Ann will be looking at what else is taking place during this time so the date they set does not clash with anything else.

There are new classes starting at the Salvation Army fit me is one of them this starts on the 23rd January , the other one is fit sticks which starts on the 31st January, it's a new craze with drum sticks. Choose to lose classes are also still happening .

Carl Hickman

There needs to be an increase in the volunteer's in the Dearne regarding health champions. It's always good to get new people on board to increase numbers. There will be three new nonsmoking groups in the Dearne. In the GP practices there aren't many referrals but they have already started to look at some of this. The group would like to know more about why practices were not sign posting to a recommendation was that the group write to practice managers or person /reference group to tell them our disappointment that the practice has low referrals for quitting smoking and other services.

There needs to be a letter to the main practice manager: a leaflet, health profile etc. coming from the Dearne approach narrative regarding what Dearne approach is including case studies. Also another letter for the good referrers as a thank you for referring onto the services.

C Hickman
C Dawson

The logo needs sorting out, Carl to draft a letter for Claire to send to the doctors.

<p>Jest update input: update circulated and Tom smith will discuss at the next meeting</p>	
<p><u>Salvation Army</u></p> <p>The Salvation Army next working food bank is on the 21st January. They have seen an increase in young men accessing the service. A lot of young men tend not to work in winter months so this leaves the family short. The Salvation Army have been getting a lot of donations from different organizations. There has been 6 young people referred on to the Princes Trust and they will attend an interview for the next cohort. There is still a job club running at Salvation Army, Alison had a concern regarding DBS checks and this being a barrier to people finding employment. Alison's concern is that she's been told employers will not take people on no matter how petty the offence or when the offence took place.</p> <p>Speak to Tom regarding DBS and what more we can do as a group.</p> <p>Invite homeless team to understand what BMBC can do for those with issues.</p> <p><u>Goldthorpe Development Group</u></p> <p>GDG (Goldthorpe Development Group) is continuing to do Health events, there are also family's now attending with some people that have got Alzheimer's. Bounce into summer and other events are being planned. The Christmas market was again a great success and now sustainable.</p> <p><u>Big local Thurnscoe</u></p> <p>BLT- (Big local Thurnscoe) The great winter wonderland event went well. End of 2nd year of plan submit next 2 year plan to the trust, which was assessed and it was a fabulous report. The grant has been accepted for the next couple of years. The social housing project is in development a trust is being put in place to purchase houses. Derek invited professionals to the next meeting in order to start planning this project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental projects – play area for kids. • Adult gym equipment • Small grants • Green spaces group constituted so that they can apply for funding, they would like a difibulator placed in the Asda. <p><u>BODVAG</u></p> <p>The Christmas event was successful and an Easter event is being planned.</p>	<p>C Dawson</p>

<p>Container is now in place and the gate has been done.</p> <p>Friends of Broadwater received funding for start-up equipment. May wants to stress to groups that where they can they must share any items paid for out of ward alliance monies.</p>	
<p><u>CRT</u> Coalfields – on Thursday there will be a meeting with the action alliance and becoming dementia friendly, supporting a dementia community. The meeting will be on January 19th at cherry tree court. The Enabling fund is now open for bids. Drop ins are now available they offer advice and guidance regarding a new project or idea. Meeting dates are 3rd Jan, 12 Jan, 17 Jan and 27 Jan</p> <p><u>Area Council</u> Railway embankment: The group have been successful in getting another 40k towards the project that is now 50k in total Housing : the area council have agreed to continue to fund the housing workers past march 2017 for a further year Environment: The volunteering education and environmental service is now out to tender and will be awarded the week commencing the 16th of January. DDF: the project allocated finances through the Dearne Development Fund continue to do well</p> <p><u>Bernslai Homes</u> Bernslai Homes walk about dates have all been confirmed they are on the website so spread the word among the community. Monitor fly tipping, encourage people to feed back on the area, like to get out and meet the community and promote the good work that's happening. The service is providing support and referring onto social services. They have a mental health support worker in the team. They also provide a lot of support for the old and vulnerable. There is a housing agreement and on websites that has been list published The service also target untidy gardens as this could imply other issues that residents have. The service can then refer on to other agencies. People reporting in neighbor's nuisance issues again sometimes imply other issues in the household. When they receive complaints regarding drugs they link with the PCSO to assist with these issues, tend to investigate when people are not living in the properties. Allan Sneddon taking retirement and will be missed by all. Councillor Noble praises the team for what they do , Gardens can be an issues because of equipment and lack of Cllr Noble is working with residents and landlords so stressed if there are any vulnerable families that need help with gardens then sign post on to Councillor Noble and she will speak with them</p>	<p>C Dawson</p>

<p><u>Phoenix Futures</u></p> <p>Disc have been successful in winning the substance misuse contract, they like the approach with regarding the factory. They have had a very positive meeting with staff. CD to contact them to attend a future meeting. The Factory open day has been postponed until a later date.</p>	
<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>Sheffield Hallam are putting together a bid for a fruit and veg voucher scheme which will be co-produced and designed with the group. Wendy will send on the details.</p>	<p>W Lowder</p>
<p>Date of Next Meeting – 13 March 2017</p>	
<p>Date of Future Meetings– To be held at 4pm in the Salvation Army Hall 15 May 2017, 24th July 2017, 11th Sept 2017, 13th Nov 2017, 15th Jan 2018, 12th March 2018</p>	

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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 Meeting

- 4.1 The first joint Dearne Ward Alliance meeting was held on the 2nd February 2017. A further meeting took place on the 2nd of March (notes to come to the next meeting). The group discussed the recruitment of volunteers in order to implement the flood plans in case of emergency. 7 applications were considered and 5 recommended for approval. The other 2 applicants were asked to present at a future meeting. Although the ward alliances are now joint, the finances will still be monitored separately. Both meetings have been very positive with all alliance members having an input into the proceedings

5.0 Appendix

Appendix One: 2nd February Dearne 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 Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	(Joint) Dearne Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Thursday 2nd February 2017
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Alan George, Vicky Cuming, Marie Sinclair, Terry Walton, Dave Perry, Alison Sykes, Claire Milne, Suzanne Storey, Derek Branham, Tina Brook, Cllr Annette Gollick, Cllr Phillips & Cllr Johnson	Cllr May Noble & Cllr Alan Gardiner

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Welcomes & introductions took place.</p> <p>1. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising</p> <p>Issues have arisen around regarding the plating of the Christmas tree in the Church grounds; this has now been deferred unless they can get further information and more people to get involved.</p> <p>Questions were raised about the interest in the Kiln; Marie advised them that Dearne ALC is keen to take on the education and training to the children at the school. Cllr Noble will visit Ian Chappel to get information regarding the kiln (product, serial number etc) paperwork still hasn't been located for the instruction, receipts have been handed in but no instructions, hopefully these can be sourced online.</p> <p>2. Merging of the Ward Alliances</p> <p>This is the first meeting of both wards coming together it has been decided to run the meetings together but keep monies & applications to their own wards – information sharing was a positive from everyone.</p> <p>Pauline had previously shown interest in becoming the new chair, a quick show of hands resulted in full approval with Cllr Johnson being nominated and voted as vice chair in the absence of Pauline.</p> <p>Alan George agreed run the booking side for the North wards working fund, he will meet up with Marie at a later date to run through figures etc.</p>	<p>May to check with Prospect Road & pass details onto Charlotte for ALC</p> <p>Marie to arrange meeting up with Alan on return of holiday.</p>	<p>Cllr Noble</p> <p>Marie</p>

<p>3. Finance / applications received</p> <p><u>Working fund</u></p> <p>North - £2000 opening balance £500 donation to Thurnscoe event 'party in the park' £300 grab wagon for Bullring Clean up. <u>Balance - £1200.00</u></p> <p>South - <u>Balance - £1,423.94</u></p> <p>Dearne North Ward Alliance balance - £7,844.70</p> <p>Dearne South Ward Alliance balance - £11,246.50</p> <p><u>Applications submitted:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dearne South <p><u>The snap tin</u></p> <p>£1521.60 purchase display cabinet for community café with a difference – discussions around concerns for other businesses were had, with the end result all members asking for representative from Snap tin to come to next meeting where questions could be answered. – deferred until next meeting.</p> <p><u>Parks services</u></p> <p>£300.00 for Bin replacement on Georges street play area – unanimous yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dearne North <p><u>Station house</u></p> <p>£ 508.44 Artificial grass (match funded) for playing area – Questions asked around qualified groundwork for installation. Marie says she would ask Charlotte - unanimous yes</p> <p><u>Goldthorpe Town Centre Group</u></p> <p>£444.99 larger bin outside ASDA Goldthorpe – costings through BMBC neighbourhood pride - unanimous yes</p> <p><u>Thurnscoe flower park</u></p> <p>£477.00 equipment towards regular clean ups with community/schools in and around the park - unanimous yes</p>	<p>Invite to next meeting</p> <p>Marie to speak to Charlotte</p>	<p>Completed by Claire in Maries absence.</p> <p>Completed</p>
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<p><u>Dearne North Hickleton Bowling</u></p> <p>£450.00 repair and paint the lean to in the grounds – issues were discussed about membership and a closed door environment, not many have been included, the members asked for the group to be invited to cover all the questions that the checklist wasn't complete on, i.e. does it work with younger people, is membership open to everyone etc? – invite to meeting to present work.</p> <p><u>Dearne South Easter Event</u></p> <p>Marie asked if any of the South members had thought anymore of the Easter/spring event they would like to have in St Andrews Square, Marie asked if anyone had spoken to St Andrews Community Centre, thought about a date or any other suggestions - no feedback – deferred again to next meeting.</p> <p><u>Dearne south Health event</u></p> <p>Marie gave everyone information & date regarding the Health event Wednesday 9th August 12pm – 4pm. Everyone welcome</p> <p>4. Flood Plan</p> <p>The flood plan is in the final stages and only waiting for more flood volunteers, John Hayes has taken list to see if he can generate some from Bolton on Dearne. Marie asked everyone to ask their neighbors, their friends, relatives who live in the South to help if any flood situation was to happen in the Dearne. Once this information is provided then this will go to Derek Bell for publishing.</p> <p>5. Group Project – working together</p> <p>Bullring/Thurnscoe East 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.</p> <p>Great British Clean UP! – 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 March start of Great British Clean-up, a reminder of the superhero weekend starting 3rd March – everyone to feedback to Marie with planning or organising what they are intending to do, Marie emphasized that as a Ward Alliance members its key to take part in this, to showcase the hard work and social action that's happening in the Dearne right now and raise awareness of keeping the Dearne clean & tidy.</p> <p>AOB</p> <p>Alison mentioned the arts and crafts exhibition which is on the 1st and 2nd of September, there will be meetings at Pentecostal church- Julie turner will be hopefully holding some workshops. The arts crafts exhibition is in the informal stages at the moment they have put out an expression of interest and are waiting to hear back.</p> <p>Alison- travel training 3 members gone to prince trust issues around transport with young people in the Dearne I may need funding bid to support this issue.</p>	<p>Invite to next meeting</p> <p>Discussions for next mtg</p> <p>Marie to liaise with Suzanne</p> <p>Meet with Green space / BLT – next stages</p> <p>Email all groups/organisation to publicise and get people on board</p>	<p>Completed by Claire in Maries absence.</p> <p>All south members</p> <p>Marie</p> <p>Marie</p> <p>Marie/area team</p>
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<p>Marie asked the alliance if the members would like to purchase Polo t-shirts for them to be united when out in the community – It was felt that money is more valuable to projects against their priorities than clothing on marketing merchandise.</p> <p>There are some FREE Love where you live T-shirts for children been provided from the service to all young participants taking part in the 'superhero clean ups'.</p> <p>Dates for next meeting – 2nd March 12.30 Goldthorpe Library</p>	<p>Liaise with Sophie GBCU organize t-shirts/promotional material</p>	<p>Marie</p>
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**BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 20th March 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 £10,000 taking the total budget to £20,069.

To date Dearne North Alliance has spent £14,260.73 on 22 projects. Of these projects 15 were matched funded to a cost of £10,208.73. As of January 2017 the ward alliance have a total allocation of £5808.27 to spend on meeting Dearne North priorities.

- 4.2 In the 15/16 financial year the Dearne South Ward Alliance underspent by £1,160. 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 £10,000 taking the total budget to £21,160.

To date Dearne South alliance has spent £10,213.50 on 13 projects. Of these projects eight were matched funded at a cost of £7,163.50. As of January 2017 the South ward alliance have a total of £10,946.50 to spend on South priorities.

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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	£1,250.00	£16,029
Dearne & District JFC - Junior pitch development	£312.50	£15,716.50
Sacred Heart Parent Group	£1,900	£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
Thurnscoe East Reservoir – special fishing net for dipping pond	£606.00	£11,290.70
Station House – Artificial grass for play area.	£508.44	£10,782.26
GTCG - Replacement for double bin (ASDA Goldthorpe)	£444.99	£10,337.27
Thurnscoe Park GB clean up equipment for litter picks 2017 onwards	£477.00	£9,860.27

Non match funding allocations

<u>Project</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Remaining allocation</u>
Dearne Summer holiday swims	£250.00	£9,610.27
Thurnscoe Library - Children's Activity & Crafts sessions	£250.00	£9,360.27
Bulky Rubbish Collection	£500.00	£8,860.27
Extension of Bulky Rubbish	£1,000	£7,860.27
Relocation of High Street bins	£200	£7,660.27
Grab wagon bullring	£852.00	£6,808.27
Bulky rubbish	£1,000	£5,808.27

Total spend = £ 14,260.73

Match funded 15 applications = £10,208.73

Non match funded 7 applications = £4,052.00

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	£1,000.00	£12,246.50
Extension of Bulky Rubbish	£1,000	£11,246.50
Parks Services – replacement bin	£300	£10,946.50

Total spend= £10,213.50

Match funded 8 applications = £ 7,163.50

Non match funded applications 5 = £3,050