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<b>MEETING:</b>	North Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 19 March 2018
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 1, Barnsley Town Hall

## AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

### Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 22nd January 2018 (*Pages 3 - 8*)

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### Items for Decision

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Darton West – held on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 22<sup>nd</sup> January and 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
Old Town – held on 10<sup>th</sup> January and 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
St Helen's – held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

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

Area Council Support Officers:

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Friday, 9 March 2018

<b>MEETING:</b>	North Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 22 January 2018
<b>TIME:</b>	10.00 am
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 5, Barnsley Town Hall

## MINUTES

**Present** Councillors Leech (Chair), Cave, Charlesworth, Howard, Lofts, Miller, Platts, Spence and Tattersall

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

The Chair informed Members that sadly, Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer for the North East Area Council had recently passed away. A one minute silence was held as a mark of respect.

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

### 31 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 20th November 2017

The Area Council received the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 32 Safer Neighbourhoods Service Update - Paul Brannan

Paul Brannan and Zoe Wardle attended the meeting to give an update with regard to the Safer Neighbourhood Services. Full contact details and details of the referral process will be provided in due course.

It was explained that the Neighbourhood Policing Offer has been refreshed in order to align resources and capacity between South Yorkshire Police and BMBC primarily to address community safety issues and concerns across the borough. Four locality teams are now coterminous with the Area Council teams and there is an additional bespoke town centre team, based at Churchfields Police Station. A triage and assessment system has been introduced, looking at how to better manage demand. The service is 7 days per week in order to address issues in real time, with a multi-disciplinary team of officers with the skills to investigate higher priority issues and problems referred in to the service.

Issues covered include addressing aspects of antisocial behaviour, tenancy breaches, tenancy and landlord issues, planning breaches, homelessness, welfare advice, environmental crime, direct witness support to victims, unauthorised and/or illegal gypsy and traveller encampments, community cohesion, extremist behaviour hate and harassment, access to services and supporting staff or elected members who may have been assaulted.

The service has a priority inbox, with referrals analysed and allocated. Early action is crucial, as prevention in the first place prevents escalation. Up to December the service was involved in issuing 450 warnings, 103 community protection written warnings, 44 community protection notices, S215 notices for environmental blighting, 2000 FPNs for littering and dog fouling, 8 notices seeking possession, 8 closure orders (higher than previously), and 17 civil injunctions. Environmental crime is particularly challenging – of the 470 incidences of fly tipping, only a small number will lead to prosecution. Formal action is being pursued against 8 of the ‘top 10’ but there is a need to manage expectations. It was pointed out that the Council is not responsible for cleaning up on private land and can only do this when the property belongs to BMBC. The service works with landowners and landlords but often it is not their fault.

In the ensuing discussion, and in response to detailed questioning, the following matters were highlighted:

Members expressed concern regarding the lack of a visible police presence and were informed that a successful recruitment drive had taken place recently, although how and where officers will be allocated across Barnsley is not yet known. Special (Volunteer) Constables are used where appropriate.

Members were advised that Paul Brannan could be contacted directly regarding significant issues if Members felt that it was not appropriate to email the generic email inbox.

**RESOLVED** that: Paul and Zoe be thanked for their attendance and contribution and the update report be noted.

### **33 Preventing Excess Winter Deaths, Warm Homes Fund Bid Round 2 - Jenny Macphail**

Jenny Macphail, Senior Health and Improvement Officer, attended the meeting to give an update with regard to the Preventing Excess Winter Deaths (EWDs), Warm Homes Fund Bid Round 2.

A paper was circulated which gave a comprehensive background to the issue. It was highlighted that most excess winter deaths occur in over 65s and can be due to a number of socio-economic risk factors including fuel poverty, underlying health conditions, housing tenure, housing conditions and personal and social behaviours. The target is to reduce EWDs to 15% by 2020, as Barnsley’s figure is currently higher than the national average. There is a full EWD plan, which looks at uptake of flu vaccination, falls prevention, winter planning and urgent care, awareness raising and communications work. This is a key priority for the Council and partners. EWDs are costly to the NHS – one EWD equates to around 100 GP visits and also impacts on hospital admissions.

It was explained that there is a link between cold homes and fuel poverty and that there is a risk of death and ill health associated with living in a cold home. Those most at risk include over 65s with health conditions, 0 to 5 year olds, pregnant women, those with asthma, cardio vascular disease, mental health conditions, social isolation and low income. It was pointed out that private sector landlords are no longer be able to rent out properties to new tenants which have an Energy

Performance rating of F or G. The highest rate of EWDs occur in the Darton East and Worsborough wards, which does have a high proportion of private sector rented properties.

An expression of interest has been made to the Warm Homes Fund to provide a single point of access to advice and support around cold homes, integrated with wider services and linking into community and voluntary agencies across the Borough. A dedicated team will be on hand to visit residents and advise on issues such as switching energy providers and claiming benefits. The service will be promoted using a multi-pronged approach, including Facebook and attendance at community events etc.

**RESOLVED** that Jenny Macphail be thanked for her attendance and contribution.

### **34 Sport England Families Funding**

The Area Council Manager introduced this topic and provided Members with an introduction to Sport and Active Health's funding application to Sport England for their Families Fund. It was explained that the aim of the project is to increase participation in physical activities by families through behaviour change. The 3 year project will use the Family Centres as a hub, working closely with family centre staff to facilitate family multi-sport sessions. The project will be piloted at Athersley Family Centre. A member requested that Sue Duke is contacted regarding engagement of hard to reach families.

Tatt: aware that some families don't engage (Sue Duke will update)

**RESOLVED** that

- (i) The Area Council note the report, and
- (ii) Agree to provide match funding of approximately £5000 for this project if the application is successful in the bidding process to Sport England.

### **35 Preventing Excess Winter Deaths - Strategic Social Isolation Pilot North Area**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item and provided the Area Council with an introduction to Barnsley Council's intention to bid for the Warm Homes Fund Round Two (Preventing Excess Winter Deaths – Strategic Social Isolation Pilot - North Area). Members were made aware that this will provide the North Area with an opportunity to develop a reducing social isolation project with a housing and energy focus piloted in the North Area. This is a complementary project linked to the Warm Homes Fund and Woolley Colliery work and looking at social isolation.

The proposal is for an annual investment of £75,000 for at least three years to fund two social inclusion officers who would receive specialist training to offer home energy assessments and advice. The work would also include building a network of trained volunteers with knowledge of how to identify and address fuel poverty. This will ensure that there is active community capacity building within the community that will lead to increased resilience and leave a positive legacy once the project concludes.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) the Area Council should proceed, in principle, with a collaborative pilot project for the North Area that would focus on reducing loneliness and social isolation and preventing excess winter deaths, and
- (ii) The Area Manager be tasked with continuing to develop this piece of work.

### **36 Commissioning, Project Development and Finance update**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item and provided the Area Council with a financial position and forecast for expenditure based on the projects that have been proposed, highlighting the projects requiring significant financial commitment.

Members were updated with regard to the Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project, the Clean and Green Service, Environmental Enforcement, Private Sector Housing Officer, Opportunities for Young People, Health and Wellbeing and the Stronger Communities Grant. A member highlighted that the National Youth Agency (NYA) may have a suitable role profile for the Youth Participation Worker.

The Area Council Manager highlighted that there is currently an underspend of £167,183 for 2017/18 which is due to factors beyond the Area Council's control, which were detailed within the report, plus receipt of recycled income. Risks noted

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) The North Area Council note the existing budget position, current financial position and forecasted annual budget commitments together with the risks outlined within the report;
- (ii) The North Area Council note that contrary to previous information the North Area received a budget of £400,000 for the period 2017/18;
- (iii) Members note the position on the recruitment of the Private Sector Housing and Environment Officer;
- (iv) The Area Council Manager should proceed with the variation of the role profile for the Young Peoples Participation Worker.
- (v) The Area Council proceed with the development of the Health and Wellbeing Project focusing on Excess Winter Deaths
- (vi) The Area Council approve the annual commitments from April 2018, totalling £447,000, as detailed within the report.

### **37 Report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds**

The Area Council Manager updated Members with regard to the current financial position of the Ward Alliance budgets for 2017/18.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) Members note the current position of the Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance funds and
- (ii) Each Ward prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance funds in line with the guidance on spend.

### **38 Notes from the North Area Ward Alliances**

The meeting received the notes from the Darton East Ward Alliance held on 14<sup>th</sup> November and 12<sup>th</sup> December, Darton West Ward Alliance held on 1<sup>st</sup> November and 6<sup>th</sup> December and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

Darton East – as printed.

Darton West – It was reported that the 'Stars of Darton' event is due to take place on 9<sup>th</sup> March in Barnsley Town Hall.

Old Town – It was reported that the goalposts lock had been cut, a number of gypsy travellers had been evicted due to breaking and entering and the lock now needs replacing. The Traffic Regulation Order issue is still ongoing and was discussed at the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> January.

St Helens – as printed

The Area Council Manager reported that community magazines will continue to be printed twice per year, although some residents reported that they hadn't received a copy. This is being investigated. The gazebos have now been purchased and installed.

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

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Chair

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# Item 3

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:  
19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Agenda Item: 3

Report of North Area Council  
Manager

### **Preventing Excess Winter Deaths and Reducing Loneliness and Isolation Pilot for The North Area**

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

- 1.1 This report provides the Area Council with confirmation that Barnsley Council have bid for the Warm Homes Fund Round Two.
- 1.2 Serves to make the Area Council Members aware that 1.1 provides the North Area with an opportunity to develop a reducing social isolation project with a housing and energy focus piloted in the North Area.

#### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1. **Following The Area Council's in principle decision to proceed with a collaborative pilot project for the North Area that would focus on Reducing Loneliness and Social Isolation and Preventing Winter Deaths, it is recommended that members of the Health and Wellbeing Priority Group meet for a workshop with Housing and Energy and Public Health colleagues to define the project.**

#### **3. Background**

- 3.0 In autumn 2017 representatives from BMBC Housing and Energy Team approached the North Area Manager to provide a briefing on the planned Energy Efficiency Works and other affordable warmth initiatives. The team also provided an update on recent excess winter death and fuel poverty statistics.
- 3.1 It became clear that the Darton East Ward has a higher than average excess winter death index for the borough.
- 3.2 The trend in excess winter deaths for both Darton East Ward and Darton West Ward has increased steadily since 2006.
- 3.3 The Housing and Energy Team identified that Woolley Colliery Village would benefit from the installation of first time central heating systems available for private homes made feasible by the monies secured from round one of the National Grid Warm Homes Fund.

- 3.4 The proposal suggested in this report would be complementary to the Energy Efficiency Works in Woolley Colliery Village. The North Area Council in principle agreed to fund low cost added value works for Woolley Colliery Village properties at the November 2017 meeting. Housing and Energy colleagues will also be bidding for round three which will be for vulnerable and low income tenants which would again benefit some Woolley Colliery residents.
- 3.5 Following the update that an Older Peoples Participation Worker for older people would not align with existing BMBC service provision at the November 2017 meeting. The Area Council requested a workshop to explore an Older People's Reducing Social Isolation and Preventing Winter Deaths project.
- 3.6 The Area Chair and Area Manager attended a meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 with colleagues from Housing and Energy and Public Health to explore the opportunity of a strategic piece of work that would splice with the work we are considering for the North Area with the preventing excess winter deaths work. It was a very positive meeting with the opportunity to do some joined up delivery and pilot a new approach in the North Area.
- 3.7 Shortly after meeting mentioned in point 3.6, the Group Leader for Housing and Energy provided an update that the National Grid and Affordable Warmth Solutions have opened their second bidding window for the Warm Homes Fund and that the Council proposes to bid for category two funding which is to enable 'specific energy efficient / health related solutions – bringing together relevant organisations and charities'. Housing and Energy Colleagues have teamed with Public Health officers to develop a core offer with borough wide partners and linked closely to the Independent Living Review. This would complement the community based provision that the North Area are considering funding to reduce loneliness and isolation which would service the North Area only. It is proposed that this service would include home assessments as part of the service.
- 3.8 An email update regarding points 3.6 and 3.7 was circulated to the North Area Council Members on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- 3.9 BMBC were successful in the Warm Homes Fund Expressions of Interest stage of the bidding and were invited to submit a formal bid. This is completed in time for the 9<sup>th</sup> February deadline, led by Housing and Energy colleagues.
- 3.10 At the Area Council meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January it was agreed in principle to fund a Loneliness and Isolation project for the North Area with a housing and energy focus. The project would cost at least £75,000 per annum. An investment of 3 years is recommended. This would fund two social inclusion officers who would have to receive specialist training to offer home energy assessments and advice.
- 3.11 The Area Manager recommends that this work should include building a network of trained volunteers with knowledge of how to identify and address fuel poverty. This will ensure that there is active community capacity building within the community that will lead to increased resilience and leave a positive legacy once the project concludes.

3.12 On the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 the outcomes of the Warm Homes Fund bid will be announced and that information will help to shape the North Area's commission.

**4. Next Steps**

4.1. The Area Manager recommends holding a workshop with the Health and Wellbeing Priority Working Group to define the commission and take advice from Housing and Energy and Public Health Colleagues.

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**Date:**  
**6<sup>th</sup> March 2018**



# Item 4

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:

18<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Agenda item: 4

Report of  
North Area Council Manager

### North Area Council – 2017/18 Quarter 3 (October - December)

#### Performance Management Cover Report for Commissioned Projects and Stronger Communities Projects

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. **Members note the contents of the Performance Management Report attached at Appendix 1.**

#### Background

A comprehensive North Area Council Performance Report for the period October to December 2017 (2017/18 Quarter 3) has been produced and is attached, Appendix 1.

#### Performance Management Report (attached at Appendix 1)

**Part A** of the North Council Performance report provides North Council members with an aggregate picture of how all the North Council contracted services contribute to the achievement of each of the North Area Council's agreed outcomes and social value objectives.

The information provided in Part A reflects information gathered from each contract for the period July to September 2017.

#### **Contracted Service Providers:**

- CAB & DIAL – Community Outreach Project
- Twiggs Grounds Maintenance – Creating a cleaner, greener environment in partnership with local people
- Kingdom Security Services Ltd – Environmental Enforcement.

**Part B** provides North Council members with a summary performance management report for each of the contracted services for 2017/18 Quarter 3 (October – December 2017). The report provides RAG ratings plus updated information from all North Area Council Providers, following submission of their quarterly reports and subsequent quarterly contract monitoring/management meetings.

**Part C** provides a summary of performance information from the Strong Communities Grants Projects.

In addition to the information provided in the summary reports, more detailed information is available on request, including at least two case studies with photographs for each contracted service, and some performance data on a ward basis.

Please note there are two start dates for the grant projects this year: April 2017 and October 2017. The projects are grouped in the report based upon their start date.

### **Performance Report –Issues**

Two of the North Area Council contracts continue to perform well. One is over capacity.

In the last quarter the Area Council has expressed dissatisfaction with one of the North Area Council contracts. Issues identified have been challenged by the Area Manager.

### **Appendices**

**Appendix 1:** North Council Performance Management Report- Quarter 3 2017/18 (October to December 2017).

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7<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**NORTH AREA COUNCIL**

**Project Performance Report**

**Q3 2017/18 (October – December 2017)**

**February 2018**

# INTRODUCTION

## North Area Council Priorities

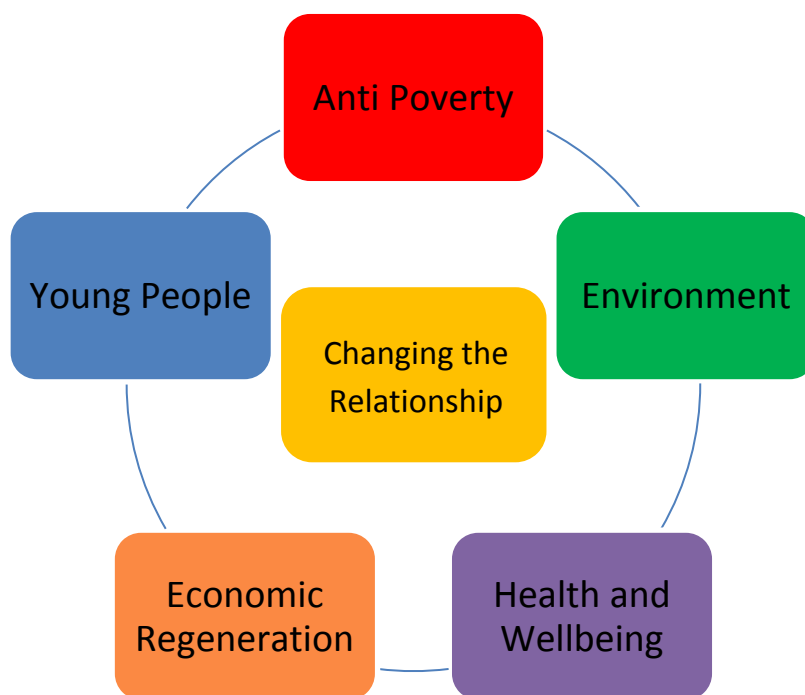


Table 1 below shows the Providers that have now been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the North Area Council. A number of projects are still in the development phase.

	Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract start date	Updates
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Financial Inclusion Service	CAB & DIAL	£148,120 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Financial Inclusion Service	CAB & DIAL	£190,000 2 years (+1yr)	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Contract Live – Performing well
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2014	C&K Careers	£39,410 9 months	April 2014	Contract Concluded
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2015	C&K Careers	£45,000 18 months	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2016	C&K Careers	£31,550 18 months	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Environmental enforcement	Kingdom Security	£ 54,771 1 year + £81,844 8 months	4 <sup>th</sup> August 2014  August 2015 – March 2016	Contract Concluded



<b>Environment</b>	Environmental enforcement	Kingdom Security	£120,640 per annum (1yr+1yr+1yr)	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	Contract conclusion - 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018
<b>Environment</b>	Clean & Green Community Development	Forge c/o Anvil CIC	£150,192 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Clean & Green Community Development	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd	£169,932 2 year (+1 year)	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2017	Contract Live
<b>Economic Regeneration</b>	Small Business Development Survey	Barnsley Business and Innovation Centre	£2,250 £5,000 - 6months	Aug 2016 April 2017	Survey Biz Surgeries
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Healthy Eating Project	South and West Yorkshire (NHS) Foundation Trust	£98,893 18 months	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	Contract Concluded - April 2016

## PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

3 contracts have formally completed their contract monitoring/contract management reporting for Q4 2016/17. The following tables therefore reflect the overview of performance of **3 live contracts only**. These contracts are:

- Kingdom Security – Contract 2, Year 2 Q3
- Twiggs – Year 1, Q1
- CAB & DIAL Contract 2, Year 1, Q1

### Anti-Poverty

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
Number of financial / debt settlements negotiated		5
Cases of homelessness prevented		5
Overall benefit gain in £		£281,963

### Young People

Performance Indicator (combined with North East)	Target	Achieved to date
Summer internship to be delivered over summer 2016	90	71%
Development of five year plans tailored to the needs of students who attended	60	95%
Improved confidence about the future	60	74%

N.B. New performance indicators will be developed once the role of young person's participation worker has been defined.

## Environment: Enforcement

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
Patrol Hours completed	1920	70%
No of litter and dog fouling operations	14	350%
No of litter and dog fouling FPNs issued (this quarter)	N/A	267
No of parking PCNs issued (this quarter)	N/A	33
Payment rate for dog fouling and litter FPNs	N/A	76%
Payment rate for parking PCNs	N/A	-

## Health and Wellbeing

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
Local residents experienced improved health and wellbeing		86%
Local people feel more able to manage their own affairs		70%

# PART B - SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR EACH SERVICE

## Kingdom Security - Quarter 1 report received Jan 2018

<b>Clean and Green</b>		<b>RAG</b>
	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Milestones achieved	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
	Outcome indicator targets met	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>
	Social value targets met	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
<b>Economic Regeneration</b>	Satisfactory spend and financial information	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	<span style="color: orange;">●</span>

### NARRATIVE UPDATE

The North Area is contracted to 4 x officers, this equates to **1867.5** hours over quarter, achieved is **1342.5** hours which is **71.9%** of the contracted hours. This is less than the requisite minimum of 85% but this is due to the reduction in staff to allow for the new contract of four to two Officers on 1st April 2018.

N.B. Please note that Kingdom have not achieved their target this quarter for their patrol hours. Kingdom have explained that due to a reduction of six officers across the borough at the end of March, some staff have already secured alternative employment so it is challenging to cover all the hours required in the contract. This is has been challenged and during January the hours were increased to 80%.

To date **267** FPN's and (**33** PCN's for parking) have been issued in the area. **262** of these have been for littering offences and **5** for dog fouling offences. Civica shows that to date 74 % of the revenue will be raised from the notices in the North area. Officers spending more time concentrating on The dog fouling element of our work. To date this quarter complaints / operations are on going and continue to be reported and attended. We have been met with an increase in specific witness information re offenders. We offer on the first instance an FPN to allow the individual to discharge their liability rather than have us compile a witness statement and a file for prosecution at court.

Prosecutions continue for Littering and Dog Fouling. To date offenders have paid prior to attending, Plead guilty prior to court or have been found guilty at court. There has been a 99% success rate at court. The new Single Justice System is now working well and we see only a few cases being dealt with at Barnsley Magistrates Court. Space at the SJP hearings is still limited but requests are being made to increase the capacity.

The Revenue Raised thus far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) for this quarter is, **£10,111.25**

## **BIN it to WIN it !.**

Throughout the Quarter, Kingdom Officers have handed out numerous 'BIN it to WIN it Post Cards to those individuals whom are seen by the Officers whilst on patrol disposing of their litter or dog foul responsibly. The post card is completed by the individual and entered into the draw. The winner of the draw is provided with £50 worth vouchers for numerous retail outlets.



The first Draw took place in November with a presentation at the Town hall and a corresponding item in the Chronicle in December.

## **OUTPUT DATA**

NORTH	FPN Litter	FPN Dog Fouling	PCN Parking	total
Oct	105	1	1	107
Nov	124	3	23	150
Dec	33	1	9	43
Total	262	5	33	300

## **FPN AND PCN TICKET DISTRIBUTION BY WARD**

NORTH	Darton East		
	Litter	DF	P
Oct	12	1	0
Nov	15	0	10
Dec	2	0	1
Total	29	1	11






NORTH	Darton West		
	Litter	DF	P
Oct	25	0	0
Nov	40	1	1
Dec	6	0	0
Total	71	1	1

NORTH	Old Town		
	Litter	DF	P
Oct	39	0	1
Nov	40	0	12
Dec	16	0	8
Total	95	0	21

NORTH	St Helens		
	Litter	DF	P
Oct	29	0	0
Nov	29	2	0
Dec	9	1	0
Total	67	3	0

# Twiggs Grounds Maintenance - Quarter 1 report received

Jan 2018

Clean and Green		<b>RAG</b>
	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	
Health and Wellbeing	Milestones achieved	
	Outcome indicator targets met	
	Social value targets met	
Changing the Relationship	Satisfactory spend and financial information	
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	

Extract from the providers quarterly narrative report:

Performance Indicator	Yr Target	Q1	Cumulative
Twiggs social action events	3	27	27
Community groups supported	12	6	6
Areas adopted by residents	4	0	0
Volunteers recruited to Twiggs events	48	128	128
Areas of blight targeted	100	48	48
Local business engagement	60	13	13
Restorative justice sessions	4	1	1
Local spend	90%	95%	95%

Hot Spots - The following areas have been identified:

1. Old Town Ward, Oakham Place
2. Old Town Ward, Honeywell Street – Honeywell
  
3. Darton East Ward, Footpath behind Mapplewell Village Hall
4. Darton East, Birkinshaws Green at Darton
  
5. Darton West Ward, Ballfield Lane, Kexborough
6. Darton West Ward, Church Street, Darton
  
7. St Helens Ward, Carlton Road
8. St Helens Ward, Lindhurst Road, Athersley North

## Supported Projects – Details for Evidencing

We have had contact and offered support with many existing groups, businesses and schools throughout the North Wards this Quarter.

We not only physically support local existing groups/ businesses, but we also utilise our capabilities with Facebook, Twitter and our contacts, to promote their events and/or information relevant to the wards.

- 1. 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017 – Darton East Ward** Working with Mapplewell and Staincross Green Space and Recreation Group carrying out cleanup activities at the War Memorial. 4 volunteers supported.



- 2. 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – Darton East Ward - Darton Lane** Bulb Planting Event with Greenspace Supporting 4 volunteers planting bulbs on Darton Lane

- 3. 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Darton Lane, Mapplewell – Darton East Ward** Supporting Cllr Spence maintaining the green space. Activities included litter picking, strimming the grassed area, cutting back the hedges and clearing all the waste.





4. **11<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Darton East Ward** Again working in Mapplewell supporting Green Space group on Warren Lane. We continued our works and planted 800 daffodil bulbs in the area. Also, we provided refreshments with the help from Factory Foods on Wakefield Road. 5 volunteers supported.



5. **25<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Darton East Ward** - Our team supported Green Space and an amazing group of volunteers on Shaw Lane in Staincross planting bulbs. 4 volunteers supported.



6. **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017 – Supporting Christmas Tree Erecting**  
Supporting 3 volunteers from the Community Shop/ Café in Athersley erecting their Community Christmas Tree.

## Twiggs Led Projects Delivered

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – St Helens Ward, Athersley, Laithes Crescent.**

Supported by The Co-Op at New Lodge by donating bottled water, crisp and two members of their staff to take part in the litter picking activities.

Number of Adult Volunteers- 3

Number of Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Number of Volunteers – 1**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 3 Number of New Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Volunteer Hours - 4**

*Signature/ details obtained for evidencing purposes*



**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – Old Town Ward - Monk Bretton The Quarry Event –** Working with students from Burton Road Primary School, local families, the local community, North Area Cllrs and 2 additional Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd staff. 41 large black sacks of litter waste collected and removed from the area.

Number of Adult Volunteers- 11

Number of Young Volunteers – 11

**Total Number of Volunteers – 22**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 11 Number of New Young Volunteers – 11

**Total Volunteer Hours - 66**

*Signature/ details obtained for evidencing purposes*



**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Darton West Ward, Redbrook Park**

Planting bulbs with volunteers from the community and TARA Association

Number of Adult Volunteers- 3

Number of Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Number of Volunteers – 3**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 3

Number of New Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Volunteer Hours - 9**

*Signature/ details obtained for evidencing purposes*



**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Darton East Ward, Mapplewell Park**

Working with Mapplewell Bowling Club members in Mapplewell Park. Litter picked and cleared the leaves from the area with volunteers, whilst experienced staff cut back the hedges.

Number of Adult Volunteers- 6

Number of Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Number of Volunteers – 6**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 1 Number of New Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Volunteer Hours - 12**




*Signature/ details obtained for evidencing purposes*



**\*TWIGGS contribution to Public Health Outcomes**

Improving the wider determinants of health	
<b>Objective 1: improvements against wider factors which affect health and wellbeing and health inequalities.</b>	
1.04	First time entrants to the youth justice system
1.16	Utilising outdoor space for exercise and health reasons
Health Improvement	
<b>Objective 2: people are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities</b>	
2.13	Proportion of physically active and inactive adults
2.23	Self-reported well being

## CAB & DIAL 2 - Quarter 1 report received Jan 2018

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	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	

### Extract from the providers project summary report:

During the first Quarter of this project period the service provided advice to 493 client contacts. As we found in the previously funded project period, the largest proportion of these have accessed the service for benefit related advice – although many clients have also accessed the service relating to debt, legal and consumer issues.

This quarter we have generated an estimated £281,963 in benefit gains for clients that accessed support through this project and helped to manage £118,833 of debt.

59% of all contacts received support to complete forms – a total of 289 clients.

This project has seen high levels of engagement from the start and since it began in September 2015 has made 2198 client contacts. The majority of those clients came to seek help with benefits issues, but we have also seen high numbers of clients requiring assistance with relationship, debt, and consumer issues. The work we have done has helped clients with income maximisation and debt management – leading to improved financial capability for local residents. Across the two year project we estimate that we have generated an additional £3,215,722 of benefits gains and handled £478,246 of debt.

Results from our feedback survey show that intervention from this project has also helped to reduce stress and improve clients' health and wellbeing. The results showed that 96 % of survey respondents felt less anxious after seeing the advisor.

The same survey shows that 70% of respondents now feel more able to manage their own affairs – information which is backed up by responses received during our evaluation interviews.

## Case Studies

### **Case Study 1**

The client attended outreach for help with an Employment and Support Allowance claim after their benefits were stopped for allegedly not attending their work capability assessment. Client advised that they arrived at their assessment ten minutes late after problems with traffic. Client had not received any benefits for several months and was being supported by family.

Client was suffering severe depression and anxiety and could not afford to pay even basic bills.

DIAL helped the client contact Jobcentre Plus to request that a further assessment be arranged as soon as possible in order to prevent a significant risk to client's mental health and wellbeing. Several calls later, over a period of a few days the client was called to attend a work capability assessment, after which they were placed in the Support Group with a recommendation not to be reassessed for 24 months.

Client has received Employment and Support Allowance backdated for 6 months, which included the Support Component at a rate of £109.65 per week. The client is now considering a claim to Personal Independence Payment but for this moment in time is relieved that they are able to pay for their own food and fuel bills.

"Thanks to Dial, for all your support, I was at a desperate low and I wasn't getting anywhere, Geoff was very supportive and gave me the necessary help to resolve my case".

### **Case Study 2**

Client attended outreach as they had been told that they had received an overpayment of housing benefit of around £1000. This was due to the council believing that our client should have been subject to a non-dependent deduction as their daughter lives with them and this had been the case for around 6 months.

We advised the client that the non-dependent deduction has come into force due to them no longer being eligible to PIP. However this had been backdated to the start of the financial year rather than to September when this change of circumstance occurred.

Our client had spoken to the benefits department but had been unable to resolve this fully.

We spoke to housing benefit directly who realised their mistake and wrote the debt off immediately.

### **Case Study 3**

The client attended outreach for support with a debt of £4,638, overpayment of Child Tax Credits. The client had also lost his Personal Independence Payment entitlement (PIP), which then decreased their Employment & Support Allowance Payments (ESA). Later the client lost their ESA entitlement, placing them in severe hardship, anxiety and distress.

I formally appealed the Tax Credit debt, sending reasons for how debt had occurred, sent a completed income & expenditure form, showing the client's inability to meet this debt, and a Debt & Mental Health Evidence Form confirming the client's condition. Following a period of 4 months of appeals and correspondence, the debt was fully written off.

I also appealed the client's PIP and ESA decisions, initially completing a Mandatory Reconsideration Request & then a Formal SCSS1 Appeal for both benefits. Both Appeals were allowed, awarding the client Standard Daily Living of £55.65 per week on their Personal Independence Payment, and Support Group Status on their ESA, which then also gave the client an increase on their Employment & Support Allowance to £188 per week.

Outcomes achieved:

- £4,638 of Debt Written Off.
- £243 weekly Disability Benefit payments. (£12,670 – Annually)
- Reduced anxiety & distress and increase in health & financial health & well-being.
- Increase in quality of life due to accessible income.

“I don't know what I'd have done if it weren't for Dial. Thanks Mick for all you've done, I don't have to worry about that debt now and glad my weekly money is back”





# PART C – COMMUNITY GRANTS SUMMARY

## PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT

### APRIL 2017 TO MARCH 2018

SERVICE	PRIORITY	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END	REPORTS
Emmanuel Church	Health and Wellbeing	Over 50s Friends	£ 19,984	April 2017	March 2018	Report submitted Jan 18
RVS	Health and Wellbeing	Looking out for older people	£ 19,557	April 2017	March 2018	Report submitted Jan 18
Reds In The Community	Health and Wellbeing	Walking Football	£ 7,062	April 2017	March 2018	Report submitted Jan 18
Reds In The Community	Opportunities for Young People	Premier League Kicks	£ 11,504	April 2017	March 2018	Report submitted Jan 18
YMCA	Opportunities for Young People	Youthwork	£ 6,735	April 2017	March 2018	Report submitted Oct 18

### Emmanuel – Over Fifty Friends

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	

#### Project Summary:

**Over Fifty Friends** aims to promote and support the health and wellbeing of older and vulnerable people by the reduction of social isolation and loneliness, through a wide range of activities supported by volunteers of all ages. The range of activities are specifically designed to stimulate the mental capacity of an aging generation. Participants will have the opportunities to develop skills as well as learn new skills, alongside meeting others who are of a similar age with similar interests. This project aims to engage over 200 older people in the activities.





## **Performance Summary:**

The new focus on over 50's fun has meant that there has been a rebranding of the project to try to encourage new people to take part.

Although the project has been able to keep some of its much loved events from last year it has also began new initiatives.

Here are the one off events that were delivered in Q3:

### **Christmas Party**

Over 60 people came along and enjoyed a traditional Christmas party. The Youth group and young volunteers from the NCS program helped to provided fun and games for those who struggle with the Christmas period as they feel isolated and removed from children at this traditionally child focused time of the year.

### **Afternoon teas**

This quarter we have yet another popular afternoon tea. The Christmas afternoon tea saw around 70 people come along and share together. Over the last few months, the afternoon teas have become a vital role in the project as many see them as a very easy first contact with the church. The have also provided an opportunity for people to invite isolated members of their families and communities as we offer a reduced rate for multiple tickets.

The Christmas Afternoon Tea included a simple activity of making a Christmas tree decoration. Although many of the people did find it simple to produce, many required help and it was good to see that people were helping each other and through doing this breaking down boundaries and form friendships.

### **Fashion Show**

In November around 75 people, of which at least 24 were new to the project, came along to a Fashion show. Although it was simple an event for people to come along to, the idea was to provide an event for older people during in the dark evenings when a lot of older people feel the most isolated. Information from BIADs was available too.

### **Poppy display**

The idea of the poppy display was to encourage older people to create poppies through a range of different mediums. It was hoped that they would then share their expertise with young members of the community. One lady went along to the children and youth groups at emmanuel and were able to help the children and young people to produce a felt poppy which was sown together with a button. No only did this go a long way to break social barrier that the young people had materialised in their own heads but also gave the lady encouragement to teach others new skills. Around 1500 poppies were produced for the display and was published in the Barnlsey Chronicle, giving more publicity to the project.



**Christmas Shopping Trip**  
to include Christmas lunch  
at  
**Boundary Mills Sheffield**  
Monday 4th December

Leave Emmanuel at 11.00am

Shop, eat & shop some more

Leaving for home at 3.30pm

Cost £13 - includes coach & lunch

Contact Dawn to reserve your seat  
07594 549133

Emmanuel Methodist church  
Huddersfield Road  
Harrold  
S75 1DT

Lo'x... Live  
North Area Council  
01422 692000

## Boundary Mills

This was a suggestion from conversations at the coffee morning. Again this event was to encourage people to attend during the isolating Christmas period. 33 people attended with 9 new people to the project attending too. The trip included a Christmas lunch provided by the store. Many of the people who attended the day thought that it was a really good idea as they had to rely on others to take them Christmas shopping however this made them feel a little more independent.

## Christmas Dinner

A Christmas dinner was provided to 43 people who would have otherwise found themselves on their own on Christmas day.

## Angel Festival

During the dark long winter, people were encouraged to make knitted angels. These were given out to local primary school children. This did not only give the older people a focus on doing something nice for children in their community but it also encouraged the children to think about how older people still care about them in their communities.



## RVS – Looking Out for Older People

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	●
Project milestones achieved	●
Project indicators / targets met	●
Overall project progress & achievements	●

### Project Summary:

The project aims to provide Opportunities for Young People by increasing their chances to interact and build relationships with members of other generations, learning new traditional skills and taking part in a range of enrichment activities which may not otherwise have been available to them. The project will help develop Stronger Communities by encouraging intergenerational groups to support one another and ensure that all participants have the opportunity to shape the future of the project by involving them in decision making and developing the work of the project in ways which best support services in their neighbourhoods. Participants will also have the opportunity to access RVS' existing network of luncheon and social clubs. The project aims to work with 200 young people and create 40 new volunteering roles.

### Performance Summary (extract from Aimee's report):

The NCS Students were given a skills list to evaluate the skills they attain within the group and skills they would like to learn with only 2 days planning.





The Team had chosen to deliver the project at Orchard views on Gawber Road and decided to do activities based around Chair aerobics & Healthy living as many were sports students, a young girl wanted to do a craft session as she already knew how to knit through the skill being passed down in her family. The group had discussed about what they wanted to gain from the project which was befriending and learning traditional games from the residents.



Initially the group struggled to engage with the residents, soon learning that the residents where very much in a routine of having their meals and then sleeping in between The NCS students where the encouraged to engage in conversation with clients and befriend them before getting them to do activities. The younger people were soon building their confidence to just sit and speak to everyone either in small groups or on a 1-1. To start the activities the group decided they wanted to break the ice and played games such as ‘beetle drive, card games and get to know you questions,’ which the elderly clients led.

The group also engaged in Crafts such as jewellery making, knitting & painting with the elderly. Within the 3 days of delivering the programme, they gained the confidence to deliver group activities and befriend older clients, which most young people out of the group have asked to be in the pool of volunteers for future projects with the Royal Voluntary Service.

## Reds In the Community – Walking Football

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	





### **Project Summary:**

Through the Fit Reds programme, Fit Reds Health Trainers provide participants with information regarding diet, nutrition and healthy lifestyles along with vital one to one support. Fit Reds Physical Activity Coaches engage participants with physical activity suited to their individual needs. Reds in the Community’s proposed Walking Football Fit Reds Programme, which will build upon the positive work which the charity has undertaken in the North Area over the past year whilst piloting a brand new programme of activity which combines Walking Football with our successful Fit Reds programme, aims to directly address the issue of inactivity amongst males 55+ in the North Area of Barnsley and promote healthy living. The programme will be available to 30 individuals in the North Area.

### **Performance Summary (extract from providers performance report):**

29 participants have accessed the programme delivered at Athersley Recreation Ground (Sheerian Park). 14 have completed the programme in the last quarter. 100% of participants have reduced their weight, reduced their waist circumference and reduced their blood pressure. 40% have reported an increased knowledge of healthy lifestyles.

## RITC – Premier League Kicks

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	

### **Project Summary:**





Premier League Kicks programme, offers weekly sports sessions in community time, young people will be doing more sport and physical activity and will develop their sporting skills. Sessions will also support the development of essential life-skills such as teamwork, leadership and communication skills. Through engaging young people with sports participation activities, and of course sporting role models in the form of professional football players, as well as incentives such as match day tickets, Reds in the Community will inspire and motivate the young people we work with to continue leading healthy and active lifestyles. The programme will be available to 50 young people.

### **Performance Summary (extract from the providers report):**

The Premier League Kicks Programme is now well established in the North Area. It has engaged with 124 young people during its delivery in the North Area. This comprises of 112 males and 12 Females. The number of females attending the sessions on a weekly basis is of a strong representation. This includes 44 participants who are 14+ and 80 participants aged 8-13 years.

We recently participated in the first regional competition on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018 hosted by Sheffield Wednesday FC. This engaged 5 participants from the North PL Kicks Programme and involved small sided football games with workshops focussed on healthy eating. The young people who attended gave extremely positive feedback and said that if it wasn't for the programme they would usually entertain themselves playing on a games console.

## YMCA – YMCA Youthwork

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	

### **Project Summary: Performance Summary:**

The project aims to enable children and young people from the locality to access a range of positive activities as an alternative to risk taking and anti-social behaviour. To sustain a programme of open access, positive activities for children and young people that contribute to improving their health and wellbeing and raising levels of aspiration. Providing safe, local opportunities for children and young people to make positive choices about what they do outside of school hours. The project aims to provide youth work opportunities for 592 young people and create 66 volunteering and peer support opportunities.





### **Performance Summary:**

*Final Report due in April*

## OCTOBER 2017 TO SPETEMBER 2018

SERVICE	PRIORITY	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END	REPORTS
Ad Astra	Changing the Relationship	New Lodge	£ 19,500	October 2017	September 2018	Report submitted Jan 2018
Emmanuel Methodist Church	Health and Wellbeing	Stage Lighting	£ 5,000	October 2017	December 2018	Report submitted Jan 2018
Homestart	Health and Wellbeing	Lifeline Project	£ 19,811	October 2017	September 2018	Report submitted Jan 2018

### Ad Astra Barnsley CIC – New Lodge

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	

#### Project Summary:

The Community Interest Company aims to use their management of New Lodge Community Centre to provide activities to involve a wide range of New Lodge and St Helens residents. These activities aim to provide a variety of volunteering opportunities, health benefits and improve community cohesion.

In addition Ad Astra will continue in its primary aim of raising the aspirations of young people throughout the North Area by providing and involving themselves and their volunteers in a wide range of community activities. These will be Family Fun days, After School Clubs, Peer support and Anti Bullying workshops and events to help improve the local environment.

#### Performance Summary:

Extract from Ad Astra's Quarterly Report -

We have added 4 additional sessions this quarter to our original weekly roster.

Food Distribution / Coffee Morning where we support local families with 'pay as you feel' food distribution – this food is supplied by local supermarkets / Fareshare. 3 volunteers support this Session.

Pre School Coffee Morning Craft Club supported by 2 volunteers.

Homework club, which has one volunteer and two staff members.

5 to 8 Afterschool Club has one volunteer and two staff members.

Both the Homework club started slow – the 5 – 8 picked up very quickly with 12 on the books and a regular attendance of 8 young people.

Our Fitness programme – Currently Dancing is attracting a wide audience. Our Tinky Tots session which is for pre school children aged 2 – 4 yrs has a regular cohort and once each month the local nursery come along and boost the numbers by another 15. The Friday night Dance class has a regular attendance of 25 children and young people this is run by a local resident that was originally taught by a member of our team. The adult dance group sees a group of ladies (and one man) performing dance routines from different genres.

The numbers of young people we are working with has dropped slightly this happens in youth work throughout the country due to the inclement weather and busy schedules in this period. We expect this to pick up in the New Year.

We have delivered leaflets to promote all our activities and we are going to the local schools in January to promote our Afterschool provision.

Our Coffee mornings have seen different residents coming into the centre adding to our regulars who attend the Bingo and Coffee Lodge Brunch club.

We have held a Parkinson's Morning with people coming from all over Barnsley for information, a Fibromyalgia event a Christmas Table top Sale and our Christmas Lights On event which brought in 100s of local residents on what was a very cold evening – We had Carol singing craft and Tombola stalls a face painter and a local musical quartet to help us through the evening.

Our October half term work saw us continue with our Feeding Britain Project and our Environmental litter picks and bulb planting.

Our volunteers play a major part in our programme and are becoming an integral part of the delivery and management of the centre.

As the quarter ended we were asked to go to London to represent St Helens and Barnsley at a meeting of MPs as part of the Feeding Britain project that will be presented in parliament in January for the second hearing of the bill.

It has been a very successful quarter and we will increase the usage of the centre and continue with our work in St Helens and other areas in the North.

Social Action and Volunteering - Hours are recorded:

Mondays - 1 session with 4 volunteers (10hours)

Tuesdays – 4 sessions with 10 volunteering throughout the day (25 hours)

Thursday – 1 session with 5 volunteers (15 hours)

We have held one committee meeting this term with 12 volunteers = 24 hours

We have held two Volunteer training sessions with 8/10 volunteers = 36 hours.



## Emmanuel Methodist Church – Stage Lighting

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	●
Project milestones achieved	●
Project indicators / targets met	●
Overall project progress & achievements	●

### Project Summary:





Emmanuel Church hosts a number of concert and performing arts events during the year. The church has been advised by concert users that the lighting in the concert space is not fit for purpose. The grant funding will contribute to larger financial commitment to replace the stage lighting in the main concert area.

### Performance Summary:

The lighting system was replaced on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017. 5 volunteers have been trained to operate the lights and a new drama group has now been started spurred on by the opportunity to preform productions in The Sanctuary.



## Homestart – Lifeline Project

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring form submitted	
Project milestones achieved	
Project indicators / targets met	
Overall project progress & achievements	

### Project Summary:

Homestart intend to deliver a project to provide unique and proven support to isolated and vulnerable families in north Barnsley, building on the work we have delivered in other areas previously.

Homestart have use a volunteering model to support their delivery and they intend to recruit and specifically train local people on their accredited course to become volunteers and undertake home-visits, where they can provide practical help, emotional support and parenting advice to families who are struggling.

## **Performance Summary:**

Extract from Homestart's Quarterly Report -

The project has made an excellent start, with the focus in Q1 firmly on outreach work and getting the project known by other agencies in the area. A press release was sent to local media, and an introductory email posted to agencies and organisations working with families. The Project Coordinator made numerous visits to locations across the area, including the following centres;

- Athersley, Darton and Grimethorpe Family Centres
- Mapplewell Village Hall and Children's Centre
- Athersley Community Shop
- Roundhouse LLC

On 8<sup>th</sup> November I was invited to speak about Home-Start at the parent and toddler group at the Community Shop at Athersley. About 12 people attended and asked about what we do, and how they could apply to be a volunteer. On 14<sup>th</sup> November I attended the Matrix meeting hosted by the North Area team and this led to a number of enquiries from other agencies present, and a possible link to the Reds in the Community programme in the New Year. Following my initial visit to the Secret Garden Family Centre, I was also invited to attend a team meeting of outreach workers at Grimethorpe Family Centre on 21<sup>st</sup> November where I was able to answer queries and explain the referral process more fully to staff present.

### **Case Study 1: HS Ref: 2493- Susan and Natalie \*names changed**

This family were referred to us by a mental health worker who felt that this single parent would benefit from our home visiting service to boost her self-esteem and improve confidence in parenting her daughter.

The initial visit from HS Coordinator revealed that underlying issues including housing and debt were also contributing to Susan's low mood. Following the link visit, Susan's volunteer has visited at least once a week and provided emotional support and also practical support as needed. During this period, this has included accompanying Susan to GP appointments to check on medication, accessing a CAB drop in session and an application to Berneslai Homes for alternative accommodation. On one occasion the volunteer also went with Susan to a meeting at school to discuss Natalie's progress as she was anxious about the meeting.

Susan's volunteer is very supportive and keen to help Susan make any changes that will improve her life and that of her daughter, and regularly contacts us to clarify where to go for additional support. Home-Start have also supported this family with additional bedding that was donated to us by IKEA, and by referral to the Barnsley Foodbank before Christmas when finance was a struggle.

In review sessions, the family have expressed how much they appreciate the support they are receiving. During supervision sessions with the volunteer, we have discussed the importance of improving the resilience of the family so that Susan does not become dependent on volunteer support but develops the confidence to engage with other agencies as needed. We have also made a referral for Early Help Targeted Support for this family for extra emotional support and reassurance and for help with debt issues.

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# Item 5

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:  
19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Agenda Item: 5

Report of North Area Council  
Manager

### Procurement Update, Financial Position and Forecast

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides the Area Council with a financial position and forecast for expenditure based on the projects that have been proposed.

#### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **The North Area Council should note the existing budget position and forecast for the funding commitments.**
- 2.2. **The North Area Council should note that contrary to previous information the North Area received a budget of £400,000 for the period 2017/18.**
- 2.3. **Members should note the update regarding the proposed recruitment of a Young Peoples Participation Worker.**
- 2.4. **Members are asked to refer to point 3.7 and indicate their preferred option for compensation.**
- 2.5. **Members should note the current financial position.**
- 2.6. **Members should note that forecasted annual budget commitments based on the decisions that were made at the September and November 2017 meetings.**

#### 3. Background highlighting all significant financial commitment

- 3.0 The Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project commenced on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015. This is a one year (plus one year) contract valued at £149,000 in total. The initial contract has now concluded.

The decision was taken to re-tender the opportunity for a further 2 years (+ 1 year) at a contract value of approximately £95,000 per annum. The provider commenced service delivery on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017. This contract will run until at least September 2019 provided the conditions of the contract are met.

- 3.1 The Clean and Green Service commenced on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015. This was a one year (plus one year) contract valued at £150,000 per annum. The initial contract has now concluded.

The decision was taken to advertise an enhanced tender opportunity for a further 2 years (+ 1 year) at a contract value of approximately £85,000 per annum. The provider commenced service delivery on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017. This contract will run until at least September 2019 provided the conditions of the contract are met.

- 3.2 Environmental Enforcement contract commenced in April 2016. This is a one year (+ one year + one year) contract. This has financial implications of up to £146,000 per annum. The decision was taken at the September 2017 meeting NOT to utilise the final year of the contract extension. This will mean that the contract will have run for two years and will end on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

- 3.3 Housing Migration Officer Private Sector Housing Officer – At the November meeting 2017 it was agreed that the North Area would offer a Housing Migration Officer post at Grade 6 for 12 months fixed term. The successful candidate started on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018. In addition to the salary fees the Area Council agreed to fund uniform, PPE including IT, phone and bodycam, plus a £5k annual working budget.

- 3.4 Opportunities for Young People – At the September 2017 meeting the Area Council requested that the Area Council Manager and Senior Link Officer look into the feasibility of the North Area recruiting a Youth Participation Worker which would help to increase links with the local schools and increase the participation and social action involvement of young people across the area. At the November 2017 meeting the North Area Council agreed to the recruitment of a Support Worker for young people at grade 4 FTE, however based on further discussions with the Early Intervention Service they have recommended that to fulfil the requirement of the Area Council the post would need additional skills. It is advised to devise a new role profile for a part time post at Grade 5/6. This would not require an increase in funding allocation but will require a longer lead in time. This development process requires the cooperation and support of HR colleagues because the proposed post would need to go to a panel for approval before a request to recruit is authorised. If this new post is not permitted then it may be necessary to revert back to the grade 4 proposal.

- 3.5 Health and Wellbeing – At the November 2017 meeting The North Area Council agreed to consider a Social Inclusion Project with a Prevention of Winter Deaths focus. This would complement the work of Housing and Energy Colleagues who are looking at developing a Housing and Energy Advice Hub with housing energy advice. They are currently applying to the Warm Homes Fund for a three year project. Aligning a 3 year pilot in North Area would be a fantastic opportunity to combine resources and realise positive outcomes for residents in the North Area. The proposal was supported at the January 2018 Area Council meeting pending further development work. The earliest this could be anticipated to start is July 2018.

- 3.6 Stronger Communities Grant – The total funding available for 2018/19 is £80,000. A total of 7 applications were received. The grant is oversubscribed by in excess of £44,000. At the time of writing the Grant Panel has been postponed from 1<sup>st</sup> March to the 15<sup>th</sup> March. Consequently information documenting the panel outcome will need to be tabled at the Area Council meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> March.
- 3.7 Community Magazine – The Area Council fund the distribution costs of the North Area Magazine. This is a twice yearly distribution costing approximately £2,500 per issue.

There were some concerns raised regarding the delivery of the magazine for the December 2017 issue. There were reports of non-delivery and delays. The provider has apologies for the inconvenience and offered a reimbursement. A credit of £1,000 has been offered as an apology. Alternatively they will delivery to the postcodes that experienced problems (S75 5, S75 2, S75 6, S71 3) free of charge for the next edition, this is equivalent to £1,837. Members are asked to indicate their preferred option.

#### **4. Financial Position**

- 4.1. At the September 2017 meeting The Area Council took the decision to reconfigure its annual financial commitment to ensure that the annual spend is in-line with the budget allocation. It was agreed to cease the Environmental Enforcement Service and proposed to introduce a Participation Worker for Young People.
- 4.2. At the time of writing there is an **underspend of £167,186 for 2017/18 (this includes underspend from previous years). However the in-year balance exceeds the annual budget by £85,000.**
- 4.3. This is a significant excess caused by the decisions to stop the Positive Progressions project £55,000, the delay in recruiting to the Private Sector Housing Support Officer role, the unallocated Grant funding £20,797.50 and recycled FPN income of £42,143 for 2016/17 now received.
- 4.4. The decision to terminate the Environmental Enforcement contract from March 2018 means that the Area Council will need to commit to at least one large scale project make efficient use to the outstanding budget. This has provided an opportunity to develop the social isolation project.

4.5. The proposed annual commitments from April 2018:

<b>Contract</b>	<b>Annual Value</b>
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach	£95,000
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People	£85,000
Housing Migration Officer	£35,000
Stronger Communities Grant	£80,000
Magazine Delivery	£6,000
Participation & Engagement Officer – Young People FT (+participation budget)	£26,000 & £5,000
In Development ( <i>Social Isolation Project Healthy Homes</i> )	£75,000
Devolved funding to Ward Alliances	£40,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£447,000</b>

**5. Risks**

- 5.1. Members please note that the Area Council has benefited from £112,294.00 in recycled FPN income since 2014. This will cease in March 2018 following the decision to decommission the service.
- 5.2. Members please note that the financial position of the Area Council has altered significantly and there is a substantial sum currently unallocated for 2017-18.
- 5.3. The proposed budget would take the Area Council £47,000 over budget pa for the next 3 years. However taking into account the current under spend or £167,183, the investment profiled in 4.5 would be feasible for the next three years and still leave £26,183 unallocated.

**6. Next Steps**

- 6.1. Ensure that the Area Manager is alerted to any proposed commissioning profile variations so that feasibility considerations can be made at the earliest opportunity.

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# Item 7

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:  
19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Agenda Item: 7

Report of the  
North Area Council Manager

### Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Funds

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report updates the North Area Council on financial position the Ward Alliance budget for each ward for the 2017/18 period.

#### 2. Recommendation

**That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2017/18, in line with the guidance on spend.**

#### 3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 As part of the decisions made by the Council's Cabinet in 2013 each Ward was allocated an annual Ward Alliance Fund of £10,000. In addition the Area Council has devolved £10,000 for the financial year 2017/18.
- 3.2 All funding decisions must meet with Ward Alliance approval and be allocated with in accordance with the ward Alliance Finding 2016/17 – Briefing Note. This requires half of the fund to be allocate to projects where there is match funding.
- 3.3 In considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget, Members will need to be satisfied that:
- it meets a recognised need for the Ward,
  - it is in the wider public interest (whole community can potentially benefit),
  - it represents value for money.

#### 4.0 2017/18 Financial Position

- 4.1 The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2016/17 Ward Alliance Fund was added to the 2017/18 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the conditions of the ward alliance budget allocation.
- 4.2 All decisions on the use of this funding need to be approved through the Ward Alliance.
- 4.3 Budget allocations for 2017/18  
The full grant allocation for the North Area's Ward Alliances for the year 2017/18 was £92,608.

Ward	Base Allocation	Carried forward from 2016/17	Devolved from Area Council	Total available
Darton East	£10,000	£300	£10,000	£20,300
Darton West	£10,000	£2,297	£10,000	£22,297
Old Town	£10,000	£7,335	£10,000	£27,335
St Helen's	£10,000	£2,676	£10,000	£22,676

4.4 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

### 5.0 Challenges and Opportunities

5.1 Due to the current budget position Old Town Ward is not eligible for devolved funding from the Area Council during 2018/19.

5.2 All wards should take an opportunity to consult on their ward plan during 2017/18 (during the first quarter is recommended). This will help the Ward Alliances to review the existing plans and reaffirm their ward priorities.

5.3 Any projects requiring a long lead in time will require the involvement of the Area Team as early as possible.

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**Appendix 1:**  
**2017/18 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS**

For 2017/18 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.

Area Councils have the option to allocate up to £20,000 from the Area Council budget to each of their Ward Alliances. This is discretionary to each Area Council. The South Area Council has decided NOT to devolve additional monies to its Ward Alliances for 2017/18 because its budgets are already fully committed.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2016/17 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2017/18 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

All decisions on the use of this funding need to be approved through the Ward Alliance.

### DARTON EAST WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2017/18 financial year the Ward Alliance had the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£300	carried forward from 2016/17
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£20,300</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining <b>£10,150</b>	Allocation Remaining <b>£20,300</b>
NCS - NCS Sponsorship	£300.00	£300.00	£10,150.00	£20,000.00
Wellgate PS - Project raised beds	£854.29	£854.29	£10,150.00	£19,145.71
M&SG Rec Group - War Memorial steam clean	£240.00	£240.00	£10,150.00	£18,905.71
DE Working Budget 2017	£600.00	0	£9,550.00	£18,305.71
DE Hanging baskets	£2,200.00	0	£7,350.00	£16,105.71
DEWA - Grass cutting	£450.00	0	£6,900.00	£15,655.71
Qtr 1 Secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£6,900.00	£15,530.71
Nova Theatre Gp - First Stage Summer School	£250.00	£250.00	£6,900.00	£15,280.71
M&SVH - Learn & play with pleasure	£1284.96	£1,284.96	£6,900.00	£13,995.75
DEWA - Keswick Rd Allotments	£1421.00	£1421.00	£6,900.00	£12,574.75
DE Christmas Working Budget 2017	£2900.00	£0	£4,000.00	£9,674.75
DEWA - Spring Bulbs	£400.00	£400.00	£4,000.00	£9,274.75
DEWA - Teddy Bear's Picnic	£400.00	£0.00	£3,600.00	£8,874.75
Qtr 2 Secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£3,600.00	£8,749.75

M&SGRG - Boundary stones clean	£150.00	£150.00	£3,600.00	£8,599.75
M&SGRG - Tree planting - Mapplewell Park	£1000.00	£483.80	£3,083.80	£7,599.75
Mapplewell & Stainx Over 55s - Winter Warming Outing	£643.15	£643.15	£3,083.80	£6,956.60
Staincross & Darton Community Venture - Community Panto	£615.00	£615.00	£3,083.80	£6,341.60
DIAL - Grin & Share it	£756.00	£756.00	£3,083.80	£5,585.60
M&SVH - Village Hall Dementia Gp - marketing	£500.00	£0	£2,583.80	£5,085.60
DEWA - North Gawber Miners Memorial	£350.00	£0	£2,233.80	£4,735.60
DEWA - Children's Woodland Event	£350.00	£0	£1,883.80	<b>£4,385.60</b>

## DARTON WEST WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2017/18 financial year the Ward Alliance had the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£2,297	carried forward from 2016/17
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£22,297</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining £22,297
			<b>£11,148.50</b>	
Darton Voice - Brookhill Road/Darton Wildlife Project	£80.00	£80.00	£11,148.50	£22,217.00
Darton Crowns - Line marker	£187.00	£187.00	£11,148.50	£22,030.00
DWWA - Sloppy Slippers	£2,000.00	£0	£9,148.50	£20,030.00
All Saints Church - York Waits Concert - 500th Anniversary	£500.00	£440.00	£9,148.50	£19,530.00
DW Hanging baskets 2017	£1,945.00	£0	£7,203.50	£17,585.00
North Gawber Junior FC - Community Project	£500.00	£0	£6,703.50	£17,085.00
All Saints Church Darton - Fire alarm	£500.00	£0	£6,203.50	£16,585.00
Redbrook TARA - Redbrook Park	£100.00	£100.00	£6,203.50	£16,485.00
Clean & Green Team - Barugh Green rec painting	£100.00	£100.00	£6,203.50	£16,385.00
Darton Cricket Club - Ground maintenance machinery	£750.00	£750.00	£6,203.50	£15,635.00
Nova Theatre Gp - First Stage Summer School	£500.00	£500.00	£6,203.50	£15,135.00
DWWA - New bench	£760.00	£0	£5,443.50	£14,375.00



Darton College - College Farm	£800.00	£800.00	£5,443.50	£13,575.00
Les Cadeaux - Santa's creative Christmas	£698.00	£698.00	£5,443.50	£12,877.00
DWA - Spring bulbs	£200.00	£200.00	£5,443.50	£12,677.00
Priestley Avenue Community Group	£250.00	£0	£5,193.50	£12,427.00
DWA Barugh Green Christmas lights	£1,100.00	£0	£4,093.50	£11,327.00
DWA - Planters	£1,900.00	£483.80	£4,093.50	£9,427.00
DWA - Maintenance on Redbrook Roundabout	£400.00	£0	£3,693.50	£9,027.00
Gawber History Group - History of Gawber	£365.00	£698.00	£3,693.50	£8,662.00
DWWA - Maintenance on Christmas street	£80.00	£0	£3,613.50	£7,552.00
Kexbrough Local History Group - History book	£700.00	£0	£2,913.50	£6,852.00
Stars of Darton West Awards 2018 - Working Budget	£1,700.00	£0	£1,213.50	5,012.00
Darton West Working Budget	£200.00	£0	£1,013.50	£4,812.00
DC Textiles Club - DC does Barnsley bunt off	£100.00	£100.00	£1,013.50	£4,712.00
Redbrook TARA - Hanging Baskets project	£202.00	£202.00	£1,013.50	£4,510.00
Les Cadeaux - Easter Eggstravaganza	£450.00	£450.00	£1,013.50	<b>£4,060.00</b>

## OLD TOWN WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2017/18 financial year the Ward Alliance had the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£7,335	carried forward from 2016/17
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£27,335</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

The Old Town Ward Alliance has not yet allocated any of their Ward Alliance Fund.

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining <b>£13,667.50</b>	Allocation Remaining <b>£27,335</b>
Ad Astra Barnsley CIC - Having fun & staying fit	£1,984.00	£1,984.00	£13,667.50	£25,351.00
OTWA - Dual bin	£1,838.00	£0	£11,829.50	£23,513.00
Mum's Team Barnsley	£600.00	£600.00	£11,829.50	£22,913.00
OTWA - Christmas Trees	£910.00	£0	£10,919.50	£22,003.00
Pogmoor Resident Association - dog bin	£300.00	£0	£10,619.50	£21,703.00
Pogmoor Resident Association - Afternoon Social club	£588.94	£588.94	£10,619.50	£21,114.06
Friends of Wilthorpe Park - Noticeboard	£909.56	£909.56	£10,619.50	£20,204.50
Spring Bulbs	£100.00	£0.00	£10,519.50	£20,104.50
Pogmoor Residents Association - Cresswell St fencing extension	£448.00	£0	£10,071.50	£19,656.50
OTWA - Brettas Park fence	£1,950.00		£8,121.50	£17,509.42
OTWA - Brettas Park fence removal	£1,040.00		£7,081.50	£16,469.42
OTWA - Healthy Happy Me	£2,300.00		£7,081.50	£14,169.42

Willowbank Community Partnership - Multiple Event Insurance	£603.52	£603.52	£6,477.98	£13,565.90
OTWA - Tour de Yorkshire Wilthorpe Park Event	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£6,477.98	£12,565.90
Friends of Wilthorpe Park - Container for gardening equipment	£1,980.00	£1,980.00	£6,477.98	£10,585.90
IDAS - Staying Safe - Staying Put	£400.00	£400.00	£6,477.98	£10,185.90
Emmanuel Children, Young People & Community - The Promise	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£6,477.98	£9,185.90
St Mary's Primary School Gardening Club - Spring into Action	£1,221.00	£1,221.00	£6,477.98	<b>£7,964.90</b>

## ST.HELENS WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2017/18 financial year the Ward Alliance had the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£2,676	carried forward from 2016/17
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£22,676</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining <b>£22,676</b>
			<b>£11,338</b>	
STHWA - Restricted Parking Fences for Carlton Rd	£4,000.00	0	£7,000.00	£21,425.00
STHWA - Hanging Baskets 2017	£2,046.00	0	£5,292.00	£19,379.00
Time for tots - Mother & Baby/toddler play & stay group	£700.00	£354.00	£5,292.00	£18,679.00
StHWA - feeding vulnerable families	£540.00	£540.00	£5,292.00	£18,139.00
Honey Pot Café - Additional activities	£1,139.85	£1,139.85	£5,292.00	£16,999.15
StHWA - Extra car parking facility	£500.00	£500.00	£5,292.00	£16,464.15
The Coffee Lodge - Kids eat free at the coffee lounge	£285.00	£285.00	£5,292.00	£16,179.15
Athersley Cares - Bees little helpers	£260.00	£260.00	£5,292.00	£15,919.15
Qtr 1 Secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£5,292.00	£15,794.15
Twilight Group	£441.00	£441.00	£5,292.00	£15,353.15
Spring Bulbs for 2017/18	£585.00	£0	£4,707.00	£14,768.15
Barnsley NWLG - Outdoor equipment events	£518.88	£518.88	£4,707.00	£14,249.27

Health Event Working budget	£700.00	£0	£4,007.00	£13,549.27
SHWA - Christmas budget	£933.50	£0	£3,073.50	£12,615.77
Athersley Community Association & FC - Community bonfire	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£3,073.50	£11,615.77
StHWA - Christmas Events	£1000.00	£0	£2,073.50	£10,615.77
StHWA - Athersley Rec FC carpark	£535.00	£535	£2,073.50	<b>£10,080.77</b>
Qtr 2 Secretary expenses	£125.00		£2,073.50	<b>£10,055.77</b>
Qtr 3 Secretary expenses	£125.00		£2,073.50	<b>£9,930.77</b>
STHWA - Printing 'What's on St Helen's' Activity Calendar	£557.00		£1,516.50	<b>£9,373.77</b>
StHWA - Boundary repair at Standhill Wood	£570.00		£946.50	<b>£8,803.77</b>

The St.Helen's Ward Alliance have had £100 of unspent grant returned, making their actual remaining spend allocation **£8,903.77**

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# Item 8

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Agenda Item: 8**

**Report of North Area Council  
Manager**

### North Area Ward Alliance Notes

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

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

#### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to the received by the Area Council.

#### **3.0 Introduction**

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

#### **4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings**

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during December 2017, January and February 2018.

Appendices:

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

The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

## Appendix One:

**Darton East Ward Alliance**  
**'CAN DO-WILL DO'**  
2018 – 6PM  
Mapplewell & Staincross  
Village Hall

**Present:**

Cllr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor  
Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor  
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team  
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man  
Pauline Brook - Methodist Church  
David Hilton – Greenspace Group  
Jonathan Harrison - Local Business Man  
David Oates - Local Business Man  
Jonathan Senior - Greenworks  
Julian Senior - Greenworks

**1. Apologies:**

Cllr Gail Charlesworth  
Nick Hibberd  
Helen Altun

**2. Minutes from previous meeting.**

These were accepted as a true record.

**3. Matters Arising**

None

**4. Neighbourhood Asset Review - Presentation**

Cllr Miller presented a power point 'Purpose of Today' produced by Barnsley Council, this reflected on staff flexibility, 7 day cover, fit for job changes, efficiencies and assets to enable the Council to provide services within the finances available.

A priority is rubbish dumping and litter and an audit of litter bins within the Ward to establish over/under use and when the bins are full to be monitored by sensor technology offering a more efficient service. It was suggested that any under used bins be re located to another site, within the Ward and not taken out of use. This issue to be discussed later when details of usage are available from the Council audit.

Jonathan H asked if the provision of a litter bin be mandatory with any planning permission given to any food outlet/take away.

The Council is responsible for the numerous grass verges and it was reported in order to reduce cutting costs the possibility of some larger areas be laid with tarmac to provide off road parking. Damage to grass verges by cars parked was a concern. Cllr Spence reported that the planter from the Old Police Station had been moved to Shaw Lane with an offer for its maintenance and for the grass to be cut by a local resident.

**5. Finances**



Rebecca provided a detailed list of projects already funded during the financial year. There is a balance of £3,780.56 for projects requiring volunteer matched hours and £315.04 of projects not requiring match funding.

#### **6. Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

#### **7. Applications for Funding**

Keswick Road Community Allotment – to provide a secure store for equipment within the allotment compound. An offer of a second hand store had been declined as it was too large for the site.

Grant of £1600 approved

IDAS – Staying Safe/Staying Put – this was Borough wide application and after discussion it was agreed not to support the application.

#### **8. Development of Ward Plan**

This is deferred until the March/April Meeting

#### **9. AOB**

The tennis courts in Mapplewell Park were discussed – Cllr Miller informed the meeting that the S106 money was available to re-position them on the old bowling green. The delay was due to some objections by local residents but will be developed by support from Greenspace. The existing tennis courts to be grassed to provide easy maintenance.

Jonathan H referred to the recent attack of a dog walker in Mapplewell Park (in the evening) and the possibility of increasing the lighting. Cllr Miller informed the meeting that the lighting has to be a certain distance from residential properties. David Hilton suggested that extra spread of light from the existing posts might be a solution. Cllr Miller reported that some hedges had been cut lower to give a more open view.

David Hilton would like more volunteers with Greenspace but stressed that volunteers gave their time when convenient to themselves, not having to make a regular commitment. Cllr Miller suggested the possibility of long term volunteers be awarded or benefitted from local business discounts.

#### **10. Date of Next Meeting** - Next meeting Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 6pm.

## **Appendix Two:**

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

#### **Notes of Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave ( Chair), Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Linda Burgess, Jason Gardener, Richard Haigh, Ann Plant, Dominic McCall, Tom West.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye. Visitor: Kathryn Green, Barnsley Library Service.

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

Cllr Alice Cave welcomed everyone and apologies were received from Carol Gamwell, Louise Oxley.

1a. Kathryn Green gave an update of Library Services in the Area.

#### **2. Notes of meeting 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017.**

Notes of the meeting were discussed.

*Action Points: Rebecca to send information to Darton Arrow re: Hanging Baskets.*

*Rebecca to check number of Christmas lights at Barugh Green and report.*

*Rebecca to chase up Planters at Day House Way for siting early 2018.*

#### **3. Ward Alliance Fund**

**3.1** Budget update was noted.

**3.2** WAF Applications.

Street Motive Application. Approved.

Kexbrough History Interpretation Board. Approved.

#### **4. Ward Alliance Action Plan Update.**

Dominic led an update discussion of Ward Alliance Action Plan and amendments were made.

*Ann to contact Louise and develop plan to see if local business will sponsor future Christmas Lights at Barugh Green.*

*Rebecca to check the order for the bench near Birthwaite.*

#### **5. BMBC Darton Centre Project.**

Linda updated on progress

Alice and Sharon to attend next meeting if possible.

#### **6. Communications.**

Rebecca supplied North Area Council Magazine for members attention.

Protocols for future use of Ward Alliance Tweets to be discussed next meeting.

#### **8. Preparation for Darton West Ward Stars Event.**

Sharon updated members of event to be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> 2018, 6.00 pm at Barnsley Town Hall.

*Action: Nominations to Rebecca as soon as possible.*

#### **9. A.O.B.**

**9.1** Tour de Yorkshire will be through the Ward in 2018 and it was agreed to provide some support.

*Action Points: Rebecca to invite Steven Miller, Link Officer, for Tour de Yorkshire to our Jan meeting*

**9.2** Hanging baskets

*Rebecca to identify local businesses within the Ward*

*Linda and Rebecca to review the letter asking for sponsorship from local businesses*

*Alice and Sharon to send hanging basket letter to local business.*

*Further action to be agreed at the next meeting*

### **9.3 Traffic Team Development.**

Linda shared information from the BMBC document.

*Action Point: Rebecca to reproduce the Highways Services offer for WA members.*

### **10. Date and Time of next Meeting.**

**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2018, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

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

**Notes of Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

**Attendees:** Cllr Linda Burgess, Cllr Sharon Howard, Jason Gardner, Richard Haigh, Dominic McCall.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye. Tour de Yorkshire Coordinator: Stephen Miller

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

Cllr Linda Burgess welcomed everyone to the Meeting and apologies were received from Cllr Alice Cave, Ann Plant, Louise Oxley, Carol Gamwell.

**1A Stephen Miller, Tour de Yorkshire Coordinator, Barnsley** spoke about the race which will come through our ward.

*Action point: Sharon and Dominic to meet to begin an action plan for engaging residents and businesses along the route*

### **2. Notes of Meeting, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

*Action points:*

*Rebecca to check if the damaged Christmas light at Barugh Green had been repaired*

*Linda and Rebecca to clarify action plan for hanging baskets across the Ward*

*Sharon to contact residents re planters at top of Dayhouse Way. Richard to offer support/advice*

*Ann and Louise to contact local business re sponsoring Christmas lights at Barugh Green*

### **3 .Ward Alliance Fund.**

A. Budget update was discussed and it was agreed to clarify any 2017/18 funding required at Feb meeting

B. WAF Applications.

An application from Les Cadeaux was discussed.

*Action point: Rebecca to seek further clarification of costs identified*

### **4. Ward Alliance Action Plan. 2018.**

The Ward Action Plan was updated and was amended by Dominic.

*Action point:*

*Rebecca, Linda, Sharon, Dominic, Alice, and Richard to meet to develop the action plan for Tour de Yorkshire further.*

### **5. BMBC Darton Centre Project**

Linda updated on the project. Next meeting of the Steering Group will be on 1<sup>st</sup> February at the Darton Centre, 6 .00 pm.

## **6. Communications.**

No further work had been done produce information re community safety.

Action point: Rebecca to clarify what contact information is available for the public.

## **7. North Area Council Updates.**

Information was shared re the Safer Neighbourhood team update. A review is being undertaken of neighbourhood services provision for litter bins and green space areas

*Action point: Cllrs to meet with Neighbourhood Service team and report to Alliance members.*

## **8. Preparations for Darton West Ward Stars Event**

Sharon, Alice, Ann, Rebecca, Richard, to meet to organise event and update WA at next meeting.

## **9 .A.O.B.**

Carol Gamwell to be thanked for her work on the Ward Alliance.

Sharon raised the issue of families in poverty for discussion

Sloppy Slippers Event - Sharon will update next meeting.

## **Date of next Meeting.**

**MONDAY, 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY , 2018 , 5.00 PM, DARTON CENTRE.**

## **Darton West Ward Alliance.**

### **Notes of Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

**Attendees:** Cllr Sharon Howard ( Chair), Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Linda Burgess, Richard Haigh, Jason Gardener, Ann Plant, Tom West, Dominic McCall. North Area Team: Rebecca Batty.

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

Cllr Sharon Howard, welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from Louise Oxley and Scott Ledger.

### **2. Notes of meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

Notes of the Meeting and action points were discussed.

#### ***ACTION POINTS:***

*Rebecca to check on repairs to Christmas lights at Barugh Green.*

*Ann and Louise to contact local business within the Ward for possible sponsorship for future Christmas Lights at Barugh Green.*

*Richard to audit local hanging basket provision across the Ward and supply details to Rebecca for future costings.*

### **3. WAF update.**

A. Budget update was discussed and agreed.

B. Potential Budget allocations for 2018/ 19.

Darton Park Project in conjunction with Darton College. £ 1500.00.

Kexbrough History Group First Interpretation Board. £2000.00.

Gawber History Group Second Interpretation Board. £2000.00.

C WAF Applications.

Huddersfield Road Bench application was increased to £900.00. Approved.

Les Cadeaux, £450.00. Approved.

Working Budget for Darton West Ward Alliance £200.00. Approved.

Darton College, DC Textiles, £100.00. Approved.  
Priestley Avenue Craft Group. £ 250.00 Approved.  
Redbrook TARA hanging basket brackets. £ 202.00 Approved.  
IDAS Independent Domestic Abuse Services. Declined.

#### **4 Action Plan 2017/18**

Following discussion Dominic recorded amendments to the Ward Alliance Plan for 2017/18. Some items were identified to be carried forward to our 2018/19 Action Plan.  
*ACTION POINT: Dominic to update the plan for the March meeting and prepare a template for the 2018/19 Plan.*

#### **5 Sponsored Hanging Baskets**

Linda presented an action plan to identify and provide sponsored hanging baskets in the Ward. There was discussion about the need to prepare a database of places and organisations in the Ward where posters could be displayed for WA events and activities.

##### *ACTION POINTS*

Rebecca to post out letters to all local business to inform of sponsorship opportunity  
Alice to email Barnsley Chronicle with information for local news section  
Ann to identify poster sites in the Darton Area.  
Richard to identify poster sites in the Gawber Area.

#### **6. Tour de Yorkshire**

Sharon and Dominic had met and provided an update on actions to prepare for 4 May.  
*ACTION POINTS:*

*Working Group to include Alice, Linda, Sharon, Tom, Dominic, Richard.*  
*Sharon and Dominic to meet Paul Castle and Stephen Miller regarding Redbook Roundabout for 4 May*  
*Dominic to email schools re bunting making*

#### **7. North Area Council updates**

The review of litter bin placements and small greenspace grass cutting was discussed.  
*ACTION POINTS:*

*Councillors to have a further meeting with BMBC officers re existing sites of litter bins.*  
Dominic to email his map of the positions of litter bins for future discussion  
WA members to make observations and notes of existing sites and any proposals for changes

#### **8. Local Centre Project for Darton.**

Linda and Richard gave an update of recent developments.

#### **9. Communications.**

The need to clarify how we keep our Neighbourhood Network contact details in light of changes to Data Protect requirements in May was discussed.  
The need to check BMBC's Twitter protocol was discussed.

##### *ACTION POINT:*

*Rebecca to obtain BMBC's Twitter protocol and also seek advice on how to ensure we have approval to keep contact details of Neighbourhood Network members.*

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

**MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup> 2018, Darton Centre, 5.00 pm.**

## Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance Minutes  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
Edith Perry Room – Barnsley Hospital

### Present

Cllr Dave Leech (Chair) Cllr Liz Grundy Cllr Anita Cherryholme  
BMBC – Lee Swift – Stephen Miller  
Com Reps – Sheila Lowe – Kirsty Summerfield – Luke Holmes – Rev  
Cameron Stirk – Bill Gaunt – Michelle Cooper

### Apologies

Fr Craig Tomlinson – Dorothy Hayes – John Love

- Dave opened the meeting by wishing all members a Happy New Year.

### Presentation

Stephen Miller came and gave us a short presentation about the Tour De Yorkshire, which is coming to Barnsley in May 2018. There will be an Information Road Show 18<sup>th</sup> January at The Metrodome and on the 27<sup>th</sup> February at Elsecar Heritage Centre  
Web site for more details – [tourdeyorkshire@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:tourdeyorkshire@barnsley.gov.uk)

Minutes from the previous meeting were discussed and accepted as a true copy.

### Matters Arising

- **West Road Pogmoor** – The barrier previously discussed is damaged beyond repair and this is now on BMBCs repairs to do list.
- The Dog bin has been replaced on West Road.
- It was noted that several dog bins in the area had not been emptied and were overflowing – Lee will contact BMBC to get this sorted.
  - **ACTION LEE**
- **Old Town News** – The article discussed at our last meeting had been looked at by Lee and Michelle and this will be passed onto Luke for final acceptance.
- The Newsletter needs more work prior to completion
- Lee and Michelle will look for the additional articles
  - **ACTION LEE / MICHELLE**
- **TRO – Report from Bill Gaunt**
- The report followed on from the meeting held with Gary McNaught and Cllr Lofts Cllr Leech Rosie Adams and Lee Swift.
- Lee reported to the group the content of the meeting.

- Bill was asking the group if there was any possibility to request a quote for a maximum amount of money the work would likely cost and then put in an additional bid for the shortfall to ring fence it until it was needed to complete the work.
- We were informed that the original £6000 placed aside for this TRO is no where near sufficient for the work to be completed. And the project costs would be in the tens of thousands – far more than the Ward Alliance could afford to allocate. The leader of the council is however aware of the situation.
- Questions were asked about the yellow lines placed on the roads as many of these had either been dug up by road works or deteriorated over the years and this left it open for inconsiderate drivers to park where ever they wanted – Parking is a growing concern in the area and certain areas are getting very difficult to drive through or out of.
- Lee was asked to check on the situation.
  - **ACTION LEE**
- It was also requested what service the original £6000 would actually purchase.
  - **ACTION LEE**
- **Swift Street Parking** – Liz has checked with Companies House and has not managed to find a company registered to the person who is parking a selection of cars on the road for sale.
- Dave will look into the situation with colleagues from BMBC
  - **ACTION DAVE**
- **Ward Plan Workshop** – Lee placed on the table a collection of dates for the group to find a day that the majority of the meeting could attend which will enable us to do our 2018/19 Ward Plan.
  - **ACTION LEE**

### **Ward Alliance Grant Applications**

#### **Total WAF Budget remaining as of 10/1/18 - £19565.90**

- Friends of Wilthorpe Park applied for a container for their gardening equipment at a cost of £1980 this was agreed in full.
- It was recommended that the group ensure that planning permission is not required for siting the container
- The Old Town Ward Alliance put an application in for £500 to support an event to be run in Wilthorpe Park on May 4<sup>th</sup> as part of the Tour de Yorkshire event for toilets and entertainment etc. After a discussion around the table it was agreed to add an additional £500 as a working budget for the event.

#### **Total budget remaining once these two applications were approved £16.585.90**

### **Healthy Happy Me Event**

- Everyone was reminded about the event-taking place on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 at Emanuel Church.

### **Old Town Youth Work**

- Bill put a proposal on the table for the group to discuss – the proposal was to contract a company to consult with young people in their communities and environments – looking at their issues and concerns with the outcome that funding would be sought to deliver a long term youth work project in the area/s that addressed the issues and concerns raised.
- There was a heated discussion about this proposal – not about the work but about the origins of the proposal in terms of whether the proposal was actually submitted on behalf of other members not present at the meeting.
- There was also a great deal of discussion about the proposed providers of this outreach work, the level of qualification required to do the work and the Safe Guarding issues that surround this style of work. It was felt that although the proposal called for professional agencies with significant qualifications to do the work to maintain its integrity, there was vast amounts of prior experience of this style of work undertaken by local providers also, and a fair opportunity to offer the work to these should be considered
- Bill discussed the amount of funds required for a piece of work like this and estimated it would cost in the region of £6000 – this itself may cause an issue as grants over £2500 would need to go through the Pro Contract process and be tendered for. If this happens then the local agencies discussed above would be able to tender and the contract would likely be awarded to the most cost efficient provider.
- It was agreed that Anita would put the application together and get at least three quotes from Targeted Youth Support – Ad Astra Barnsley and Barnsley YMCA – Emanuel Church may also put a quote into the application
- **ACTION ANITA**

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

- March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Great British Spring Clean
- Theme Super Heroes
- There are some Love Your Street Packs that can be used for your own street – contact Lee for more information

### **Any Other Business**



- It was discussed about the pollution levels in the area especially around Summer Lane School where the traffic lights stop almost directly outside the nursery playground – Can we find out??
  - **ACTION to be confirmed**

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY**  
**7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

**Old Town Ward Alliance**  
**Minutes 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Present**

Cllr Dave Leech (Chair)

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift - Rosie Adams

Com. Reps. –Sheila Lowe - Bill Gaunt - Luke Holmes - John Love – Michelle Cooper

Christine Key from Dementia Action Alliance

**Apologies**

Cllr Liz Grundy – Rev. Cameron Stark – Dorothy Hayes – Kirsty Summerfield – Fr. Craig Tomlinson

We started the meeting with introductions around the table and then Christine from Dementia Action Alliance gave a brief presentation about the work she does and gave us an explanation about the Dementia Action Alliance and the great work they do around Barnsley. She suggested we could become a Dementia Friendly Ward – where the shops and local businesses could sign up to become Dementia Friendly.

The group agreed that this is something we should discuss when we do our next Ward Plan.

Minutes from the previous meeting were discussed and agreed as a true copy.

**Matters Arising**

**West Road Pogmoor / Dog bins**

- Lee had reported the groups concerns to Neighbourhood Services about these bins not being emptied and also reported that BMBC Neighbourhood Services are currently having a consultation and cost cutting review with staff and councillors and are currently looking for recommendations in a Bin Prioritisation Process. Once more information is available he will report this back to the group.

**Old Town News**

- Items still required –
  - Ward Alliance information for the front page – Lee agreed to do a draft article for this
    - **ACTION LEE**
  - Happy Healthy me Event –Bill was concerned over putting Liz’s name on the article as there is an election forthcoming. There

was a debate about the fact that the issue would be despatched prior to purdah so this should not be an issue.

- It was suggested that we put Article wrote by Liz and Dawn as we have done with Kirsty's article.
- Bill was going to take this suggestion back to Liz
  - **ACTION BILL**
- Luke's article will stay the same as the same article will hopefully be in The Chronicle this month
- We need to get this edition completed quickly.

## **TRO**

- Rosie reported that Cllr Lofts had been keen to progress this application and following the meeting with Highways Rosie agreed to provide clarity to the WA
- Rosie said that the approved funds would not cover the expense of our original plan and the funds would only cover 2 or 3 streets, as this process is incredibly expensive.
- This style of project, which we originally asked, would need a consultant and project management team which would far exceed the monies that the WA would have available.
- If it was decided to reduce the scope down to 2 or 3 streets, a change of use form for the work would have to be resubmitted, approved and reported to the cabinet and department heads for final approval, which would be unlikely to be granted as these pieces of work are not considered priorities within the context of the whole of Highways scope of work.
- Rosie had asked if the funds we set aside for this project could now be carried over to the 2018/19 budget. Rosie agreed to this, but stated that due to this, the end of year balance will mean that the OTWA will not gain an additional £10,000 devolved from the Area Council, as it has breached the £10,000 balance needed to qualify.
- John Love aired his concerns over the period of time this project has already taken and the fact we are nowhere near actually being committed or starting this work. He expressed his dismay that the Highways took on the work knowing that it could spiral in costs and hoped that similar situations don't arise in the future.
- Rosie has been in touch with Cllr Lofts and explained the situation with the TRO.

## **Swift Street Parking**

- Cars for sale on the side of the road – as it appears there are no set illegalities to selling cars as long as they have a current DVLA Licence and are taxed.

## **Ward Plan**

- The preferred date seemed to be 28<sup>th</sup> February but then it was questioned as to whether it would be better waiting until after the local elections.
- This was opened up for discussion and it was felt that with the current lack of elected member participation, a separate planning meeting would be less likely to gather all the necessary stakeholders together, than working through it in a normal meeting.
- It was agreed that alliance members would look at our current ward plan so that they could review at the main areas again – Local Pride - Health and Wellbeing – Community Involvement and Skills and Economy and bring back to the next meeting work/projects that our Alliance could consider putting into a new ward plan.

▪ **ACTION EVERYONE**

## **Tour de Yorkshire**

- Ad Astra will be coordinating an event at Wilthorpe Park on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May and inviting local organisations to participate in what they see will be a Family Fun Day event as part of the celebrations for the Tour de Yorkshire. The initial £500 grant money from the WA has been paid in The Willowbank Partnership bank account. This will be used to hire a disco toilets and a face painter on the day. Any additional costs as agreed will come from the working budget of £500, which is being held by BMBC/Lee will oversee this.
- We are waiting for the finalised times to be confirmed for the races.
- There is a 'Big Barnsley Bunt Off' Competition where local schools and groups are invited to make bunting and there is also a Land Art competition running.
- It was reported that Cllr Lofts will be working in Darton West and Old Town with local businesses as a promotion for the Tour de Yorkshire event.

## **Pollution at the junction of Pogmoor Road and Summer Lane**

- John Love spoke about the regular pollution checks that are done in the area and Bill Gaunt thought there were monitors in the area
- Bill was going to check on the number on the lamppost and pass it onto Michelle then she will pass it onto the Councillors to check if there is an issue in the area.

▪ **ACTION BILL AND MICHELLE**

## **Youth Provision**

- Following the initial report presented at last month's meeting around youth work

- The group were informed that any application over £2.5k would have to be put out to tender
- Bill spoke about 4 locations in the area where he thought young people were 'hanging around'
- Fleets area – Willowbank – Burton Road Quarry Sugdens Rec.
- He spoke about this project being a six week project with a brief consultation with the young people
- Michelle informed the group that Ad Astra had not yet been asked for a quote so she did not know how far Anita had progressed with the project.

### **Healthy Happy Me Event – 23/1/18**

- This was a very successful event and had over 100 people in attendance
- A letter of thanks will be sent to Windsor's and The Emanuel Church for their support in this event.

### **Ward Alliance Applications**

- **Emanuel Church – The Promise - £1000 - Accepted**
- A community theatre piece to encourage local people to participate in the arts medium of theatre
- The group attached a recommendation that the group must become self sufficient if they are charging for their performances
- **IDAS – Independent Domestic Abuse Services Staying Safe Kits - £400 – Accepted**
- Safety equipment to harden clients homes which will provide sanctuary and reassurance following domestic violence
- Recommendation was that if the group find we have more homes in our ward that need these kits they should re apply
- **St Mary's Primary School Gardening Club – Spring into Action £1221 – Accepted**
- Renovation of raised beds
- **Change of use of WA Grant – Friends of Wilthorpe Park – re allocate £330 – Accepted**
- Saving of VAT – the group will use these funds to purchase 32 rose plants for the rose garden and put up a plaque saying funds were donated by OTWA
- **THESE WERE RECOMMENDATIONS AS THE GROUP HAD NO ELECTED OFFICIALS AT THE MEETING (APART FORM THE CHAIR) SO WAS NOT QUORATE – ALL MEMBERS HAVE SINCE HAD A CHANCE TO CAST THEIR VOTES AND SUBSEQUENTLY, ALL HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED**

### **Love Where you Live Update**

- Great British Clean up theme – Super Heroes
- Fleets Clean Up taking place 21<sup>st</sup> February

### **Forth-Coming Events**

- Mayors Parade – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July
- LWYL / Volunteer Month – June
- Tour de Yorkshire – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
2018 7PM IN THE EDITH PERRY ROOM AT BARNESLEY HOSPITAL

## Appendix Four:



### St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017, 4:00pm, Mansfield Road TARA

**Present:** Cllr Dave Leech (Chair), Cllr Jenny Platts, Cllr Sarah Tattersall, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Tony Lowe, Clyde Black, Ruth and David Gammon, Neil Wright, John Hallows.

**By Invitation:** Joanne Fieldsend and Kathryn Green – Barnsley Libraries.

**Apologies:** Madge Busby, Freda Stanton, Kath Bostwick.

**Welcome and Introductions:** Introductions were given from the members of the Ward Alliance.

#### **Minutes of the last meeting:**

Cllr Jenny Platts asked that the minutes of the last meeting to be rectified regarding the magazine. The minutes should read that Cllr Sarah Tattersall is the co-ordinator of the St Helens Ward section of the magazine and not the editor. The rest of the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

#### **Update on:-**

**Gazebos:** - The gazebos ordered arrived late and are currently being stored in a member's garage.

**Memory Tree Event:** - It was reported that the event went very well and was very well attended. Thanks, were given to all who attended.

**Spring bulbs:** - All the spring bulbs were distributed to their designated places. TWIGGS helped to plant them in certain areas.

**Funding Applications:** - All the applications from the last meeting have been accepted and money has been given to the appropriate applicants.

**Feeding Britain:** - Following on from the great success of the Feeding Britain project in the St Helens Ward there is to be an event held in London to discuss the success of this project on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017. It was decided the Michelle and Rachel from The New Lodge Community Centre would attend as they took part in the project.

**Funding Applications:** No Ward Alliance applications had been submitted for this meeting.

**Ward Plan:** All actions completed for this year.

**Treasurers Report:** Clyde Black reported an up to date balance of £10,990.77 as of 7/12/17. Clyde was thanked for his report.

**Secretary's Report:** Chair read out correspondence received from Michelle Cooper and Pete Goodlad.

**Stronger Communities Grant:** - Is now open for bids from between £5,000 to £20,000. Any community group can apply for a grant. Emails have been sent out by the secretary to all the community groups in the St Helens Ward telling them about this grant and how to apply.

**Events:** - All Christmas trees for the forthcoming Christmas events will be planted by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December.

The three events are planned for: -

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at The New Lodge Community Centre

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at St Helens Church

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at the Community Shop

Lee Swift reported that all entertainment for the events was booked. There will be a face painter, brass quartet and school choirs attending the events. A raffle/ tombola will also be held.

The New Lodge Community Centre and The Community Shop will be hosting the whole event, providing food, drinks etc. The Church event will be held by the Ward Alliance.

**St. Helens Ward Summer Gala:** - Cllr Sarah Tattersall asked that the Ward Alliance consider setting up a working group to help to organise the 2018 summer gala. It was agreed that the event would be put on the next Ward Alliance agenda and discussed at the next meeting.

**Spring clean:** - There is to be another spring clean taking place in March 2018 with a superhero theme. Lee Swift is awaiting more details on the event.

**Forthcoming project/ bids:** -

- Sloppy slippers – different wards around the borough are holding sloppy slipper events. These events allow residents to exchange their old slippers for a pair of new ones to help prevent slips, trips and falls.
- Food for clean ups – It was suggested that to help increase numbers on the community clean ups, food and drink could be provided. This would hopefully be a good incentive to get people more involved in keeping their community clean.
- Cllr Leech reported that on the 4<sup>th</sup> May the Tour De Yorkshire would be passing through Barnsley and past the town hall. He said he had attended a meeting in Halifax regarding the event and said there would be events planned for the build up to the event. Details to follow.

**Any other business:** - There is to be a jobs fair starting at Easter to help people in the community find work. Details on dates to follow.

Cllr Sarah Tattersall told the Ward Alliance members about a new directory in the Live Well Barnsley brochure and on their website. The directory contains information about help and services within the borough. The site contains information and contact details about all types of services and activities that can help residents look after themselves.

Lee Swift asked if Simon Dobby from Emergency Planning could be added to the beginning of the agenda for the next meeting.



**Barnsley Libraries:** - Joanne Fieldsend and Kathryn Green arrived from Barnsley Libraries. Introductions were given from the Ward Alliance members. Joanne and Kathryn gave a presentation on how the Barnsley Libraries are run and gave the overall libraries review. They discussed not closing libraries but trying to change the way people use the library and ways to encourage people to use the library. It was discussed that the Ward Alliance could help to promote activities run in the library during the school holidays and to add the library information to any correspondence going out to the community to help promote the Library. Barnsley Libraries were thanked for attending the meeting and wished a very Merry Christmas.

All the Ward Alliance members were wished a Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

The meeting closed at 17.30pm.

**Date and time of next meeting: -**

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 4pm at the TARA office, Mansfield Road.

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