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DATE:	Monday, 29 July 2019
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

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To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

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

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Friday, 19 July 2019

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VENUE:	Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library

MINUTES

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

47 Election of a Chair

As Councillor Noble was due to be late for the meeting, a Chair for the meeting was duly appointed.

RESOLVED that Councillor Gardiner act as Chair for the meeting.

48 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

49 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 25th March, 2019 (Dac.13.05.2019/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on 25th March, 2019 be approved as a true and correct record.

50 Performance Report (Dac.13.05.2019/3)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, referring to the report circulated, which covered the period January to March, 2019. Members heard how performance was generally good; however there were a small number of outstanding issues.

With regards to the contract held by Twiggs Grounds Maintenance, it was noted that the target for community groups supported had not been met. However, Members heard how this was not an area of concern as many established groups did now not need support following previous assistance. In addition targets had been exceeded in every other area of the contract.

549 volunteers had been engaged by Twiggs over the year against a target of 180. A number of local businesses had been engaged to help maintain the area around their premises and 43 litter picks had been undertaken, leading to 153 bags of rubbish being collected.

Members also noted that the number of referrals to B:Friend was still rather low, and some received were inappropriate. However, it was noted that the social groups were thriving, and more were in the process of being established.

Within quarter 4, there had been 14 requests for service, and 10 pairings had been brokered. Volunteers had given 384 hours, with six new volunteers engaged and 28 enquiries from potential volunteers. Members discussed how the team worked in partnership with a variety of partners and council departments.

It was recognised that the contract with Kingdom Security had come to an end on 31st March, 2019. The number of patrolling hours was delivered as per the contract, but there had been a significant drop in Fixed Penalty Notices issued, and therefore further discussion was taking place around evidencing the patrolling hours.

The meeting heard that the outgoing Housing and Migration Officer had started a new post in March, and a recruitment exercise was underway to fill this post. It was acknowledged that this post was often filled on secondment as it was a short term service level agreement, it was suggested that this arrangement may wish to be reviewed in the future.

Within the quarter the Housing and Migration Officer had exceeded all targets, working proactively to deal with issues such as housing disrepair, waste on premises and fly tipping. 21 cases of fly tipping had been referred to the relevant Council department, and a significant number of contaminated bins had been dealt with.

With reference to those projects funded through the Dearne Development Fund, eight projects received funding in 2018/19 and the progress of these was discussed.

Members noted that CAB had been extremely busy with 128 clients seen in the previous two quarters. Between January to March DIAL had delivered 24 sessions to 91 residents, and often the service had been oversubscribed. Members noted the case study within the report and the impact of the service on the lives of those living in the Dearne.

Goldthorpe Development Group continued to have high numbers attending their social groups, with 239 attendances over the quarter and a high number of volunteers assisting at each event. The choir from Dearne Astrea Academy had attended one of the sessions, and both residents and students had enjoyed this.

With regards to Reds In The Community Members heard that 12 sessions had been delivered, with nine remaining. It was noted that there were a number of females attending, which was commended.

TADS had worked with 8 young people from primary schools in the area and 4 from the secondary school. Whilst it was recognised that numbers quite low, it was recognised that this was due to the in depth work undertaken with many of the young people.

Members heard how the project delivered by DECV had worked with 58 individuals, and recently there had been a surge in people with those requiring support with their housing and paying their council tax online. Many of those engaged were long term unemployed with health needs, and were suffering financial hardship. Often these people were in their 50s/60s and no longer feel they have anything to offer the job market. Support was given to each individual on a one-to-one basis.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

51 Humankind (Dac.13.05.2019/4)

Sam Higgins from Humankind was welcomed to the meeting. Members were made aware that from the statistics relating to those engaged across Barnsley, around a third of the 293 caseload was from the Dearne area. However, it was recognised that some residents used town centre services.

Following some restructuring, additional recovery navigator posts had been created which would provide additional capacity in the area for one-to-one key working. Four clinics were also run, alongside a number of support groups. Members noted the success of the group run to assist people to prepare for Christmas, noting this was a difficult time for many, often with additional pressures.

The meeting heard of the recent CQC inspection, which had been positive and a good rating was received. Only a small minor number of areas of improvement had been suggested.

Members heard of the work to increase the uptake of those accessing treatment for Hepatitis C and noted the significant success of this due to the synchronisation of appointments.

Those present heard that COPD had recently emerged as a priority, with training planned to raise awareness in the hope that this would be built into care plans. Members were reminded of the integrated care work being undertaken in the area, and that COPD had been highlighted as a priority.

It was noted that last year there were 225 new treatment starts from the Dearne area with 212 exits. It was noted that exits were not always successful, but the success rate was over 50%.

Members noted that Humankind had been successful in gaining a contract to deliver support for those with low level mental health. This was felt positive, as often issues with mental health and substance misuse were linked.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and thanks be given for attendance, and the positive work undertaken by Humankind in the area.

52 Dearne Area Council Financial Update (Dac.13.05.2019/5)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, noting that with finance carried forward from 2017/18 led to a starting balance of £208,467.96 for the Area Council for the year 2018/19.

It was noted that the Area Council had funded an Environmental Enforcement Service, Private Sector Housing Officer Post, an Environment, Education and Volunteering Service, and had also allocated £65,000 to the Dearne Development Fund. Members had also chosen to allocate £4,000 match funding to fund a Social Isolation Project. When income from Fixed Penalty Notices was taken into account, this amounted to £15,770.20 to be carried forward into 2019/20.

From an opening balance of £215,770.20, Members noted that £212,597.76 had already been allocated, leaving £3,172.44 to allocate on Dearne Area Priorities. Members noted that this could slightly increase due to potential underspends on the Community Newsletter and Housing and Migration Officer post.

The attention of Members was drawn to the Dearne Development Fund. From the finance allocated £9,572.10 had been carried forward to the 2019/20 financial year. In addition, £19,018.78 had been received from healthier communities, which led to an opening balance for 2019/20 of £88,590.88.

In the 2019/20 financial year a single project, TADS, had been approved and therefore £73,646.15 remained within the budget.

Members commented on the hard work of the team in ensuring a wide range of delivery to respond to the priorities of the area, and the value for money of the Dearne Development Fund was stressed.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

53 Community Newsletter (Dac.13.05.2019/6)

Members were reminded of discussions on the subject, including the dissatisfaction with the previous supplier. At the previous meeting Members had requested that the Area Council Manager consider costs for the production of a community newsletter in house, and the subsequent distribution. In addition the views of the community were also asked to be sought.

A smart survey had been undertaken, to which 41 people replied. 20 of these had responded that they had not received the previous edition, an issue which the Area Team was aware of. Of those that had received the previous edition feedback was positive, with suggestions made that there ought to be more information regarding the services in the Area, including their location.

The Area Council Manager made Members aware that the production of a 12 page newsletter, without advertisements, would cost £1,542 to produce and £638 to deliver using a local company. It was noted that the latter could be reduced if it was able to be combined with another delivery.

It was noted that just over £3,000 had been allocated to this previously and the proposal would cost £2,180 altogether.

It was noted that funds allocated would only enable the production of one, rather than two, issues for the year, but the corresponding reduction of workload for the staff putting the publication together was also acknowledged.

Members discussed the timing of the production and distribution and it was suggested that the newsletter be finalised in late spring/early summer, but feature information on events into the distant future, where possible.

RESOLVED:- That finance previously allocated for the external production and distribution of a community newsletter be used for a production in-house and the associated local distribution.

**54 Notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group held on 18th March, 2019
(Dac.13.05.2019/7)**

Members considered the notes from the meeting held on 18th March, 2019.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Dearne Approach Steering Group be received.

**55 Notes from the Dearne Ward Alliance held on 7th March, 2019
(Dac.13.05.2019/8)**

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne Ward Alliance, held on 7th March, 2019. Attention was drawn to the self-assessment being undertaken and the recent funding of a Sloppy Slippers project in the area to reduce falls and corresponding hospital admissions.

RESOLVED that notes be received.

56 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.13.05.2019/9)

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager who provided figures for the end of the financial year.

From an opening balance of £9,506.69 Dearne North Ward had funded 19 projects, leaving a balance of £1,784.29 to be carried forward to the 2019/20 financial year.

Dearne South started the year with a balance of £11,021.36 and funded 16 projects, with £3,027.02 to be carried forward and added to the opening balance for 2019/20.

RESOLVED: - that the report be received.

Chair

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 29th July 2019

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Dearne Area Council Performance of Commissioned Services

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an update on the delivery of the Dearne Area Council's commissions and services paid for through the Dearne Development Fund.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Dearne members note the progress of the three of the Dearne Area Council commissions and service level agreement with BMBC as set out in appendix one.
- 2.2 That Dearne members note the progress of the Dearne Development Fund applicants as set out in part C of Appendix One

3.0 Performance Management Report (attached at Appendix 1)

- 3.1 **Part A** of the Dearne Council Performance report provides Dearne Area Council members with an overview of how all the Dearne Area Council commissions, Service Level Agreement (SLA) and services funded through the Dearne development fund are assisting in meeting Future Council priorities. Part A also details how the Dearne Area Council commissions are performing against the set indicators.

Contracted service providers:

- Dearne Electronic Community Village- Employability
- Twiggs- Education, Environment and Volunteer Service
- B-Friend- Social isolation project

Service Level agreement:

- BMBC-Safer Communities Service –Providing a Housing and Migration Officer

Dearne Development Fund applicants from 2018/19 2019/20 Finances

- TADS
- Dial
- CAB
- Premier League Kicks
- Dearne and District
- Goldthorpe Development Group
- Dearne Playhouse
- B:Friend
- Dearne Family Centre
- Mission Muay thai

3.2 **Part B** provides Dearne Area Council members with a summary performance management report for each of the contracted services and SLA. The report provides RAG ratings plus updated information from commissioned services following submission of their quarterly reports and subsequent quarterly contract monitoring/management meetings. In addition to the information provided in the summary reports, more detailed information is available on request, including case studies with photographs for each contracted service, and some performance data on a ward basis.

3.3 **Part C** provides the Dearne Area Council with a progress update of the services/groups awarded finances through the Dearne Development Fund. Six projects were funded during 2018/19 with many of them providing match funding. Not all will submit reports every quarter.

4.0 Performance Report –Issues

4.1 Dearne Electronic Community Village are in their first quarter of reporting with regards to this current commission, there are no concerns to report

4.2 Twiggs have performed well during their first quarter of the new contract there are no concerns to report.

4.3 The B-Friend project was expecting to receive higher numbers in terms of referrals into the service and the majority of those sent through have been inappropriate. However the team are working hard and liaising with partners and other potential referrers in order to elevate this. That said the social group aspect of the service is very strong.

4.4 The Dearne Area Council has not had a housing and migration officer in post since the end of March 2019. A recruitment exercise has been undertaken however no candidate as taken up this post. This post is again out to advert. Therefore no report is included.

Appendices

Appendix One: Performance Report

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DEARNE AREA COUNCIL

Performance Report

Q1 April 2019- June 2019

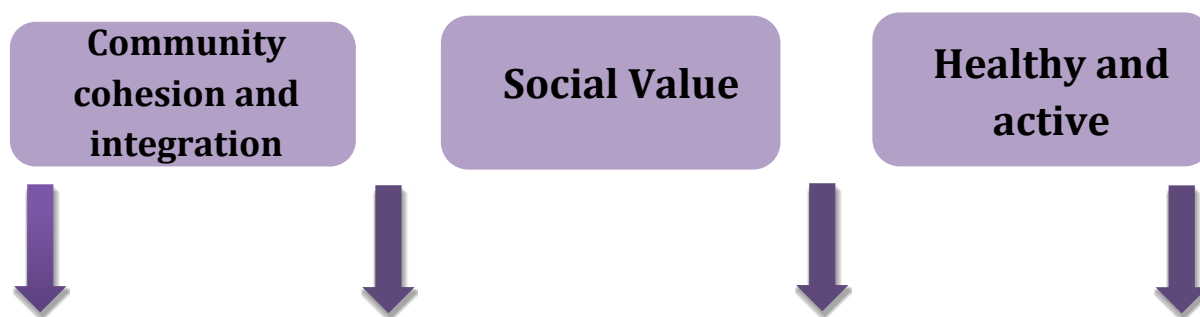


INTRODUCTION

Priorities, Principles and Corporate Outcomes 2017-2020



Ensuring the following principles are promoted and embedded in all that we do:



THRIVING & VIBRANT ECONOMY	PEOPLE ACHIEVING THEIR POTENTIAL	STRONG & RESILIENT COMMUNITIES
Outcomes: 1: Create more and better jobs 2: Increase skills to get more People working 5: Create more and better housing	Outcomes: 7: Reducing demand through improving access to early help 8: Children and adults are safe from harm 9: People are healthier, happier independent and active	Outcomes: 10: People volunteering and contributing towards stronger communities 11: Protecting the borough for future generations

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

Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract end date
Employability	Dearne electronic community village	£33,000 per annum	Funded until end of March 2021
Private Sector Housing Enforcement	BMBC	£38,061 per annum	Funded until end of March 2020
Environmental, volunteering and education service	Twiggs	£75,000 per annum	Funded until end of March 2021
Social isolation	B-friend	£27,000 per annum	Funded until September 2020

PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

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

*the targets below also include the statistics from the Dearne Development Fund

Thriving and Vibrant Economy

Outcome Indicators	Yr Target	Quarter	Cumulative
No. of jobs created through area council commissions	8	8	8
No. of people into jobs through DECV	20	7	7
No. of work experience placements	6	2	2
No. of apprentice through area council commissions	1	1	1
No. of group/service match funded	7	6	6
Local spend (average across all contracts)	90%		90%

Stronger resilient communities

Outcome Indicators	Yr Target	Quarter	Cumulative
No. of people engaged in volunteering	700	210	260
No. of new volunteers	100	42	60
No of community groups supported (Twiggs)	60	22	22
No. of local business involvement	25	9	9

Citizens achieving their potential

Outcome Indicators	Yr Target	Quarter	Cumulative
No. residents achieving qualification	90	20	20
No. environmental education in schools and groups	12	15	15
No. of residents receiving benefit/debt advice services	400	158	444
No. of children receiving support	35		
No. of families attending drop in sessions	50		

PART B - SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR EACH SERVICE

The below commissioned services, projects and groups paid for from Dearne Area Councils finances are based on the Dearne area priorities but also contribute towards meeting Communities Public Health Outcomes and to Barnsley Council's 2020 vision of :

- Create more and better jobs and good business growth
- Increase skills to get more people working
- Create more and better housing
- Every child attends school and is successful in learning and work
- Reducing demand through improving access to early help
- Children are safe from harm
- People are healthier, happier, independent and active

At present, three contracts and one Service Level Agreement (SLA) with BMBC have formally completed their contract monitoring reporting.

Employability- DECV

(1)DEARNE ELECTRONIC COMMUNITY VILLAGE

Kingdom environmental enforcement service Quarter 4 report submitted on the 3 rd of July 2019		
Dearne Area Council Priority		RAG rating
Improving the economy	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting	
	Milestones achieved	
Improving Health	Satisfactory spend and financial information	
Skills for work	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	

Performance Indicator	Yr Target	Q1	Cumulative
Learners Recruited	100	28	28
Learners into local employment	20	7	7
Learners achieving qualification	90	20	20
Learners into further training	50	20	20

***DECV contribution to Public Health Outcomes**

Improving the wider determinants of health	
Objective 1: improvements against wider factors which affect health and wellbeing and health inequalities.	
1.08a	Gap in the employment rate between long term health conditions and the overall employment rate
1.08v	Percentage of people age 16-64 in employment

The project started on the 01st April 2019. The worker is currently working with 28 individuals on the ICT and Employability Support sessions, 3 days per week (24 hours). This consisted of 15 male and 13 female with the majority in the 45-65 age bracket. All learners are attending a minimum of 3 hours per week for 25+ weeks. All learners are enrolled onto the OCR ICT (Entry 3) Award qualification and also the Learn My Way online course (UK Online/Tinder Foundation) and the Life & Living Skills Qualification, again, accredited by OCR.

7 Learners have gained employment on this project so far: W D (Yardsman) – C

Soar Ltd – Fulltime, AC (Care Assistant) – Ivy Lodge, Thurnscoe – Fulltime, MH – Warehouse Order Picker – ASOS – Fulltime, DH – Scrivens Opticians - Service Assistant Rotherham – Part time, JS – Self Employment — Painter & Decorator – Fulltime, JG – Carer – Sun Health Care – Fulltime, BS – G4S Security – Security guard – Fulltime

All learners are unemployed (Universal Credit, some still on JSA) and Rory is helping transfer many from Jobseekers Allowance to Universal Credit. Most learners are now on Universal Credit. The rise in the number of learners attending with learning difficulties and many who have failed recent health assessments and are now jobseeking (many 35 hours per week) has risen. Rory states that many of these learners are not fit, either physically or mentally, for employment.

The DWP also refer many learners who are on what is called ‘work prep’. This means they need to do some form of training towards employment (such as my ICT course), but don’t need to do any form of job search or applications. In the long term this could affect the services into work outputs as these learners are so far from being work-ready (many are near retirement age also).

Many of these are long term unemployed with health problems and suffer financial hardship, particularly if awaiting an appeal decision. Many learners are also around late 50’s and 60+ and feel they have nothing to offer the job market. Rory has also noticed a rise in learners with mental health issues, usually linked to being out of work and financial worries. A rise in individuals receiving sanctions has also been noted (**see 2nd case study*).

Those individuals are often then seeking loans to buy essentials. DECV, along with Thurnscoe library makes donations to the local foodbank. These are the most challenging to work with. Rory is also helping individuals with Pip forms / Redundancy Forms / Council tax / Housing although this now depends on the time I have available. If time is a problem then he refers, for example to Dial.

The partnership with the jobcentre is still working very well for referral's (Over 90% of the referrals are from the job Centre in Mexborough or Emma Jones, the outreach DWP worker at Thurnscoe Library). Other referrals were from Louise at Coalfields Regeneration Trust, who has since changed posts to work in a different area, the Salvation Army and Thurnscoe Library. Rory is also now working with Lynette Clark from Prospects who will refer to me for ICT, he also refer to her for people needing a one off CV.

Another aspect of the programme is about covering Social Media / Facebook / Twitter / Skype as well as some sessions being conducted on iPads and Android devices, depending on learner preference, as social media sites are now used to advertise jobs. Many learners don't own a computer, but jobsearch and apply instead on mobile devices (tablets / phones).

Rory has enrolled 28 learners so far on this project. Only 1 learner so far has failed

to attend after initial enrolment. Despite failing to attend after 3 phone calls (where he said he would come the following week) Rory left the door open for him in the future, but did have to report this to his Advisor at the DWP as they initially referred him to me.



Case study

"D was referred to me by Prospects and was looking to brush up on her computing skills. She had worked in Admin for quite some time but was used to the companies own systems and wanted a more general qualification for MS Office. I conducted an initial assessment with D and as I guessed, she was above the level I currently offer. That said, D didn't have anything on paper and really needed a qualification for the posts she was applying. We decided to do the OCR course and then I would give D Extra tuition in MS Excel, as this is where she needed most help. D had a CV, Cover letter and most Job sites set up so this meant we could get straight into the qualification. As I expected, D breezed through all the 4 Units in a short amount of time and also completing the Learn my Way Online Course. We also started online job searches and tried to complete at least 3 applications per session.

D main reason for seeing me was Excel. Despite DECV not having the funding to offer higher level qualifications in ICT we decided to work through my course materials for level 2 Excel and if possible I could look at referring D to College. I worked 1 to 1 with D for around 10 weeks on the excel and I gave her a mock exam (same as I used for ITQ level 2) which she passed. Around April 2019 D started getting feedback from our applications and had various Interviews in Admin work in the South Yorkshire Area.

D mentioned after the first interview she wasn't feeling too confident about her answers. We decided to set up a little mock interview with some questions and then I would gauge her answers to build confidence. D did 6 Interviews in 4 weeks and we carried on with mock interviews. She was so pleased to finally get a position as a receptionist + Admin at a local Optician. D started the position soon after but I have

decided to keep her file open in case she needs extra support in the early stages. “

Environment, education and volunteering - Twiggs

(2) Twiggs

Twiggs environmental, education and volunteer service Quarter 3 report submitted on the 5 th of July		
Dearne Area Council Priority		RAG rating
Improving the economy	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting	
Skills and learning for work		
	Targets achieved	
Environment	Outcome indicator targets met	
	Social value targets met	
Improving Health	Satisfactory spend and financial information	
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	
Young People		

Performance Indicator	Yr Target	Q1	Cumulative
Twiggs social action events	80	30	30
Community groups supported	60	22	22
Areas adopted by residents	12	4	4
Volunteers recruited to Twiggs events	240	100	100
Local business engagement	25	9	9
Impact sessions delivered to groups and schools	12	15	15
Local spend	90%		90%

***TWIGGS contribution to Public Health Outcomes**

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

The team have had a busy quarter working with 22 established groups, 9 local businesses, 30 social action events and recruiting 69 new volunteers of which there were 35 children. They have also worked with 66 volunteers that have previously been involved in Twiggs activity and accumulated 309 volunteer hours. During the last quarter the team have work with both groups and schools and delivered 15 impact sessions.

The team have worked along side Tesco staff and undertaken litter picks along Furlong Road. Also Tesco donated equipment to the team to use whilst working within the community. They also worked with Kier group and Goldthorpe library in order to have a clear up around Beevor Street. Other businesses although they cannot give time have offered refreshments for anyone involved in environmental work around their area.

The team have also removed 307 sacks of rubbish from the social action events that they have led on. They have worked on Dearne Road, Market Street, Thurnscoe Sports ground, Proverb Avenue, Highgate Lane, Tudor Street carpark, Elizabeth Street, amongst other. They have also undertaken 14 litter picks in the area.

During this quarter the team have worked along side The Hill Primary School, Astraea Academy, Carrfield, Goldthorpe, Gooseacher, Lacewood, Highgate, and Heathergarth Schools.

In June the team worked with 13 children and 2 teachers from The Hill Primary, clearing the pathway near School.



Social isolation –B-Friend

(3) B-friend

B-friend social isolation project Quarter 4 report submitted on the 4 th of July 2019		
Dearne Area Council Priority		RAG rating
Improving Health	Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting	
	Targets achieved	
	Outcome indicator targets met	
	Social value targets met	
	Satisfactory spend and financial information	
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	

Performance Indicator	Yr Target	Q1	Cumulative
Number of request for service	160	12	38
Number of pairings	30	16	29
Number of volunteer hours supporting the project	1116	312	796
Number of volunteers	112	24	50
Number of enquiries about volunteering	80	18	84
Number of referrals to existing groups	8	7	17
Number of groups delivered	96	24	72
Number of people attending each group cumulative	1320	360	912
Number of volunteers 50+	20	4	12

*the cumulative figures are based on the past 6 months

*B:Friend contribution to Public Health Outcomes.

Improving the wider determinants of health	
Objective 1: improvements against wider factors which affect health and wellbeing and health inequalities.	
1.18a	Adults who have as much social contact as they would like
1.18b	Adult carers who have as much social contact as they would like
Health Improvement	
Objective 2: people are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities	
2.13a	Physically active adults
2.23	Self reported well-being

The team are still getting very few referrals from professionals. However they are out and about attending local events. The team worked with a community development officer in order to have a stall at a sloppy slipper event, which resulted in more referrals for service.

Some of the referrals that they have received have been inappropriate for a variety of reasons. For example the beneficiary having dementia, house unfit for the volunteer and some declined after the initial referral. The majority of referrals this quarter have been self-referrals.



This quarter the team have worked with a variety of partners in order to promote the project. The services include Goldthorpe Development Group, Berneslai Homes, Barnsley CVS, Social services, Digital champions, Keepmoat Homes and Lifeline.

The team conduct survey evaluations with the beneficiaries of the social isolation service. After 3 months of receiving the service all beneficiary's reported an increase in their baseline scores. The team have also been using the social value tool in order to establish the social return on investment with regards to the service that they offer. The tool showed that from the input of outcomes for an investment of £26,996 per year, delivered £181,464.31 worth of impact per year.



The social groups are going from strength to strength, not only for the social aspect but also because of the activities which take place during the session. Some of the activities include reflexology, country and western singing, generation game, quiz, safe and well talks and the attendance of Yorkshire Air ambulance.



Case Studies

S an older neighbour suffers with major anxiety around crowds and was only able to go to the shops at 7am because it was quieter when we met him in February. S has now started playing with his brass band again and has performed twice. S said, "its all down to Wendy and having someone to talk to. She's been a great friend and I would hate for it to end. When I know she is coming im at the window watching for her. I really look forward to her visits and I am so happy when I see her arrive"

PART C- Dearne Development Fund

Dearne Development Fund

CAB, Dial, Goldthorpe Development Group, Premier league Kicks and Dearne and District were all allocated finances in the last financial year. The majority of these projects come to an end in December 2019

During the 2019/20 financial year grants have been allocated to Dearne Family Centres, TADS, B:Friend, Dearne playhouse and Mission Muay Thai. All of these projects have just been approved and therefore not started on delivery as yet.

SERVICE	PRIORITY	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END	Reports
CAB	Improving Health	Dearne area financial inclusion outreach project	£8,069	Oct 2018	Sept 2019	Report not included
Dial Drop in	Improving Health improving the economy	Dearne drop in advice	£9,395	Jan 2019	Dec 2019	Report included
Goldthorpe Development Group	Improving health	In your prime get together	£5,000	Jan 2019	Dec 2019	Report included
Premier league kicks	Young people	Premier league Kicks programme	£7,750	January 2019	July 2019	Report not included
Dearne and District	Health and Young people	Improvements to football ground	£7,500	May 2019	Nov 2019	Project not started
2019/20 Dearne Development Fund Allocation						
TADS	Improving Health and Young People	Therapies and outreach provision for families	£14,944.73	April 2019	March 2020	Project just started
Dearne Playhouse	Improving the economy	Playhouse improvements	£7126.00	May 2019	June 2019	Not started
B:Friend	Improving Health	Extra activities for older people	£7,384	June 2019	May 2020	Not started
Mission Muay Thai	Improving Health and Young people	Kit for kids	£2,500	June 2019	September 2019	Not started
Dearne Family Centres	Improving Health and Young people	Little talkers project	£2,980.69	June 2019	March 2020	Not started

CAB

In the first three quarters of this project, the advisers have seen a total of 169 client contacts. (115 for generalist advice and 54 for the debt advice) This means CAB have already exceeded the targeted amount of client contacts for the whole year. In this same period they have delivered 61 individual advice sessions across 36 x 3.5 hour outreaches.

In April 2019 the proposed changes to library services came into affect and service delivery switched from 1.00pm and 4.30pm on Wednesdays to the same time on Tuesdays. Initially this reduced the number of clients that were attending the sessions, which has had a slight impact on the overall numbers for this quarter - but client numbers have now returned to expected levels.

Year to date, the generalist adviser has assisted clients to claim £241,975 of benefits - these benefit gains were distributed amongst 26 different clients with an average gain of £9,306 per client.

Clients access this advice service for support with a variety of different issues, including benefits, debt employment, family and relationship and housing. Further analysis of our Casebook recording system shows that so far this year we have dealt with a total of 418 unique issues. Of these issues 33% related to Benefits and Tax credits, 26% for Universal Credit and 21% related to debt.

Year to date, the debt specialist has negotiated 9 financial settlements and this quarter another 5 clients have been referred to the Debt Relief Order Unit and their settlements are currently in progress. So far this project period the debt specialist has helped manage £250,003 of problem debt and has written off debts totalling £46,198. Most of these debts have been written off as a result of the client making a settlement through a debt relief order where it was considered that this was the best result for the client and the creditor.

Supporting clients with claiming the benefits they are entitled to and managing their debt will help to maximise income and will give clients more money to spend in the local economy.

Case study

Client is married and lives in a Council property with their spouse. The rent is £61.11 per week. The property has one bedroom. Client is employed but is off work ill and is unlikely to be able to return to work due to their health problems. Client receives Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) which is due to end on 25th June 2019. Client's spouse is also employed and works 20 hours per week with a yearly wage of £9,472. Client's only other income is an occupational pension totalling £3,424 per year which is subject to £685 per year tax. Client wanted a benefit check to see which benefits client and spouse would be entitled to if the client did not return to work once the SSP ended.

Client was offered two 'what-if' benefit checks as follows:

Benefit check carried out on the basis that spouse continues to work.
Client will be entitled to claim Universal Credit and Personal Independence Payment which total £12,891 per year.

Benefit check carried out on the basis that spouse leaves work and becomes a carer looking after client.

Client will be entitled to claim Universal Credit, Council Tax Support and Personal Independence Payment which total £17,707 per year.

Client was given information about all these benefits and how to claim. Client wanted time to consider their decision but felt empowered to start the process themselves now they had the required information.

Dial Drop in

The Actual Benefit gain to date is £84,144 and for every £1 invested by the DDF the project has brought £17.98 into the area. During the first quarter the project delivered **27** sessions at Goldthorpe Library to **97** residents.

Issue	Specific Issue	No of Enquiries
Benefit Appeals	Appeal Prep ESA	1
	Mandatory Reconsideration Other	2
	Mandatory Reconsideration PIP	7
	SSCS1 ESA	1
	SSCS1 PIP	1
Total		12

Issue	Specific Issue	No of Enquiries
Benefits	Attendance Allowance	2
	Benefit Check	9
	Benefits (Miscellaneous)	1
	Carers Allowance	1
	Disability Living Allowance - Child	2
	Employment and Support Allowance	23
	Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit	2
	Pension Credit	1
	Personal Independence Payment	32
	Universal Credit	10
Total		83

Issue	Specific Issue	No of Enquiries
Housing	Discretionary Housing Payment	1
Total		1

Issue	Specific Issue	No of Enquiries
Health & Social Care	Health Services	1
Total		1

Case Study

Before DIAL

Mrs H is a 73 year old single woman who has osteoarthritis. She has been getting the highest rate of mobility component of Disability Living Allowance for many years. She now needs much more help with her care needs. Her family are having to visit every day to help her get out of bed, dress, wash, bathe and cook meals for her. She asked if she can claim Attendance Allowance as well as her Disability Living Allowance.

Advice provided by DIAL

DIAL advised her that she already has a claim for Disability Living Allowance so she cannot claim Attendance Allowance as well. We rang the DWP to ask for a review of her existing Disability Living Allowance award. A few weeks later she returned and we helped her to complete the review of her care needs on the Disability Living Allowance application form. We also explained that her current award of mobility could be affected as all the claim will be looked at again. We reassured her that this was unlikely, based on previous experience.

After DIAL

Mrs H has received higher rate care component of Disability Living Allowance at £87.65 for needing help with her care needs during the day and during the night as well as the higher rate mobility of £61.20 being re-awarded. She is very pleased with this as it allows her to pay for the little extras that make her life more comfortable and also now that she feels she can give family members a little money for helping her. All her family work so there is no-one that can claim Carers Allowance to look after her. She does not qualify for Pension Credit due to the private pension income she inherited from her husband.

Miss W said

“The adviser was very knowledgeable, understanding and compassionate. He made me feel at ease. I was quite anxious about reviewing my DLA claim as I was scared I might lose the mobility part. I kept the mobility and got more money for my care needs, which will help massively. Thank you so much for your help.”

Acknowledged Outcome

- Increase in weekly income
- Reduced stress and anxiety

Goldthorpe Development Group.

At one of the events the group had the NHS Community Health Team join in order to provide medical checks for anybody who wished. The take up was very swift with many of the pensioners deciding to take up the offer of a health check on that very day. The checks comprised of weight, height, BMI, blood pressure, blood cholesterol, pulse rate and a chat with one of the three professional assistants who joined us for the day. A detailed report was provided at the end of the consultation with the option to seek further advice for the local GP if necessary.

To make this event even more special councillor May Noble invited the Lord Mayor of Barnsley to join the group for the afternoon. The Mayor thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon with him spending time with many of the OAP's, dancing and even playing bingo. He gave a rousing speech to the schoolchildren after listening to their singing and said how impressed he was with their ability to join in with the elderly.



The May event was classed as the VE day celebration, with the hall being decked out with Union Flags, bunting, and flags on every table so our OAP's could join in the celebrations with spontaneous flag waving. It was attended by some 88 people this month which is yet another record for 2019. The group were pleased to welcome back 'Louise' from a local nursing home with her two taxi's full of pensioners



At the June event there was a slight decline in numbers of the regular attendees due to the start of the summer holiday period, but this was offset by a slight increase in the attendees from the local nursing homes. The nursing home helpers told stated that this event had become the highlight of the month for the vast majority of their patients and it was something that they all talked and laughed about when they returned to their residences. The taxi service is absolutely invaluable for them and the increase in demand can be seen by the invoices. Everybody from the homes has such a lovely time right from when they arrive.

	January	Feb	March	April	May	June	July
People attending event	80	77	79	76	88	74	87
Volunteers	12	15	12	11	11	11	13

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BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 29th July 2019

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Finance

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to update members regarding the 2018/19 financial year and forecast for 2019/20.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members note the current financial position and the impact on future budgets 2019/20 onwards

3.0 Area Council Financial update

3.1 2018/2019

The Area Council had an allocation of £200k for the 2018/19 financial year together with unspent monies from 2017/18 they had a starting budget of £208,467.96 During 2018/19 the Area Council agreed to continue with the environmental enforcement, private sector housing and the environmental, education and volunteering service, they also allocated £65k to the Dearne Development Fund in order to meet area priorities during the same period.

At the Area Council on the 30th of July 2018 members approved £4K match funding with Nesta for the social isolation project bringing the total spend during 2018/19 to £210,579.76, a slight overspend of £2,111.80.

However income from fixed penalty notices and parking totals £17,882 leaving £15,770.20 to spend on Dearne Area priorities and with approval carried forward into the 2019/20 financial year.

3.2 2019/2020

The Dearne Area Council has a stating budget of £215,770.20 for the 2019/20 financial year. To date the Area Council have agreed to commission and fund the education, environment and volunteer service, Housing and Migration officer, employability contract , community newsletter and earmark £60k to the Development Fund out of 2019/20 finances. This comes to a total of £212,597.76 spent to date on Dearne Area priorities. This leaves a total of £3,172.44 in the Area Council budget to spend on Dearne Area priorities.

See Appendix 1 for financial breakdown

3.3 **Dearne Development Fund 2018/19 allocation**

From the Area Council budget during 2018/19 they had £61,594.10 to spend on Area Council priorities. From April 2018 the Area Council have approved grants to a further 6 projects.

Organisation	Duration of funds	Amount	Total allocation remaining
Dearne Electronic community village	July-March 2019	£14,800	£46,794.10
DIAL	January 2019-31 st December 2019	£9,359	£37,435.10
CAB	October 2018-25 th September 2019	£8,069	£29,366.10
GDG	December 2018-December 2019	£5,000	£24,366.10
Dearne and District	January 2019-March 2019	£7,044	£17,322.10
Fit Reds	January 2019-June 2019	£7,750	£9,572.10

2019/20 allocation

As of April 2019 the Dearne Area Council still had an earmarked budget of £ 9,572.10 to spend on Dearne Area priorities from the previous years allocation. This with the approved £60k for 2019/20 this totals £69,572.10 to spend on area council priorities.

In addition to this the Area Council/team received a wellbeing grant from healthier communities of £19,018.78. This money is to be spent on projects that meet the five ways to wellbeing and will be distributed through the Dearne grants process. Therefore when combining the two the starting balance for 2019/20 is £88,590.88. Five projects have been successful through the grants process and the amount spent to date is £34,935.42 leaving £53,655.46 to spend on Dearne Area priorities

4.0 **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Financial update

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Appendix One: Financial Update

Area Council Spend	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Base allocation	£200,000	£200,000	£200,000	£200,000	£200,000
Carry forward	+£55,438	+£21,299	+£19,665.96	+£8,467.96	+£15,770.20
Total allocation for year	£255,438	£221,299	£219,665.96	£208,467.96	£215,770.20
Environmental Enforcement	-£ 18,465	-£ 27,898	-£27,898	-27,898	
Environmental Enforcement - BMBC contribution	-£ 5,000	-£5,500	-£5,500	-5,500	
Community Newsletter	-£1,211	-£2,198.04	-£2,800	-£2,658.76	-£3,040.76
Training for Employment	-£ 37,000				-£33,000
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	-£62,300	- £12,000	-£36,081	-£30,523	-£31,557
Dearne Clean & Tidy	-£ 75,000	- £43,736	-£75,000	-£75,000	-£85,000
Dearne Development Fund	-£ 62,646	-£95,000	-£70,000	-£65,000	-£60,000
Ward Alliance's		-£20,000			
Contribution to social isolation project				-£4,000	
Contribution towards Railway Embankment		-£10,000			
Total spend (actual)	£261,622	£216,332.04	£217,279	£210,579.76	£212,597.76
Allocation remaining	-£6,184	+£4967.96	+£2,386.96	-£ 2,111.80	+£3,172.44
FPN income received			+£6,081	+£11,592	
				+£6,290	
Parking income received	+£27,483	+£14,698			
Final Allocation remaining	+£21,299	+£19,665.96	£8,467.96	£15,770.20	

External Funding

Organisation	Duration of funds	Amount
Nesta- social isolation	2018-2020	£38,000
Public Health Grant	2019-2020	£19,018.78

Dearne Development Fund

Organisation	Duration of funds	Amount	Total allocation remaining
Public Health Grant and Dearne Development Fund Allocation			£88,590.88
TADS	May 2019-April 2020	£14,944.73	£73,646.15
Dearne Playhouse	June 2019	£7,126	£66,520.15
Mission Muay Thai	June 2019-September 2019	£2,500	£64,020.15
B,Friend	June 2019-May 2020	£7,384	£56,636.15
Dearne Family Centres	June 2019-March 2020	£2,980.69	£53,655.46

*includes £9,572.10 from previous year



DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP

Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe: **13th May 2019**

Members Present: Derek Bramham (Chair), Claire Dawson, Eric Steer, Jackie Kenning, Louise Jackson, Claire Beecroft, Pauline Philips, Alison Sykes, Paul Cummin, Chris Shaw, Lorna Lewis, Alan George, Cara Dixon, Claire Clarke, Julie Goddard, Tom, Toni Allen

Apologies: Sara Scholes, Dawn Caulton, Jenny Wort, Andy Denham Sarah Cartwright, May Noble, Carol Booth

<p><u>Welcome and Introductions:</u> - A round of introductions took place and new members were welcomed to the group.</p> <p>Apologies: - As listed above</p>	<p>Action By</p>
<p><u>Notes of Meeting held 21st January 2019</u> <u>Matters Arising –</u></p> <p>CD to chase DS last action regarding contacting Jayne Branham about the empty buildings on Barnsley Road – Horse and groom now as a sold sign on</p> <p>CD to chase SC regarding her actions within the last minutes</p>	

Discussion Items

Integrated Care – Claire Dawson

CD spoke about the work that has been happening in the Dearne area, working with health and social care providers. She spoke about the two priorities, emotional wellbeing and Young people. Also that the community champions had been recruited and trained in order to go out and engage with local residents. CD also spoke about the recently commissioned brief intervention training for staff and front line leaders. Once developed this will be cascaded for people to enrol on. CD asked for help filling out and promoting the survey to Dearne residents

(1) Priority- Housing

Housing Growth- Sara Scholes

Sara sent an update regarding the completion of the Beevor Street Development. Two of the properties were already occupied.

Berneslai Home- Eric Steer/Ron Branham

Although the team had spent monies on the terraced properties on Beevor Street there has been limited interest. The teams turn around for empty properties has been coming in well below the set target. The team has recently let 10 in the Dearne area and has 20 voids. They have vacancies in Heather court and Willow croft. The set criteria is anyone over 40+ with medical needs. The team worked on the Marlborough Estate and received some great ideas from the tenants which they will put into a plan and arrange another open day. Once complete this will be shared.

Housing and Migration officer role- Area Council

Dani who previously held this post has now secured a permanent post. This post remains vacant but the team are currently out to recruit.

NOTE: The group had a discussion about bidding for houses and some group members felt that not everyone was able to use the system. TA stated that library staff can assist with this process if needed

(2) Priority- Jobs skills and training

Coalfields- Louise Jackson

Louise will be leaving the Dearne and going to do more work in Maltby. BMBC are delivering similar projects to what Coalfields are in the Dearne and there are so much other employability interventions in the

CD to send out survey to all group members

All to promote the empty properties

ES to share plan and open day date once

What's on guide to be fetched back to the group once complete.

area, therefore they have taken the decision to use Louise's skills in another area. That said if gaps do arise then a further discussion can be had with Coalfields. The what's on guide is still under development and will be completed once AD returns to work.

Everyone thanked LJ for her contribution at the meeting

Dearne Electronic Community Village

Rory has secured 3 years funding from the Area Council so this is really good news for the service and people that he works with in the area.

(3) Priority- Health

Live Well Barnsley-Claire Beecroft

CB is now in post for a further year and informed the group that the Live Well site is going to be re-built so will keep the group up to date on progress. She is now based with the healthier community's team and is still working to get people on the site. There are currently 1350 services on the site and these will all be transferred on to the new site which will be up and running in September.

Active Dearne- Paul Cummin

They have now recruited their community champion who will be working 20 hours per week across Dearne North and South. She's just completed her walk leader training so will be using these new skills to work with residents and groups in the area. The teams funding pots are now good to go and people can apply to them for various things. The team will be running a walk leader course in the Dearne, further details to follow. PC also explained the Beat the Street initiative and group members were keen to get involved and promote

PC to send funding criteria to CD

CD to send beat the street registration round the group

Salvation Army-Jackie Kenning

Four volunteers from the army are now in employment and the team is very proud of them all. The local Aldi are now supporting their initiatives and the volunteers are picking up from them regularly. Dearne mums had one meeting but now it's developed into a cook and eat class. They are gaining basic cooking skills and cooking on a budget. The families that attend those sessions will be given equipment to take home and use. Volunteers attended the ambassador course at Northern College and really enjoyed it; it was a great confidence builder for the group. They will also be doing a "safe and well" course run by SYFR.

LL to send awareness week dates around the group and link with the salvation army

Healthwatch- Lorna Lewis

The service are doing things differently and working with hard to reach

groups. There are many awareness weeks coming up and LL will put this list together and send round the group, JK offered assistance

Making Space-Julia Goddard

The service is currently located in the library but footfall is slow at the moment. Grants are available for carers for things that will help their wellbeing. They will be hosting an event in June (12th) as part of carers week. They are also doing therapies for carers in their own homes for up to 5 hours per week. The team has already linked in with the b:friending scheme.

The group had a discussion about doing a joint project around general awareness and services available for older people

0-19 Service Claire Clarke

The service are involved in the integrated care pilot and are already placed within Astraea Academy, however there is not much take up. LL suggested that the team link in with Jade from healthwatch and CD suggested to link in with TADS

(4) Priority- Environment/Housing Housing and Migration Officer Role

DS has now left her post for the Area Council and the team are currently out to recruit for a 12months post

Education, Environment and volunteering- Twiggs

The team has just started their new contract and will be working in all four wards on a weekly rotating basis. The team can be contacted through their website for future work.

Thurnscoe' Park- Pauline Phillips

There has been a lot of ASB in the park of late. PP has reported this to the Police but would like CCTV fitting as well. The volunteers still meet every Wednesday but will also start and meet on Saturday mornings as well. 27th of July will be the picnic in the park event for families.

(5) All priorities

Big Local Thurnscoe- Derek Branham

Thurnscoe' goes wild is going ahead with large animals to be placed across the area. They have also just purchased some dipping pond kits that will be going to the family centers. The two houses have not yet sold and the group made a decision that if that is still the case by June they will look at another plan for the houses. ES advised DB to speak with Steve Davis regarding purchasing properties. The group is still meeting with regards the Plaza installation and is making progress with discussions.

CD to share contact details with CC

CD to share contact details of SD with DB

<p><u>Big Local Goldthorpe, Bolton- Alan George</u> The group has funded security fencing around the allotment and is looking at getting them a small tractor to make the tasks easier; this can be lent out to other groups in the area. The Arts festival is coming up on the 28th of September and they are funding a dementia café at the Snap Tin every Tuesday 10-12pm.</p> <p><u>Dearne Area Council- Claire Dawson</u> All commissions continue to do well, the b: friend social groups are going from strength to strength. The embankment is near completion and an open day will be arranged once all of the installations are in. The prom project has done really well this year with more hires than last year. The team are currently arranging their summer fun activities and will let the group know once all dates have been set.</p> <p><u>Libraries service- Toni Allen</u> The lightbox in town opens on the 13th of July, the building and facilities are amazing. There will be a full programme of events and activities. TA now doing an engagement role within the service and part of that is to increase the events and activities that are offered from the libraries. TA would welcome any partnership work or suggestions on these events.</p> <p><u>Landlord- Chris Shaw</u> He has a small group of people who are working with local groups from other areas in order to clear the litter.</p>	
<p><u>Dates for the diary</u> Music on the mansion (BODVAG) 20th July Thurnscoe' flower park event 27th July Bounce into summer (GDG) 21st August Arts festival 28th September</p>	
<p>Date of Next Meeting – 22nd July 2019, 3.30 pm</p>	
<p>Date of Future Meetings have all been put in the calendar– To be held at 3.30pm in the Salvation Army Hall</p>	

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting:

Agenda Item 7

**Report of Dearne Area
Council Manager**

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

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

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Dearne Ward Alliance for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab.21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab.13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 The latest Ward Alliance took place on the 9th of May 2019. Sara Birkinshaw from beat the street attended the meeting in order to discuss with the group this latest initiative. The bulky rubbish scheme was also discussed and members received feedback regarding the half term events. Six funding applications were also examined, with some having the decision withheld until further clarity of the project had been sourced. The group also discussed the self-assessment results and the members concluded that they would like to have a workshop style meeting in order to look at this in more detail and review the priorities in more detail.
- 4.2 The reporting into the Dearne Area Council for information, of the Ward Alliance, is in line with the approved Council protocols.

5.0 Appendix One: 9th May 2019 Dearne Ward Alliance meeting notes

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

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Dearne Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	9 th May 2019 at 12.30pm
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Phillips, Cllr Gollick, Cllr Noble, Derek Braham, Charlotte Williams, Alison Sykes, Wendy Caine, Donna Gregory, Alan George, Marie Sinclair & Vicky Cuming	Cllr Gardiner, Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Tina Brooks, & Dave Perry

	Action/ Decision
<p>1. Welcomes & introductions. Cllr Phillips welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Introductions & guest speakers - <i>Sarah Birkinshaw - Beat the street</i> Sarah Gave a talk about 'Beat the street' initiative regarding keeping the children & families in the Dearne and the whole of Barnsley active and fit for a healthier lifestyle throughout June 2019. Beat boxes would be located around the dearne streets and parks/green spaces etc. where people would basically tag their card to enable the tech to manage how many steps and locations they were hitting, once collated the best team/person in the Dearne could win £200 as a prize. Anyone living, working or going to a school in Barnsley is eligible to take part in Beat the Street. Cards would be given to all schools up to year 6, but children in secondary schools could form a class or group to participate as a team too. Cards can also be accessed at all local libraries, supermarkets and Leisure Centers will start distributing cards from 29th May. Beat the Street is being delivered by Intelligent Health and is funded by The National Lottery on behalf of Sport England and Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council. <i>All members of the ward Alliance were encouraged to promote and actively take part to show the way to the community as part of the area priorities under <u>Quality of life</u>.</i></p> <p>2. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising. Page 1- Marie has received report back on Bulky rubbish 2018 and will send feedback out via email. Cllr May noble asks how much is left from the bulky rubbish, Marie informed her that the balance should be around £2000 as it had only just started 1st April 2019 with £1000 from each ward been awarded at the last ward alliance on her absence. page 2- February half term feedback- we had a feedback yesterday Cllr Noble stated that again the kids had fun and the families all engaged with each other, venues need to be looked at though as capacity was too full for fire regulations and also more volunteers are required on helping the activities, setting up and clearing away. Also, it was discussed at the meeting about alternate ways of targeting the children that need to be fed through the holiday hunger initiative and not people brining the children because things are free. Page 3- Wendy and Derek went on the eco visit and he reports they were very good brilliant Wendy says he's enthusiasm is wonderful – Marie advised all the Ward Alliance members that the</p>	

current visit is on Wednesday 15th May at 1pm - Chris is on paternity leave but Marie has been informed he will be returning next week for visit.

3. Finance update

2019/2020 available spend for Dearne South = £13,27.02

2019/2020 available spend for Dearne North = £11,784.29

Alan George gave update for Dearne South working fund balance - £773 of which £691.84 is committed spends for the Prom project from last year.

It was suggested that the Ward Alliance look at projects themselves as an Alliance and if monies was needed this could be added to the working funds to help pay for individual items on a quick turnaround.

4. Funding applications

Dearne kids application (Dearne North only)

Aim of the project was to continue to provide snacks for youngsters attending our youth provision, within this we aim to provide cook and eat healthy sessions to enable the youngsters to share cooking skills and provide them with a basic knowledge of how to cook.

The application stated that for some of the youngsters it is a meal not available at the time because of the growing reliance on outside sources for food due to current social economic problems - Alison Sykes and Charlotte Williams both said if they need anything extra i.e. food/supplies/drinks etc. to ask them for help to supply this.

All agreed to support this application – unanimous YES!

Dearne area winter warmth packs

The Dearne Area Team would like to purchase 'Winter Warmth Packs' to be distributed to older people to enable them to stay warmer during the cold weather.

Concerns were raised regarding distribution of the packs and how it needs to go to the people that need it- referral – a housing officer a social workers etc. or through Salvation Army as they know the families that would benefit in the colder months. **All agreed to support this application – unanimous YES!**

The school uniform project

The Dearne Area Team would like to purchase equipment and pay for laundering/repair of donated school uniforms that can be given out to other school children whose parents cannot afford to purchase new school uniforms. Providing local parents with access to free or cheap school uniforms will increase mental health and wellbeing and reduce stress that the cost of a school uniform for a growing child or children can cause. It will increase quality of life by allowing parents to spend the little money they have on some of the basics, buying food, meeting utility bills etc. It also meets the young people priority as the school uniforms will be for children and young people aged 5 to 15 years old - **All agreed to support this application – unanimous YES!**

Majestic Academy of music and arts funding application

New sound and lighting equipment for the group. This will help our productions to be bigger and better. The equipment we are using now is very old and causes crackling which we have received complaints about during our previous productions.

New costumes. The costumes we have now are old and are dropping to pieces. This is very unsettling for the children that have to wear them.

To hire a scissor lift for our Christmas production of Aladdin, the cost will include hire, delivery and training for our technical staff to be able to operate it safely during the productions.

After discussion it was a unanimous NO to this application

The Barnsley youth Choir application form (Both North & South)

This year is the Choir's tenth anniversary and we are bringing the international choir experience to Barnsley. BYC choirs have sung in Sweden, Germany, Latvia and at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe and this year we are bringing the singing to Barnsley for all members to experience in their home town. The singers have an intense three days of rehearsals, workshops and concerts at The

Alison to work with Ann on how the families will be given the packs

Fairway in Dodworth and Barnsley Metrodome. The Ward money will be used on the welfare of the choir members during the project period especially with food and drinks. We have planned rest and eating breaks yet the days will be too long for anyone to survive on packed lunches, meals and drinks for 600 plus children are needed each day. As well as the food we need 5000 bottles of water to help look after the voices and avoid problems caused by dehydration.

A discussion on who it is for, and Marie mentioned about the environmental issues of plastic bottles in landfill, the Ward Alliance agreed that the way forward should be taking this own bottles maybe with logos/promotional items instead for future events. **The majority has gone with yes but would like to use re-usable bottles in any future events.**

Parochial church council st Mary with St Paul (PCC) Barnsley Pals colours Project

Funds were raised previously (most as grants from the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership or DVLP). In November 2016 Conservators removed the Colours from the cupboard and laid them out carefully so that their condition could be inspected, measurements taken and a detailed report written; photographs taken have proved invaluable for publicity to promote this project.

We are also organizing on Sunday afternoon 2 June 2019 a Centenary Commemoration of the Laying Up of the 13 YLR King's Colours. There will be an exhibition in St Mary's Church with refreshments available. We will hold a short procession to recreate part of that on 29 May 1919, with two minutes' silence at the Cenotaph followed by a service in St Mary's. Dodworth Colliery Band has been booked to provide suitable music and groups are being invited to participate. Monies were to be paid on items within the church in Barnsley & its surrounding grounds.

A detailed discussion on this application took place with all members of the ward Alliance declining the application as it doesn't meet our priorities and we should be ideally looking at priorities in our own area not others within Barnsley as our budget of £10,000 is been spent in this area. – Unanimous NO

5. Self-assessment results

After a short discussion highlighting some of the feedback and results from the self-assessment Marie asked the Ward Alliance their thoughts on running some workshops and team building exercises so they can set the priorities but also refresh on what the Alliance was originally set up for and how new members & new priorities could be look at, everyone agreed that would be a good thing to look at. Date set for June 20th – all diarized this to ensure everyone would be there. Health & wellbeing, Youth provision & Pride were the most common themes and these need to be addressed through the workshop and then consultations in the summer months with the residents in the Dearne. Help & support would be needed from the Ward Alliance members for this to happen; Marie asked if everyone could give this their full support.

Volunteer month

Advertising Community groups what they are doing that month to enable volunteers to help and celebrate 'volunteer month 2019' Marie asked all the groups to pass information on to the team so they could publicise this.

6. Group updates

Thurnscoe park

Getting ready for barnsley in bloom, picnic in the park in July. The Ward Alliance will be in attendance (Marie asked for help on this with consultation, anyone wishing to help let her know at the next meeting) Also Bfriend will be there to encourage more volunteer to help out with volunteering. Winter wonderland is currently been planned and will be on Friday & Saturday this year.

Goldthorpe development group

Goldthorpe development group - have confirmed their annual Bounce into Summer date of 21st August 2019, plans will take place for the Halloween and Christmas parties. Sadly the Goldthorpe market is now closed and the group is unsure whether the Christmas market will go ahead – we will have to wait until further developments and discussions with Barnsley Markets team. The Unity over 50's club is still thriving with over 90 people in attendance, may is working with Ann Toy to ensure specialists in health or activities are taken to ensure the members of their group

are getting the right support from services and people individually.

Salvation Army

4 people start their first ever job, through volunteering , gaining confidence , sharing a taxi to get to work fantastic, yesterday started a cooking class, 5 of them go to northern college promoting smoke alarms everyone in the community is safe, took 15 of them to burnt wood 8 of them never been asked to go to a meal been funded by Heineken , finally got Aldi on board picking up 5 days a week starting in 5 days' time, put in a funding bid to Morrisons for a van asked for 22 thousand, yesterday went to see next.

Big Local Thurnscoe

Thurnscoe Plaza: We are in the consultation phase for this project to create a 250k public realm Plaza with opportunities for skate, scoot, bike and parkour as well as space for pop up markets and leisure activities on Houghton Road Sports Ground next to the MUGA. We have now held a few meetings with stakeholders and Barnsley MBC and things are moving forward- next stage is to get first plans from Freestyle so that we can then take these out to public consultation.

BLT has purchased 6 Pond Dipping class kits for use by our local schools and children's settings.

Housing Project: we were in the final stages of a sale for number 18 but the buyers have had to pull out due to illness. Exploring other options including rental route.

Picnic in the Park on Saturday July 27th – BLT is part funding this event at the Flower Park

Go Wild in Thurnscoe: Working in partnership with Principal Towns, we have purchased 9 sculptures that will be decorated and form a sculpture trail in Thurnscoe in the summer holidays. The 3 large sculptures will be placed outside the Library, in Phoenix Park and in the Flower Park and the 6 smaller ones will be decorated by local schools and community groups. As part of the same initiative we have commissioned a local sculptor to carve 3 sculptures out of stone and steel to mark the entrances to the village.

Another Big Local area (Firs and Bromford) are visiting Thurnscoe on 21st June to look at some of our work. We will be taking them on our 'Magical Mystery Tour' which includes the Reservoir, the Flower Park and the houses on Grange Crescent.

Station house

Continuing with their holiday session, where children visit the older folk all made Easter bonnets, Ann Toy has been supporting us with that, kids and old folk both love it. They had a grant to make nicer all of their marketing stuff new signs new letter heads, very busy in playgroup a bit of down numbers with after school club , recruitment drive, like and share on Facebook , lots of students helping in the office and childcare helping, running a project with adult learning to see if they want any parents in the play group for adult learning

A.O.B

Goldthorpe primary eco visit

Chris's timetable has now changed and can only accommodate a visit on Wednesdays after 1, he will showcase the grounds Wednesday 15th May at 1pm so everyone is invited, May, Donna, Vicky and Charlotte were intending on going.

Date and time of the next meeting

Priority workshop 20th June 12.30pm Goldthorpe Library

Thursday 4th July 2019 12:30 @ Goldthorpe library

**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 29th July 2019**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Ward Alliance Fund Spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

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

2.0 Recommendations

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

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).
- 3.2 In considering projects for the use of the Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4.0 Spend to date

- 4.1 For Dearne North the starting balance for the 2019/20 financial year is £11,784.29 this includes the underspend of £1,784.29. Currently they have provided funds to 9 projects at a cost of £4,757.11 leaving a balance of £7,027.18
- 4.2 For Dearne South the starting balance for the 2019/20 financial year is £13,027.02 this includes the underspend of £3,027.02 from the 2018/19 budget. Currently they have provided funds to 7 projects at a cost of £3,439.71 leaving a balance of £9,587.31

5.0 Appendix

Appendix One : Breakdown of Ward Alliance Spend

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2019/20 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2019/20 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

The carry-forward and overspend of the 2018/19 Ward Alliance Fund were combined and added to the 2019/20 Allocation and to be managed as a single budget.

Dearne North Ward Alliance budget

For the 2019/20 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000 base allocation

£1,784.29 from 2018/19

£ 11,784.29 total available funding 2019/20

Agreed Ward Alliance funding

<u>Project</u>	<u>Project end date</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Winter warmth project (split 50/50 with DS)	31.12.2019	£750.00	£11,034.29
School Uniform project (split 50/50 with DS)	31.12.2019	£706.20	£10,328.09
Dearne Kids Club - Cook & eat sessions	31.12.2019	£390.00	£9,938.09
Barnsley Youth Choir	31.12.2019	£257.58	£9,680.51
Family fun – superhero Pentecostal Church (split 50/50) DS	31.08.2019	£385.89	£9,294.62
Family Fun session – sports day - Thurnscoe	31.08.2019	£600.00	£8,694.62
Chestnut Grove – something crafty	31.03.2020	£497.44	£8,197.18
Astrea – Trip to Parliament (split 50/50) DS	31.10.2019	£500.00	£7,697.18
Community Notice Board (split 50/50) DS	31.12.2019	£670.00	£7,027.18

Total spend = £4,757.11

Match funded = £2,880.91

Dearne South Ward Alliance budget

For the 2019/20 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000 base allocation

£3,027.02 carried forward from 2018/19

£13,027.02 total available funding 2019/20

Agreed Ward Alliance funding

<u>Project</u>	<u>Project end date</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Allocation remaining</u>
Winter warmth project (split 50/50 with DN)	31.12.2019	£750.00	£12,277.02
School Uniform project (split 50/50 with DN)	31.12.2019	£706.20	£11,570.82
Barnsley Youth Choir	31.12.2019	£271.89	£11,298.93
Family fun session – breakfast club BOD	31.08.2019	£155.73	£11,143.20
Astrea – Trip to Parliament (split 50/50) DN	31.10.2019	£500.00	£10,643.20
Community Notice Board (split 50/50) DN	31.12.2019	£670.00	£9,973.20
Family fun – superhero Pentecostal Church (split 50/50) DS	31.08.2019	£385.89	£9,587.31

Total spend= £3,439.71

Match funded = £1,563.51