

MEETING:	North Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 21 January 2019
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Meeting Room 1 - Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

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Items for Information

- 3 To be confirmed

Items for discussion

- 4 Commissioning, Project Development and Finance Update - update financial profile (*Pages 9 - 12*)
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Items for Decision

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- 7 Continuation of hOurbank (*Pages 21 - 26*)

Ward Alliances

- 8 Report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds (*Pages 27 - 36*)
- 9 Notes from the area's Ward Alliances (*Pages 37 - 50*)
Darton East – held on 9th October, 13th November and 11th December 2018
Darton West – held on 5th November and 10th December 2018
Old Town – held on 6th November 2018
St Helen's – held on 8th November 2018

To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

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

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Friday, 11 January 2019

MEETING:	North Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 19 November 2018
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Reception Room - Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present Councillors Leech (Chair), Cave, Charlesworth, Howard, Lofts, Miller, Newing, Pickering, Spence and Tattersall.

21 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Tattersall declared a non-pecuniary interest relating to minute 23 due to her position on the Smoke Free Board.

Councillor Howard declared a non-pecuniary interest relating to minute 24 and members of her family being residents in Wooley Colliery Village.

22 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 17th September 2018

The Area Council received the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th September, 2018.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on the 17th September, 2018 be approved as a true and correct record.

23 Smokefree Schools - Kaye Mann (BMBC Public Health)

Kaye Mann, Public Health Senior Practitioner, was welcomed to the meeting to talk about the Smoke Free programme in Barnsley, which includes Smoke Free Schools.

This built upon the work to create Smoke Free Play Parks and Smoke Free Areas in the Town Centre, including in Barnsley Pal's Memorial Square. In these areas people were encouraged not to smoke, and although it was not enforced it had been successful so far. The initiatives so far had created much media interest with other authorities eager to learn from Barnsley.

Smoking prevalence continues to be high in Barnsley, though it has fallen more recently. However, significant inequalities could be seen across the borough.

The Smoke Free Schools Programme provided a whole school approach as part of creating a smoke free generation by 2025. By making smoking invisible, children would no longer see smoking as the norm., and were less likely to start.

In making areas smoke free, there are also impacts such as reduced litter, and it is supportive of those trying to quit.

The aim is for all schools to become smoke free and free resources have been circulated to each school to make the process as easy as possible. This includes a toolkit with templates for letters to be circulated to parents, and signage.

The initiative had received positive coverage by the media, including as part of the Newsround children's TV programme.

Smoke Free Schools is still in its infancy, so figures were not available detailing the numbers of schools already adopting the programme but an update could be provided to the Area Council when available.

Members discussed vaping, and it was acknowledged that their use is encouraged as a way of quitting smoking, and current evidence suggests they are safer, though no longer term studies are available. However, these are included in the Smoke Free areas, as it is thought that children cannot tell the difference between smoking and vaping.

Those present were supportive of the programme and agreed to encourage the adoption by schools in their area. It was agreed to circulate copies of the toolkit to Members for their information.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That thanks be given for the presentation and the work in this important area; and
- (ii) That the Smoke Free Schools programme be supported in the North Area;
- (iii) That copies of the toolkit be circulated to Members for their information.

24 Social Isolation and Cold Homes Prevention Project - Sharon Brown (DIAL)

Sharon Brown, Chief Executive Officer of DIAL, was welcomed to the meeting and started the presentation by highlighting the mission and strategy of DIAL and how these complemented the aims of the contract.

An overview of the branding for the project 'Warm Connections' was provided, as were the service objectives.

The service will provide a single point of access, with two social inclusion workers employed to undertake assessments face to face in resident's homes. The service will be supported by volunteers assisting people to switch energy providers and befrienders who will support those isolated to make connections in the community.

Energy awareness events will also be arranged and peer support networks established, where necessary.

An example of the pathway of a typical resident engaged in the project due to them being isolated was given. It was noted that support would be given from the social inclusion worker for up to 8 weeks, with review visits subsequently to check on progress.

In addition to interventions to assist with isolation, referrals could also be made to a wide range of other support services, for example to assist with issues due to fuel poverty, benefits, or fire safety. Referrals could also be made to the social care team for assessment, and also to the hOurbank for clients to exchange skills.

Members were reminded of the role of hOurbank, where individuals can use their skills to help other and be provided with an hour of the skills of others in the community.

It was noted that Individual Engagement Plans would be developed for each of those engaged, detailing the interventions aimed to reduced loneliness and isolation.

Members noted that a single point of access for referrals would be operational from the beginning of January, and those present were encouraged to make contact for anyone they had concerns about.

Questions were asked about referrals, and it was noted that people can self-refer. In addition it was also thought that referrals would come from those being discharged from hospital, and from the Warm Homes initiative. It was noted that 10 volunteers had already been engaged to support the project.

Members discussed the hOurbank project, with a Christmas party and swap/exchange day to be held on 5th December. It was suggested that snow wardens could link into hOurbank, and be able to bank time in response to them clearing snow.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation, and that Members look forward to future information on the performance of the project.

25 Commissioning, Project Development and Finance Update

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager. The attention of Members was drawn to the priorities of the Area Council and those initiatives delivering against these.

In relation to the Clean and Green Priority, the Area Manager had worked with Twiggs Grounds Maintenance to ensure that the focus of the project was supporting volunteers as part of the delivery. A service request form had now been implemented in order to ensure relevant checks had been undertaken regarding land ownership and the permission to undertaken works.

It was reiterated that the commission should not duplicate the work of Neighbourhood Services, and expectations of service should also be carefully managed due to Neighbourhood Services being the subject of cuts due to austerity.

Under the Health and Wellbeing Priority, Members were reminded that DIAL delivered three projects for the Area Council; Warm Connections; the Advice Service (with CAB); and hOurbank delivered as part of the grant scheme.

In relation to the latter it was noted that this was due to finish on 31st March, 2019 and was just beginning to see the impact of work undertaken. Members noted that up to £85,000 per year had been allocated to the commission to reduce social isolation but DIAL the successful bidder had agreed they could deliver the service, Warm Connections for £75,000 per annum, for 2 years initially with an option to extend for a further year. Given the impact of hOurbank and the desire to see this continue, a suggestion was made to utilise the £10,000 per annum difference to continue hOurbank past 31st March, 2019.

With regards to the Opportunities for Young People priority, it was noted that the participation workers had commenced at the beginning of August and had been involved in a range of work, and Members were encouraged to forward any ideas or opportunities for their involvement to the Area Council Manager.

In relation to the Community Magazine, it was noted that there had been fewer problems with delivery. However the design process had been less than satisfactory.

The financial position of the Area Council was highlighted with an approximate underspend of £162,778 forecast for 2018/19, however it was noted that the annual commitment of £447,400 exceeded the annual allocation of £400,000. Members noted that all of the income from Fixed Penalty Notices had been received.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the existing budget position and financial forecast be noted; and
- (ii) That £10,000 per annum, for the duration of existing Social Isolation and Cold Homes contract be approved to fund the hOurbank project.

26 Stronger Communities Grants

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager who made Members aware of discussion held by the Stronger Communities Grants Panel.

The panel had recommended that the Area Council maintains the grant process for 2019/20, allocating a further £80,000.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the Stronger Communities Grant programme be run in 2019/20;
- (ii) That a total of £80,000 be allocated for distribution through previously agreed mechanisms;
- (iii) That the Membership of the grants panel be as follows:- Councillors Charlesworth, Howard, Pickering and Platts;
- (iv) That the indicative timeline for distribution of grants be noted.

27 Performance Management Report - Commissioned Projects & Grant Summary

The Area Council Manager spoke to the report, previously circulated. The attention of Members was drawn to Part A of the report which provided an overview of performance. Here there were a number of spaces where data had not been provided, and this was due to services being in their infancy.

Part B of the report provided an overview of the performance of each project commissioned.

Members noted the substantial figures for benefit gained and debt managed related to assistance provided by the service delivered by CAB and DIAL. Demand was now outstripping capacity, and work is now being triaged. Clients with time critical cases are prioritised.

The meeting discussed the service, and the impact this had on the lives of recipients. Workers were commended for the work undertaken, and it was suggested that the impact of this work be highlighted much wider, to such as MPs.

The Housing Migration Officer had made a significant impact in a short space of time, and an overview of the cases provided highlighted the complexity of those issues faced by those assisted. The officer successfully assisted many who were below thresholds for intervention by social care, and those who were unaware how to access wider support.

In relation to the Youth Participation Workers, Members noted that they were relatively new in post, and were getting to know the area. However the case studies provided showed the impact already made.

A brief update was then provided in relation to the five projects funded through the Stronger Grants Programme funded from April 2018; Ad Astra; YMCA; DIAL hOurbank; Wooley Miners Welfare, and RVS.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

28 Report of the Ward Alliance Fund

The report was introduced by the Area Council Manager, and it was noted that less than six months of the financial year remained and the remaining balances were highlighted. The diverse range of projects funded were noted.

RESOLVED that each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2018/19, in line with the guidance on spend.

29 Notes from the Area's Ward Alliances

The meeting received the notes from the Darton East Ward Alliance held on 11th September, 2018; Darton West Ward Alliance held on 10th September, and 1st October, 2018; Old Town Ward Alliance held on 2nd October, 2018; and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 27th September, 2018.

Councillor Spence provided a brief update on the Darton East Ward Alliance, with the Ward Alliance Fund being in a positive place financially, having funded a range of projects. Green Space was mentioned having set themselves the task of planting 8,000 bulbs, exceeding the 4,000 planted in the previous year.

Councillor Howard made Members aware that preparation for the Christmas events in the Darton West Area was well underway, and nominations were now being sought for awards ceremony organised for March, 2019. History groups were working hard in the area, and interpretation boards had been ordered for various historic sites.

Councillor Lofts stated that although initially costly, Christmas trees had been planted which can be used every year. Concern was expressed at the difficulties in allocating Ward Alliance Funds, due to the small numbers of constituted groups in the ward, but efforts were taking place to address that.

Councillor Tattersall gave thanks to Pete Goodlad for the bonfire held at Athersley Rec Football Club, with over 1,000 people in attendance. Preparations for Christmas were well underway, and support was being given to local groups to help organise their events. Planning had also commenced for the 2019 gala.

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

Chair

Item 4

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:
21st January 2019

Agenda Item: 4

Report of North Area Council
Manager

Commissioning, Project Development and Financial Update

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. **Members should note the update on the Social Inclusion and Fuel Poverty Reduction inception phase.**
- 2.3. **Members are asked to refer to 3.4 of this report and agenda item 7 regarding the continuation of hOurbank.**
- 2.4. **Members should note the current financial position.**

3. Background highlighting all significant financial commitment

- 3.0 The Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project commenced on the 14th 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 retender 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 14th 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 14th 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 2nd October 2017.

This contract will run until at least September 2019 provided the conditions of the contract are met.

- 3.2 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 22nd 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.

Members have agreed at the September 2018 meeting to extend the post from 22nd January 2019 on a fixed term basis for a period of 12 months.

- 3.3 Opportunities for Young People – Two 18hr Youth Participation Support Worker Grade 4 posts were advertised in May 2018. Interviews were conducted on 12th June 2018. References and DBS checks have been received. The officers started at the beginning of August. The posts are 12 months fixed term.

The funding for this project includes staff salaries and on-costs plus a mobile phone and laptop each. A working budget of £5,000 has also been agreed. The workers commenced their contract at the beginning August 2018.

- 3.4 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. 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. A workshop took place on the 10th of April which informed the specification that was signed off at the 14th May meeting.

The procurement process for this project was conducted during June and July 2018. DIAL Barnsley was the preferred provider when the process concluded. This contract is valued at £75,000p.a. (with a ceiling of £85,000) for two years, with the option to extend a third year. The contract commenced on the 3rd September 2018. The contract will go live from 1st January 2019. The service will be called 'Warm Connections'. A soft launch is planned for Thursday 31st January.

It has been recognised that the existing hOurbank project that DIAL deliver in the North Area would complement the Warm Connections Service. At the November meeting of the North Area Council agreed in principle that the hOurbank service could be continued in the North Area, utilising the remaining £10,000p.a. of the budget envelope identified for the Social Isolation and Cold Homes project. Further details can be found in agenda item 7.

- 3.5 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 Grant Panel on the 15th March 5 projects were

recommended for approval delivering a broad range of services up until March 2019.

In November 2018 the North Area Council agreed to run the grant funding opportunity again in 2019/20. This is profiled in the annual budget. *The grant funding opportunity if currently out to advert and will close on the 25th January 2019.*

- 3.6 Community Magazine – The Area Council funds the distribution costs of the North Area Magazine. This is a twice yearly distribution costing approximately £3,200 per issue.

There was a new design and print company responsible for producing the magazine for the autumn 2019 edition. A review will take place after some initial teething problems. *Please refer to agenda item 5.*

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. It is forecast that there will be an **underspend of approximately £189,028 for 2018/19 (this includes underspend from previous years). However the in-year balance exceeds the annual budget by £36,976.**
- 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, and recycled FPN income of £31,073 for 2017/18 now received.

4.4. Outlined annual commitments from April 2018:

Contract	Annual Value
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach	£95,000
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People	£85,000
Housing Migration Officer – Grade 6 (+laptop and phone)	£35,000
Stronger Communities Grant	£80,000
Magazine Delivery (Inc. x2 deliveries p.a.)	£7,200
Support Worker - Youth Participation Grade 4 – two officers working 18hours (+laptop and phone) (+participation budget)	£26,000 & £5,000
Social Isolation and Cold Homes Project (+ hOurbank)	£75,000 + £10,000
Devolved funding to Ward Alliances	£40,000
TOTAL	£458,200

5. Risks

- 5.1. Members please note that the Area Council has benefited from £112,294.00 in recycled FPN income since 2014. This ceased in March 2018 following the decision to decommission the service.
- 5.2. The proposed budget would take the Area Council approximately £58,000 over budget pa for from 2018/19 – 2020/21. However taking into account the current under spend of £189,028, the investment profiled in 4.4 would be feasible for the next three years.

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 5

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting: North Area Council
Date: 21st January 2018
Agenda Item: 5

Report of North Area Council Manager

Area Council Community Magazine Report

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide Members with background information and outline the challenges experienced through the commissioning, production, design stages and delivery of the community magazines across the five Area Councils.

1.2 To provide Members with a number of alternative options for consideration.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That Members note the background information, revisit the original purpose of the community magazines and their effectiveness to date and consider a number of suggested alternative options, recognising that this may be different for each area.

2.2 That Members discuss the options and propose a way forward that meets the needs of your Area Council.

3. Background and information

In April 2015, Area Councils' committed to produce a twice-yearly community magazine for five out of six area councils, the first issue to be produced in the first week of December 2015.

Up until the last issue, the magazines we're produced by a company called Community Information Services. The last issue was produced by Barnsley Card.

The magazines are design and printed free of charge, with the cost of delivery and staff time covered by each individual area. This arrangement works by the company selling advertising space in each of the magazines.

The current magazine specification:

- Size of publication: A4, 24 pages
- Front cover - different for each Area Council.
- 12 pages editorial - set aside for Area Councils. Different content for each area council.
- 12 pages reserved for advertising sold by production company

4. Purpose of Community magazines

The community magazines have been seen as a useful communication tool particularly for those who don't access social media or electronic communications. The aim of the magazines is twofold. Firstly, to highlight what the Area Councils and Ward Alliances are achieving in each area and the difference the work is making as well as acknowledging and celebrating those who contribute. Secondly, the community magazines aim to be a 'call to action' for new volunteers and community activists, reaching a wider and more diverse audience.

5. Challenges

There have been a number of challenges:

- The interest through YORtender has been very limited with only one provider submitting a proposal through the last round of commissioning. A zero value contract relying on advertising income has limited the interest from the market
- Advertising hasn't always been in keeping with the nature and feel of the magazine and has sometimes been at odds with the messages trying to be delivered
- In order to keep the printing and design free of charge the number of pages for advertising and pages for Area Council content has been equally split with 12 pages each
- The number of providers able to produce magazines at zero cost and reliant on advertising are limited in the market place
- The timescales and lead in time required to pull content together and then receive the end product does often mean content is limited and out of date quickly as dates for events and particularly timings are not always known that far ahead of time.
- The amount of resource that it has taken to produce the magazines isn't sustainable in their current formats. This last round of magazines has taken a lot of staff time (Communication team support and Area Teams) in producing the content but in particular in the numerous rounds of revisions
- Various methods have been tried to seek feedback on the magazines and evaluate the impact and reach. It is still unclear how effective magazines are at reaching a wider audience and readership

6. Alternatives to production

1. Find another provider to carry on with the current model

This is an option but there are not many companies that provide this service.

Barnsley Card were the only company that tendered for the last contract.

Additionally if only one or two Area Council's identify this as the preferred option the small contract value may not be attractive to providers.

2. Include information in existing publications.

There are lots of local magazines produced across the Borough. An option could be to buy editorial space in these to get local information out to residents. Any information included would need to meet the council's brand guidelines and the communication team could support with this.

3. Design and print your own information

Feedback from recent staff talkabouts shows that people want to find out more about how they can get involved more in their local communities. Each area could produce an A4, 4 page newsletter. This method would not include advertising and has the flexibility to make it local to Ward areas if necessary

- a) Design each edition - there would be a cost for design, print and distribution each time
- b) Work with the communications team to create a template for each area to fill with content – there would be a cost for initial design and then just print and distribution for each publication.

7. Distribution

Currently all areas have a different method of distribution which works for their area. Without any kind of door to door research, it's difficult to determine how many households read the newsletters.

Another option to think about would be to stop household distribution and have the newsletters available in key places in the local community.

8. Next steps

8.1 Members are requested to discuss the options and identify a preferred way forward for the North Area that can be further developed by the Area Manager.

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13th December 2018

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Item 6

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:

21st January 2019

Agenda Item: 6

Report of North Area Council
Manager

Wellbeing Service Grant Funding – Proposal to incorporate this in the Stronger Communities Grant Approval Process 2018/19

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 On the 19th November 2018 the North Area Council agreed to run the Stronger Communities Grant in 2019/20. Subsequently the Area Council Manger has been advised that there is additional funding available to address Health and Wellbeing courtesy of the Wellbeing Service Grant Fund from the Healthier Communities Team.
- 1.2 This report proposes that the additional funding is incorporated in the Stronger Communities Grant funding approval process as an interim for the 2019/20 period.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. **Members approve the recommendation to incorporate the additional Wellbeing Service Grant funding into the Stronger Communities Grant approval process for 2019/20.**
- 2.2. **That a member of the Public Health Team sit on the North Area Stronger Communities Grants Panel in order to help identify and recommend projects that specifically address the Five Ways to Wellbeing and the Public Health and Wellbeing Outcomes. This will be in an advisor capacity.**
- 2.3. **Any Wellbeing Service Grant Funded project recommended for funding will be monitored in the same ways as other Stronger Communities Grants funded projects.**

3. Background

- 3.1. The Barnsley Wellbeing Service is designed to provide place-based support for people who are not engaging services that can help to improve their physical and mental well-being. In line with local and national strategies the service is designed to reduce health inequalities, all of which are linked to circumstances in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, and broadly described as the social determinants of health.

3.2. The Barnsley Wellbeing Service have made £130,000 available for the six Area Councils. This will be allocated on the basis of the number of Local Super Output areas (LSOA) linked to the indices of deprivation, and includes the following allocations.

3.3. The North Area has 27 LSOAs and will be eligible for 14.89% of the funding. Consequently North Area are eligible to receive £19,359.05

3.4. Any projects/campaigns/services that receive funding originating from the Barnsley Wellbeing Service must have Health and Wellbeing at their core. The *Five Ways to Wellbeing* offers an evidence based framework that can be used to motivate behaviour change in individuals across a number of different settings, as well as supporting population level initiatives aimed at the general public. Every application must provide evidence that their proposed project supports at least two direct links to the following themes and some indirect links to all the others of the following themes;

CONNECT – Provides opportunities to promote/offer regular contact with people such as family, friends, work colleagues or neighbours e.g. through local interest groups, cook & eat sessions for families, luncheon clubs, reducing social isolation/loneliness, peer support initiatives

BE ACTIVE – Links to activities promoting Physical activity or ways to reduce inactivity through e.g. walking groups, dancing, gardening, or just keeping moving.

TAKE NOTICE – Encouraging awareness of the world around and its impact on individuals/communities. Be curious and notice what needs to change and how that might happen. Reflecting on experiences to help appreciate what is important. e.g. building healthier, supportive and strong communities

KEEP LEARNING – Opportunities to learn or try something new, or rekindled a previous interest, e.g. developing skills and knowledge around healthy lifestyles (weight management, smoking and alcohol), supporting access to employment (job clubs, budgeting) housing (warm homes, fuel poverty)

GIVE - Provides opportunities to give time to something or someone in the community e.g. volunteering, time-banking, befriending

3.5. The time table for spend of the Wellbeing Service Grant Funding is April 2019 – March 2020. This mirrors the project delivery period for the Stronger Communities Grant. This is why it makes practical sense to run the grant opportunities in parallel.

4. Requirements that will ensure that the North Area can benefit from the Wellbeing Service grant

- 4.1. A member of the Public Health Team will attend the funding panel to provide some external verification for the wellbeing grant funding. The representative will be able to act as a specialist advisor to the panel on health and wellbeing matters.
- 4.2. Any project recommended for funding must have Health and Wellbeing priorities at its core.
- 4.3. It is recommended that the same member of the Public Health team contribute to the monitoring of the project(s) that benefits from the Wellbeing Service fund monies.

5. Decision Grants

- 5.1. Members are requested to indicate if they are satisfied that the requirements listed in section 4 are reasonable in order for the North Area to benefit from £19,359.05

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Item 7

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:
19th January 2019

Agenda Item: 7

Report of North Area Council
Manager

Continuation of hOurbank

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report seeks to confirm the verbal commitment of the North Area Council to fund DIAL to deliver hOurbank as a complimentary service to the Social Isolation and Cold Homes contract.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **That the North Area Council agree to fund DIAL to deliver the hOurbank project as a complimentary provision running alongside the Social Isolation and Cold Homes service.**

3. Background

- 3.0 At the November 2017 meeting The North Area Council agreed to consider a Social Inclusion Project with a Prevention of Winter Deaths focus. After further development the tender opportunity was advertised and procurement took pace in June and July 2018. DIAL Barnsley was the preferred provider when the process concluded. This contract is valued at £75,000p.a. (with a ceiling of £85,000) for two years, with the option to extend a third year. The contract commenced on the 3rd September 2018.
- 3.1 Whilst the large commission was being developed DIAL applied for Stronger Communities Grant Funding and were awarded £14,662 for the financial year 2018/19 to deliver hOurbank. This provision which is currently concentrated in the St Helen's Ward has been very well received by both local stakeholders and the community. It is clear to see that the project is having an impact and delivering good results.
- 3.2 DIAL have called their social isolation and cold homes project 'Warm Connections'. It was clear from the procurement process that Warm Connections and hOurbank are undeniably complimentary in their purpose and function. It is believed that having the two projects running in tandem with deliver even more positive outcomes.
- 3.3 The full project allocation for the social isolation and cold homes service was £85,000. DIAL service is currently being delivered at a value of £74,737 (based on a three year contract). At the November meeting the suggestion to utilise the remaining £10,000p.a., that forms part of this contracts budget envelope, was agreed unanimously, subject to a decision at this is meeting.

3.4 Attached in appendix 1 of this report is the proposed outcomes and outputs that DIAL will deliver if they are granted the additional £10,000 p.a. for the remainder of duration of the current social isolation and cold homes contract (from 1st April 2019).

3.5 It is proposed that hOurbank would be subject to contract monitoring and reporting on the same schedule as Warm Connections.

4. For Decision

4.1. Members are asked to confirm their decision to increase the contract value of the DIAL's Warm Connections contract to enable DIAL to deliver hOurbank as a complimentary provision to their core Social Isolation and Warm Homes contract.

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Appendix 1

Project Outline

This is a project to further develop the mutual exchange timebank in the North Area Council and will be open to all local residents

A timebank is a community development tool whereby individuals are able to exchange and trade their skills and expertise through time and is run on the principle of an hour for an hour. So for every hour of a participant's practical help or support to others **deposited** in a timebank they are able to **withdraw** equivalent support time when they need something doing.

Each participant decides what they can offer. Everyone's time is equal irrespective of what skills are being traded. For example, a timebank member might earn a time credit by doing some gardening for a member and then spend the time earned on getting another member to alter some clothes for them.

The project will be run by a steering group of approximately four local people to co-produce, shape and develop the timebank with steering group members being encouraged to become local ward champions of the scheme.

The project will employ a co-ordinator to:

- Support, guide and train the project steering group
- act as a 'broker' and be responsible for promoting the scheme to other stakeholders and local residents
- provide security checks on participating members and ensure each individual fully understands how the system works
- facilitate exchanges between individuals and maintain records of activities

The project will build social networks of people who give and receive support from each other, enabling people from different backgrounds to come together to form connections and friendships. Our mutual exchange timebank will build on the principles of co-production which considers timebankers as valuable assets and enshrines their value through an hour for an hour principle. This will promote a positive image of volunteering and encourage people to consider their contribution as of equal value, inspiring confidence and increasing self-worth.

How does the project address North Area Council Priorities and Barnsley Council Priorities?

A steering group of local community minded people will be supported to direct, shape and run the pilot.

The steering group will actively contribute *to the Golden Thread and building stronger communities* through their *participation in shaping and designing* of the timebank at local level ensuring that it meets the needs of local people. Each steering group member will act as a local ambassador, spreading the word and promoting the benefits of the timebank throughout the community and its benefits *to improve the lives* of others in their neighbourhoods whilst advising and giving direction to the pilot.

Engaging local people to *support each other* will facilitate the learning of *new skills* through exchange and reciprocity thus promoting the *benefits of volunteering* and the sharing of experience. hOurbank will provide opportunities for people to contribute to their local community and build a sense of belonging.

By connecting people together hOurbank will support the development of friendships between members which in turn will increase participation and feelings of self-worth and contribute to *improving the health and wellbeing* of local people.

As no money exchanges hands the exchange of time and skills also contributes to addressing *financial exclusion and poverty*.

Business case for continuing Hourbank in the North Area.

In June 2015 DIAL consulted with 1000 people aged 60+ across Barnsley MBC and identified:

- 35% had no-one in their family they could depend upon for support
- 23% never see their neighbours for a chat or to do something with
- 21% hadn't spoken to a friend for longer than a month

Following this we spoke directly with 123 local people of all ages about the concept of timebanking:

- 116 thought it was a good idea
- 100 thought it was something they or a family member might want to get involved in

Since 2016 we have operated a timebank project in the Dearne Area and the success of the project is evidenced in the following outcomes:

90% of people participating reported improved feelings of self-worth and confidence.
100% of members said they had formed new friendships as a direct result of hOurbank membership.

Since April 2018 we have operated a timebank in the North Area Council. To date there are 31 members who collectively have exchanged over 120 hours of time and 23 members have participated in mutual exchanges. Activities include a regular craft session, coffee afternoon and there have been two high profile, seasonal events. The Project Launch in July attracted 50 attendees who participated in craft skills swaps, cookery and recipe swaps and promoting dancing and games skills. The Christmas swap event attracted 40 attendees who participated in 23 mutual swaps. Feedback was excellent, with members saying they have saved money, made friends and enjoyed a great afternoon. Both events attracted publicity from the local press, raising the profile of hOurbank and DIAL.

We have established strong relationships with Romero, Community Shop, Ad Astra, Athersley Cares and the My Best Life initiative all of whom act as referral points into the project. We would hope to continue to work with local councillors, other community organisations and health service providers to help raise awareness of the project and its benefits particularly to residents who are socially isolated.

Who will help run the project?

As a user led organisation beneficiary involvement is fundamental to our governance, service delivery and our ability to inform external stakeholders and decision makers of the needs of disabled people and carers. So for this project:

A steering group of approximately four volunteers and made up of local community minded people will be recruited to direct, shape and run the pilot.

Supported by an employed part time Co-ordinator the group will establish their Terms of Reference and agree a shared vision with aims and objectives. A member of the steering group will be invited to be co-opted on to DIAL Barnsley's board of trustees as a way of supporting the group.

Training needs of the steering group will be identified and addressed in order for them to undertake their individual roles.

It will be the responsibility of the Co-ordinator to network with other organisations in the area in order to promote the project and to identify potential partners to provide the activities or events that meet the identified needs of the hOurbank membership.

How sustainable is the project and will it leave a legacy?

The project will build social networks enabling people to come together to form connections and friendships. It will promote a positive image of volunteering by encouraging people to consider their contribution as of equal value. People will feel rewarded for sharing their skills and knowledge with others thus inspiring confidence and increasing self-worth.

The project itself will form a legacy of engaging local people in volunteering activities that are based on reciprocity and mutual support and which have positive outcomes and promote social action to harness community spirit and resilience. People with long term conditions or disabilities will feel more included in the community by contributing to helping others rather than being only recipients of support.

We have already invested in software which captures members details, skills match and the number of hours exchanged, activity participation etc.

Proposed milestones

Milestone	To be achieved by
Local people begin to plan activities	May 2019
Establish a calendar of community activities	June 2019
Commence activities/exchanges	June 2019
Leadership training undertaken by steering group	December 2019
Local people begin to take the lead in community activities	April 2020

Outcomes and Indicators

What difference will your project make and by when?

Project Outcome	Intervention/ activities that will contribute to achieving project outcome	Target
Outcome 1 Increased opportunities for local people to build	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local people shape and design the timebank Local people promote and recruit members of the community to the 	4 steering group members
Outcome 2 Increased opportunities for local people to participate and/or	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local people participate in leadership training Local people taking part in community activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 steering group members minimum 30 members regularly
Outcome 3 Improved health and wellbeing of local people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local people report increased confidence Local people report new friendships formed as a result of membership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> minimum 50% of hourbank members minimum 50% of

Monitoring Quarterly Outputs

OUTPUTS Activity/Intervention	Quarter 1/19		Quarter 2/19		Quarter 3/19		Quarter 4/19		Quarter 1/20		Quarter 2/20		Total Project target
	T	A	T	A	T	A	T	A	T	A	T	A	
Identify and recruit volunteer steering group members	2		2		3		3		4		4		4
Local people encouraged to take the lead in community	4		4		5		5		6		6		6
Local people undertake leadership training					3				4				4
Local people taking part in hourbank activities	20		25		30		35		40		40		40

Does the project represent good value for money?

The project will offer North Area Council value for money through the utilisation of existing organisational resources such as timebanking software record management system, quality assurance policies and processes, monitoring and evaluation tracking and reporting. We have a skilled workforce and management team to support the project and our existing local footprint offers confidence to reach the target audience and successfully deliver on outcomes.

We have an experienced Timebank Co-ordinator who will bring her existing experience, learning and skills to the project. The project will be promoted and supported through our core service and our established links within the community will to ensure the project's success.

Item 8

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:
21st January 2019

Agenda Item: 8

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 2018/19 period.

2. Recommendation

That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2018/19, 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 Funding 2016/17 – Briefing Note. This requires half of the fund to be allocated 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 (i.e. the whole community can potentially benefit),
 - it represents value for money.

4.0 2018/19 Financial Position

- 4.1 The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2017/18 Ward Alliance Fund was added to the 2018/19 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 2018/19

Ward	Base Allocation	Carried forward from 2016/17	Devolved from Area Council	Total available
Darton East	£10,000	£2,785	£10,000	£22,785
Darton West	£10,000	£4,060	£10,000	£24,060
Old Town	£10,000	£7,000	£10,000	£27,000
St Helen's	£10,000	£1,904.37	£10,000	£21,904.37

4.4 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

5.0 Challenges and Opportunities

5.1 Due to a project from 2017/18 being progressed Old Town Ward has received additional devolved funding in line with the other wards. This is reflected in the table above.

5.2 All wards should take an opportunity to consult on their ward plan early during the financial year 2018/19 (during the first quarter is recommended). This will help the Ward Alliances to review the existing plans, reaffirm their ward priorities and plan projects and initiatives that will address the ward centric priorities.

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

5.4 Proactive promotion of the Ward Alliance Fund to local not for profit groups and organisations is highly recommended to ensure efficient expenditure over the financial year.

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Appendix 1:

2018/19 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2018/19 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 carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2017/18 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2018/19 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 2018/19 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£2,785	carried forward from 2017/18
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£22,785	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining £22,785
			£11,392	
DEWA - Working budget	£600.00	£0	£10,792	£22,185.00
DEWA - x 31 Hanging Baskets	£2,000.00	£0	£8,792	£20,185.00
M&SGRG - bedding plants for Mapplewell War Memorial	£220.00	£220	£8,792	£19,965.00
St Johns PCC - St John's Community Drop In	£545.00	£545	£8,792	£19,420.00

DE Qtr1 secretary expenses	£125.00	£125	£8,792	£19,295.00
DEWA - New bin for Wakefield Road	£2,500.00	-	£6,292	£16,795.00
Barnsley Metropolitan Band	£300.00	-	£5,992	£16,495.00
Mapplewell Singers - Choral singing	£1,500.00	£1,500	£5,992	£14,995.00
DEWA - Spring bulbs	£700.00	£700.00	£5,992	£14,295.00
DEWA - Christmas in Darton East	£1,500.00	-	£4,492	£12,795.00
DEWA - Family events	£600.00	£600.00	£4,492	£12,195.00
Mapplewell & Staincross over 55s - Winter warmer event	£915.00	£915.00	£4,492	£11,280.00
Mapplewell & Staincross VH - Incredible Edibles gardening project	£2,008.00		£2,484.00	£9,272.00
Care Leavers Christmas Dinner Group	£47.62		£2,436.38	£9,224.38
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & rec gp - Bedding plants for War memorial	£150.00	£150.00	£2,436.38	£9,074.38
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & rec gp - Trees for Mapplewell park	£600.00	£600.00	£2,436.38	£8,474.38
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & rec gp - Wood sleeper border edging at Mappelwell Park	£960.00	£960.00	£2,436.38	£7,514.38

DEWA - Village Centre Improvements	£500.00		£1,936.38	£7,014.38
DE Qtr2 secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£1,936.38	£6,889.38
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & rec gp - Mapplewell Co-Op Community Garden	£2,200.00	£2,200.00	£1,936.38	£4,689.38

DARTON WEST WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2018/19 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£4,060	carried forward from 2017/18
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£24,060	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £12,030	Allocation Remaining £24,060
DWA - TDY Working budget	£2,000.00	£0	£10,030.00	£22,060.00
DWA - Hanging baskets	£3,500.00	£0	£6,530.00	£18,560.00
Darton Voice - Darton Park Graffiti project	£1,750.00	£1,750.00	£6,530.00	£16,810.00
St Thomas Church - improvements to Community Centre	£940.00	£940.00	£6,530.00	£15,870.00
DWWA - AED Heartsafe Defib monitoring	£50.00		£6,480.00	£15,820.00
Darton Voice Community Garden Gp - Kexbrough Community & Memorial Garden	£172.00	£172.00	£6,480.00	£15,648.00
Kexbrough Local History Gp - Heritage trail board design for 6 boards	£550.00	£550.00	£6,480.00	£15,098.00
Kexbrough Local History Gp - Interpretation Board	£438.80		£6,041.20	£14,659.20
Darton Voice - Kexbrough Community & Memorial Garden	£200.00	£200.00	£6,041.20	£14,459.20

DWWA - Spring bulbs	£600.00	£600.00	£6,041.20	£13,859.20
DWWA - Christmas in Redbrook	£700.00		£5,341.20	£13,159.20
DWWA - Relocation of dual use bin	£100.00		£5,241.20	£13,059.20
Gawber History Group - 2nd Interpretation Board	£1,220.00	£1,220.00	£5,241.20	£11,839.20
DWWA - Village centre improvements	£500.00	£500.00	£5,241.20	£11,339.20
Barugh Green Community Group - Barugh litter picking supplies	£181.74	£181.74	£5,241.20	£11,157.46
DWWA - Christmas in Darton West	£2,500.00		£2,741.20	£8,657.46
Care Leavers Christmas Dinner Group	£47.62		£2,741.20	£8,609.84
DWWA - Stars of Darton West Awards 2019 Working budget	£1,800.00	£1,800.00	£2,741.20	£6,809.84
Redbrook TARA - Christmas tree lights	£145.00	£145.00	£2,741.20	£6,664.84
Gawber History Group - Room hire	£105.00	£105.00	£2,741.20	£6,559.84
Kexbrough Local History Gp - Past life in Kexbrough	£399.00	£399.00	£2,741.20	£6,160.84

OLD TOWN WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2018/19 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£7,000	carried forward from 2017/18
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£27,000	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £13,500	Allocation Remaining £27,000
Emmanuel Methodist Church - Community volunteer coordination	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£13,500.00	£26,000.00
Barnsley Writers - Old Town Writers Group	£525.00	£525.00	£13,500.00	£25,475.00
Care Leavers Christmas Dinner group	£47.62		£13,452.35	£25,427.38
OTWA - 2018 Christmas Trees	£4,530.00		£8,922.38	£20,897.38
FOWP - Educational Tree Trail	£2,585.00	£2,585.00	£8,922.38	£24,312.38
Old Town Residents Association - New Year's Eve Celebration	£500.00	£500.00	£8,922.38	£23,812.38

ST HELENS WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2018/19 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£1,904.37	carried forward from 2017/18
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
£21,904.37	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £10,000	Allocation Remaining £20,000
SHWA - Feeding vulnerable families in St Helens	£550.00	£550	£10,000	£19,450.00
SHWA - St Helens Ward Gala	£1,245.00	£1,245.00	£10,000	£18,205.00
Crafty Crafters - teaching & learning craft skills for the local community	£404.27	£404.27	£10,000	£17,800.73
StHWA - Distribution of What's On St Helens	£225.00	-	£9,775.00	£17,575.73
StHWA - Spring bulbs 2018	£1,560.00	-	£8,215.00	£16,015.73
StHWA - Clean & Climb	£725.00	-	£7,490.00	£15,290.73
Caterpillar Club - playgroup	£800.00	£800.00	£7,490.00	£16,170.73
Ad Astra - Revitalising NLCC combining Halloween & Christmas	£1359.60	£1359.60	£7,490.00	£14,811.13
Athersley Community Association & Football Club - Community bonfire	£1000.00	£1000.00	£7,490.00	£13,811.13
SHWA - Christmas Trees events 2018	£1000.00	£1000.00	£7,490.00	£12,811.13

SHWA - Christmas Trees 2018	£1000.00		£6,490.00	£11,811.13
Care Leavers Christmas Dinner group	£100.00		£6,390.00	£11,711.13
Qtr1 secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£6,390.00	£11,586.13
Qtr2 secretary expenses	£125.00	£125.00	£6,390.00	£11,461.13

Item 9

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 21st January 2019**

Agenda Item: 9

**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 be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

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

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during October, November and December 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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19th Dec 2018**

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance

'CAN DO-WILL DO'

9th October – 6 PM

Mapplewell & Staincross

Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor

Rebecca Battye - North Area Team

Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager

Paul Marsh - Local Business Man

David Oates - Local Business Man

David Hilton – Green space

Pauline Brook - Methodist Church

Helen Altun – Minutes

1. Apologies

Cllr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor

Cllr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor

2. Declarations Of Interest

David Hilton

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

It was raised that Martin Coleman was from Rotary not The Royal British Legion. Two benches will be donated.

4. Matters Arising

Village Centre – A Ward Alliance Member explained a meeting was held at the town hall regarding the village centre and it had not been signed off at present. A Ward Alliance member raised not many of the business people in Mapplewell knew about the meeting at the town hall. A Ward Alliance Member explained everyone knew about the works in the village. A Ward Alliance Member explained it as not just been the village centre disruptions it as also been the road works after the village centre disruption. A Ward Alliance Member explained he would let the businesses in Mapplewell know when the next meeting will be held regarding the village centre.

A Ward Alliance Member asked as a ward alliance member can the members be told what the councillor's are doing. A Ward Alliance Member explained a meeting is held every third Tuesday at the village hall as well as other council drop ins in the area.

It was raised regarding the open day in Mapplewell. A Ward Alliance Member explained it was Aqua fish bar who had asked local businesses if they would like to do an open day to show the businesses available in Mapplewell now all the works have been completed. A Ward Alliance Member explained he knew nothing about the event and had not been asked to attend. The village centre was paid for by the developer for the new housing estate off Carr Green Lane not by the council.

5. Financial Update

£5,204.50 available for Ward Alliance Fund supported projects.

£3,792.50 available for Ward Alliance Fund not requiring match funding.

6. Applications for funding

War Memorial Bedding plants - £150.00 Members in favour

Wood Sleeper - £960.00 in favour 4 in favour 1 against

Trees for Mapplewell Park - £600 in favour 4 in favour 1 against

Christmas Dinner for care experienced young people - £47.62 in favour

Power point for tree lights - £500 – In favour

7. Christmas

A Ward Alliance Member explained two dates had now been booked for the Christmas tree light switch. One will be held near Birkenshaw's at Darton on Monday 03/12/18 and another event at Mapplewell Co-op on Friday 30/11/18.

A Ward Alliance Member explained it would be a nice idea to do a Christmas Market in the village in the next few years. A Ward Alliance Member asked if some children's characters could go to the Christmas events to surprise the children. Christmas budget to be checked.

A Ward Alliance Member explained the Co-op will be serving tea and coffee and possibly mulled wine. The Mapplewell School choir will also be attending.

The local church choir will also be attending. A Ward Alliance Member asked if there was a brass band in the area. No ward alliance members knew of a brass band in the area.

A Ward Alliance Member rose if it was worth having representatives on the ward alliance from schools and said to get the word out about the group because not enough of the community know about the group and the availability of Ward Alliance funding.

8. AOB

A Ward Alliance Member explained he had attended a meeting about bins in the ward.

A Ward Alliance Member explained the total bins for Darton East Ward is 63. Bins within 20 metres of each other: 25.

Litter bins within 20 metres: 19

Dog Bins: 6

12 bins will be removed. 6 dog bins and 6 black bins.

At the top of Greenside the red bin is going. Dog waste can go in the black bins.

If the council find the black bins are not big enough they may decide to increase the size of the black bin.

There are 3 grey bins in Keswick Road – 2 are going.

There are 2 grey bins in Woolley Road – 1 is going.

There are 2 grey bins on Kingsway – 1 is going.

There are 4 grey bins in the village centre. The one outside the premier shop is going. A Ward Alliance Member said they would rather the bin in the church yard go.

A Ward Alliance Member explained this was borough wide.

A Ward Alliance Member explained when Green space do a litter pick they pick up approximately 30 bags plus every time.

A Ward Alliance Member explained drivers had reported back how often they empty the bins and how much are in the bins when they are emptying them.

A Ward Alliance Member asked if the council were going to monitor the rubbish after the bins are being removed. A Ward Alliance Member said it would be better to leave the bins where they are but not empty them as much.

A Ward Alliance Member explained it was not a good idea to remove the bins.

A Ward Alliance Member explained the councillors are not in agreement.

A Ward Alliance Member explained people litter dropping should be fined. A Ward Alliance Member explained the enforcement team that worked for the area were never seen in Mapplewell. The enforcement team was stopped because it cost more to enforce the ticket if the fine was not paid.

A Ward Alliance Member asked if local Councillors could raise the situation with the bins again.

The Twiggs Clean and tidy team purpose and function report was handed out as well as Twiggs latest performance report.

A Ward Alliance Member explained Twiggs are doing wonders at the village hall.

A Ward Alliance Member explained more volunteers were needed in the future to do different jobs.

A Ward Alliance Member explained he was not convinced all councillors were completing equal amounts of work. A Ward Alliance Member explained each councillor have their own tasks to do.

A Ward Alliance Member also explained the planters in the village should be filled and set over the weekend.

Next Meeting 13/11/18 6 pm

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
13th November – 6 PM
Mapplewell & Staincross
Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Rosie Williams – North Area Team
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
David Oates - Local Business Man
David Hilton – Green space
Pauline Brook - Methodist Church
Janine Williams – Local Resident
Helen Altun – Minutes

3. Apologies

David Hilton – Green space

4. Declarations Of Interest

None

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Financial Update

£3, 446.88 available for Ward Alliance Fund supported projects.
£3,192.50 available for Ward Alliance Fund not requiring match funding.
£6,889.38 altogether.

6. Applications for funding

Mapplewell Co-op Community Garden £2200 - Approved

7. Christmas

A Ward Alliance Member explained two dates had now been booked for the Christmas tree light switch on. One will be held near Birkenshaw's at Darton on Monday 03/12/18 and another event at Mapplewell Co-op on Friday 30/11/18.

The Mapplewell School choir will be attending the Mapplewell switch on.

Members from the Methodist Church will also be in attendance at The Mapplewell switch on.

Darton Primary School will be at The Darton light switch on.

8. Ward Plan

The Ward Plan was discussed by all Ward Alliance members and each member were designated an area to cover.

Ears and voice of the community – Nick Hibberd
Health and Wellbeing – Councillor Gail Charlesworth
Litter and Dog Fouling – Councillor Roy Miller
Highways, Footways and Transport – Roy Miller
Environment – David Hilton
Crime and Safety – Councillor Gail Charlesworth
Neighbourhood Network – Nick Hibberd
Economic – Paul Marsh
Funding – David Oates
Young People – Janine Williams and Helen Altun

9. AOB

A Ward Alliance Member explained more people have asked about Christmas lights in Mapplewell. It was asked if a community group could be set up to fundraise for lights for the village. A member explained that the businesses of Darton raised £750 to buy the lights. A Ward Alliance member asked if a group could be set up about events for Christmas and asked if a Councillor could join the group. The Ward Alliance member explained there was already a bank account which could be used for any fundraising.

A Ward Alliance Member also asked about the charity shop in the village. A Ward Alliance member explained it was not a registered charity shop.

A Ward Alliance member rose that on a recent litter pick 12 bags of rubbish were picked up off New Road and the path from Hillbrow surgery down to Croft Drive. No litter bins were found on this route. Also 1000 crocus, 500 tulips and 500 daffodils were planted in Ibbotson memorial gardens. Also 900 Daffodils and 900 tulips were planted in Mapplewell.

The new bin provided by Green space on Spark Lane was full.

A Ward Alliance member explained a local resident was asking about the planters in the village which were empty. One of the planter's is going outside the photo studio in Mapplewell and another is going outside Birkinshaws.

All Ward Alliance members were asked if they had received the North Area council magazine. The explained they had.

Next Meeting 11/12/18 6 pm

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
11 th December – 6 PM
Mapplewell & Staincross
Village Hall

Present:

CLr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor
CLr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
Pauline Brook - Methodist Church
Helen Altun – Minutes
Caroline Haigh – Village Hall Assistant Manager

5. Apologies

David Hilton – Green space
David Oates - Local Business Man
Janine Williams – Local Resident
CLr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor

6. Declarations Of Interest

None

Caroline Haigh was welcomed to the meeting as a new member of the ward alliance.

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Financial Update

£2,346.88 available for Ward Alliance Fund supported projects.
£2,192.50 available for Ward Alliance Fund not requiring match funding.
£4,539.38 altogether.

6. Applications for funding

None

7. AOB

A Ward Alliance Member gave an update on a potential car park on Spark Lane. It will be at the side of the football field. There will be another meeting in the New Year to see if Siswall will agree to lease the land for the car park. The car park will not be on the football field it will be at the side near Spark Lane.

A Ward Alliance Member explained there had been a tree attack down Darton so the lights had been switched off. There was also a damaged string on the lights which as been removed.

Plans were brought to the meeting for a potential bypass between Swallow Hill and Shaw Carpets. Five different options were available for the bypass and one of the Ward Alliance members explained they preferred option 1.

A Ward Alliance member explained they had spoken to some local residents in the area and they did not know about some of the potential things to happen to the village like the bypass.

It was explained that on the council website there was a section called Town spirit. This section explains what is happening in the local area.

There will be a community notice board down at The Co-op but a Ward Alliance member rose it would be better in the centre of the village. It was also advised that the notice board should include potential works and disruptions to the village including where to look for further information on the council website.

A Ward Alliance member asked if there could be an open forum once a month run by possibly the business community with an invite for a local councillor to come along. The village centre was paid for by The North Gawber development not the council. One of the councillors had been approached by a lady who would like to put up a tree at the bottom of Wellgate. They will need to get permission first from Bernaislei Homes.

The Christmas light switch on was discussed and the feedback from local residents were they could not hear anything and they did not feel they should have had to pay for drinks and biscuits when previously it had been a free event. Also why were raffle tickets being sold at a local community event for a charity not in the Mapplewell area.

A local resident as also asked why Mapplewell could not have Christmas lights. It is not a simple cost to start to buy and also to put up and take down. They also need to be stored during the year.

It was explained that Eddie Wright gave Barugh Green their lights. 17 in total which cost over £2100 to put up and down each year. A Ward Alliance member asked if some section 106 money could be used to purchase some Christmas lights for the village.

Tour De Yorkshire will be coming through Mapplewell on Friday 3rd May 2019. This needs to be put on the agenda early next year and also it would be nice for the schools to get involved.

A Ward Alliance member also said it would be nice to have a disco on for Children in the village. Volunteers would be needed to help but one volunteer had offered their services and a first responder. Also an elderly and kids event would possibly be a good idea. A silent disco idea was also discussed.

Next Meeting 08/01/19 6 pm

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance.

Notes of meeting: Monday 5th November 2018, at the Darton Centre

1 Welcome and Apologies.

Attendees: Cllr Sharon Howard (Chair), Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Linda Burgess, Richard Haigh, Jason Gardner, Christina Carroll, Dominic McCall, Tom West.

North area Team: Rosie Adams, Rebecca Battye

Representative from Twiggs: John Twigg. Apologies: Ann Plant.

2 Notes of meeting 1st October 2018.

The notes of the meeting were reviewed and agreed with the addition of an item about the Christmas tree at Wilthorpe.

Action Points.

Rebecca to clarify responsibilities for the defibrillator.

Rebecca to check number of Christmas lights for Barugh Green Rd.

Tom to deliver Christmas light letter to businesses at Barugh Green.

Rebecca to provide names and address of companies at Barugh Green Industrial Estate for future reference.

Dominic to survey seating provision across the ward.

Rebecca to clarify the availability of a bench for Darton.

3 North Area Council items

3a Rosie presented a document and data regarding Darton West Ward Alliance communities which was discussed at length and appreciated by Members. Data will assist Ward Alliance Action Planning for 2019/20

Consideration would be given to priorities in 2019/20 for support for elderly and isolated residents, digital skills, arts and culture and Barnsley in Bloom.

3b John Twigg was present for a discussion about Barnsley in Bloom opportunities for the Ward. John gave an update re categories for Barnsley in Bloom which included: Small Community Space, Parks, Schools, It's Your neighbourhood.. Incredible edible opportunities were also discussed.

Action Points:

John to email Rebecca with categories for Barnsley in Bloom project

Linda, Dominic, Richard to meet to discuss opportunities for Barnsley in Bloom activity in the Ward supported by WAF

Ward Alliance Members to identify current local environmental projects

4. Ward Alliance Fund.

A The budget was updated and noted.

B WAF Applications.

Redbrook TARA Christmas tree Lighting. Approved.

Darton West Ward Star Awards. Approved.

Care Leavers Christmas group. Approved.

5 Ward Alliance Action Plan.

This was reviewed and updated

Alice gave information about changes at the Wilthorpe and Redbrook Community Centre, the Christmas Tree lighting at 4 pm Friday Dec 7th and a Craft Fair on Saturday 8th December

Linda updated members on Birthwaite Hill speed issues.

Action Points:

*Dominic to update Plan and supply to Rebecca for distribution before the next meeting
Rebecca to contact residents at Dearne Hall Road re a local consultation
Linda to arrange a meeting with Highways re Redbrook roundabout and Lynton Place*

6 BMBC Darton Centre Project.

Linda updated members of project developments and pending November meeting.

7 Communications.

Action Points:

*Rebecca to put info re Stars Awards in Darton Arrow and on Face Book
Rebecca to email all categories for Star Awards to Alliance members
Dominic to place event on Twitter
Alice to invite Dan Jarvis to the Awards Ceremony
Sharon to confirm final date of event.*

8 A.O.B.

Linda gave an update on a link with YSP which could support future projects and priorities

Date and Time of Next meeting.

Monday, December 10th 2018 5 pm at the Darton Centre

Darton West Ward Alliance.

Notes of Meeting: Monday 10th December 2018, at the Darton Centre.

1 Welcome and Apologies.

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Linda Burgess, Ann Plant, Christina Carroll, Jason Gardener, Richard Haigh. North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.
Apologies: Cllr Sharon Howard, Tom West.

2 Notes of Meeting Monday, 5th November 2018.

The notes of the meeting were reviewed and agreed.

Action Points

*Rebecca to clarify with Christina and Dominic the procedures for the Darton defibrillator.
Rebecca to clarify availability and costs for 5/6 seats for siting in the ward
Rebecca to contact residents at Dearne Hall Road re a local consultation.
Linda to update any further issues re Redbrook Roundabout.
Dominic to survey seating provision across Ward.*

3 Ward Alliance Fund.

A The budget was updated and noted.

B WAF Applications.

Seat Benches across the Ward	Approved.
Kexbrough History Group heritage board	Approved.
Gawber History Group heritage board	Approved.

N.B Richard left the Meeting while discussions re: Gawber History Group took place.

Gawber History Group to commence self funding of room rental as soon as possible.

4 Ward Action Plan.

Deferred until next Meeting.

4b Greenspace Opportunities for 2019.

Linda updated members of the outcome of the meeting with Richard and Dominic re possible greenspace and environmental improvements

Action Points

Linda to attach a document with potential projects to minutes ready for consideration at the next meeting.

Rebecca to find out more information re: categories for Barnsley in Bloom.

5 North Area Council Updates.

Community Grants available up to £20,000 .More information from Rebecca as required.

6 BMBC Darton Centre Project.

Linda updated members of current progress.

7 Communications.

Nothing to Report.

8 A.O.B.

Planning for the 2019 Tour de Yorkshire 2019 in the Ward to be a future agenda item.

Ann raised issues re: litter at Birthwaite Hall layby.

Christina to alert Voice for Darton for future litter pick.

Darton Stars Awards will be Friday, 15th March 2019, at Barnsley Town Hall. 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm.

Date of Next Meeting.

Monday, 14th January 2019, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance

Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor

Minutes of 6th November 2018

1. In Attendance
Cllr Phil Lofts, Cllr Clive Pickering, Cllr Jo Newing, John Love, Bill (W)Gaunt, Lee Swift, Sheila Lowe, Luke Holmes,
2. Apologies -None
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting, agreed as correct record.
4. Matters Arising,
 - i. News Letter and website, Bill gave an overview of the Website, along with the number of visitors since April 2018, with some weeks achieving over 70 hits. Agreed to keep the website going, which will require some further funding in the future.
 - ii. Future funding applications, discussed St Paul's Church Hogmanay Ceilidh, which has previously had funding from the Ward Alliance.
 - iii. Kirsty Schofield has resigned, it was agreed to write to her thanking her for her contribution.
5. Funding Applications, two applications, a) Fencing at Brettas Park, approved subject to further quote. b) A. frame at Newhill Rd, approved.
6. Discussed ideas for further funding, Cresswell St, Hollingsworth Park / Sugdens Rec. SL suggested a path around the periphery.
7. Governance Framework relating to W.A. Framework has been slightly amended has gone out to consultation and is to go to Council, yet to be approved.
8. AOB.
9. Date, Time and Venue of Next meeting, 4th December 7pm at Edith Perry Room Barnsley Hospital.

Appendix Four:



St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting Thursday 8th November 2018, 4:00pm, Mansfield Road TARA

Present: Cllr Jenny Platts (Chair), Cllr Sarah Tattersall, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Tony Lowe, Madge Busby, John Hallows, Clyde Black, Kath Bostwick.

Apologies: Cllr Dave Leech, Neil Wright, Freda Stenton

Welcome and Introductions: Everyone was welcomed to the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting: Cllr Platts discussed the matter of the Ward Alliance funding for rent applications. It was agreed that if it was a new group applying for funding then we would fund for initial set up but not for long running groups.

Thanks, were sent from Pete Goodlad and the care leavers for the acceptance of their funding bids.

Kath Bostwick thanked Cllr Tattersall for her input into the gala.

Madge Busby reported that the Cook and Eat went very well over the school holidays. She was thanked for all her hard work.

Funding Applications: There were no funding applications submitted for this meeting.

There was a monitoring form from Crafty Crafters, Cllr Platts read it out. The event was a big success, and everyone enjoyed it. Pictures of the event are on TWIGGS website.

Events: Cllr Tattersall discussed the upcoming Christmas Events.

Sunday 2nd December is the New Lodge Community Centre event hosted by Ad Astra. They are running the event and providing the food. 2.30 – 6pm.

Wednesday 5th December is St Helens Church Hall. This is a Ward Alliance event, volunteers needed to serve drinks and food. Athersley South School Choir to attend. 4-6pm. There will be a food hamper and raffle tickets will be given to everyone who attends.

Thursday 6th December is the Community Shop. They are providing all food. Athersley North School Choir to attend. 4-6pm. There will be another food hamper at this event and raffle tickets will be given to all who attend.

The Memorial Tree service will be held on Wednesday 12th December. Times are yet to be decided.

Kath Bostwick to donate solar powered lights for the tree. Lee Swift to supply the cards for the tree.

Christmas food hampers are almost finished and will be taken to the individual events.

Gifts from Santa for the events will be selection boxes – 300 have been ordered and Lee Swift to sort out the budget for this.

The members suggested having the brass quartet attend the events – Lee Swift to look into it. Lee Swift discussed an event that is happening in the town centre, a 4-day event with them finishing on the 1st December with a big town parade. Lee said it was open for anyone to join. Christmas Trees for the events were discussed and Lee Swift is in discussions with TWIGGS for temporary trees to be placed. He is also arranging days for them to be delivered and volunteers to dress them.

Ward Plan: It was agreed that the Ward Plan would be discussed in our January meeting.

Secretary to add Ward Plan to January agenda.

Kath Bostwick discussed more people getting involved and finding ways to get them to join the Ward Alliance. Tony Lowe said that Michelle Cooper from Ad Astra was interested in joining.

Secretary to email Michelle with an application form.

Cllr Platts discussed holding a Sloppy Slippers event. It was discussed between the members and decided that it would need to take place after Christmas, February and that it could be tagged on to an event in the New Lodge Community Centre.

Secretary to put on agenda to discuss at next meeting.

Treasurers Report Lee Swift gave a report of £11,395.39 as of the 8th November.

Secretary's Report: Rebecca gave everyone the new dates for next years meetings. They were all agreed and Madge to book the TARA office for those dates.

Any other business: Cllr Platts read out the monitoring form from Crafty Crafters earlier in the meeting.

Lee Swift discussed the North Area Council magazine and asked for suggestions for future issues. It was suggested that it should have in who the Ward Alliance has funded.

The members said it was a good magazine with lots of information in it.

The meeting closed at 17.10pm.

Date and time of next meeting:

The next meeting will be on Thursday 20th December at 4pm at the TARA office, Mansfield Road.

Post Meeting Note: This meeting has been cancelled and the next meeting will take place on Thurs 24th January 2019, at 4pm, TARA Office, Mansfield Rd.

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