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<b>MEETING:</b>	North Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 18 November 2019
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 1 - Barnsley Town Hall

## AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

### Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 16th September, 2019 (Nac.18.11.2019/2) (Pages 3 - 6)

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- 4 Neighbourhood Services Overview - Mel Fitzpatrick & Anthony Devonport (Nac.18.11.2019/4)

### Items for Discussion

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### Items for Decision

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- 8 Young People's Health and Wellbeing Project Specification (Nac.18.11.2019/8) (Pages 55 - 92)
- 9 Stronger Communities Grant Budget and Process (Nac.18.11.2019/9) (Pages 93 - 102)

### Ward Alliances

- 10 Report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds (Nac.18.11.2019/10) (Pages 103 - 110)
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Darton East – held on 10<sup>th</sup> September, and 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2019  
Darton West – held on 16<sup>th</sup> September, and 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2019  
Old Town – held on 10<sup>th</sup> September, and 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2019  
St Helen's – held on 5<sup>th</sup> September, and 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

Councillors Leech (Chair), A. Cave, T. Cave, Charlesworth, Howard, Hunt, Lofts, Newing, Pickering, Platts, Spence and Tattersall

Area Council Support Officers:

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Friday, 8 November 2019



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<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 16 September 2019
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 1 - Barnsley Town Hall

## MINUTES

**Present** Councillors Leech (Chair), A. Cave, T. Cave, Charlesworth, Howard, Hunt, Lofts, Pickering, Platts, Spence and Tattersall

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

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

### 20 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on 22nd July 2019

The Area Council received the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North Area Council meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 21 RVS Grant Project Overview - RVS Manager - tentatively accepted

This item was deferred to be discussed at the next meeting of the North Area Council in November.

### 22 Commissioning, Project Development and Finance

The Area Council Manager introduced this item, providing Members with a financial position and forecast for expenditure based on the projects that have been proposed, highlighting all significant financial commitment. Projects discussed included: the Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project; the Clean and Green Service; the post of Housing Migration Officer (now Housing and Cohesion Officer); opportunities for Young People; Health and Wellbeing and the Stronger Communities Grant.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) Members noted the existing budget position, forecast for the funding commitments and current financial position;
- (ii) Members note that due to difficulties recruiting to the Housing Migration Officer post, the role profile has been amended and will be advertised shortly along with the vacant post for the Dearne Area Council;
- (iii) Members noted the recommendation regarding the Youth Participation Officers and the intention to hold a commissioning programme budget profile workshop.

## **23 The Fleets**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item, updating Members regarding the Fleets Nature Park project, highlighting the importance of this area from a wildlife perspective and also what the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust aims to achieve at The Fleets. Members felt that all the North Area Council wards would benefit from this exciting project and were enthusiastic and supportive.

**RESOLVED** that:

- (i) Members noted the background to the Fleets Nature Park project and agreed to make a significant financial contribution to the project following a workshop, and,
- (ii) The North Area Council Manager will speak to Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and make enquiries about RSPB involvement post 2020;

## **24 Performance Management Report - Commissioned Projects & Grant Summary - Q1**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item, providing Members with a comprehensive North Area Council Performance report for the period April – June 2019, highlighting various case studies where appropriate and how the various projects contributed to the Area Council's agreed outcomes and social value objectives. There are currently three live contracts: Twiggs, CAB & DIAL and DIAL (social Isolation) together with three contracted posts funded by the North Area Council: Housing Migration Officer and Youth Participation Officer (x2).

**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) That Members noted the contents of the Performance Management report;
- (ii) The Area Council Manager will arrange budget workshop meetings for the first two weeks of October.

## **25 Young People's Health and Wellbeing Project Development - to be tabled following the workshop on 12th September**

The Area Council Manager introduced this item, apprising Members of the discussions that took place at a recent stakeholder co-design workshop which explored the opportunity for a North Area Council funded young people's project.

It was explained that four distinct areas of work were identified: emotional resilience, transition age (8-13), empowerment (mentoring and peer support) and risky behaviour. The vision was that 'every young person, regardless of background, education or family circumstances, would have relevant access to service and opportunities that would inspire, motivate and enhance their current health, wellbeing

and aspirations to improve their future self'. This vision will be used within the specification.

Many ideas were generated at the workshop, with a 'Community Café' voted as the preferred service. Key considerations from the workshop: work with young people must start in schools, community based provision should take a whole family approach; school holidays provide a developmental opportunity. It was acknowledged that defining outcomes and production of a service specification will be a complicated and time consuming process.

**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) Members noted the update, particularly the aims, objectives and outcomes which were identified at the workshop together with the possible activities and interventions which would address them; and
- (ii) The Area Council Manager be tasked with using this information to draft a specification for the Young People's Priority project which will address the identified gaps and opportunities.

**26 Report of the Ward Alliance Fund**

The Area Council Manager updated the North Area Council on the financial position of the Ward Alliance budget for each ward. The difficulty of matched funding for some projects with volunteer hours was discussed along with the need for a lateral approach.

**RESOLVED:-** that

- (i) The report be noted, and
- (ii) Each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2019/20, in line with the guidance on spend.

**27 Notes from the Area's Ward Alliances**

The meeting received the notes from the following meetings: Darton East Ward Alliance held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019; Darton West Ward Alliance held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019; Old Town Ward Alliance held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019; and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The following updates were also provided:

*Darton East Ward* – The ward alliance are now raising funds for Christmas projects. Plans are in place for Christmas trees in four ward areas, with a lights switch-on for Mapplewell planned for the very first time. Events over the summer were very successful. Unfortunately there has been a spate of equipment being stolen. A number of applications have been received – for example, for Barnsley Youth Choir – but it is unclear how the local area will benefit from supporting them.

*Darton West Ward* – Dan Jarvis presented awards for the summer reading challenge on Saturday, with the library full of children who had read 6 books during the holidays. Thanks were expressed both to library staff and to Dan Jarvis. The 'Stars

of Darton' event is being planned for next March. Sponsorship is being sought for Christmas lights, with a Christmas event planned for Wilthorpe. All bulbs for planting have been ordered. The Northern Theatre project held a concert which proved to be worth the investment as it tied in with the young people's project, with children visibly growing in confidence over the 6 week period.

*Old Town* – Christmas tree orders have been signed off. Only two of the live trees from last year have survived. Some projects are currently awaiting approval. The Fleets project is the major project in the area. The website is proving successful and this year's carnival was very well attended. A gala for the canal is in planning but this needs more work. A defibrillator is to be installed inside Quarry View which will be available 24 hours.

*St Helens* – Christmas planning is underway but costs have increased from £1000 to £2500 even with hosting events in community buildings. Three young people have successfully completed an IKIC qualification at the community shop and will be presented with a trophy this Thursday. A 'sloppy slippers' event will be held in the community shop in late September/early October. Funding has been agreed with Barnsley TIAG to work with 16 to 19 year olds with mental health problems. Two of the Christmas trees planted last year have died, although the one at the Methodist Chapel and the one at the Community Shop are still living. A defibrillator is planned for the Roundhouse Medical Centre, these have been fitted at the Darby and Joan club, Darton LIFT building and Thompson's garage. There is a new minister at the local church and a new bench has been installed, with a plaque from the Ward Alliance

The Chair reported that South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (SYFRS) are campaigning for water safety as this is an area of under-performance. SYFRS will install a large notice board with a water throw line and unique identification number which will get straight through to the brigade control centre, fully funded by SYFRS. Members were asked to identify areas within their Wards which would benefit from this initiative.

The Chair also spoke about the Barnsley Armed Forces Walkway initiative, whereby commemorative stones can be purchased at a cost of £250 per stone for armed forces serving, fallen or retired who have a strong Barnsley connection. More details can be provided for those interested.

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

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Chair

**BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**North Area Council Meeting:**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

**Agenda Item: 5**

**Report of North Area Council  
Manager**

**Area Council Future Action Plan**

**1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 This report outlines the Area Councils future action plan following on from the Area Council review.

**2.0 Recommendation**

2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update with regards the future action plan for Area Councils

**3.0 Introduction**

3.1 In April 2019, the Area Chairs Liaison Group requested that a review be undertaken of the work of the Area Councils to enable a future development plan to be written, to take them to the next stage in their development.

A workshop was undertaken with the Area Chairs at this point to identify the scope and extent of the review and to identify methodologies for consultation with the wide range of partners involved with Area Councils. This scope was confirmed as:

**3.2 How we work with you:**

Check and Challenge role of Area Councils – how much is this done and how could it be done in the future?

Senior Management 'Link Officer' role – how is the role of the Link Officer working currently and how can we make the best use of it in the future?

Early planning for place-based approaches & role of Area Councils within this – how are Area Councils currently involved and how do they need to be involved in the future?

How does the work of Area Councils fit into the Council's and partners' wider strategies now and in the future?

**3.3 Impact:**

Telling our story, raising the profile of Area Councils (particularly locally) – how good are we at this, and how can we keep improving at this?

Measuring the right things – do we currently measure the right things in terms of impact & how could we keep improving this?

### 3.4 Commissioning cycle:

Use of data- how well do we currently use it and how could we use it better?

Planning and priority setting – how well is this currently done & could we improve this?

Use of budgets – are we getting the good value for money when we commission services and activities? Are there ways we can get better at this?

Member involvement – what role do members currently have in commissioning and what do we want this to look like in the future?

3.5 These questions were used as the basis for a series of workshops in May with the following stakeholders and partners:

- Area Chairs
- Elected members
- Officers and partners involved in delivery through Area Councils, including the SMT Link Officers

3.6 The workshops highlighted a range of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats which were written up into an Action Plan. The Action Plan can be found from point 4 of this report.

## 4.0 Area Council future action plan

<p><b><u>Section 1 - How we work with internal &amp; external partners and the wider strategic landscape</u></b></p> <p><b>Potential Actions</b></p>	<p><b>Target date for completion</b></p>	<p><b>Who would be responsible for development?</b></p>
<p>1.1 Expand coverage of Area Council and member role as part of new member induction</p>	<p>March 2010 in time for induction of any new members from 2020 local elections</p>	<p>Head of Stronger Communities Already underway through Member Development Working Group/Officer</p>
<p>1.2 Explore development of Area Council Link Officer role through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of Link Officer role at Area Chairs Liaison Group</li> <li>• Workshop session/s with Link Officers &amp; Area Managers to explore role in more detail following Area Chair discussion</li> <li>• Development of guidance for Link Officers if needed after workshop session/s</li> </ul>	<p>October 2019  December 2019  March 2020</p>	<p>Head of Stronger Communities</p>



1.3 Explore potential links between Integrated Wellbeing Teams, Primary Care Networks and Area Governance structures	Dependent upon Integrated Care programme – currently unknown	Director of Communities & Service Director SSH Communities to explore once Integrated Care model approved by Cabinet
<p><b><u>Section 1 - How we work with internal &amp; external partners and the wider strategic landscape</u></b></p> <p><b>Potential Actions</b></p>	<b>Target date for completion</b>	<b>Who would be responsible for development?</b>
1.4 Share good practice across Area Councils through Member Talkabout sessions to share good practice	2019/20 session to take place before 31/03/20  One session per year to be programmed in annually by Member Development Group	Member Development Group/Officer
1.5 Develop guidance and processes around the role of Area Councils in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Escalation of issues arising from Area Councils (either singly or together) which require consideration or action at a strategic level</li> <li>Considering the effectiveness of services delivered within their communities, in partnership with those responsible for the management of these services</li> </ul>	March 2020	Area Chairs Head of Stronger Communities + Area Managers

<p><b><u>Section 2 – Impact of the Area Council’s work</u></b></p> <p><b>Potential actions</b></p>	<b>Target date for completion</b>	<b>Who would be responsible for development?</b>
2.1 Explore ways to make work of Area Councils more visible in communities through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a Communications Plan &amp; more effective promotion</li> <li>Development of branding/logo for Area Councils</li> <li>Better promotion of Area Council work through Area Team Facebook pages</li> <li>Area Chairs to take on role of leading on direction &amp; delivery of Area Council Communications work</li> </ul>	Communications Plan to be developed by Head of Stronger Communities, Area Managers & Communications Team by 31/03/20  Area Chairs to take on role of directing this work from April 2020	Head of Stronger Communities, Area Managers + Communications Team
2.2 Develop methods for consistently sharing	Review of circulation	Head of Stronger Communities +

<p>evaluation, best practice &amp; learning that can be shared more widely, through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of circulation list for quarterly case study performance reports with internal and external partners</li> <li>• Development of impact reporting for Area Councils to accompany case study performance reports</li> <li>• Development of member Talkabouts as outlined in 1.4</li> </ul> <p>* Identified as key action in recent BMBC Peer Review</p>	<p>list by 30/10/19</p> <p>Development of impact reporting methods by 31/03/19</p> <p>2019/20 Member Talkabout session to take place before 31/03/20</p> <p>One session per year to be programmed in annually by Member Development Group</p>	<p>Area Managers</p> <p>Member Development Group/Member Development Officer</p>
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<p><b><u>Section 3 – Commissioning cycle, including priority setting, use of budgets &amp; member involvement</u></b></p> <p><b>Potential actions</b></p>	<p><b>Target date for completion</b></p>	<p><b>Who would be responsible for development?</b></p>
<p>3.1 Continue use of Social Return on Investment to assess and promote impact of Area Council work</p>	<p>Ongoing – to be reviewed annually</p>	<p>Head of Stronger Communities + Area Managers</p>
<p>3.2 Develop guidance to support Area Councils to decide where use of SROI methodologies is/is not appropriate, to be used in conjunction with SROI toolkit currently under development through Social Value Group</p>	<p>March 2020</p>	<p>Head of Stronger Communities + Member Development Working Group/Officer</p>
<p>3.3 Improve consistency and effectiveness of Area Council delivery through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Standardising frequency of priority setting process for Area Councils &amp; explore best practice in priority setting</li> <li>• Exploring methods to better use locally available intelligence from Ward Alliances and community consultations</li> <li>• Exploring methods to ensure that Area Council work aligns with &amp; does not duplicate/replace mainstream provision</li> <li>• Agreeing process for challenges that are experienced across several areas or innovations in service delivery developed by Area Councils to be brought forward for further consideration by SMT</li> </ul>	<p>April – September 2020</p>	<p>Series of workshops with Area Chairs, Area Managers &amp; Business Improvement</p>
<p><b><u>Section 3 – Commissioning cycle, including priority setting, use of</u></b></p>	<p><b>Target date for completion</b></p>	<p><b>Who would be responsible for development?</b></p>

<p><b><u>budgets &amp; member involvement</u></b></p> <p><b>Potential actions</b></p>		
<p>3.4 Area Chairs to work with Area Councils to assess level of interest in training for members in commissioning/procurement Develop member training for those wanting to become involved if sufficient numbers come forward</p>	<p>December 2019</p>	<p>Member Working Group/Officer Head of Strategic Procurement</p>
<p>3.5 Large scale review needed of data provided to Area Councils as not currently fit for purpose for either priority setting or commissioning (to include development of suitable proxies where up to date data not available and explore what data is held by other parts of BMBC or partners which could be useful)</p>	<p>December 2020</p>	<p>BIIT Team Population Health Management Unit</p>

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**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**North Area Council Meeting:**

**18<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Agenda item: 6**

**Report of  
North Area Council Manager**

**North Area Council – 2019/20 Quarter 2 (July - Sept 2019)**  
**Performance Management Cover Report for Commissioned Projects and**  
**Stronger Communities Projects**

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

- 1. Members note the contents of the Performance Management Report Attached, Appendix 1.**

**Background**

A comprehensive North Area Council Performance Report for the period July – September 2019 (2029/20 Quarter 2) has been produced and is attached, Appendix 1.

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

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

The information provided in Part A reflects information gathered from each contract for the period July – September 2019.

**Contracted Service Providers:**

- CAB & DIAL – Community Outreach Project
- Twiggs Grounds Maintenance – Creating a cleaner, greener environment in partnership with local people
- DIAL – Social Isolation and Warm Homes

**Area Council Funded Posts**

- Housing Migration Officer (post currently vacant)

**Part B** provides North Council members with a summary performance management report for each of the contracted services for 2019/20 Quarter 2 (July - September 2019). The report provides RAG ratings plus updated information from all North Area Council Providers, following submission of their quarterly reports and subsequent quarterly contract monitoring/management meetings.

The report provides a link between the commissioned services and the Public Health Outcomes: <https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/public-health-outcomes-framework>

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

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

### **Performance Report –Issues**

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

### **Appendices**

**Appendix 1:** North Council Performance Management Report - Quarter 2 2019/20 (July – September).

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**NORTH AREA COUNCIL**

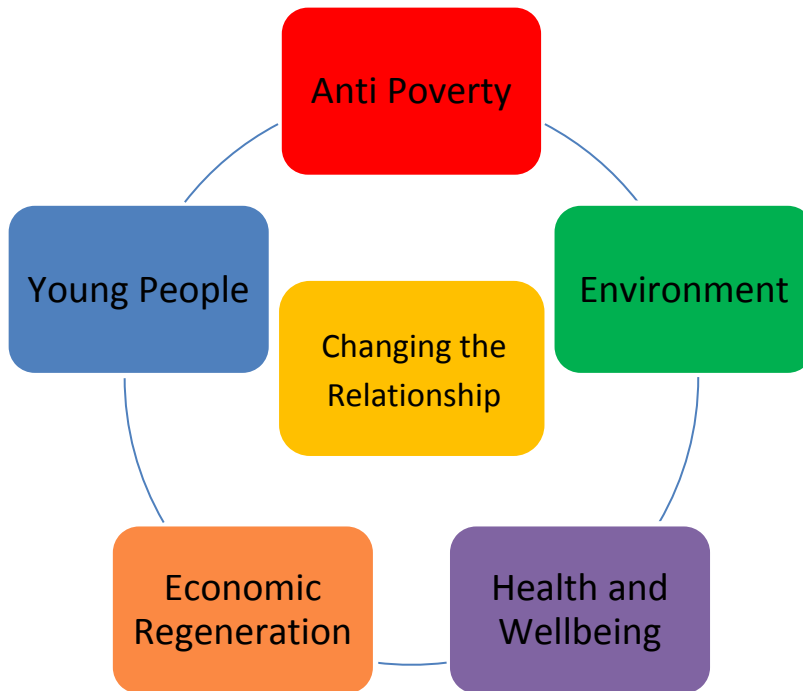
**Project Performance Report**

**Q2 2019/20 (July - September 2019)**

**November 2019**

**INTRODUCTION**

**North Area Council Priorities**



**Contributing to the following Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:**

<b>THRIVING &amp; VIBRANT ECONOMY</b>	<b>PEOPLE ACHIEVING THEIR POTENTIAL</b>	<b>STRONG &amp; RESILIENT COMMUNITIES</b>
<p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1: Create more and better jobs</li> <li>2: Increase skills to get more people working</li> <li>5: Create more and better housing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7: Reducing demand through improving access to early help</li> <li>8: Children and adults are safe from harm</li> <li>9: People are healthier, happier independent and active</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10: People volunteering and contributing towards stronger communities</li> <li>11: Protecting the borough for future generations</li> </ul>



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

	Service	Provider	Contract Value/length	Contract start date	Updates
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Financial Inclusion Service	CAB & DIAL	£148,120 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Financial Inclusion Service	CAB & DIAL	£190,000 2 years (+1yr)	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	<b>Contract Live – Performing well</b>
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2014	C&K Careers	£39,410 9 months	April 2014	Contract Concluded
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2015	C&K Careers	£45,000 18 months	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Young People</b>	Summer Holiday Internship 2016	C&K Careers	£31,550 18 months	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Environmental enforcement	Kingdom Security	£ 54,771 1 year + £81,844 8 months	4 <sup>th</sup> August 2014  August 2015 – March 2016	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Environmentenforcement	Kingdom Security	£120,640 per annum (1yr+1yr+1yr)	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Clean & Green Community Development	Forge c/o Anvil CIC	£150,192 2 years	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Contract Concluded
<b>Environment</b>	Clean & Green Community Development	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd	£169,932 2 year (+1 year)	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2017	<b>Contract Live</b>
<b>Economic Regeneration</b>	Small Business Development Survey	Barnsley Business and Innovation Centre	£2,250  £5,000 - 6months	Aug 2016  April 2017	Survey  Biz Surgeries
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Healthy Eating Project	South & West Yorkshire (NHS) Foundation Trust	£98,893 18 months	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	Contract Concluded - April 2016
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Social Isolation and Cold Homes	DIAL	£150,000 2 years (+1year)	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2018	<b>Contract Live</b>

## PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

2 contracts have formally completed their contract monitoring/contract management reporting for Q1 2018/19. The following tables therefore reflect the overview of performance of **3 live contracts only**. These contracts are:

- Twiggs – Year 2, Q4
- CAB & DIAL - Contract 2, Year 2, Q4
- DIAL (Social Isolation) – Year 1, Q4

The North Area also funds 3 contracted posts:

- Housing Migration Officer (post currently vacant)

## Anti-Poverty

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
CAB & DIAL Contract		
Number of financial / debt settlements negotiated	Q4	19
Cases of homelessness prevented	Q4	11
Overall benefit gain (in £)	Q4	£618,667
Debt Managed (in £)	Q4	£246,084
Home environment (regardless of tenure) – Social Isolation & Cold Homes		
Savings derived as a result of energy switching (in £)	Q4	£12,268

## Young People

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
Number of young people engaged by Youth Participation Officers (11-13yrs)	NA	46
Number of young people engaged by Youth Participation Officers (14-19yrs)	NA	89
Number of sessions delivered by Youth Participation Workers	N/A	36

N.B. New performance indicators will be developed when the young people's project is defined.







## Environment: Education & Support

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
<b>Public Spaces - Twiggs</b>		
Number of local businesses supported at planned events	60	25%
Number of new groups formed with support of Twiggs	4	100%
Number of hours of volunteering generated	1200	89%
Number of volunteers trained in horticultural skills	32	228%
<b>Private Rented Homes - Housing Migration Officer</b>		
Number of vulnerable households identified	Total	83
Number of properties improved because of service intervention	Total	73
Number of requests to landlords (both formal and informal)	Total	59
Number of community protection written warnings issued	Total	19
<b>Home environment (regardless of tenure) – Social Isolation &amp; Cold Homes</b>		
Numbers of household receiving heating and energy efficiency measures. (Energy Switching)	30	183%
Number of volunteers trained to deliver home energy advice and energy switching sessions	Y1 – 5	180%

## Health and Wellbeing

Performance Indicator	Target	Achieved to date
<b>Anti-Poverty – CAB &amp; DIAL</b>		
Local residents experienced improved health and wellbeing	N/A	78%
Local people feel more able to manage their own affairs	N/A	85%
<b>Home environment (regardless of tenure) – Social Isolation &amp; Cold Homes</b>		
Individual needs assessments completed	75	69%
Reduction in feelings of loneliness and isolation within the client group	N/A	17
Improvement in Mental Wellbeing of residents	N/A	28
Number of new social networking groups	10	10%

## Twiggs Grounds Maintenance

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

Extract from the providers quarterly narrative report:

Performance Indicator	Yr 2 Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Cumulative
Twiggs social action events	12	16	23	24	32	95
Community groups supported	12	20	5	14	9	48
Areas adopted by residents	4	2	0	2	3	7
Volunteers recruited to Twiggs events	48	78	176	113	163	530
Areas of blight targeted	100	37	38	32	61	168
Local business engagement	60	10	25	15	22	72
Restorative justice sessions	4	0	0	0	0	0
Local spend	90%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%

Hot Spots - The following areas have been identified:

1. Old Town Ward – Honeywell Lane, litter issue. There is no bin as it was removed.
2. Old Town – Walton Street Ginnel, issue with alcohol bottles and cans, and evidence of drug use
3. Darton East Ward – Layby towards the bottom of Spark Lane
4. Darton West – Brookhill/ Birthwaite Road, issues with litter from students of local school
5. Darton West – Barnsley Road, One Stop Shop area
6. St Helens Ward – Mansfield Road ginnel, Athersley North
7. St Helens Ward - Stoney Road Footpath
8. St Helens Ward – Laxton Road ginnel
9. St Helens Ward – Lindhurst Road
10. St Helens Ward – Carlton Road

### Supported Projects – Details for Evidencing

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019** – Athersley North Primary School Gala, St Helens

#### **Athersley North Primary School**

Hosting a stall at Athersley North Primary School Gala. The idea of our stall at the Gala was to plant a seed (Peas) in a pot and teach the children do this independently. 15 children took part in the activities. We also engaged with the parents, giving them information on who we are and what we do in the community.

The children really enjoyed the activity, and are very keen to be involved in incredible edible type projects in their community. Once the Gala had finished we donated a bird house for the school to put up near the poly tunnel in their grounds as a thank you for the opportunity to work together.

**Number of School Pupils Involved - 15**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019** – Summer Lane – Old Town

#### **Working with Summer Lane Primary School**

Working in the community on West Road with 8 school children and their teacher. We litter picked 8 large bags of litter from the area and footpath leading to Stocks Lane.



**Total Volunteer Hours – 18**

**Number of School Pupils involved - 8**

*Signature/ details obtained for evidencing purposes*

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019** – Staincross Common, Thorne end road footpath – Darton East  
We arrived at the footpath and prepared the tools for the volunteers. We worked with 6 local people to shovel, scrape and sweep the area. We collected all the green waste for disposal. We also got 1 sack of dog foul from the footpath. Our work opened up the footpath making it more accessible and safer to use.



Number of Adult Volunteers - 6

Number of Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Number of Volunteers – 6**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 2

Number of New Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Volunteer Hours - 12**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019** – Darton Park – Darton East

**Working with Darton Welfare Bowling Club**

Working with the members trimming the bowling green hedges back. We had 12 members cleared the green waste, while we faced up the inside of the hedges and then topped them to give them a neater and tidy appearance. To finish off we then trimmed the outside of the hedge so it appeared well from all directions.



Number of Adult Volunteers - 12

Number of Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Number of Volunteers – 12**

Number of New Adult Volunteers – 9

Number of New Young Volunteers – 0

**Total Volunteer Hours – 24**

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

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

## CAB & DIAL 2

	RAG
Health and Wellbeing	●
Anti Poverty	●
Changing the Relationship	●
Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.	●
Milestones achieved	●
Outcome indicator targets met	●
Social value targets met	●
Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

### Extract from Performance report

Since the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019, advisers from both organisations have provided information and advice to 407 client contacts, supported clients to claim £618,667 of welfare benefits and manage £246,084 of debt.

This brings the total estimated benefit gain for this year to £2,445,600 and the debt managed stands at £426,768.

As in previous reports, the majority of clients for both organisations accessed the service for help with benefit related issues. The generalist adviser from CAB has also supported clients with a range of other issues including debt, relationship and family issues, employment and legal support.

YTD, we have assisted a total of 1,538 client contacts and of these 953 have required help with form filling – a total of 62% of the clients, majority of which are related to the benefits system.



## **Case Study 1**

The client had made a claim for Personal Independence Payment and was not happy with the decision. The client had been awarded 8 points for daily living activities (standard rate help with personal care) and 10 points for his mobility needs (standard rate help with getting around). DIAL undertook a case review and completed a Mandatory Reconsideration to challenge the decision, highlighting points that may be incorrect or have been missed by the decision maker. We also informed the client how important it was to get supporting medical evidence and what type of medical evidence would be suitable.

Following the Mandatory Reconsideration the decision was overturned and the client was awarded the enhanced rate mobility component and standard rate daily living component.

The client was awarded £61.20 mobility and £58.70 daily living.

The client now has more money to live on, their stress and anxiety levels are much lower and they are not as pessimistic about the future. The client is now able to get out more and engage more within the community.

The client said "I was really worried about challenging the decision as I was scared I might lose what I had been awarded but the advice I received from DIAL was spot on and they gave me the confidence I needed to appeal"

\*CAB and DIAL's 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.	
1.09	Sickness absence rate
1.15	Statutory homelessness
Health improvement	
Objective 2: people are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities	
2.23	Self-reported well being
Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality	
Objective 4: Reduce numbers of people living with preventable ill health and people dying prematurely, whilst reducing the gap between communities	
4.13	Health related quality of life for older people
4.15	Excess Winter Deaths

## Housing Migration Officer – Report received January 2019

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

### Purpose of Post

To ensure compliance with the legislation and statutory obligations of the Council dealing with poor housing and environmental conditions in the Private Rented Sector, ensuring effective regulation with a balanced proactive and reactive approach through the discharging of informal, formal and legal actions. Contribute to improved standards in the local private rented sector and stability for both tenants and landlords.

- Provide advice, guidance and support in accordance with approved Council policies, procedures and statutory responsibilities pertaining to private sector housing and the environment.
- To pro-actively engage and liaise with internal and external stakeholders including tenants, landlords, members of the public and partners, developing strong and cohesive working relationships.
- Respond to requests for service, investigate complaints and provide advice on sub-standard housing conditions in the private rented sector.
- Contribute to the development and delivery of a highly visible proactive approach to raising standards of poor quality private sector housing across the Borough.

## **Extract from Performance Report**

*N.B. This post is currently vacant*

### **CASE STUDY**

*N.B. This post is currently vacant*

Improving the wider determinants of health	
Objective 1: improvements against wider factors which affect health and wellbeing and health inequalities.	
1.01i	Children in low income families (all dependent children under 20)
1.06ii	Adults in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation
1.15	Statutory homelessness
1.17	Fuel Poverty
1.18i	Social Isolation: Percentage of adult social care users 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	
2.23	Self-reported well being
Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality	
Objective 4: Reduce numbers of people living with preventable ill health and people dying prematurely, whilst reducing the gap between communities	
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## Youth Participation Officers – contract commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> Aug '18



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

**Purpose:**

*N.B. This post is currently vacant*

Improving the wider determinants of health	
Objective 1: improvements against wider factors which affect health and wellbeing and health inequalities.	
1.01i	Children in low income families (all dependent children under 20)
1.03	Pupil Absence
1.04	First time entrants into the youth justice system
Health improvement	
Objective 2: people are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities	
2.09	Smoking prevalence at age 15

## DIAL (Social Isolation) – Contract commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018

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

### Service Outline

The service will include two social isolation workers who will conduct home visits and assess the needs of both the individual and their home environment. Support and advice will be offered to help people become more social integrated, leading to greater resilience. There will also be advice given regarding energy switching and varying behaviour patterns within the home to maximise warmth and ventilation. The model will also include recruiting a team of volunteers who will be trained as home energy champions.

### Delivery Update – Extract from performance report

#### **At a Glance – Service Highlights**

- 98 home visits undertaken by Social Inclusion Workers /Volunteers
- 25 Individual Needs Assessments undertaken
- 19 Home Energy Assessments undertaken
- 17 residents signed up to priority register
- 6 Energy Switch outreach sessions delivered
- 154 volunteering hours were contributed

#### **Volunteers**

Two new volunteer has been recruited through our rolling recruitment programme. Both have opted for the role of Happy Café helper and have completed all of their induction training. Other volunteer roles include hOurbank helpers, befrienders in social groups to meet and greet, one-to-one befriending and energy champions.

Volunteers contributed a total of 154 hours which equates to a volunteer investment of £2085

## **Networking**

Our Social Inclusion Workers have spent time networking and raising the profile of the new service during the last quarter including:

## **Promotional events**

- 11 June - Making Space - Carers Day - Priory Campus
- 19 June - Barnsley CVS NHS Long Term Plan Event
- 23 July - New Lodge Gala
- 15 August - DIAL Family Day Ad Astra - New Lodge Community Centre

## **Service Delivery**

During the last quarter we have undertaken 98 home visits to complete individual needs assessments and home energy assessments as well as follow-up support as outlined in individual engagement plans

We have continued to promote the benefits of Priority Register and now have 38 people signed up. We have also successfully applied for Warm Home Discount for a further 12 people.

Our fortnightly outreach sessions continue to support people to switch energy and we have recently teamed up with Romero Project to deliver energy advice sessions on a weekly basis at their premises.

We launched our Happy Café in Mapplewell at the beginning of September and had 5 members sign up. The café will run weekly every Thursday afternoon.

We identified a gap in provision that appealed to men under the age of 65. As a result of this we met with Pete Goodlad from Athersley Rec FC and identified a space there to set up a gardening project. We also met with Creative Minds to discuss any potential funding available to help with set up. We are hoping to have something established by the New Year.

## **hOurbank North**

The hOurbank Photography Group have now completed their course and held their photography exhibition at the Community Shop at Athersley. We are hoping to move the exhibition to the Cooper Gallery in the near future to promote the benefits of volunteering to a wider audience. The group will continue meeting on Thursday afternoons, combining with the cochet group to become an activity-based club.

15 people completed the walk leader training that hOurbank had organised and will be signed off by Walk Well Barnsley by the end of September.

## **Case Studies-Reducing Cold Homes**

### **Before Warm Connections**

Ms C attended the Outreach session at Athersley

Ms C is a 46 year old woman who lives with her partner.

She has depression and anxiety and takes medication.

Her depression and anxiety are made worse by money worries and not being able to pay bills.

Ms C is receiving Universal Credit only and is on a low income.

Ms C advised us that she was £500.00 in arrears to Npower.

She also informed us that she had recently been given a Debt Relief Order.

We arranged a home visit with her to undertake a Home Energy Assessment.

### **Interventions provided by Warm Connections**

We undertook a Home Energy Assessment with Ms C and as part of this we discussed energy saving advice including considering using draft excluders and a curtain for her front door to keep in more heat.

We contacted Npower to discuss why the arrears on her account had not been cleared and was advised that they were unaware of this and they would look into this matter.

We also applied for Warm Home Discount and Priority Register.

We undertook an energy price comparison.

### **After Warm Connections**

Npower subsequently contacted us and informed us that they had found details of the Debt Relief order and subsequently cleared arrears from Ms C's account.

Ms C will receive her Warm Home Discount of £140 in March 2020.

Ms C changed her energy supplier with a saving of £276 per annum.







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<b>Health improvement</b>	
<b>Objective 2: people are helped to live healthy lifestyles, make healthy choices and reduce health inequalities</b>	
2.23	Self-reported well being
2.24	Emergency hospital admissions due to falls in people 65 and over
<b>Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality</b>	
<b>Objective 4: Reduce numbers of people living with preventable ill health and people dying prematurely, whilst reducing the gap between communities</b>	
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## PART C – COMMUNITY GRANTS SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT

APRIL 2019 – MARCH 2020

SERVICE	PRIORITY	PROJECT TITLE	COST	START	END	REPORTS
Emmanuel Church	Young People	Ignite	£ 13,205.67	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019
YMCA	Young People	YMCA Youth Work	£ 19,315.00	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019
Ad Astra	Young People	SWAG & MAD	£ 19,730.00	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019
RVS	Health and Wellbeing	Looking out for older people	£ 19,557.00	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019
Darton Cricket Club	Health and Wellbeing	Cricket Practice Facility	£ 19,000.00	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019
Reds In The Community	Health and Wellbeing	Health Lifestyles Programme	£ 8,551.38	April 2019	March 2020	Report submitted July 2019

## Emmanuel Church - Ignite

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

### Project Summary:

Ignite Barnsley

Since the release of the green paper on 'Transforming Children and Young Peoples Mental Health Provision' in 2017 there has been a sharp increase in the awareness of schools to provide mental health awareness within their setting. Unfortunately, schools across the area are struggling to fulfil this due to the increasing strains on the already limited school budgets. This has meant that even though schools are aware that they need to provide this, they are having to compromise the safeguarding of students' mental health due to limited funds.

Ignite works with children and young people to encourage them to discover their strengths, make positive choices and promote individuality through good mental health. The project works with small groups of children and young people in both school and community group settings to help spark aspirations and enable them to children and young people reach their potential.

### Performance Summary (extract from quarterly report):

This quarter got off to slow start with it containing the summer holidays. However this time when the schools were not open meant that the team were able to prepare for the upcoming year. It also enable the team to write new materials and to develop the programme that we can offer schools.

As a team we are still struggling to get into schools to deliver the work. We have tried all methods of communication but with little success. In the past we have asked our colleagues at Mindspace to the promote the work and this in the past has been successful. The main issue is that not many schools have heard about the project other than the schools that we have previously worked with. I have a meeting with Mindspace in the coming weeks so I will be asking if there is a possibility of this again.

This quarter we have worked specifically on promoting ourselves with key organisations. To this we have attended various meetings. For example with the North Area Council and the CCG. This has led to positive relationships with these key people but also with other people who were attending the meetings as they were good networking opportunities.





We continue to meet with schools to review the impact of the sessions and to promote the sessions in new primary and secondary schools that the team have not worked with in the past.

The weekly group for children and young people at the Smithies Caravan Site still continues. We regularly have around 15 children and young people who come along to the group. Due to the nature of the group the Preventative Mental Health promotion is done through conversations and conversations rather than a full teaching course. This seems to be working well and the team are beginning to be accepted in the tight-knit community.

**Case Studies:**

1. The sessions had an enormous impact on one young person in particular at Holy Trinity School. James year 7 student who attended one of the group sessions was recently diagnosed with autism. He had found the transition to secondary school a difficult change in his life. Since attending the sessions, he has developed many life skills. James now has the confidence to attend several school clubs and now is beginning to settle into the school.
2. Matthew is one of the young people in the year 6 group at Laithes Primary school. A few weeks ago, the team looked at the topic of anger. They looked at what the emotion looks like, how people display it and some positive coping mechanisms for when children feel angry. Matthew found the session useful, he came back a few weeks later to tell the team that he had been struggling with his anger during his football training. The session had inspired him to speak to his coach to ask for a time out card. This small adjustment has meant that he is able to continue training and not to get into trouble whilst he is at training.

## YMCA – YMCA Youthwork

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

### **Project Summary:**

Provide opportunities for children and young people in the North Area to engage with and explore activities, information and guidance that equips them to make better lifestyle choices and less likely to engage in behaviour detrimental to the health of themselves, their families and the wider community. Through the provision of generic open access and detached youth work, targeted outreach, and specialist community engagement events and initiatives.

Building on previous and existing programmes in this area we intend to work alongside communities to explore some of their expressed and perceived wellbeing needs, some of which are already identified as priorities within local Public Health frameworks.

We will be offering a regular weekly open access detached programme of youth work together with weekly centre based provision as a feeder and entry platform into our more focused programmes.

### **Performance Summary (extract from quarterly report):**

YSI continues to attract young people from the north area, our recent detached work in this area has gone some way to attracting young people to this provision.

As a staff team we have supported the transition of some young people from junior provision who have later also brought friends and siblings along. This transition can be quite challenging for some young people, however we are confident that the culture and ethos created by existing older members is supportive and importantly none hierarchical.

The new member influx coincided as expected, with the moving on of some of our older members, college and work have become a priority. This has created an opportunity for some of our remaining established members to step into peer support roles ensuring new, younger members are welcomed and embedded safely into Y Stay In. Whilst our staff team have encouraged and supported the development of these roles, it has largely been an organic process whereby established members have automatically and perhaps without considering their actions, simply stepped up. Our older more established members have shown incredible maturity and innovation when discussing how we oil the wheels of change and assist

We continue to work with and alongside a number of young people in the care system, and some with SEN's. We liaise with other agencies, providers and families in some cases in order that we maintain the best provision for that individual as we possibly can.

C-card scheme and monthly Public Health sessions remain in place and demand for these services is steadily increasing.

As part of national and regional campaigns, young people and mental health is a theme that has carried through the last weeks and will continue up to Christmas. The members have highlighted this as an issue and we are exploring creative ways in which to sensitively explore this subject area, mindful that a number of our membership are engaging with other agencies that work in the field of mental health.

#### North area detached

Our summer activity has gone from strength to strength and has maintained increasing numbers of young people on Thursday evening largely in Kexborough park (Priestly Av) Ages ranging from 10 to 18 years with a core of participants aged 13-15 years. We feel the specific targeted wellbeing activity sessions throughout the summer have gone some way to help us build on our trust and participation in the community.

Older young people that often popped up in the park but kept their distance are now engaging fully with activities and taking responsibility for younger ones. Parents often come along to sessions, 1 or 2 even participate. One 18-year-old resident often helps to facilitate / referee activities as an informal volunteer. We are moving towards having the conversation with him about formalising this in the future when the time is right.

Like many parks, Kexborough suffers from littering, a hot topic for discussion between the group and parents. We have purchased litter picking equipment and each activity session now starts with a thorough pick. It is pleasing and very welcome to witness the enthusiasm of this group when armed with litter pickers and bag hoops. Of course with this activity comes along the conversations about our immediate environment and how our efforts contribute positively to the wider world. Talks about recycling, what the council does with our waste? landfill and what it is? and plastics impact on the planet (and their park) are not uncommon.

We have been approached by 2 older young people about stopping smoking, this is not the first time for this request from young people in this area. We provided info and contact details and will monitor this in coming weeks to see if they follow through and engage with services.

We are hoping to maintain the momentum of this group as we approach winter by seeking an indoor space. We are in negotiations with Berneslai homes to explore the option of utilising the community bungalow on Priestly Avenue. The young people have already discussed ideas for an indoor programme, we are hopeful we can make this happen one way or another.

#### **Case Study: Transition**

Young people appear to be forever in transition. School, college, work, home, family and friend dynamics all change. Occasionally change may come about through individual choice, frequently however the change arises via the things life throws up as young people attempt to navigate the highways and byways of growing up, none of it their choice.

Transitioning into adulthood is particularly frustrating and often a stressful time for lots of young people. In recent months we have witnessed many of the young people attending our

provision leave school, start college, embark on relationships, take exams, grieve, move home, move counties / countries and start work. It is hardly surprising some young people when faced with one or more of these changes present behaviour or simply a general demeanour that might suggest to us as professionals that a young person might not be having the best of times of late.

Discussing this subject in staff debriefs and meetings we considered whether we were actually doing enough? As a staff team and organisation are we being as proactive as we ought to be when planning and evaluating our programmes? Are we picking up on the right signals?

Having a notice board full of positive messages and phone numbers for specialist agencies is fine, having the appropriate leaflets in our backpacks whilst on detached sessions is great, but these are merely 2 parts to a massive jigsaw and whilst as youth workers we can't bring every piece to the table, we can do better.

We discussed individuals attending our sessions, not just the ones who had presented with issues or worries or fears but those also who we've witnessed sitting quietly alone from time to time, those displaying unusual behaviour from that we are familiar with. We discussed how we could change our practice to allow appropriate time and space for young people to feel safe enough to speak openly and honestly about their feelings and emotions, or simply to be able to vent or grumble or indeed laugh about the kind of day they've had. Deciding we needed to do more was easy, choosing what to do was indeed another thing and we needed the help of the young people attending our sessions.

Over a number of weeks, we began exploring this with young people we knew often struggled or had anxieties about certain aspects of their lives, particularly those leaving school and moving onto college after a heavy exam schedule.

Young people began to create their own 'positive messages board' on a weekly basis this is reviewed by the young people and tweaked, changed or added to. A positive messages encyclopaedia is currently being created, its intention is never to be finished, always in transition but something that can be shared and reflected upon on the coffee table for all to access.

One young woman who experiences anxiety and has panic attacks has come forward with ideas that will help her and others feel safer and less embarrassed when she / they experience episodes of increased anxiety. In a youth club setting this has meant opening up other areas of our building that are designated quiet spaces. 3 young men, close friends of this young woman have come up with their plan for when they witness change in their friend, all 3 having clear roles within 'Y Stay In' youth club.





Our staff team who are all qualified mental health first aiders are seeking out further CPD opportunities that will improve our practice and understanding of mental and emotional health in young people. Collectively as an organisation from the youngest of members to the 'oldest' of board members we are discussing / workshopping / creating a piece of work that will become our pledge or promise to those attending our provision.

Whilst we have established and successful peer support and young volunteer pathways in place. Our intention is to create specific mental health and emotional wellbeing ambassadors within our programmes. These are roles that will be negotiated and developed by young people for young people, with support and guidance through our staff team.

I look forward to being part of this transition together with our staff team and the young people that attend our provision.

Jeff Platts Oct 19

## Ad Astra Barnsley CIC – New Lodge

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

### Project Summary:

#### SWAG – STRONGER WOMEN AND GIRLS

The core of our company’s philosophy is about raising the aspirations of everyone we work with from children and young people to their extended families and the wider community. When we are working with a group we aim to raise their aspirations, raise their confidence and self-esteem and enable the individuals we work with to share their skills and strive towards helping and enhancing their local community.

This individual project is about empowering and building on the above-mentioned skills with women of all ages. The intention is to run two groups in two wards.

- One for young women (aged 12 +) – MIND AND DANCE (MAD)
- One for ladies of all ages - WELL WOMENS GROUP.

MAD is a dance project to nurture and promote positive mental health for young women aged between 13 to 18. The physical movement of dance helps reduce stress, anxiety and depression, dancing with others also helps us feel more connected and social. Dancing can encourage social bonds and friendships which are key factors in improving our mood and mental health.

WWG is a discussion group for women to promote positive mental Health. This group is to encourage positive role models and peer support for women to share information and skills. To create a safe environment for women to start intimate important conversations – to help resolve issues and nurture positive relationships.

Both groups will aim to promote positive mental health and a sense of well-being for all participants. In the MAD group the additional action will be improved physical health which in turn can enhance improved Mental Health

These groups will run in two wards Old Town and St Helens.



## **Performance Summary (Extract from performance report):**

We have got the four groups up and running and all have gained new members this quarter. We have had a really busy couple of months with the New Lodge WWG as we organised an Afternoon Tea for September where over 60 people joined us in St Pauls Church Hall for a full menu of great food and 12 of our group joined in and volunteered for the session and £500 was raised for the Homeless in Barnsley. The group have changed their mind about the "One Good Day" as research has shown that local drug users often claim to be homeless and the actual people who are homeless miss out on what is actually intended for them so they are currently looking into the best establishment to give the £500 to – they would like it to be local and they want to give them the money to enable them organisation to purchase resources that will go the more needy.

The two groups are currently on with their next activities. New Lodge are hoping to do 20 Rucksacks for the Ruck Sack Appeal and they are organising the Christmas Light Turn on at New Lodge Centre and the Old Town group are having a stall at the St Pauls Christmas Fair to raise funds for The Uplift Choir which hires St Pauls Church for their rehearsals.

We had 12 women from the groups volunteering for the Afternoon Tea and we have four of our New Lodge group working for the centre at New Lodge and two working in St Pauls in our sessions for young people

The New Lodge group visited the theatre to see Sister Act in September and had a great afternoon – two had never been to the theatre before.

We joined the two MAD groups together over the Summer in Old Town we had a couple of great sessions – One of the sessions was filmed for the promotional video that has been produced for the NAC and when we showed the group the final edit they were thrilled with it – if not a little embarrassed. The groups have asked if they can do regular sessions together so for a six week project we are bringing the New Lodge group over to Old Town on a Tuesday to work in the studio alongside the Old Town girls to start the production of our final pieces for the International Women's Day event in March which we are starting to organise – Maybe another Afternoon Tea.

## **Case study**

### **MAD Project**

We have two very different groups of young women one from the St Helens Ward and one from Old Town. The young women have a vast selection of issues that we work through on a regular basis and yet the commonality throughout these sessions is their love for the dance routines that are being created.

Some of the issues we are dealing with include: Poor body image – relationships – low income family issues - sibling rivalry – sexuality – school and college – lack of confidence dealing with being a LAC and the issue I'm going to deal with in this case study – putting yourself into 'risky situations'





We have one young woman who attends our sessions who has to deal with many issues in her family home. Family life is unsettled and she has additional caring responsibilities.

As a result of the issues that she is dealing with at home we have discovered that she often finds herself in what we would class as a 'risky situations'.

We have spoken with her on many occasions about alternatives to her behaviours and they do seem to be happening less often. We will continue to support her though this.

When she is feeling more positive or during the school holidays when we see her most days we encourage to be part of our Peer Support group which she relishes and we can see her confidence grow she is a great asset to our team. She has got amazing skills working with younger children and always volunteers for extra 'jobs' when we ask. Her passion for the dancing is shining through and when the other young women are slowing down or lack a little bit of enthusiasm she is the one that encourages (or shouts) them to work a little harder.

## RVS – Looking Out for Older People

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

### **Project Summary:**

Our aim is not to replace, but to complement existing provisions. The project will work to develop links with existing service provider to help fill in any gaps in provision relating to older people while being aware that older people are part of a wider family unit. Focussing on developing our Move it or Lose it groups to offer more access to exercise routines target at those with mobility problems. We have held trial sessions in a number of care homes and sheltered schemes. The benefits of this are to increase access to exercise for residents and at the same time utilising under used premises by offering access to carers, families and other members of the public at a low cost, enabling the project to be increasingly sustainable in time.

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

From April 2019 the service has introduced chair based exercise sessions across the area. At present the activity is predominantly staff led, however, we plan to recruit and train volunteers from across the area to deliver key elements of this strength and balance programme within the following quarters.

Within Quarter 2 the emphasis has been on building on the sessions established in Q1. Overall this has gone well with Mapplewell Library, Priestley Avenue and Mapplewell Manor being firmly established. However the Community Shop has been less successful this quarter with only 7 attendees, and after discussion with them, we will be recommencing sessions in January to see how they go in the New Year.

The timetable of groups now in place, at the end of Q2 with activity being undertaken at the following locations on the following days looks like this:

Monday      PM      Mapplewell Library

Wednesday AM Priestly Avenue  
 Friday AM Mapplewell Manor

One group session was held at Alder Close, hoping to build on Q1, but no one attended and this group is no longer held.

One Chair Based Exercise session was delivered to members of a retirement group at St Paul's Church in Old Town with 20 attendees.

43 sessions have been delivered across the Barnsley North area in Q2.

Location	Number of sessions	MIOLI numbers receiving	Volunteers/Centre staff and support gifting time
Mapplewell Manor	13	16	1
Priestley Avenue	13	19	9
St Paul's	1	0	1
Mapplewell Library	10	1	1
Community Shop	7	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13</b>

New groups have been developed during Q2 with the anticipation that they will go live in Q3. These include partnership working with Shared Life and Ad Astra, with the former being located in a church hall and the latter at New Lodge Community Centre.

### 1-1 support in the home

The service continues to support individuals on a 1-1 basis following referrals from multiple sources, including My Best Life. The aim of the 1-1 support is to equip individuals with additional confidence and to aide independence, in order for them to reintegrate and become more active in the community.

In Q2 we provided 20 1:1 sessions individuals including 1 housing referral to Berneslai Homes, signposting to group support for hearing and sight loss and one referral for domestic abuse.

### Case Study





This lady started to attend one of the groups to support her with mobility issues she was experiencing. Due to painful knee problems she was having trouble walking well.

As we got to know her she started to talk more about her life, and it became apparent that she was facing severe mobility issues at home. Her house, a terraced house had steep stairs and she was unable to get up and down the stairs, and was limited to living downstairs in her property.

We had a one to one with her after one of the group sessions to talk with her about her housing and she asked if we would support her to apply for a move to a bungalow. After months of being confined to the ground floor of her house, she was desperate to move into a bungalow to improve mobility conditions at home.

We supported her and helped her to submit an application to Berneslai Homes requesting a move to a bungalow. Every week, after the housing application, she eagerly anticipated that a bungalow would become available. One now has and she is moving into her new home soon. Once which allow her much greater freedom in her own home and giver he back a sense of independence and personal control.

## Darton Cricket Club – Training Facility

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





### **Project Summary:**

To install a brand new, outdoor cricket practice facility at Darton Cricket Club. Providing a state of the art training opportunity that will encourage existing club members to participate in further training and encourage more members to join the club over the coming years. This facility is intended to enhance the training provision for the junior members giving them the best possible opportunity to succeed in this iconic British summer time sport.

### **Performance Summary (Extract from performance report):**

- The practise facility was installed in September, at the very end of the cricket season.
- To measure the impact of this project the Area Manager has requested a report from the club at the end of Q1 2020/21 when the club member will have begun to reap the benefits.

## Reds in the Community – Healthy Lifestyles

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

### Project Summary:

#### The Fit Reds Healthy Lifestyle Programme

The programme will improve the health and wellbeing of both young people and adults in the North Area: through the delivery of structured physical activity sessions coupled with lifestyle workshops, we will encourage and empower participants to adopt more active and healthier lifestyles. To ensure the programme reaches a broad cross-section of local people and achieves maximum impact, delivery will take place under distinct strands aimed specifically at men, women and young people aged 7 to 11 years. These strands are as follows:

#### Healthy Kicks

We will engage with pupils from years 3 to 6 during the school day with each school receiving 8 hours of delivery time over a two-day period. Pupils will have the opportunity to extend their learning and sports participation through our pathway programmes including Friday & Saturday Coaching Clubs, Premier League Kicks, Street Games and Fit Red Family Hubs.

#### Fit Reds Mens and Fit Reds Womens

We will deliver Fit Reds Men and Fit Reds Women's programmes to male-only and female-only groups in community-based settings. These 8-week programmes consist of weekly sessions involving 60 minutes of exercise and a 45 minute healthy lifestyle workshop. The exercise sessions include a warm up and circuit-based exercises incorporating boxercise, football and conditioning. Each workshop covers different aspects of nutrition and diet.

#### Performance Summary (Extract from performance report):

The adults course which finished in September attracted 15 women and 13 men to the respective courses. A number of participants are continuing their engagement by attending Fit Red Vets sessions and other RitC initiatives such as Boxing Fitness and Rounders. The results from both courses are positive regarding health improvements such as weight loss, lowering blood pressure and increasing physical activity.

The next mens course will be held at Honeywell Sports Village on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 with further courses to be held at Honeywell and possibly Darton College in the new year.

### **Case Study**

Craig attended the Fit Reds session at Athersley Rec FC which was delivered for eight weeks from July to September.

Craig's motivation for signing up to Fit Reds was to get fit, lose weight and to enjoy the social element of the programme.

Craig was happy that he had managed to achieve all three of his goals across the eight sessions.

He lost 3.8KG in weight and 7cm's from his waist circumference. He has increased his physical activity levels and improved his overall fitness.

In addition to this, the classroom-based workshops have seen him increase his fruit and vegetable intake, make a number of changes to his diet and given him a far greater knowledge of how to keep a healthy heart.

Craig has also been able to take advantage of the social aspect of Fit Reds following the course. He is attending the Fit Reds Vets sessions on a weekly basis and has been involved in a friendly game against a similar project run by the Club Doncaster Foundation.

Health & Wellbeing Officer Sean Margison led the course at Athersley and was impressed with Craig's attitude, commitment and results.

He said: "Craig attended with a great attitude from session one of the programme and maintained this throughout the eight weeks to achieve his desired results. It was pleasing to see Craig develop through both the classroom and physical exercise aspects of the programme. Alongside losing weight, seven centimetres from his waist and increasing the amount of exercise he takes part in, he's also improved his knowledge about living a healthy lifestyle, lowered his alcohol intake and improved his confidence which is just as important. It is also great to see him continue his progress by becoming involved with the Fit Reds Vets."

Please watch the attached video to hear Craig's thoughts about his experience with the Fit Reds Healthy Lifestyle programme. *(video can be found on the Reds in the Community Facebook Page)*

**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**North Area Council Meeting:**

**18<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Agenda Item: 7**

**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 the existing the funding commitments.**

2.2. **That Members note 3.2 regarding the Housing Migration Officer**

2.3. **That Members agree to the recommendation to combine the budget allocated for the youth participation officers with the budget for the young people's project.**

2.4. **Members agree the forward commissioning profile and associated budget implications for 2020/21 and 2021/22 recommended at the budget workshop.**

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

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

The decision was taken to 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 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017. This contract will run until at least September 2019 provided the conditions of the contract are met. On the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 the Area Council took the decision to utilise the contract extension clause and extend the contract until the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

***N.B. In March 2020 the Area Council will need to agree if they wish to continue to fund this type of service provision and advertise the tender opportunity.***

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

The decision was taken to advertise an enhanced tender opportunity for a further 2 years (+ 1 year) at a contract value of approximately £85,000 per annum. The provider commenced service delivery on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017. On the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 the Area Council took the decision to utilise the contract extension clause and extend the contract until the end of September 2020.

***N.B. In March 2020 the Area Council will need to agree if they wish to continue to fund this type of service provision and advertise the tender opportunity.***

- 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 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 and proved to be a great asset to the area. The officer left the North Area council at the end of June 2019 for a promotion within BMBC.

Members agreed on the 27<sup>th</sup> June to commit to fund the post for at least 24 months (12 month contract, plus 12 months). It is hope that this will make the post more appealing to applicants. The delegated report has been approved.

***Please be aware that the Housing Migration Officer post is currently vacant. A the post was advertised in July however following a shortlisting process it was agree that none of the applicants were suitable for the position. The role profile was subsequently reviewed and amended to include relevant experience, rather than relying solely on qualifications. The post was re-advertised October, and closed for applications on the 25<sup>th</sup> October. There were 8 applicants, following shortlisting 3 applicants have been invited to attend interview on the 11<sup>th</sup> November.***

In addition to the salary fees the Area Council agreed to fund uniform, PPE including IT, phone and bodycam, plus a £5k annual working budget.

- 3.3 Opportunities for Young People – Two 18hr Youth Participation Support Worker Grade 4 posts were advertised in May 2018. Interviews were conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

At the Area Council meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March Members agreed that they wished to extend the funding for the youth participation post(s) for a further 12



months. One of the posts became vacant at the end of March 2019 and the second officer left for further education at the end of the initial contract 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

***To avoid duplication is recommended that these posts are not recruited to until the bigger piece of work regarding the Health and Wellbeing of Young People is completed.***

- 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 10<sup>th</sup> of April which informed the specification that was signed off at the 14<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018. The contract will go live from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019. The service will be called 'Warm Connections'. A soft launch took place on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January.

It has been recognised that the existing hOurbank project that DIAL deliver in the North Area would complement the Warm Connections Service. The North Area Council has agreed to contribute £10,000p.a. for the duration of the Warm Connections contract.

***N.B. In March 2020 the Area Council will need to agree if they wish to extend the funding for the final year of the contract. This would enable service to continue until 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021.***

- 3.5 Stronger Communities Grant –  
The total funding available for 2019/20 is £99,359.05. This includes a total of £80,000 from the Area Council and Wellbeing Grant funding, of value £19,359.05 was also made available to address the Five Ways to Wellbeing. A total of 6 applications were received totalling £106,152.38. At the Grant Panel on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February all six projects were recommended for funding however one of the projects did not receive the full grant amount that they originally applied for. This will ensure that a broad range of services are delivered up until March 2020.

**Please note that following the workshop on the 8<sup>th</sup> October it is recommended that the grant funding pot is scaled down over the next three years.**

- 3.6 Devolved Funding to Ward Alliances  
The Area Council has consistently devolved funding to Ward Alliances. This equates to £10,000 per ward, £40,000 in total. This money is only devolved

down to Ward Alliances where the Ward Alliance budget is less £10,000 at the end of March of the last financial year.

- 3.7 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.

The Area Council is currently reviewing the options available regarding Community Magazines. The North Area Council did not release a Summer 2019 edition.

- 3.8 Health and Wellbeing 2019 – focus on Young People

The North Area Council has been exploring the possibility of commissioning a new service to help address health and wellbeing inequalities across the North Area. Workshops have taken place throughout the first half of 2019/20 and it is highly likely that this will result in the design of a young people's health and wellbeing project.

**For further information please refer to the next agenda item for a detailed update on the recommended service specification for the young people project.**

#### 4. Financial Position

- 4.1. At the end of 2018/19 there was a significant **underspend of £189,028 (this includes underspend from previous years)**.
- 4.2. 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.
- 4.3. **The forecast for 2019/20 shows that the underspend** (including underspend from previous years) **will be reduced to £151,433**. This is because the in-year balance exceeds the annual budget by approximately £37,595.
- 4.4. The Health and Wellbeing Group acknowledged that there is an underspend at the January 2019 meeting. The Area Council are keen to put the budget to good use and have held a series of workshops during 2019 to explore project opportunities for the North Area. A specification for a young people's project has been developed. It is recommended to combine the £60,000p.a earmarked for this project with the youth participation budget of £30,000pa.

4.5. Outlined annual commitments from April 2019:

<b>Contract</b>	<b>Annual Value</b>
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach	£95,000
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People	£85,000
Housing Migration Officer – 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 ( <i>where March 2019 balance is less than £10,000</i> )	£40,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£458,200</b>

4.6. However, at the Area Council in July 2019 Members requested a budget workshop to take place after further development of the young people’s commission. It was indicated that this may result in a re-profiling of resources.

**5. Future commissioning programme**

5.1. A workshop took place on the 8<sup>th</sup> October attended by Cllr Leech, Cllr Spence, Cllr T Cave, Cllr Lofts and Cllr Platts. Members were asked to give review the existing budget commitments, review the areas of greatest inequality and consider the opportunities for investment over the next three to four years.

5.2. Please refer to appendix 1 which helps to explain the future commissioning programme for the North Area Council.

5.3. Following discussions Members have recommended that the forward plan is agreed for the next two years 2020/21 and 2021/22.

**6. Risks**

- 6.1. 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.
- 6.2. The proposed budget would take the Area Council approximately £60,000 over budget pa for from 2020/21 and 2021/22. However taking into account the current under spend, the investment profiled in Appendix 1 would be feasible.
- 6.3. **The current vacant post of Housing Migration Officer will increase the underspend.**
- 6.4. **The introduction of the new service for children and young people will mean that the stronger communities grant will have to be scaled down. This will reduce the diversity of project that the North Area currently funds over the coming years.**

## **7. Opportunities**

- 7.1. Based on the existing Area Council Priorities the recommend commissioning programme the only gap that remains in provision is around economic regeneration. This may be an area that the Ward Alliances could give some consideration to over the coming years.

## **8. Next Steps**

- 8.1. Provided the budget is agreed for the Young People's Commission, the Area Manager will finalise the specification and put it out to tender.
- 8.2. Provided the budget is agreed the Area Manager will advertise the Stronger Communities Grant opportunity.
- 8.3. 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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**Appendix 1:**

<b>Project / Service</b>	<b>Annual Value</b>	Projection - Sept 2019				Balanced
			2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach <i>Retender Anti- Poverty</i>	95,000.00	95,000.00	95,000.00	95,000.00	95,000.00	95,000.00
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
Housing Migration Officer – Grade 6 (+laptop and phone)	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
Stronger Communities Grant	80,000.00	80,000.00	50,000.00	40,000.00	20,000.00	-
Magazine Delivery (Inc. x2 deliveries a.a.)	7,200.00	7,200.00	-	-	-	-
Support Worker - Youth Participation Grade 4 – two officers working 18hours (+laptop and phone) (+participation budget)£26,000 + £5,000	31,000.00	31,000.00	-	-	-	-
Social Isolation and Cold Homes Project (+ hOurbank) 2018-2020 (+1year) £75,000 + £10,000	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
Devolved funding to Ward Alliances (where March 2019 balance is less than £10,000)	40,000.00	40,000.00	-	20,000.00	20,000.00	-
Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing - Resilient Transitions	60,000.00	-	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00
The Fleets - Nature Park	30,000.00	-	20,000.00	10,000.00	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		458,200.00	460,000.00	460,000.00	430,000.00	390,000.00



**BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**North Area Council Meeting:  
18<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Agenda Item: 8**

**Report of North Area Council  
Manager**

**Young Peoples Priority – Project Development**

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To apprise Members of the discussions that took place at a recent workshop which explored the opportunity for a North Area Council funded young people's project.

**2. Recommendations, that:**

- 2.1. **Members note the risks identified in section 10 of this document**
- 2.2. **Members refer appendix 1, draft specification.**
- 2.3. **Members agree to the specification, enabling the Area Manager to prepare the spec for a competitive tender process.**
- 2.4. **Members agree to financial implications of this contract, the duration and the proposed start date.**

**3. Background and intended focus**

- 3.1. On the 25<sup>th</sup> March the Area Council agreed that they wished to focus their resources on a young people based programme following a workshop held on the 26<sup>th</sup> February.
- 3.2. A further workshop was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April. As a result the officer team were requested to conduct a mapping and consultation exercise with key stakeholders who work with young people. Two subsequent workshops were held, one on the 24<sup>th</sup> June and subsequently on the 12<sup>th</sup> September. They were also asked to produce a film capturing the views of young people.

#### 4. Project Development Overview

- 4.1. **On the 26<sup>th</sup> February a workshop took place** lead by Cath Bedford and Cheryl Devine from BMBC Public Health. Supported by Jenny Grant from BMBC Procurement and the Area Manager
- 4.2. The working group consisted of: Cllr Platts, Cllr Tattersall, Cllr Spence, Cllr Charlesworth and Cllr Newing.
- 4.3. The session started with an interactive opportunity, Members were asked “What are the health and wellbeing issues affecting the population of the North Area?” Using software called Menti a tag cloud was produced which highlights the opinions of the working group. The larger words are the ones identified by multiple group members:



- 4.4. There was also information from the young people’s Make Your Mark Survey.
- 4.5. Subsequently the prevalence of young people being admitted to hospital due to injury and self-harm was discussed. Deliberate injury and self-harm is highest in the Old Town Ward. The risky behaviour primarily involves 15-19 year olds. There is a strong correlation between the hospital admissions and deprivation. The data shows that it incidents involving girls are more likely to be self-harm whereas boys are having more accidents.
- 4.6. Period poverty, teen pregnancy and the issues affecting very young parents were also discussed. There is a graded relationship between the number of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) a young person has experienced and their risk of teenage pregnancy. Under 18 conceptions are very closely linked with poverty and low attainment. Barnsley has one of the highest rates in the country and the rates in the North Area are even higher.
- 4.7. The benefit to all members of society, particularly young people, of the Five Ways to Wellbeing was discussed: Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Give and Keep Learning.
- 4.8. Services for young people are not consistent across the borough. Ofsted’s Curriculum is changing to include holistic health rather than simply focussing on educational attainment, however this will take time to bed in and operate



effectively. Cheryl Devine is working with the Head Teachers and attends their meeting.

4.9. Young people appear to get very little information about health relationships and emotional resilience. The C Card Service used to be available a youth clubs but as the Youth Service offer has changed there are far less opportunities for young people to find out about sex education and contraception within the localities. C Card is still available however its provision has been depleted over the years.

4.10. **On the 25<sup>th</sup> March the Area Council agreed that they would like to focus on young people that is innovative and helps to address risky behaviour, the following themes emerged in discussion:**

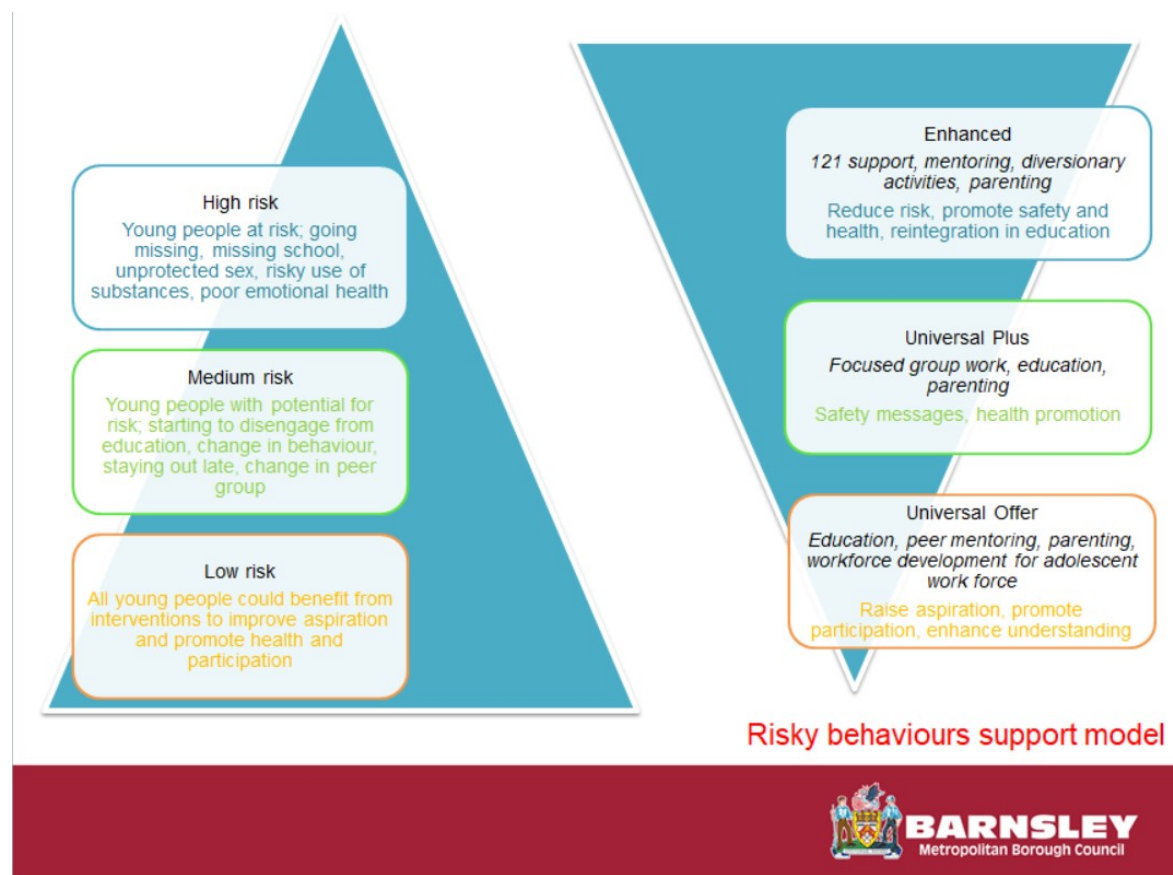
- Early intervention/ low level supportive provision
- Providing young people with positive role models
- Safe space to talk and socialise
- Improve emotional intelligence and resilience
- Provides health advice: health checks, stop smoking, contraception, body confidence
- Coaching Model – similar to the Summer Internship / Fit Reds

4.11. **On the 17<sup>th</sup> April a second workshop was held.** This was led by Cheryl Devine and Cath Bedford.

4.12. The working group consisted of: Cllr Tattersall, Cllr Charlesworth, Cllr Cave, Cllr Burgess and Cllr Newing.

4.13. Public Health outcomes for young people were discussed.

4.14. Cheryl Devine introduced a Risky behaviours support model



4.15. The following themes were discussed:

- Safe
- Happy
- Healthy
- Achieve

Members were not able to identify which theme they wished to prioritise. It has been suggested that this work should tie into the Town Spirit themes.

4.16. **Key points that emerged as important to the Area Council's Priority Working Group – at the workshop held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (Councillor Ward Representatives)**

- 4.16..1. The Area Council must use its resources to produce maximum impact for the community.
- 4.16..2. They discussed long term investment in a project to deliver sustained change in behaviour. It was discussed that this could take 5-10years.
- 4.16..3. They wanted to build resilience in the community.
- 4.16..4. They wanted to raise aspirations for the young people of the North Area.
- 4.16..5. That any offer developed should be available in the community rather than in schools.
- 4.16..6. Focussed on preventing risky behaviour in young people and improved understanding of the long term consequences of participating in risky behaviour at a young age.
- 4.16..7. The working group agreed with a 'Universal Offer' and 'Universal Plus', but felt that the high risk young people were already catered for by existing services Inc. Targeted Information Advice and Guidance (TIAG) and Targeted Youth Support (TYS).

5. **On the 24<sup>th</sup> June a stakeholder workshop was held and the Roundhouse Lifelong learning Centre.** 26 stakeholders including representatives from Carlton Academy, CHAMS, voluntary and community sector, Youth Justice Service, School Nursing attended. This was a large stakeholder workshop. Events like this are increasingly rare in the public sector and attendees were keen to point out how important the networking opportunity was for their work. Councillors in attendance were: Cllr Leech, Cllr Platts, Cllr Tattersall and Cllr Pickering

5.1. A strengths based asset approach was used during the session. the agenda for the workshop looked like this:

- i. What does the data tell us?
- ii. Barriers to young people's health and wellbeing
- iii. Online survey feedback
- iv. Celebrating what works locally – there is so much
- v. Gap Analysis – what's missing
- vi. Adding Value – what can help bridge the gaps
- vii. Views and Visioning – what do we want for our young people
- viii. Conversational Film – recruiting stakeholders to support the project

5.2. Attendees participated in a visioning exercise to express what the North Area would be like if young people were thriving. There have been four themes identified: **Empowering young people, Raising aspirations, Ways of working** and **Services** for young people to thrive in the North Area. Empowering young people and thriving were the most common theme identified.

### 5.3. **Workshop Summary – Gaps and Opportunities**

Gaps in provision and how stakeholders believe that the Area Council can add value:

- ❖ Emotional Resilience
- ❖ Transition age (8-13)
- ❖ Empowerment (Mentoring and Peer Support)
- ❖ Risky Behaviour

N.B. Family Centred approach was also raised repeatedly. It is felt that where intensive whole family support is required, resources are already in place to address need. However it may be worth exploring the possibility of some family centred activities as part of a wider model for commissioning.

## 6. **Stakeholder Co-Design Workshop – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

6.1. On the 12<sup>th</sup> of September a co-design workshop was held at Barnsley Town Hall. This was the biggest workshop ever host by the North Area Council with 31 stakeholders in attendance.

6.2. The workshop was facilitated by:

Cath Bedford – Public Health Principle – Communities

Cheryl Devine – Health and Wellbeing Officer, CYP&F

Rosie Adams – North Area Council Manager

Sam Crowson – Public Health Practitioner

Rebecca Battye & Lee Swift – Community Development Officer

Jade Popplewell and Jane Lee – Procurement Officers

Councillors in attendance were: Cllr Leech, Cllr Charlesworth, Cllr T Cave, Cllr Newing and Cllr Tattersall

6.3. To set the tone the work shop started with a vision that a participant from the 24<sup>th</sup> June contributed:

“Every young person, regardless of background, education or family circumstances would have relevant access to service and opportunities that would inspire motivate and enhance their current health, wellbeing and aspirations to improve their future self.”

It is recommended that the North Area Council use this wording for their future specification.

- 6.4. The workshop ran as per the outline below:
- Who's in the room
  - Chunk down the vision – defining outcomes
  - What activities / interventions will support young people?
  - Designing a service outline
  - Pitch perfect
  - Critical Friend
  - Vote for preferred service outline
  - Young Peoples Film Update
- 6.5. It was clear from the first exercise that identifying outcomes is a challenging process. However the following aims, objective and outcomes came through:
- Emotional Resilience**
- 6.5..1. Increase the emotional resilience and wellbeing of children and young people ages 8-14years.
  - 6.5..2. Reduction in anxiety, stress and depression in children and young people
  - 6.5..3. Increased confidence, self-esteem, emotional intelligence, attitudes and aspirations of young people
  - 6.5..4. Reduce the number of inappropriate referrals to CAMHS
  - 6.5..5. Reduce the numbers of young people attending BDGH for self-harm related incidents
- Transition ages 8-14**
- 6.5..6. Improve the experiences of young people as they transition from junior to senior school
  - 6.5..7. Ensure that young people have access to good quality, frank information about the physical, emotional and social wellbeing. Complimenting PHSE provision schools.
  - 6.5..8. Increase access to safe community spaces for young people in the transition ages between the times of 4pm and 7pm during the early evening.
- Empowerment**
- 6.5..9. Increased number of young people becoming active citizens
  - 6.5..10. Increase the number of young people participating in voice and influence opportunities
  - 6.5..11. Empower young people to make informed decisions
- Raising Aspirations:**
- 6.5..12. Broaden the horizons of young people so that they are more aware of self-development and employment opportunities that reach beyond the community norm
  - 6.5..13. Increase access to careers information, advice and guidance for children and parents
  - 6.5..14. Empower parents to support their children to aim high and be their best self
- Risky Behaviour**
- 6.5..15. Increase young people's understanding of the consequences associated with risky behaviour, short, medium and long term
  - 6.5..16. Reduce the number of young people participating in antisocial behaviour
  - 6.5..17. Reduction in the number of young people regularly using drugs (including alcohol to excess)
  - 6.5..18. Reduce the levels of young people being diagnosed with an STI

#### 6.5..19. Reduce the numbers of teenage conception

6.6. The second exercise required participants to identify what activities and intervention would be required to address the points raised in 6.5. This is what was discussed:

##### **Emotional Resilience**

- 6.6..1. Use youth work model of engagement to provide education and support to young people.
- 6.6..2. Engage families in an informal setting (community hub/café) so that they relax and can discuss emotional wellbeing in a supported environment.
- 6.6..3. Develop a public health led educational digital campaign that can be used in schools, GPs and public buildings.
- 6.6..4. Develop universal package of support that schools can buy in.

##### **Transition Age (8-13)**

- 6.6..5. Provide activities to support the transition from primary to secondary school, starting with year 5.
- 6.6..6. Provide training and development opportunities and a matching service to facilitate and supportive peer mentor structure.
- 6.6..7. Provide a non-targeted drop-in facility in schools to help reassure and address transition related questions/concerns.
- 6.6..8. Deliver activities that address gender specific issues linked to emotional resilience and wellbeing.

##### **Empowerment**

- 6.6..9. Provide opportunities for young people and families to participate in social action activities.
- 6.6..10. Actively encourage young people to participate in school councils and the youth council.
- 6.6..11. Deliver a summer holiday life skills course which benefits children, young people and their families.

##### **Raising Aspirations**

- 6.6..12. Provide a yearly conference with the 14-19 service to provide information about local employment opportunities, starting from year 6.
- 6.6..13. Provide opportunities for young people to go on field trips and have experiences that take them beyond their local neighbourhood.
- 6.6..14. Deliver whole family sessions that help parents to understand the range of opportunities available for young people and how they can support them to be their best self.

##### **Risky Behaviour**

- 6.6..15. Provide safe community hubs with positive role models
- 6.6..16. Provide after school activities between 4pm and 7pm
- 6.6..17. Provide a wide range of positive activities in sport, arts and crafts, music to engage young people and encourage cohesiveness in supported environment
- 6.6..18. Provide family friendly food based activities to start conversations about staying safe

6.7. Exercises 3 and 4 required each table to:

- 6.7..1. Design a service that could be commissioned to address the priority themes
- 6.7..2. Pitch the service to the rest of the room
- 6.7..3. Conduct a critical friend analysis of the other projects

6.8. These are the ideas that were suggested:

**6.8..1. CONNECT**

*(Collaborate / Opportunities in the/ North / Necessary to/ Empower / Children & Young People/ Together)*

Design – A programme approach working in schools and within the community

Cohort – Transition age focussed, engaging young people from Yr5.

Actions/ Interventions – Preparation work with primaries Yr 5&6, drop in support in Yr 7&8. Developing peer support in schools. Whole family summer holiday programme, with fun, practical life skills education. Reflective Parenting training for parents (mentalization and attachment).

USP – Bridging age ranges, schools and communities. Whole family support. Longer term intervention which aims to track progress and development.

**6.8..2. The Winners**

Design – A programme approach working with young people and the services that support them

Cohort - Y5/Y6 – Y7/Y8

Actions/ Interventions - Wellbeing link worker to “hand hold” this vulnerable cohort between services.

USP – Continuous support from a worker ensuring consistency and trust

**6.8..3. Four to Fourteen Service**

Design – A community based with outreach flexibility

Cohort – Ages 4 – 14 - Universal

Actions/ Interventions – Working in schools with a tiered approach to engage young people. Providing focussed support for families. Providing a youth club function.

USP – Covers two transition ages, Holistic and family focused.

**6.8..4. Youth Hub Bus**

Design – Mobile youth club facility, designed to appeal to young people

Cohort – Universal for ages 11-16.

Actions/ Interventions – Provides a chilled, safe place to come for an hour or two. Travelling to each ward. A different social issue would be discussed each week. Enables signposting to other services

USP – Mobile, flexible, the bus comes to you, both proactive deployment and reactive.

#### **6.8..5. Community Café**

Design – Centre based provision with a focus on food – ‘everyone needs to eat’

Cohort – Whole family approach

Actions/ Interventions – Education, engagement and volunteering opportunities

USP – A neutral space, owned and led by the community, supported by health, social care and the third sector.

6.9. Finally all the workshop participants were asked to vote for their preferred service.

- ❖ The Community Café was the most popular from the vote (7.5) because it created a safe space for young people and a nurturing environment for the whole family. The community ownership was felt to be very important. Bringing people together to eat, learn new skills and socialise.
- ❖ CONNECT came in second (6 votes) was recognised for reaching a wide audience, delivering in school and the community and for its flexible approach to working with children and parents. A couple of participants also noted that it would be possible to demonstrate impact and cost effectiveness. It was themed around the 5 ways to well-being and included volunteering and peer mentoring.
- ❖ The Community Hub Bus was very popular but received very few votes because it had come under criticism due to the high costs associated with running this type of provision.

6.10. It was clear from the workshop that the practitioners brought a wealth of experience to the room and valued and appreciated each other’s ideas. In several instances there was a request for a blend of two projects:

- CONNECT & 4-14 Service
- 4 – 14 Service and Community Café

6.11. Lightbulb moments, stakeholders repeatedly stressed:

- 6.11..1. To do meaningful community work with young people it was far more effective to make connections with young people in school.
- 6.11..2. To have the biggest impact on the family unit, whole family activities produce longer lasting more sustainable changes for children and young people.

6.12. The workshop demonstrated that production of a service specification is a complicated and time consuming process. Each person involved is viewing the priorities through a different life lens and therefore range of solutions were identified.

#### **7. Project characteristics championed by the priority working group – learning from previous commissioning**

- 7.1. Coaching Model – Intensive but with a legacy and peer support incorporated (Both the Summer Internship delivery model and Fit Reds delivery model were discussed).
- 7.2. 5 Ways to Wellbeing should be at the centre of a project (Connect, Be Active, Give, Take Notice, and Stay Connected).

- 7.3. Building resilience, particularly around emotional wellbeing and being able to handle the knocks that life throws at a person (this could include Mental Health First Aid training).

## **8. Conversational Film (THRIVE) -**

- 8.1. On the workshop 25<sup>th</sup> March Councillors requested that as part of the development work for the young people project that a conversational film should be produced.
- 8.2. Script Media were commissioned to undertake the task and filming took place from the 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 16<sup>th</sup> August.
- 8.3. The support given to YMCA, Ad Astra and CAMHS staff and their service users cannot be underestimated.
- 8.4. The video is now ready to air.
- 8.5. BMBC Communications have asked the Area Council if they will consider using the remaining budget to fund a condensed, social media version.

## **9. Development Costs**

- 9.1. On the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 the Area Council agreed a working budget of £4,850.00 to enable development work to take place.

<b>Service</b>	<b>Outline costs</b>	<b>Actual costs to date</b>
Survey for stakeholder engagement	£100.00	-
Venue and refreshments for stakeholder – survey and mapping event	£450.00	£224.00
Venue and refreshments for stakeholder feedback session	£350.00	£305.64
Survey for young people’s engagement	£100.00	-
Production of a short film	£3,500.00	£2,460.00
Social Media Edit of Video		£150.00
Engagement & promotion	£350.00	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,850.00</b>	<b>£3139.64</b>

## **10. Risks**

### **10.1. Duplication of the new Children’s Mental Health Provision**

The Area Manager is aware that the CCG have been doing consultation with regarding young people’s mental health services over the past 6 months in order to design updated provision. The Area Manager has obtained a copy of the new Children and Young Persons Mental Health Service specification to ensure that there isn’t any duplication.

### **10.2. Duplication of the town centre based ‘Onside Youth Zone’**

The Area Manager has observed a presentation from OnSide Youth Zone’s Partnership Development and Community Engagement Officer regarding the proposed service offer. The service suggested for the North Area will not duplicate the proposed offer.



### **10.3. Needs based commissioning**

There are 12 primary/junior schools in the North Area and plus Darton Academy, Holy Trinity and Springwell. It is important to note that many young people from the North Area attend Outwood Academy Carlton.

To achieve the best outcomes with the budget envelope it is recommended that the proposed service is only offered to the six schools who demonstrate that highest levels of need. This is included in the specification.

### **11. Draft Specification**

The draft specification can be found as an appendix.

### **12. Financial Implications of the contract**

- 12.1..1. £60,000 p.a. was originally committed for this project. It is recommended to combine the £30,000p.a. previously assigned to fund the Youth Participation Officers, with these project costs to ensure that there is both a school base provision and a family centred community provision.
- 12.1..2. The financial implications would therefore be £90,000.00 p.a. the contract would be let on a one year, plus one year, plus one year basis.
- 12.1..3. It is proposed that the contract should start on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.
- 12.1..4. Total contract value based on the proposals equates to £270,000.00 over three years from April 2020.

### **13. Next Steps**

- 13.1. It is recommended that Members review the proposed service offer and identify any amendments. The Area Council Manager can then advertise the contract opportunity as part of a competitive tender process with the support of the Procurement Team.

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Appendix 1: Draft Specification

## **Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council**

# APPENDIX TWO SPECIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS

Contract Title: North Area Council - A Resilient and Empowering Transition Provision For Children and Young People Aged 8-14 Years

Contract ID: DN442803

Closing Date: DD/MM/YY, 12 noon

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## 1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW

### 1.1 Introduction

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council (the Council) is looking to establish a contract for with a Provider for a 1 year, plus 1 year, plus 1 year period that provides children and young people aged 8-14 years with the resources they need to transition healthy and happily into adolescent. This should include increasing the confidence, self-esteem, attitudes and aspirations of the children / young people involved. It is envisaged that this offer will include provision that is both school and community based and incorporates a light touch whole family element.

The service will be commissioned by the North Area Council. The service delivered will benefit the communities of the following electoral wards: Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St. Helen's.

### 1.2 Background

Barnsley is a Metropolitan Borough of South Yorkshire, England. The Borough was formed under the Local Government Act 1972. The Borough now forms part of both the Sheffield City Region (SCR) and the Leeds City Region (LCR).

The successful provider will be servicing the North Area of Barnsley, a diverse area that is made up of 4 wards, namely Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helen's. Overall the population is approximately 43,518; this value is up 2.3% since 2011. 21.6% of the North Area population is 0-18 years, equating to approximately 9,403 children and young people. There are approximately 3,656 pupils on roll at 11 primary schools and 2,055 pupils on role at 3\* secondary schools, living across the area with a range of different needs. (\*This contract does not include the pupil referral unit situated in the North Area.)

Child poverty and deprivation is one of the most important factors determining health inequalities in childhood and throughout life. Research demonstrates that a child's physical, social and cognitive development during the early years strongly influences their school readiness and educational attainment, their employment chances and general health and wellbeing outcomes through to adulthood and older age.

There is often a complex / cyclical relationship between determinants of health and mental health with exposure to adverse environmental, social and educational conditions leading to increased risk of emotional and wellbeing issues but also that mental health problems can in themselves lead to subsequent deterioration of a person's social, educational, employment and housing conditions.

For children and young people the health and social wellbeing of parents and the family as a whole may impact on a child's or young person's emotional health and wellbeing.

Recent studies do however also provide some interesting findings about the relationship between a child/young person's **subjective** wellbeing and mental health.

Child poverty rates are higher in North Barnsley than the Barnsley average of 21.9% Children U16 are living in low income families i.e. the proportion of children living in families in receipt of out-of-work (means-tested) benefits or in receipt of tax credits where their reported income is less than 60% of UK median income. The average for Barnsley North is 19.12% of U16s, (however the percentage for St Helen's is far higher 34.7%).

Source: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/personal-tax-credits-children-in-low-income-families-local-measure-2016-snapshot-as-at-31-august-2016>

In the North Area 16.6% of primary pupils are eligible for free school means, 14.1% in secondary school. This rises to 30.9% and 22.7% respectively in the St. Helen's Ward.

Rates in relation to risk taking behaviour are also higher in North Area with smoking prevalence for over 18's at 22.1% (24.9% in St Helen's). The proportion of women who smoke during pregnancy is slightly higher than the Barnsley average, 17.2% compared to 16.8%. However the figures for St Helen's are far higher 28.7%, nearly three times the national average.

Rates in relation to risk taking behaviour are also high in the North Area. The number of hospital admissions caused by Unintentional and Deliberate Injuries in young people aged 0-24years, rate per 10,000 is 131.3, rising to 140.1 for St Helen's residents and 150.8 for Old Town residents. During the period 2011/12 – 2015/16 within the wards in North Area Council, standardized hospital admission ratios for intentional self-harm ranged from 87.2 in Darton West ward to 152.8 in St Helens ward, (the rate for Old Town was 140.2). This means that St Helens ward had one and a half times as many admissions than the England average. Only one ward (Darton West) had lower admission rates than the England average.

Underage conceptions are significantly higher than the national average and also above the Barnsley average at 36.4 per 1,000 population aged 15-17 years, increasing to 64.7 in St Helen's – the highest in levels in the Barnsley borough.

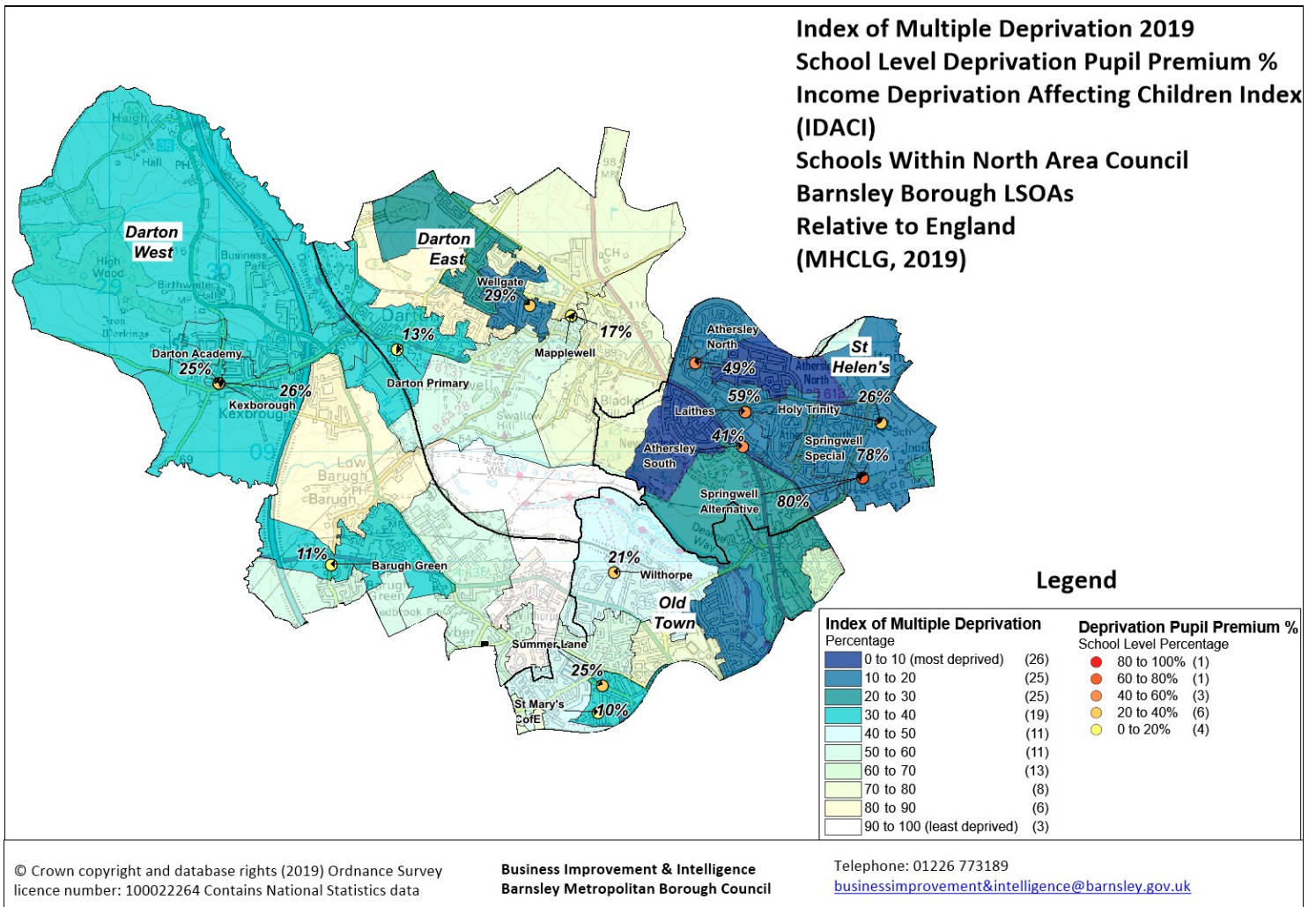
To summarise with the Seven Domains of Deprivation, showing the percentage of Lower Super Output Areas in the bottom 10% in England. The table below shows how the North Area presents.

Wards	Income Deprivation	Employment Deprivation	Education Training	Health, Deprivation & Disability	Crime	Barriers to Housing & Services	Living Environment
North Overview	7%	19%	22%	26%	4%	0%	0%
Darton East	0%	0%	0%	14%	0%	0%	0%
Darton West	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Old Town	0%	14%	0%	14%	0%	0%	0%
St Helens	33%	67%	100%	83%	17%	0%	0%

This shows how stark the inequality is within the North Area. For further information, please refer to the Area and Ward profiles, available here:

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/our-council/research-data-and-statistics/our-borough-profile/>

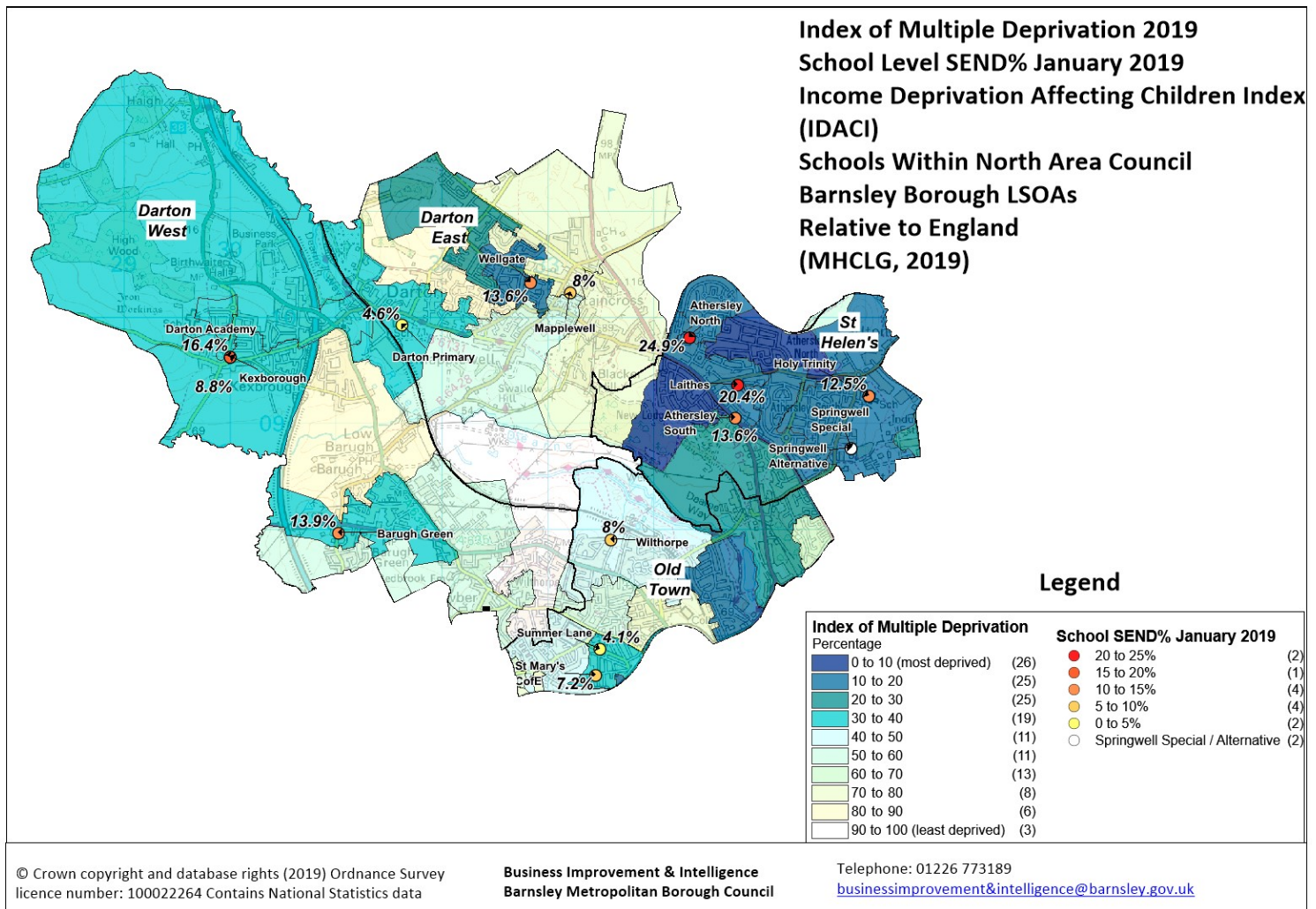
This map shows the pupil premium at school level by percentage.



The total number of children on the current Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) register in Barnsley is 4,945, around 15% of all pupils. The most common primary diagnosis of the type of SEND are moderate learning difficulty (MLD), followed by social, emotional and mental health (SEMH), speech, language and communication (SLCN) and autistic spectrum disorder (ASD).

Source: <https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/our-council/research-data-and-statistics/joint-strategic-needs-assessment-jsna/jsna-summary/>

This North Area map shows the percentage of young people identified as having special educational needs at school level.



Against this backdrop of poverty and a marked decline in the provision of Council youth services over the past eight years due to budget reductions, there has been an increase in the number of children and young people displaying signs of stress, anxiety and declining mental health and wellbeing with a sharp increase in the numbers being referred to Barnsley's CAMHS service.

North Area Council members are very aware however that with good mental health, children and young people do better in every way. They enjoy their childhoods, are able to deal with stress and difficult times, are able to learn better, making the most of their time in school. The Area Council wants to ensure that young people are resilient enough to bounce back from life's challenges, have the confidence to embrace and celebrate their differences and choose beneficial friendship groups. Enabling them to navigate their community and enjoy positive experiences, particularly during the challenging transition from junior to secondary education.

They also understand that childhood and teenage years are when mental health is developed and patterns are set for the future. So a child with good mental health is much more likely to have good mental health as an adult, and to be able to take on adult responsibilities and fulfil their potential.

Throughout 2019 the Area Council has run a series of workshops with Councillors supported by Public Health and Young Peoples Officers drilling down into what the local data tells us. Subsequently two stake holder events took place: a stakeholder Asset Mapping Conference was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and a Co-Design Workshop on 12<sup>th</sup> of September.

The following priority themes emerged:

- ❖ Emotional Resilience
- ❖ Transition age (8-13)
- ❖ Empowerment (Mentoring and Peer Support)
- ❖ Risky Behaviour
- ❖ Raising Aspirations

These themes and the work that the stakeholder group produced in the workshop is what has shaped the aim, objectives and outcomes of this specification. For further information about the North Area Council and the workshops that took place please follow this link and click on the agendas of the most recent meetings.

<https://barnsleymbc.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeId=225>

The North Area Council also asked local young people to participate in a video, enabling them to tell the North Area Councillor's what matters to them. The conversational video project was supported by local stakeholders CAMHS, Ad Astra and The YMCA. This is what the young people told us:

[https://youtu.be/eDlz5S0C8\\_s](https://youtu.be/eDlz5S0C8_s)



## 2.0 THE COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

### 2.1 Visions and Values

The Council's Vision is to 'Work together for a brighter future, a better Barnsley'

Our Values include:

#### Working Together

- We work as "One Council" to do the best that we can for our customers
- We build partnerships and work with others to achieve the best for Barnsley
- We are understanding and supportive of others, respecting and valuing differences

#### Honesty

- We are open and honest about what we are able to achieve, the decisions we make and how well we are doing
- We are true to our word, reliable and fair
- We are responsible and accountable for our actions

#### Excellence

- We are committed to quality and value for money
- We learn from our successes and mistakes
- We are flexible, adaptable and respond positively to change

#### Pride

- We are proud of the work we do and services we deliver
- We are proud to support our communities to make Barnsley a better place
- We are proud of our achievements

### 2.2 Priorities and Outcome Statements

In developing and delivering this service, the Provider should ensure that it is contributing to the Authority's corporate priorities and outcome statements as outlined below:

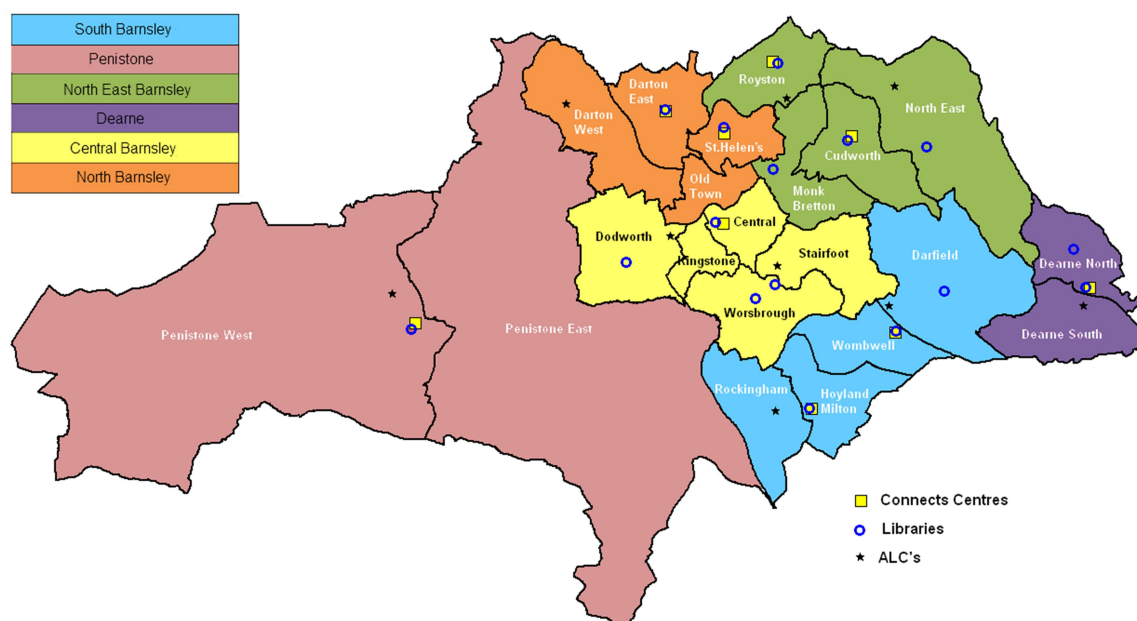
Thriving and vibrant communities	Create more jobs and businesses through appropriate provision of business, enterprise and employment programmes to reduce worklessness amongst those currently unemployed and increase skills levels of our current and future workforce
Supporting resilient communities	Ensure people of all ages have a much greater involvement in designing services and actively participating in improving their lives and Barnsley  Support the many benefits of volunteering and foster our many and diverse opportunities for residents to gain new skills and experiences through volunteering  Ensure customer services and the citizen experience of

	<p>access is improved-facilitate greater self-help</p> <p>Engage local communities in helping them shape decisions and services in their neighbourhood</p>
<p>Citizens achieving their potential</p>	<p>Target young people, families and communities who may need extra help in gaining the skills and experience they need to succeed</p> <p>Prioritise the safeguarding of vulnerable children and adults, and ensure that the risk of them getting harmed is kept to an absolute minimum</p> <p>Make the improvement of people's health and wellbeing everybody's business, with an emphasis on prevention and the contribution that all services can make</p> <p>Prioritise the reduction in health inequalities between different parts of the Borough</p> <p>Ensure that the Council plays a strong part in keeping the Borough safe, and work with others to improve community safety</p>

## 2.3 North Area Council Priorities

Working with our communities at a local level to help build places we can take pride in, has always been a priority for the Council.

### AREA GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS



We recognise and value the huge contributions many people make every year to their local area, through individual or group activities that really make a difference for everyone who lives there.

Our aim, through the area working arrangements, is to build on this by providing further opportunities which place residents at the heart of local planning and decision making, so that together we can find new ways to meet the challenges of change facing Barnsley.

The North Area Council area sits to the North of the borough, shown in orange on the borough wide map above. The overall population of the North Area is 43,518 (17.8% of the borough total), distributed across the four electoral wards of Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helen's.

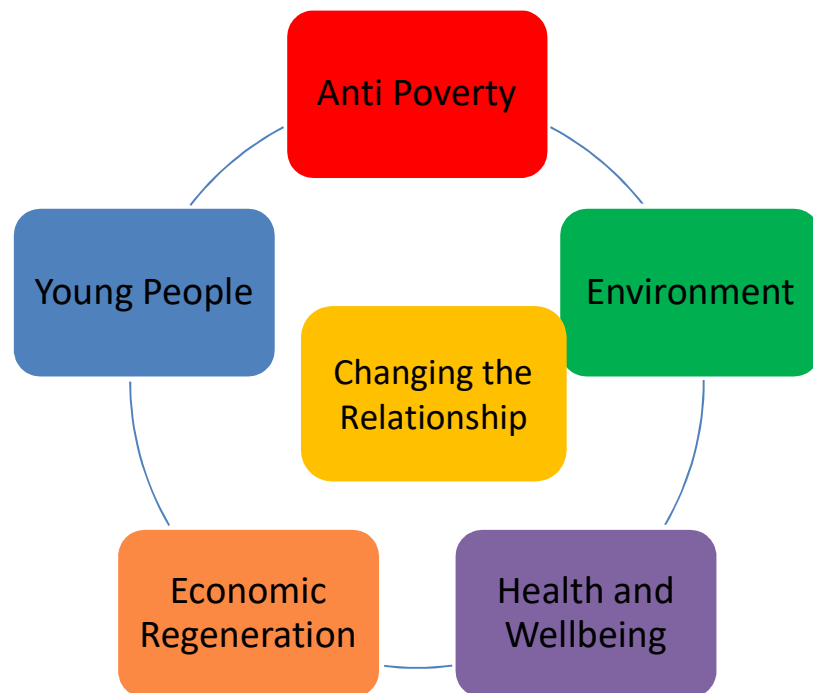
The North Area Council was established in April 2013 and is made up of 12 elected members (from the 5 wards mentioned above). It is chaired by Councillor Dave Leech and supported by the North Area Council Manager and a Barnsley Council senior link officer.

North Area Council meets on a regular basis throughout the year. It has agreed the

following priorities and commissions projects / services to address these priorities:

- **Anti-Poverty**
- **Creating a cleaner and greener environment**
- **Health and wellbeing of all residents**
- **Opportunities for Young People**
- **Economic Regeneration**

### North Area Council Priorities



### **3.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The service that is developed and delivered should be informed by the views of children/young people living in the area. It should complement existing provision for this age group in the area, link with other services being procured by the North Area Council and reflect the needs of the children and young people living in the individual 4 wards.

The service should include interventions / activities that are fun, innovative, vibrant and high quality. The service should be delivered in schools and during out of school hours in hours in safe, community settings / spaces. The service should deliver programmes of activity that address the specific areas outlined in the Resilience Framework attached at Appendix A.

In developing and delivering this service, the Provider should ensure that it is contributing to the Council's corporate priorities and outcome statements. Sustainability, community support, self-reliance, resilience and reciprocity should, therefore, be built into the service design and delivery. Contribution to inclusive growth is key, as such work experience placements, apprentice opportunities and local labour should be used wherever possible. Collectively doing the utmost to ensure that young people are given the best possible start and provided with the tools they need to be economically active in the future.

We are also keen to see an increase in community resilience through the involvement of local people, community groups and local social enterprises in this service, not only through volunteering, active citizenship and stakeholder engagement, but also via formal sub-contracting arrangements at a local level, where appropriate.

#### **3.1 Description of Service to be provided**

The appointed Provider will develop and deliver an innovative service that:

Complements existing provision for children and young people aged 8-14 years living in the North Council Area; meets the specified objectives; and delivers the outcomes outlined in Section 3.2 of this document. The service will include a schools based provision and a community based provision. The provider must ensure that there is a strong synergy between these two elements to maximise engagement of the children and young people.

##### **Schools Provision**

This provision must complement what is happening in local schools, with specific consideration to the transition from junior to senior school and the Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) 2020 curriculum. There are 12 primary / junior schools in the North Area. To achieve the best outcomes for young people it is proposed that the service will only be available to 6 primary/junior schools based on the highest levels of need. This provision will complement the new CYPMHS service's mental health support teams that will be operation in schools from 2020.

The service will include:

- Provide activities to support the transition from primary to secondary school, starting from year 5. This would have consideration for the young person's physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.
- Provide a non-targeted drop-in facility in secondary schools to help reassure and address transition related questions/concerns. (Available in: Darton Academy, Holy Trinity and Outwood Academy Carlton)
- Provide training and development opportunities that will encourage peer support.

- Deliver activities that address gender specific issues linked to emotional resilience and wellbeing.
- Refer into the CYPMHS services school teams where appropriate.

### **Community Provision**

This provision will be made up of a number of out of school holiday interventions/activities, identified by children/young people themselves that are deliverable in community settings. A programme of planned provision for each ward should be provided to the North Area Team on a monthly basis throughout the contract.

The service is expected to be available during 8 weeks of the year, predominantly in the summer holidays. It is the provider's responsibility to cover the costs of venue hire. The programme should be similar to:

- 1 week – February half term
- 1 week – Easter holidays
- 5 weeks – Summer holidays
- 1 week – October half term

The activities/interventions should have an evidence based rationale for building emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people, and should be directly linked to the resilience framework attached at Appendix A.

The service should be tailored to the needs of children and young people living in the individual wards and **may** include provision of the following interventions/activities:

- Using a youth work model of engagement to provide education and support to young people.
- Provide safe community hubs with positive role models
- Provide a wide range of positive activities in sport, arts and crafts, music to engage young people and encourage cohesiveness in supported environment
- Provide positive experiences for young people that take them beyond their local neighbourhood.
- Ensure that the provision is suitable for the whole family

During the North Area Council's consultation with stakeholders the need for intervention to include a whole family element was repeatedly raised. The following activity/intervention suggestions were believed to offer learning and development opportunities' for families, contributing to sustained change:

- Engage families in an informal setting (community hub/café) so that they relax and can discuss emotional wellbeing in a supported environment.
- Deliver a summer holiday life skills course which benefits children, young people and their families. Deliver whole family sessions that help parents to understand the range of opportunities available for young people and how they can support them to be their best self.
- Provide family friendly food based activities to start conversations about staying safe

- Provide opportunities for young people and families to participate in social action activities.

### **3.2 Service Outcomes**

The following list outlines the outcomes that the Service Provider is expected to achieve, as a result of the service being delivered.

As part of the tender return, you will be expected to propose your own list of performance measures, targets, baselines and methodology to be used for gathering the data, for each of the outcomes listed.

Final performance measures and targets will be agreed prior to contract commencement. Please refer to Appendix Three – Evaluation Strategy and Appendix Four - Suppliers Questions and Responses (Part 1, 2 and 3)

#### **Short / Medium Term**

- Increase in the emotional resilience of children and young people
- Improvement in the subjective wellbeing of children and young people
- Strengthened protective factors for wellbeing in children and young people
- Reduction in anxiety, stress and depression in children and young people
- Improvements in school attendance

#### **Medium / Long Term**

- Improved academic attainment at Key Stage 3
- Increased confidence, self-esteem, attitudes and aspirations of children and young people
- Improvement in resilience, integration and cohesion in communities
- Reduction in antisocial behaviour in communities
- Reduction in the number of young people being inappropriately referred to CAMHS
- Reduction in young people participating in risky behaviour that would bring them to the attention of BDGH or South Yorkshire Police.

### **3.3 Target Groups and/or areas**

The Service is targeted at children/young people aged 8-14 years who live in one of the wards that make up the North Area Council area.

Elected Members, through their work with communities, understand that some areas in each ward have more challenges than others due to socio-economic factors/ low academic achievement/lack of resources/lack of existing provision etc.

The Service Provider is, therefore, expected to deliver the service to children and young people in the areas of most need and where there is currently a lack of service provision.

### **3.4 Specific Aims and Objectives of the Service**

#### Short / Medium Term

- i. Ensure that young people have access to good quality, frank information about the physical, emotional and social wellbeing. Complimenting PHSE provision schools.
- ii. Work closely with identified schools to help encourage those children and young people who need it most, to access the service
- iii. Increase the emotional resilience and wellbeing of children and young people ages 8-14years.
- iv. Reduction in anxiety, stress and depression in children and young people.
- v. Increased confidence, self-esteem, emotional intelligence, attitudes and aspirations of young people
- vi. Improve the experiences of young people as they transition from junior to senior school.
- vii. Increase access to safe community spaces for young people in the transition ages between the times of 4pm and 7pm during the early evening.
- viii. Broaden the horizons of young people so that they are more aware of self-development and employment opportunities that reach beyond the community norm.
- ix. Enable young people to take ownership
- x. Highlight and celebrate achievements
- xi. Link with other North Area Council procured and make positive life choices
- xii. Empower parents to support their children to aim high and be their best self
- xiii. Increase young people's understanding of the consequences associated with risky behaviour, short, medium and long term



### Medium / Long Term

- i. Reduce the number of inappropriate referrals to CAMHS
- ii. Reduce the number of young people participating in antisocial behaviour and receiving Acceptable Behaviour Letters and Acceptable Behaviour Contracts
- iii. Reduce the numbers of young people attending BDGH for deliberate / self-harm related incidents
- iv. Reduce the numbers of young people attending BDGH for unintentional injuries resulting from participation in risky behaviour

### Social Value

Under this contract, the successful Provider will be required to actively contribute to the achievement of specific social value objectives. These reflect the vision and corporate priorities of the Council outlined in Sections 2.1 and 2.2, and include:

- Provision of local skills development, work experience placements and apprentice opportunities
- Employment and training opportunities within the locality.
- Collaboration with local Voluntary Community Organisations and Community Groups
- Increase adult and young people volunteering opportunities in the local community
- Recruitment and deployment of adult and young people volunteers.
- Development of strong community networks, community self-help and resilience
- Local spend/use of local supply chains/sub-contracting locally

## **4.0 REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROVIDER**

### **4.1 Service Providers Responsibility**

The successful Provider will deliver a service as outlined above in the scope of services and in line with the quality and performance standards detailed below.

The successful Provider will develop and deliver a service that:

- Complements existing provision;
- Addresses the needs of each ward in the area;
- Meets the specified objectives; and
- Delivers the outcomes outlined in this document.

The Provider will be required to collate information regarding the work that has been undertaken and provide the Area Manager with regular reports, data and case studies.

### **4.2 Quality Standards**

The Provider will have all relevant policies and procedures in place.

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this specification is intended to prevent the Service Provider from setting higher quality standards than those laid down in the Contract.

It is the Provider's responsibility to ensure efficient delivery of the service contract, ensuring that the manager appointed/nominated for the Service Provider will directly manage all aspects of the Service and ensure that all outcomes and targets are met.

The Service Provider will have a robust system for monitoring complaints and suggestions; feedback from service users will inform service delivery.

The Provider will also ensure that:

- All staff who work with children and young people are trained in child development and mental health and understand what can be done to provide help and support for those who need it.
- All staff are equipped with appropriate training, staff development and supervision
- All staff employed or engaged by the Provider are informed and are aware of the standard of performance that they are required to provide and are able to meet that standard
- All staff employed or engaged by the Provider will be subject to a DBS check, and an acceptable outcome determined
- All staff employed or engaged by the Provider must be registered with the appropriate professional body, where applicable
- The adherence of the Provider's staff to such standards of performance is routinely monitored and that remedial action is promptly taken where such standards are not met

- For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this specification is intended to prevent the Provider from setting higher quality standards than those laid down in the Contract

Additionally:

- The provider will have a robust system for monitoring complaints and suggestions; feedback from service users will inform service delivery.
- The provider will submit an annual report summarising any complaints, investigations and remedial action.

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### **4.3 Health and Safety**

The Provider of this service will be required to adhere to the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 at all times and any other relevant guidance and directives in force or subsequently issued. In addition the Provider is required to achieve accreditation under one of the Safety Schemes in Procurement.

The Service Provider will ensure that:

- All staff are equipped with appropriate training, staff development and supervision.
- All staff employed or engaged by the Service Provider are informed and are aware of the standard of performance that they are required to provide and are able to meet that standard.
- The adherence of the Service Provider's staff to such standards of performance is routinely monitored and that remedial action is promptly taken where such standards are not met.
- All staff employed or engaged by the Service Provider have been subject to a DBS clearance, where required, and an acceptable outcome determined.

For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this specification is intended to prevent the Service Provider from setting higher quality standards than those laid down in the Contract.

### **4.4 Environmental Requirements**

Project sustainability is key. The successful Provider will be expected to give consideration to the whole lifespan of the project, beyond the term of this contract.

The Provider will be required to comply with all legislation and Council policy in relation to the disposal and recycling of waste.

### **4.5 Branding Requirements**

The successful Provider will be supplied details of all relevant brand guidelines associated with the Council and Area Council schemes and expected to adhere to these with any associated materials produced.

#### **4.6 Equality and Diversity Requirements**

The successful service Provider will be required to ensure that the service is free from bias and acknowledges and respects gender, sexual orientation, age, race, religion, culture, lifestyle and values. If any needs are required as per the Equalities Act, such as language or disability, these needs will be provided for during the term of the contract.

Please also refer to Appendix Eight – Form of Contract (Terms and Conditions).

#### **4.7 Data Protection Requirements**

The successful service Provider will be required to comply with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) in terms of data security, specifically regarding securing data storage, access and transfer in relation to any activity undertaken in delivery of the services. As part of their written tender submission the Provider should details of whether they intend to collect personal/special details and process personal data. If processing personal data the Provider must be able to demonstrate to the Council, when requested, they have an ICO registration.

Further information on registration with the ICO can be found here;

<https://www.gov.uk/data-protection-register-notify-ico-personal-data>

#### **4.8 Safeguarding**

The safeguarding of children and adults at risk must underpin all practice and the Provider is expected to adhere to relevant legislation and guidance.

The service will have robust policies and procedures in place for safeguarding and protecting children, young people and adults at risk. The service will adopt a multi-agency approach to safeguarding, establishing information sharing agreements and joint working protocols with the Council and key partner agencies.

The Service will ensure that staff are aware of and abide by the most recent policies and procedures produced by the Barnsley Safeguarding Children Board Child Protection which can be accessed at;

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/safeguarding-families-in-barnsley/safeguarding-children-in-barnsley/barnsley-safeguarding-children-partnership/>

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/safeguarding-families-in-barnsley/safeguarding-children-in-barnsley/policies-and-procedures/>

The Service's operational policies and procedures will reflect those adopted by Barnsley Council, the Barnsley Safeguarding Adults Board and the Barnsley Safeguarding Children Partnership and will address the following;

- Ensure the making safeguarding principles are embedded and followed.
- How to make a referral for an adult at risk or a child in need under safeguarding procedures;

- Mental Capacity Act (applies to adults from the age of 16)
- How to report and respond to safeguarding concerns about the practice of staff or volunteers (people in positions of trust);
- Set out how they will manage a complaint investigation and how the learning will inform practice and continuous development of the service;
- How to initiate an Early Help Assessment if required;
- Set out how the management and reporting of Sudden Unsettling Incidents and the reflective learning from such events informs future practice and continuous service development;

The Provider will be responsible for informing the Council of their practice through routine contract monitoring arrangements or earlier where it relates to a critical incident and or is deemed to be an emergency that warrants this step as a matter of urgency.

Workforce training and education on the prevention of abuse and safeguarding practice must be given to all employees as a part of their induction and continued professional development. The training should be mapped against the locally agreed competency framework and should also include training on the Mental Capacity Act;

<https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/safeguarding-families-in-barnsley/safeguarding-adults-in-barnsley/for-professionals-and-volunteers>

### **Provider and Named Safeguarding Lead**

The Provider will identify a named safeguarding lead. The 'named' safeguarding lead will have arrangements in place to ensure they are able to access enhanced safeguarding advice, support and knowledge.

The successful Provider and their safeguarding lead must ensure that the following is in place:

- Clear referral and access criteria and documented pathways;
- Arrangements for the management of escalating risk;
- An information sharing and confidentiality policy in place that is clear regarding when information can be shared without consent and explains service users' rights and responsibilities;
- A risk assessment process that accounts for a history of abuse and the person's vulnerability to abuse, including predatory behaviour or sexual vulnerability
- A Quality Audit / Performance Monitoring system for safeguarding activity, that complies with contract and safeguarding performance reporting / monitoring requirements
- A clear process for reporting and managing allegations in relation to a member of staff or volunteer.

The Safer Recruitment and Selection of Staff, and Volunteers must be robust and include appropriately the undertaking of Disclosure and Barring Scheme checks (DBS). If these checks reveal information which would make the person unsuitable for work with children or vulnerable adults the Provider shall not employ or otherwise use such persons in any way.

The service must immediately notify the Council of any improper conduct by any of its staff or by one service user towards another, in connection with any part of this contract.

Any staff member who is the subject of allegations must be suspended from providing any services under this contract until the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the Council. Where appropriate a report should be made to the local authority – for those working with children and young people to the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO), and for adults at risk to the Safeguarding Adult Board Manager.

The Provider will ensure that they have mechanisms in place to fulfil their duty with regard to the Disclosure and Barring Service where they have dismissed an individual, or an individual has resigned, because they harmed or may harm a vulnerable person. Consideration of subsequent reporting to professional registering bodies will also be needed.

## 5.0 PERFORMANCE MEASURES

### 5.1 Contract Monitoring and Recording Requirements

Following the award of the contract the Council will hold an inception meeting with the successful Provider to review the following;

- The appointment/assignment of a Contract manager for both parties
- An overview of the staff to be engaged in the service delivery
- A contract management meeting schedule for the duration of the contract (Quarterly as a minimum)

The Provider will need to be able to demonstrate the effectiveness of the service in terms of delivering the agreed outcomes, outcome measures and outputs. Throughout the contract term the successful Provider will provide regular reports to the Area Council in regards to the types of services provided, both reactive and proactive to demonstrate contract delivery against all of the key objectives outlined.

There is a key requirement of the Provider to:

- Meet the Contract Manager for a monthly operational meeting for the first six months of the contract.
- Provide the Contract Manager with a monthly programme of delivery which identifies key delivery for each half of the school term and main holiday periods. This will be available a fortnight before the new period commences.
- Provide a quarterly report to the Contract Manager against the performance measures. This information will be shared with the North Area Council and Ward Alliances. Please note submission dates for the quarterly report up to Year 2 Quarter 1:

Year 1 Quarter 1 report	July 2020
Y1 Quarter 2 report	October 2020
Y1 Quarter 3 report	January 2020
Y1 Quarter 4 and end of year 1 report	April 2020
Y2 Quarter 1 report	July 2020

- Collect, collate and report on a range of agreed indicators on a quarterly basis (see milestones) as part of a quarterly report. This should also include the submission of 2 case studies per ward (group, individual or illustrating good practice/ innovative work) together with supporting photographs.

- Provide relevant evidence which would include volunteer signing in sheets, specific detail around the volunteers and how they were engaged. The detail should include named volunteers and their contact information
- Attend quarterly meetings with the contract manager to discuss the quarterly report and request any additional information/provide clarification, if required.
- Attend the Area Council Meeting as requested.
- An end of year report to be submitted (see milestones)
- An end of Project report and lessons learned to be submitted 3 months before the contract end date.

## **6.0 CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Council will ensure the awarded Provider is made aware of any specific procedures and requirements in relation to Council policy and practice which may be relevant.

The Council will ensure the successful Provider is given a key point of contact for any enquires in relation to the contract.



## **7.0 PAYMENTS AND INVOICES**

### **7.1 Payment Terms**

The Council will pay the Provider(s) for work as per the agreement outlined in **Appendix Eight – Form of Contract (Terms and Conditions)**.

The successful Tenderer will be expected to sign up to the Premier Supplier Programme (if not already included) and offer a discount, as outlined in **Appendix One – Invitation to Tender**.

### **7.2 Payment Profile**

The Council will pay the Provider monthly in arrears for the services outlined as per the pricing schedule submitted in Appendix 6.

**Barnsley Council will issue a purchase order for this Service. Each invoice presented must contain the relevant purchase order reference number. All required documentation must be received by the Authority before payment can be processed.**

**Tenderers should note that any extension for the additional 12 months would be based on a review of the service and if these continue to be needed, current market forces and the breakdown of costs detailed in the initial tender offered.**

**Providers should note that the Authority's standard terms and conditions are to make payment 30 days from the date the invoice is received by the Financial Services Department, whilst using the Premier Supplier Programme as a mechanism to support accelerated payment terms.**



**APPENDIX A TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**RESILIENCE FRAMEWORK  
(CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE)**

<https://www.boingboing.org.uk/use-resilience-framework-academic-resilience/>

**OCTOBER 2015 (UPDATED)**

<b>SPECIFIC APPROACHES</b>				<b>LEARNING</b>	<b>COPING</b>	<b>CORE SELF</b>
<b>BASICS</b>	<b>BELONGING</b>	<b>LEARNING</b>	<b>COPING</b>	<b>CORE SELF</b>		
Good enough housing	Find somewhere for the child/YP to belong	Make school/college life work as well as possible	Understanding boundaries and keeping within them	Instil a sense of hope		
Enough money to live	Help child/YP understand their place in the world	Engage mentors for children/YP	Being brave	Support the child/YP to understand other people's feelings		
Being safe	Tap into good influences	Map out career or life plan	Solving problems	Help the child/YP to know her/himself		
Access & transport	Keep relationships going	Help the child/YP to organise her/himself	Putting on rose-tinted glasses	Help the child/YP take responsibility for her/himself		
	The more healthy relationships the better		Fostering their interests			
Healthy diet	Take what you can from relationships where there is some hope	Highlight achievements	Calming down & self-soothing	Foster their talents		
Exercise and fresh air	Get together people the child/YP can count on		Remember tomorrow is another day			
Enough sleep	Responsibilities & obligations	Develop life skills	Lean on others when necessary	There are tried and tested treatments for specific problems, use them		
	Focus on good times and places					
Play & leisure	Make sense of where child/YP has come from		Have a laugh			
	Being free from prejudice & discrimination	Predict a good experience of someone or something new				
	Make friends and mix with other children/YPs					
<b>NOBLE TRUTHS</b>						
<b>ACCEPTING</b>	<b>CONSERVING</b>	<b>COMMITMENT</b>	<b>ENLISTING</b>			

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:

18<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Agenda Item: 9

Report of North Area Council  
Manager

**North Area Council Stronger Communities Grant  
Process review prior to 2020/21 funding round**

**1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 To approve the Stronger Communities Grant Panel's recommendation to make the grant funding available for 2020/21.

1.2 To agree dates for advertising and of the grant funding opportunity.

**2. Recommendations**

**2.1. Members approve the recommendation to run the grants programme in 2020/21.**

**2.2. Members agree to the terms of reference, Appendix 1.**

**2.3. Members agree the value of the grant funding pot for 2020/21.**

**2.4. Members to confirm which councillors will represent each ward on the grants panel 2020/21.**

**3. Documentation and Process**

Attached to this document please find the Grant Panel's Terms of Reference. Appendix 1.

**4. 2019/20 Allocation**

The panel have recommended the grant funding allocation for 2020/21 is £50,000. This is a reduction in the grant funding that was available for 2019/20.

**5. Grants Panel**

The 2020/21 Grants Panel ward representation is as follows:

Darton East	Cllr Hunt
Darton West	Cllr Howard
Old Town	Cllr Lofts
St Helen's	Cllr Platts

## 6. Proposed dates

If the Area Council agrees to run the grant funding programme in 2020/21, the indicative dates are as follows:

Advertise grant opportunity	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2019
Closing date for grant applications	31 <sup>st</sup> January 2020
Packs to panel members	7 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Panel Evaluation Meeting	28 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Notification of successful applicants	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Projects commence form	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2020

**Officer Contact:**  
**Rosie Adams**

**Tel. No:**  
**01226 773583**

**Date:**  
**05/11/2018**

## Appendix 1:

# **NORTH AREA COUNCIL COMMISSIONING** **STRONGER COMMUNITIES GRANT PANEL 2020/21** **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

## Background

The North Area Council has made £50,000 of the area allocation available to help address local priorities. Awards will range from £5,000 - £20,000. This is a one off grant funding opportunity, enabling projects to be delivered in the financial year 2020/21.

## Membership

The Stronger Communities Grant Panel will consist of four Elected Members, one from each Ward of the North Area Council.

The Elected Members will be duly nominated by the ward they represent, and their position on the group be agreed through the North Area Council for an initial term of 12 months.

The Area Council Manager will support the Stronger Communities Grant Panel in an advisory capacity and adopt the role of Chairperson.

The Senior Link Officer will attend in an advisory capacity.

The Stronger Communities Grant Panel will be facilitated and supported by the North Area Team.

## Purpose of The Panel

The purpose of the Stronger Communities Grant Panel will be:

To act as a funding decision sub-group to the North Area Council; making funding recommendations for the Stronger Communities Grant. These recommendations will enable the funding to be approved by the delegated officer.

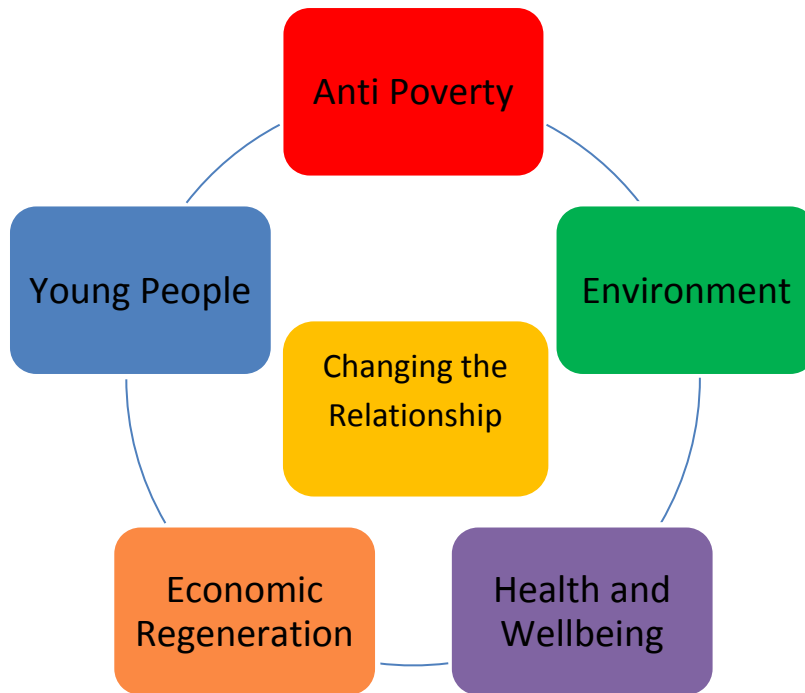
## Aims and outcomes

Approved grants will be for the benefit of the North Area Council, and will meet both the corporate and Area Council priorities. The aims and associated outcomes of the Stronger Communities Grant can be seen below.

The aims:

To ensure that the £50,000 Stronger Communities Grant, made available by the North Area Council, is fully committed and allocated as appropriate.

The Area Council priorities are:



<b>Opportunities for Young People</b>	Raise the aspirations of young people and increased their life chances Help to ensure that young people in the North Area reach a positive post 16 destination
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	Prioritise the reduction in health inequalities between different parts of the Borough Encourage people to implement the five ways to wellbeing into their lives: Connect, Be Active, Keep Learning,, Help Others and Take Notice. Support the many benefits of volunteering and foster our many and diverse opportunities for residents to gain new skills and experiences through volunteering
<b>Anti-Poverty</b>	Target young people, families and communities who may need advice and extra help in gaining the skills and experience they need to succeed
<b>Environment</b>	Maintain our parks and greenspaces for future generations through increased community stewardship
<b>Economic Regeneration</b>	Increase the skills of our current and future workforce Work with local businesses to plan for the future
<b>Golden thread : Changing the relationship – Stronger Communities</b>	Facilitate greater self-help Engage local communities in helping them shape decisions and services in their neighbourhood Ensure people of all ages have a much greater involvement in designing services and actively participating in improving their lives and Barnsley



## Process and Best Practise

Decision will be reached at a Panel Meeting via a collaborative discussion where by majority decision can be reached.

In cases where the panel is split and cannot reach an amicable decision, the project will either be deferred awaiting further information or it will be rejected.

The Area Council cannot overturn the panel's recommendations.

The Area Manager will report decisions of the Panel to the North Area Council for information.

Safeguard public funds by being transparent, namely reporting decisions.

## Roles and Responsibilities

### **Panel Members will be expected to:**

- Make themselves available for panel meetings
- Read applications in advance of the panel meeting, independently score each application and make summary notes to ensure a concise and constructive conversation can take place at the panel meeting. (N.B. Unscored applications will not be considered in the moderation process)
- Enter into debate regarding the merit of each applications
- Make decisions on applications for the benefit of the whole North Area

### **The Chair will be expected to:**

- Keep the panel to time
- Lead a constructive debate in relation to each application
- Will Have no vote in the decision making process

## Conduct and Values

All members must act in the interest of the whole North Area.

All members must be transparent about how decisions to award grants are made and be willing to share this information publicly.

The panel should work in a non discriminatory way, making decisions that represent and affect all sections of the community.

## Decisions

Decisions made by the Stronger Communities Grant Panel will be final. There is no right of appeal.

## Sign off

**We (members of the Stronger Communities Grant Panel) agree to these terms of reference.**

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

**Other names of members of the panel:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name)

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**Appendix 2:**

# North Area Council Stronger Communities Grant

*Working together to build stronger communities across Barnsley North Area*



## PANEL GUIDANCE 2020-21

Dear Panel Member,

Thank you for volunteering to represent your ward in this valuable exercise, designed to allocate funding to community based projects that will help to address both BMBCs Corporate Priorities and those of the North Area Council. I hope this guidance will make this process as straightforward as possible.

### Applications Received

The application deadline was: 12noon on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

**xx applications were received, totalling £xxx,xxx.xx.**

You should have received your panel packs week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

### Individual Scoring

You will find all xx applications in your panel pack. Each with a scoring matrix attached. Please complete a scoring matrix for each application (both a numerical score and comments on the reverse.) Bring this and the rest of your panel pack contents with you to the moderation meeting. For most of the packs there is supporting information which is not essential to the scoring process but has been provided by the applicants. Printing this seemed like a waste but I will email it to you so that you have an opportunity to look at this should you wish.

Completing this process in advance should save time at the moderation whilst still allowing for informed discussion to take place that will help you decide which projects have been successful in the process.

### Stronger Communities Grants Panel Moderation meeting

I look forward to seeing you at the moderation meeting. If you have any questions in the meantime please don't hesitate to contact me.

Day: Friday  
Date: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
Time: 14.30 – 16.30  
Location: Town Hall, Room 3

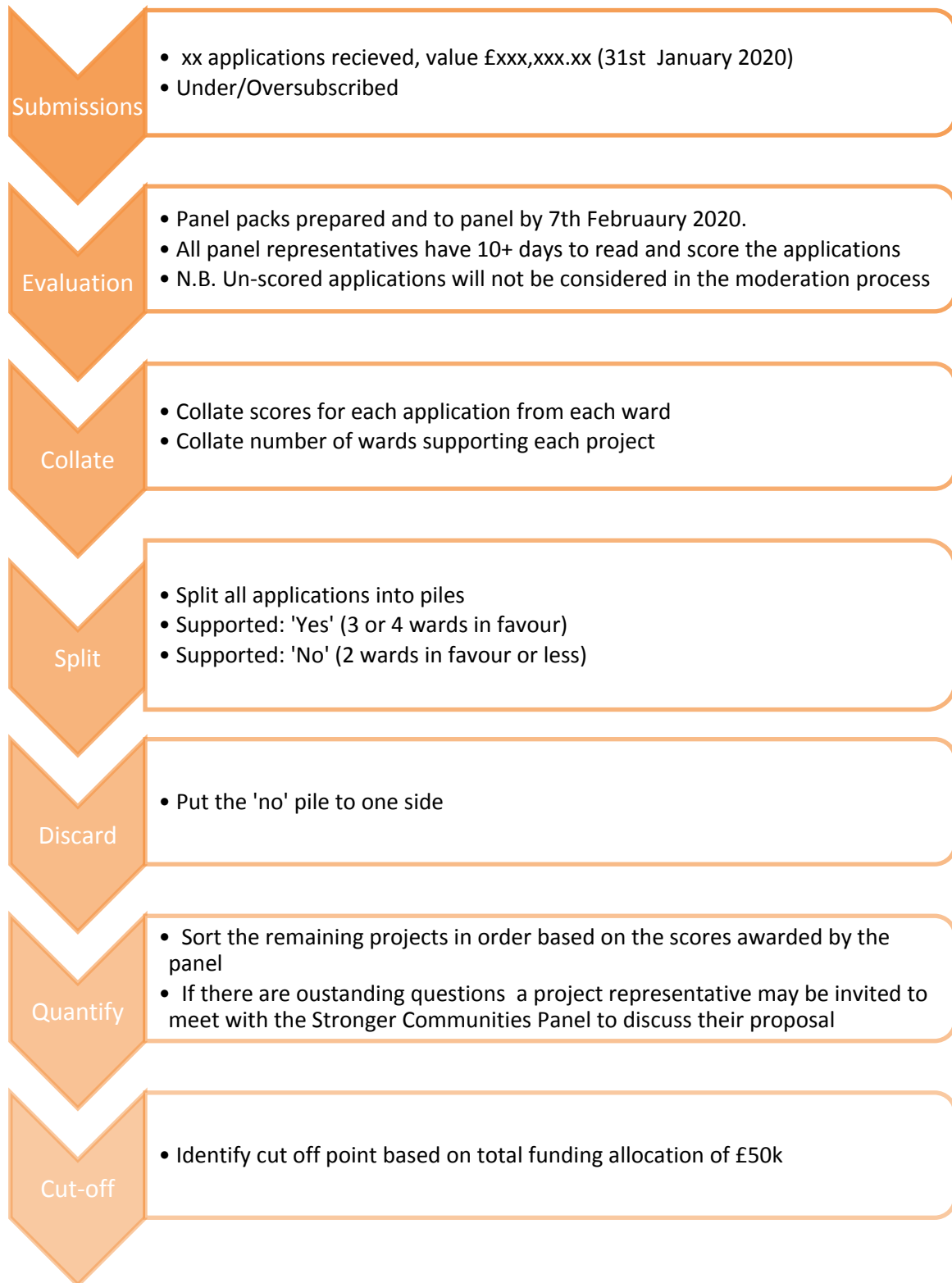
Kindest regards,

Rosie

Contact: [RosemarieAdams@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:RosemarieAdams@barnsley.gov.uk) or 07971 079979

North Area Council

Stronger Communities Grant 2020/21 - Approval Process



**North Area Council  
Stronger Communities Grant application  
Scoring matrix**



<b>Name:</b>	<b>Representing Ward:</b>
<b>Project Number:</b> <b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Name of Organisation:</b>

For all questions, please score out of five points unless stated otherwise.

**Scoring Levels**

- 1 = Little or no evidence to support the criteria
- 2 = Some evidence to support the criteria
- 3 = Sufficient evidence support the criteria
- 4 = Considerable evidence to support the criteria
- 5 = Strong evidence to support the criteria

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Score</b>
The project clearly supports the North Area Council Priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opportunities for Young People</li> <li>Health and Wellbeing</li> <li>Anti-Poverty</li> <li>Environment</li> <li>Economic Regeneration</li> <li>Changing the relationship – stronger communities</li> </ul>	Please indicate which of the priorities the project supports by indicating against the priority opposite <u>and</u> score below.  Projects supports at least one priority /1 Project supports an additional priority(ies) (extra point) /1
The project encourages people to incorporate the five ways to wellbeing into their lives: Connect, Be Active, Keep Learning, Help Others and Take Notice.	/5
The need for the project is clearly shown i.e. an evidence base for this project and local demand is demonstrated.	/5
The aim/purpose of the project is clearly defined.	/5
Project outcomes (what will change as a result of the project) are clearly stated and are deliverable.	/5
A wide range of beneficiaries will benefit i.e. The project is inclusive and open to the wider community.	/5
The project milestones are well considered and the implementation plan of the project is thorough.	/5
The proposal shows a good understanding of how to monitor the performance of the project, and how to record, measure and demonstrate that outcomes have been achieved.	/5
The evidence the applicant will produce as part of the monitoring process will enable the grants panel to understand what has been delivered.	/5
The project represents good value for money.	/5
Project expenditure is realistic and achievable.	/5
The project contributes to stronger communities, capacity building and sustainability by providing volunteering opportunities.	/5
<b>Total</b>	<b>/57</b>

*N.B. Please note your comments/observations on the reverse.*

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Representing Ward:</b>
<b>Project:</b>	<b>Name of Organisation:</b>

Other comments/general observations:

<b>Panel Representative Signature:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Overall project score:</b>	<b>Project supported :</b> <b>YES</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NO</b> <input type="checkbox"/>

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:  
18<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Agenda Item: 10

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 2019/20 period.

**2. Recommendation**

**That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2019/20, 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 2018/19.

- 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. *(N.B. The additional funding allocated in October 2019 is the exception – this funding can be allocated to non-match funded projects.)*

- 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 2019/20 Financial Position**

- 4.1 The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2018/19 Ward Alliance Fund was added to the 2019/20 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the conditions of the ward alliance budget allocation.

- 4.2 *In September 2019 SMT approved an additional £10,000 of devolved ward budget per Ward Alliance.*

#### 4.3 Budget allocations for 2019/20

Ward	Base Allocation	Carried forward from 2018/19	Devolved from Area Council	Additional DWB (10/19)	Total available
Darton East	£10,000	£2,399	£10,000	£10,000	£32,399
Darton West	£10,000	£2,525	£10,000	£10,000	£32,525
Old Town	£10,000	£12,048	£10,000	£10,000	£42,048
St Helen's	£10,000	£3,850	£10,000	£10,000	£33,850

4.4 Please note there is a time lag when writing the finance report. By the end of March Old Town Ward Alliance had signed off additional grant funding, reducing their allocation to below £10,000. However this was not processed immediately due to financial year end commitments. Therefore they have been eligible for devolved funding from the North Area Council, despite the table above.

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

4.6 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

#### 5.0 Challenges and Opportunities

5.1 All wards should take an opportunity to consult on their ward plan early during the financial year 2019/20 (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.

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

5.3 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.

5.4 All Ward Alliance Funding forms for the year 2019/20 must be signed off by the Ward Alliance by the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to allow for timely process.

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5<sup>th</sup> November 2019



**Appendix 1:  
2019/20 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS**

For 2019/20 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 2018/19 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2019/20 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 2019/20 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
<b>£2,399</b>	carried forward from 2018/19
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£22,399</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Match funding element of allocation</b>	<b>Non Match funding allocation remaining</b>	<b>Allocation Remaining</b> <b>£22,399</b>
			<b>£11,200</b>	
DEWA - Young People's Activities	£350	£0	£10,850	£22,049
DEWA - Working Budget	£670	£0	£10,180	£21,379
DEWA - Hanging Baskets	£1705	£0	£9,475	£19,674
Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Rec Group - Bedding Plants	£285	£702	£9,475	£19,389

Mapplewell & Staincross Greenspace & Rec Group - TDY Land Art Project	£751	£990	£9,475	£18,638
PCC St Mary with St Paul - Barnsley Pals Colours Project	£500	£10,132	£9,475	£18,138
Barnsley Youth Choir - International Weekend	£257.58	£3,243	£9,475	£17,880.42
Staincross Mapplewell & Darton Community Venture St Johns Parish Hall	£1200	£405	£9,475	£16,680.42
First Stage Summer School	£451	£2,999	£9,475	£16,229.42
Secretary Payment - Helen Altyn	£125	£0	£9,350	£16,104.42
cash payment - working budget from event	£39	£0	£9,350	£16,143.42
Family Fun Sessions	£700	£0	£8,650	£15,443.42
Young Peoples Disco	£400	£405.30	£8,650	£15,043.42
Christmas in Darton East 2019	£2800	£0	£5,850	£12,243.42
Christmas Lights in Mapplewell	£5400	£2702	£5,850	£6,843.42
Spring Blubs	£600	£1000	£5,850	£6,243.42
Senior Citizens & Special Needs Winter Warmer Event	£1020	£354	£5,850	£5,223.42
Secretary Payment – Helen Altin Q2	£125	£0	£5,725	£5,098.42
Winter Bedding Plants – Mapplewell War Memorial	£270	£14,000	£5,725	£4,828.42

## DARTON WEST WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£2,525	carried forward from 2018/19
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£22,525</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

<b>Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Match funding element of allocation</b>	<b>Non Match funding allocation remaining £11,262.50</b>	<b>Allocation Remaining £22,525</b>
DWWA - Dog Fouling Sign	£197.59	£0	£11,064.91	<b>£22,327.41</b>
DWWA - Hanging Baskets	£2200	£0	£8,864.91	<b>£20,127.41</b>
Kexborough Local History Group - Heritage Board	£406	£1760	£8,864.91	<b>£19,721.41</b>
DWWA - Planters	£1570	£0	£7,294.91	<b>£18,151.41</b>
DWWA - AED Locator (Defibrillator) Annual Monitoring	£49	£0	£7,245.91	<b>£18,102.41</b>
Barnsley Youth Choir - International Weekend	£286.20	£10,132	£7,245.91	<b>£17,816.21</b>
Richard Haigh Ward Alliance Payment	£125	£0	£7120.91	<b>£17,691.21</b>
Kexborough Noticeboard	£824	£0	£6,296.91	<b>£16,867.21</b>
Nova Theatre Group	£451	£2999.22	£6,296.91	<b>£16,416.21</b>
Darton West Working Budget	£600	£0	£6,296.91	<b>£15,816.21</b>
Remembrance Day Celebrations	£1575.07	£553	£6,296.91	<b>£14,241.14</b>
Christmas in Darton West	£1380	£0	£4,917	<b>£12,861.14</b>
Spring Blubs	£400	£1000	£4,917	<b>£12,461.14</b>

Stars of Darton West Awards – Working Budget	£1000	£0	£3,917	<b>£11,461.14</b>
Darton Noticeboard	£169	£0	£3,748	<b>£11,292.14</b>
Secretary Payment – Richard Haigh Q2	£125	£0	£3623	<b>£11,167.14</b>

### OLD TOWN WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£12,048	carried forward from 2018/19
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£32,048</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £16,024	Allocation Remaining £32,048
Old Town News - OTWA Newsletter	£1,186.95	£0	£14,937.05	<b>£30,861.05</b>
Renewing MAMA equipment and costumes	£1213	£23,858	£14,937.05	<b>£29,648.05</b>
Pogmoor Residents Ass. Outline Whitley Bomber with plants	£758.45	£1000	£14,937.05	<b>£28,889.60</b>
OTWA - Brierfield Close Bollards	£400	£0	£14,537.05	<b>£28,489.60</b>
Barnsley Youth Choir - 10th Anniversary Celebration Weekend	£486.54	£2702	£14,537.05	<b>£28,003.06</b>
Pogmoor Area Residents Association - Afternoon Social Club	£326.43	£4,539	£14,537.05	<b>£27,676.63</b>
Barnsley Retirement Fellowship Group	£524	£3,186	£14,537.05	<b>£27,152.63</b>

Fleets Information Lecterns	£2516	£270.20	£14,537.05	<b>£24,636.63</b>
The Big Cooking Challenge	£1090	£108	£14,537.05	<b>£23,546.63</b>
Christmas Trees 2019	£2519	£0	£12,018.05	<b>£21,027.63</b>
TRO – Warner Road	£6,000	£0	£6,018.05	<b>£15,027.63</b>
Emmanuel Baby & Toddler Group	£1205	£16,333.59	£6,018.05	<b>£13,822.63</b>
Federation of TARA monies given to Old Town	-£500			<b>£14,322.63</b>

#### ST HELENS WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£3,850	carried forward from 2018/19
£10,000	devolved from Area Council
<b>£23,850</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £11,925	Allocation Remaining £23,850
Barnsley International Youth Choir	£300	£1,621	£11,925	<b>£23,550</b>
PALS Colours	£500	£10,132	£11,925	<b>£23,050</b>
ST Helens Gala	£1500	£600	£11,925	<b>£21,550</b>
Romero Support	£329	£290	£11,925	<b>£21,221</b>
Secretary Payment - Rebecca Leech Q1	£125	£0	£11,800	<b>£21,096</b>
Spring Blubs 2019	£1500	£0	£10,300	<b>£19,596</b>
Christmas Events	£2500	£1132	£10,300	<b>£17,096</b>

Selecta DNA	£1000	£270	£10,300	<b>£16,096</b>
Renovation of Church Garden area	£1114	£1188	£10,300	<b>£14,982</b>
Next Steps	£1000	£0	£9,300	<b>£13,982</b>
Secretary Payment – Rebecca Leach Q2	£125	£0	£9,175	<b>£13,857</b>
Hanging Baskets	£1705	£0	£7,470	<b>£12,152</b>
Health Event Working Budget	£750	£0	£6,720	<b>£11,402</b>
Wingfield Road Roundabout	£2,000	£0	£4,720	<b>£9,402</b>
Athersley Annual Community Bonfire	£1200	£2431	£4,720	<b>£8,202</b>

**BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**North Area Council Meeting:  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**Agenda Item: 11**

**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 primarily during September and October 2019.

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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31<sup>st</sup> October 2019**

## Appendix One:

**Darton East Ward Alliance**  
**'CAN DO-WILL DO'**  
10<sup>th</sup> September – 6 PM  
Mapplewell & Staincross  
Village Hall

### **Present:**

Cllr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor  
Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor  
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team  
Pauline Brook - Methodist Church  
Helen Altun – Minutes  
Caroline Haigh – Village Hall Assistant Manager  
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager  
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man  
Janine Williams – Local Resident

### **1. Apologies**

Cllr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor  
David Hilton – Green space  
David Oates - Local Business Man

**2. Declarations Of Interest** – Caroline Haigh and Nick Hibberd

**3. Minutes of previous meeting** - Approved.

**4. Matters Arising** - None

### **5. Financial Update**

WAF projects supported - £7,754.92

WAF allocation not requiring match funding - £6,874.50

### **6. Applications for Funding**

Spring Bulbs - £600.00 Approved.

Christmas Switch on - £2800.00 Approved.

Christmas Lights - £5400.00 - Approved

Winter Warmer Event - £1020.00 - Approved



## 7. Christmas

The Christmas lights plan was shown to all members. There will be 30 lights going up around Mapplewell. Hopefully the lights will be up in time for the Mapplewell Christmas switch on.

## 8. AOB

The kids disco planned at the village hall for August had to be cancelled due to low ticket sales.

All the children's summer events went really well and positive feedback has been received. The Chronicle came to the last children's event to take some photos.

Working in partnership with Dial Happy on a Thursday will now tie in with the luncheon club held on the village hall on a Thursday.

A member asked if the village works had been signed off. The village works have not yet been signed off. It will be signed off when Howarth Estates comes up with a plan for the bollards to be replaced.

A member also asked who was maintaining the planters in the village.

Councillor Harry Spence looks after the two planters in front of the café and the hairdressers on Blacker Road. The butcher looks after the one outside his shop and Bottle and Co have taken over looking after the one outside their shop.

The plants in the planter outside the Eastfield Arms have now been stolen twice.

554 bags of rubbish have been collected which represents 900 volunteer hours.

The village hall members explained they had been working in partnership with SYFABS. A grant had been put in for an organ. The Elisha choir have put in an application and Nick is helping people to apply for funding.

The village hall is also looking at the lights in the hall to help to reduce the carbon footprint.

A paint company at Dodworth had given the village hall two tins of paint to help paint the village hall.

A member asked when Lidl will be opening in the area and it is going to be December.

The members are now hoping to organise a kids Halloween disco on 1<sup>st</sup> November between 6 pm – 8 pm.

A member explained that Neighbourhood services will be coming out to our area in the months to come and asked for areas that needed weeding etc. Some members gave some areas in the local area what they would like to see sprayed.

Meeting closed.

**Next meeting 08/10/19 6 pm**

**Darton East Ward Alliance**  
**'CAN DO-WILL DO'**  
8<sup>th</sup> October – 6 PM  
Mapplewell & Staincross  
Village Hall

**Present:**

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

**5. Apologies**

None

**6. Declarations Of Interest –** David Hilton

**7. Minutes of previous meeting -** Approved.

**8. Matters Arising -** None

**5. Financial Update**

WAF projects supported - £3944.92

WAF allocation not requiring match funding - £864.50

**9. Applications for Funding**

£270.00 Plants - Approved

**10. Ward Action Plan**

**Highways, footways and Transport** – A member explained that they had been trying to find out who the snow wardens in the area were. David Hilton is one. They are waiting for a response on all snow wardens in the area.

A member asked the council to cut back the hedge near Ibberson Gardens. They said they will cut it but it will probably be towards the end of the season. A member of the group asked if Twiggs could do it and also if there was any money left from the section 106 money.

The white lines on Croft Drive have now been painted on.

**The Crime and safety – pact meeting** – A lady had been mugged on the 22/09/19 just off Kingsway. The lady is concerned about the lighting in the area. A member has been in touch with the Safer Neighbourhood Team to see if anything can be done in this area. A bid could possibly be put in to The Crime Commissioning for lighting. The lights had previously been removed from the area as they were shining in to some residential windows. A member also explained they had been a mugging at Wells Court in broad daylight.

Hope Street – Antisocial behaviour has been reported in the allotments all way up to the chicken sheds which have been previously set on fire. The Safer Neighbourhood Team has been informed. Some residents on Paddock Road have had a leaflet about antisocial behaviour.

Some drug waste was found in the park when a litter pick was completed.

Speeding – Problems with speeding have been reported on Spark Lane and Staincross Common. Follow up in next pact meeting.

**Children and Young People** – unfortunately the summer disco had to be cancelled due to low ticket sales. A Halloween disco is being arranged for the 1<sup>st</sup> November so members are hoping this will be a success.

**Working with the community to improve the area –** Twiggs have been really helpful. Twiggs contract does require volunteers to go out and do the work with them. Twiggs do work Saturday mornings. Twiggs contract is up next September and will be reviewed in March next year.

The most litter is picked up in the area on Spark Lane and Staincross Common. A member asked if a mobile sign could be put up reminding people how many bags of rubbish had been picked up in the area. A member explained they will ring Highways about noticeboards going up regarding litter.

Some shops in the village have applied for principal town grants for new shop fronts.

A member is waiting for Highways to come back to them regarding stickers for the bins and stencils for the path.

A member explained stage 1 was to get rid of the bins within close proximity; stage 2 was to replace the bins with bigger bins. No bigger bins have yet been seen. A member explained that the council was collating data from stage 2 but they will check what is happening about the next stage. There is a code on the bin where you can report it online if it is full, you can also report fly tipping. A member asked if the council phone number could go on the bins. A member explained it might be a good idea to put a QR code on the bin. If a person can not go online they can report it to a councillor or they can call the council.

**Wellbeing –** Dial are coming in to do a Happy café in the village hall and this is going really well. The village hall is applying for a national lottery grant and is asking for ideas of what they can do in the village hall.

There is a winter warmer event on the 19/12/19. The mayor will be asked to come.

A member asked if the group would like to have a celebration event. It would have to be after May due to finances. Volunteers would be needed for a sub group.

A member also asked if the village could have a summer gala. The group who have organised the beer festival had briefly discussed running something in the summer in the park. They would need a council employee to be present. All parks are licensed. It was mentioned that it would be nice to get the children involved and this idea will be taken forward.

## **11. Christmas**

The co op switch on is on 29/11/19 at 4.30 pm and The Co-op and Mapplewell Primary School will be getting involved.

The Darton switch on is on 02/12/19 and Darton Primary have been invited. The Christmas lights in the village will cost a lot of money to switch on at the same time as the Christmas tree so they will be put up on 29/11/19 and will hopefully turn on around the same time as the lights.

A member explained that the community should have had more involvement with picking the lights and the colours. Another member explained the tight timescales to get the order in for the lights and if they had asked the community you would not have been able to please everyone.

There will be a light switch on at windhill this year on the 04/12/19 and also a light switch on at Woolley.

## **12. AOB**

A member explained that Chris Hogg a junior doctor working in the NHS who also helps out at St John's Ambulance is willing to put on a first aid course for free and can use the village hall room for free.

Village sign off – The village as not been signed off until Harworth estates come up with a plan for the bollards.

The defibrillator which as been donated to the village needs an outdoor storage case. The Beer Festival has some surplus funds and they will look into if they can purchase an outdoor storage case. They need a plan as to what to spend the remaining funds on.

Road Closure – On remembrance Sunday the road will be closed off. There will be two peso's to close the road.

Trees – 10,000 mature trees are to be planted in Barnsley over the coming years. The council would like any suggestions for locations for them.

Community garden at the co-op – What is the delay? Mapplewell primary school has been asked to help with the garden. The request for funds for the garden went via greenspace. Twiggs advised there was an issue with the size of the planters and manhole cover. Unless someone is willing to water them the plants will die. Could some larger beds be put in? The funds available were not enough to cover larger beds. Greenspace also did not want to support private areas. The simplest way round it would be to refund the ward

alliance with the balance then to put a separate bid in through the ward alliance. A member asked if it would be possible for the co op to put in any money. A member explained they had approached a few businesses in the area and they were happy to make a contribution.

David Oates explained he was happy to take any photos at any local events.

There will be a Halloween disco dependant on ticket sales on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 6pm – 8pm. Posters will be handed out at all local primary schools. A sub group meeting was arranged for 15/10/19 at 4.30pm at the village hall.

Meeting closed.

**Next meeting 12/11/19 6 pm.**

## **Appendix Two:**

**Darton West Ward Alliance.  
Minutes of the Meeting.  
Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at the Darton Centre.**

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Sharon Howard. Cllr Trevor Cave. Christina Carroll. Ann Plant. Jason Gardiner. Richard Haigh.  
North Area Team Rebecca Battye.  
Visitor: Stacey White ( Planning Project Manager BMBC).  
Apologies: Tom West.

1.The Chair welcomed everyone to the Meeting and Apologies given.

2.The notes of the meeting 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and Action Points were reviewed.

### **ACTION POINTS.**

Jason to look at seating provision in Kexbrough.

Rebecca to chase up litter bins at Claycliffe Roundabout and Dayhouse Way dog bin reinstatement.

Sharon to look at speed limit on Darton M1 Route.

Richard to supply Parks Survey update for the Next Meeting.

Rebecca to update re: Christmas Tree at Redbrook/ Wilthorpe Community Centre.

Alice to speak with Jo Birch re: potential

106 monies for playing equipment for Kexbrough.

Dominic to look at seating provision across the Ward.

Dominic to contact Christina re: management and monitoring of Defibrillator at Darton.

Rebecca to place order for Autumn Bulb Planting.

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

A 2019/ 2020 Budget was discussed.

B WAF applications for consideration.

Autumn Bulb Planting across the Ward. Agreed.

Voice for Darton Remembrance Day Celebrations. Agreed.

Christmas in Darton West 2019. Agreed.

Dearne Hall Road Fencing. Agreed.

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

Christina updated Group of Action Plan and amendments made.

Action Point.

Cllr Trevor Cave to Take Over the Ward Action Plan and Link in with BMBC Action Plan.

Agreed.

Cllr Trevor Cave to update progress next Meeting.

### **5. North Area Council.**

Nothing to report.

### **6.Darton Project.**

Cllrs updated Group of current events.

Cllr Trevor Cave updated Group of a new Group to be established, Friends of Darton which will replace the original Steering Group as all issues are now completed and moving forward to the next stage. This was seen as a positive move to future development.

Darton Longfields will be a future programme for the Darton Friends Group and local Darton Community Groups to discuss and implement.

Cllr Trevor Cave will hold a Meeting on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at the Darton Centre, 5.00 pm, to discuss his proposals and Vision for the Future.

7. Seating across the Ward.

This was discussed and future Agenda Item.

8 Autumn Bulb.

Discussed and all in place.

9.Stars for Darton Awards. See attached Minutes.

Discussed and approved to next Meeting.

10. Christmas Arrangements.

Approved and discuss next Meeting.

11. Communications.

Rebecca to place events in the Darton Arrow as agreed. For future Alliance funding.

12.MU1 Consultation.

Stacey White updated Group of MU1 Planning.

Discussions and Question Session.

Area Discussed and Future Plans

All members supplied with documents of Development.

Group would like to thank Stacey for her input.

AOB.

Ann Plant raised correction issue from the last Meeting.

Ann sent apologies, not recorded, sorry Ann, recorded for the Record.

**Date and Time of the next meeting.**

**Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

**Darton West Ward Alliance.  
Minutes of the Meeting.  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.**

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Sharon Howard,  
Cllr Trevor Cave, Ann Plant, Jason Gardner, Christina Carroll,  
Dominic McCall, John Ryan, Richard Haigh.  
North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.  
Apologies: Tom West.

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the Meeting and Apologies given.
2. The notes of the meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and Action Points were reviewed.

**ACTION POINTS.**

Jason to look at seating provision across Kexbrough and report.

Jason to give update of Darton College Wildlife Area and progress.

Sharon to update progress of speed limit sign on Darton M1 Route.

Rebecca to update Christmas tree progress at Redbrook/Wilthorpe Community Centre.

Alice to update progress of defibrillator provision at Redbrook/Wilthorpe Community Centre.

Rebecca to notify all local Groups when bulbs arrive for Autumn Planting.

Alice to update of any further progress of 106 monies after meeting with Jo Birch re: playing equipment at Kexbrough Recreation Ground.

Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Trevor Cave, to organise a meeting with the new Headteacher of Barugh Green Primary School to offer any future support that the Ward Alliance can give.

Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Trevor Cave, to speak with residents of Dearne Hall Road and report any issues if necessary.

Christina and Dominic to monitor the Darton defibrillator as their discussions.

**3. Ward Alliance Fund.**

- A. 2019/2020 Budget was discussed.
- B. WAF applications for consideration.
  - Stars for Darton 2020. Agreed.
  - Darton Notice Board. Agreed.

**4. Ward Alliance Action Plan.**

This was updated and amendments made.

**5. North Area Council.**

Nothing to Report.

**6. The Darton Project.**

Cllr Trevor Cave updated the Group of the current situation and progress being made.

Phase One (Darton Park) progressing in accordance with BMBC requirements.

Phase Two (Longfields) will sit under the umbrella of the Ward Alliance in accordance with BMBC Governance.



A Sub Group will be established to be Chaired by a Councillor to look at all future development projects.

Cllr Alice Cave (Chair) asked if any members would like to sit on the Sub Group. The following put their names forward,

Cllr, Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Trevor Cave, Ann Plant, John Ryan. Christina Carroll, Richard Haigh.

Date of Meeting was agreed.

**Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

7. Parks Survey 2019.

Richard updated Group.

8. Stars for Darton Awards. 2020.

Sharon updated Group.

9 Christmas Arrangements.

Christina updated Group of upcoming events by The Voice for Darton and will update next Meeting with Dates and Times.

10. Communications.

Rebecca updated her contact with The Darton Arrow.

A.O.B.

1. Christina updated re Darton Event, (Poppies) this will take place Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at the Village Hall.

2. Any Member who has photographs of Family Members who took part in Military Service please supply as loan for the Event.

3. It was agreed to hold meetings on Consecutive Days to give greater flexibility for Members Commitments. The Days chosen are Monday and Wednesday.

Date of Next Meeting.

**Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.**

## Appendix Three:

### Old Town Ward Alliance

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

#### Minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 7pm Town Hall.

1. In Attendance.  
Cllr Phil Lofts, Cllr Clive Pickering (Chair), Cllr Jo Newing (Sec), Bill (W) Gaunt, Lee Swift, Sheila Lowe,
2. Apologies. Dorothy Hayes, John Love, Cameron Stirk, Luke Holmes,
3. Minutes of the previous meeting, approved and agreed.
4. Matters Arising,
  - a. - Graphics re website- Lee has approached Voluntary Action-doit.org have placed a request and a couple of people have expressed an interest. Photographs are required. Lee to pass on details of interested parties to Bill Gaunt. Updated photographs and drone footage to be uploaded.
  - b. Old Town Carnival, went well, -£900, broke even which is all they set out to do. Lee to send details of person who has loaned Donkey's to other community groups.
5. Funding Applications Update.
  - a. Baby and Toddler Group Equipment at Emmanuel Church, Cllr Pickering attended this group which was well attended and is very friendly.
6. Funding Applications.
  - 6.1 Christmas Trees, Warner Road and Hartington Drive have survived, unfortunately the others died, either due to a number of reasons. Agreed to have Trees this year on Huddersfield Road, St Paul's Field, Pogmoor Road, Hartington Road and Brettas. Funding agreed.
  - 6.2 Pogmoor Park Allotment Funding for Fencing, agreed for Bill to contact the group to discuss what fencing is required and to report back to the Ward Alliance.
7. AOB
  - a. Display Boards for The Fleets, John Love and Bill Gaunt to help put them in along with Twiggs.
  - b. Some money remaining from the AED agreed to it being used to offer training at Centrepoint. Official Opening of AED on the 13<sup>th</sup> September Lee to advise re time. Cllrs to attend.
  - c. Ward Alliance Members, Bill to advertise for further members on the website.

Next Meeting – 12 November 7pm, Town Hall.

Old Town Ward Alliance

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

Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> October 7pm.

Barnsley Town Hall.

1. In Attendance.

Cllr Phil Lofts, Cllr Clive Pickering (Chair), Cllr Jo Newing (Sec), Bill (W) Gaunt, Lee Swift, Sheila Lowe,

2. Apologies. Dorothy Hayes, John Love, Cameron Stirk, Luke Holmes,

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4. Matters Arising,

Pogmoor Park Allotment Fencing, one end of the fencing has been completed, the end near to Sugdens Rec. Clive has spoken to Derek and Andrea who is going to get a quote for the long section and a part of the smaller section. Lee has spoken to Andrea and has arranged for Contractor to visit on Thursday; Lee will attend and discuss a breakdown of costs. Approx. £30 per panel. Lee will report back

5. Urgent Funding Applications.

Lee explained that the original expense for the TRO on Warner Road has now been used up and that to carry out the proposed work a further sum of £6,0000 is required urgently and agreement required before next week.

As this traffic order is way overdue, the W.A. was in agreement that further funding be approved to progress with the work. Lee is to inform Matt Bell (Head of Highways) once form has been signed in order that work can go ahead immediately.

6. AOB

6.1 Bill informed the group that the Website continues to have increased hits.

Next Meeting – 12 November 7pm, Town Hall.

## Appendix Four:

**St. Helen's Ward Alliance**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 4:00pm, Mansfield Road TARA**



**Present:** Cllr Jenny Platts (Chair), Cllr David Leech, Cllr Sarah Tattersall, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Tony Lowe, John Hallows, Madge Busby

**Apologies:** Michelle Cooper, Clyde Black, Freda Stenton, Neil Wright

**By Invitation:** Emma Shepherd (Barnsley Chronicle), Pat Padgett, Chris from TIAG

**Welcome and Introductions:** Introductions were given for those who were invited to the meeting. Everyone was thanked for their attendance.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** The new gazebos were used for the Summer Gala. The old ones have been donated to the Community Shop. Cllr Leech read out an email from Gail thanking everyone for the donation of the Gazebos and that they were going to put them to good use with the outdoor activities that they are planning.

Cllr Tattersall has purchased the trophies for the presentation event and will inform the members when the ceremony will be taking place.

Cllr Platts discussed the De-fib, there is one being placed in Darton so will see how it is attached to the wall, etc, and then will decide on one for New Lodge Health Centre.

The rest of the minutes were passed as a true record.

### **Funding Applications:**

- St Helens Crime and Safety Group – Selecta DNA. John Hallows presented the bid. He explained that this was a product used by SYP for marking property so that if that property gets stolen the police will be able to trace it back to its owner. John said that they would eventually like to get the product into every house. The bid was Borough wide and was for £670 from each ward. Cllr Leech suggested that the bid be increased to £1,000. The members discussed the increase and agreed to it.
- St Helens Church – Renovation of the Church garden area. Pat Padgett delivered this bid. It was for £1,114. This bid is to purchase a bench for the garden and to repaint the handrails around the disabled entrance. It was suggested that if the bid was accepted would it be possible to attach a plaque to the bench to say who it was donated by. Pat agreed to this. Pat left and the members discussed and agreed to the full amount. Cllr Tattersall to get costings for the plaque.
- Next Steps (TIAG) – This bid was for £1,000 and is to deliver a programme for 16-19-year olds who are disengaged and economically inactive. It will help build confidence, resilience and self-esteem. Chris from TIAG came to answer questions. He explained the programme would be for 10 young people who would attend weekly sessions over a 12-week period. The programme would be held at the Round House and the Romero would facilitate all payments. Cllr Platts asked if the Ward Alliance could have feedback on the programme after the 12-week period. Chris was thanked for attending and he left. The members discussed and the full amount was agreed. Lee Swift to contact.

- St Helens Ward Alliance Christmas Events – Cllr Tattersall gave report on the 4 Christmas events that were taking place and all the costings were discussed. It was agreed that the working budget for these events would be increased to £2,500
- St Helens Ward Spring Bulbs – Lee Swift gave report, this bid is for £1,500 and is for bulbs to be machine planted around the ward. He explained that we wouldn't be donating bulbs to the schools in the area this year as they have too many already planted. The bid was discussed and agreed.

**Ward Plan:** Due to the lack of time we were unable to discuss the Ward Plan at this meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lee Swift gave the funding update and reported that there would be £10,000 in the funding pot when all funding applications had been accepted.

**Secretary's Report:** Petty cash was discussed, and it was agreed that the Ward Alliance would donate £100 to the Mayors Charity. Cllr Leech to take the donation to the Mayor's office.

Christmas hampers were also discussed. With the success of last year's hampers, the members discussed doing the hampers again for this year's Christmas events. It was agreed and Rebecca to make the hampers using money from petty cash.

Rebecca also gave out the dates for 2020 Ward Alliance meetings. All dates agreed and Madge to book the room at the TARA office.

**Forthcoming Projects/Bids:** The Cllrs attended a ward briefing and it was discussed that we would hold another Sloppy Slippers / Health event. The members discussed this idea and agreed that we would look to organising an event for the 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Any Other Business:** There will be a jobs fair taking place on the 17<sup>th</sup> September at the Community Shop. All welcome to attend.

A monitoring form from St Helens Church was read out.

**Date and time of next meeting:**

The next meeting will take place on the 10<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in the TARA office.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

**St. Helen's Ward Alliance**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 4:00pm, Mansfield Road TARA**



**Present:** Cllr Sarah Tattersall (Chair), Cllr Jenny Platts, Cllr David Leech, Lee Swift, Tony Lowe, Madge Busby, Michelle Cooper, Clyde Black

**Apologies:** Freda Stenton, Neil Wright, Rebecca Leech, John Hallows

**By Invitation:**

**Welcome and Introductions:** Introductions were given for those who were invited to the meeting. Everyone was thanked for their attendance.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** A letter was received from the Mayor's office thanking the Ward Alliance for their donation following the St Helen's Gala to the Mayor's Charities.

A plaque for the bench has been purchased, along with additional ones for future projects. They came to £18 in total. Cllr Tattersall is awaiting the trophy company calling to tell her they're ready for collection. The bench itself will be installed asap, and it was noted that the cross in the church grounds is looking well.

In terms of the De-fib, it has been confirmed that there will need to be a power supply installed with the casing in order to power a heating element that will keep the equipment above 2 degrees. Cllr Platts agreed to speak to the building rep for the Roundhouse Medical Centre to explore if they are willing to look into this.

The IKIC presentation took place on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. Students attended and it was said to have been fantastic.

**Funding Applications:**

- Wingfield Rd Roundabout Contribution – Cllr Platts explained that the bid was a proposed contribution from non-matched funding for the renovation of a roundabout on Wingfield Rd. This was explained as beneficial as the current one is in severe disrepair and is a potential threat as it contains numerous stones that could cause death if a motorist had a crash there. Michelle raised her view that the Ward Alliance monies should be used to encourage and develop community projects, not to fund Highways and other BMBC works. Cllr Platts confirmed that the roundabout has been raised as a health and safety concern, and that the contribution is relatively small. A vote was taken, and all agreed, but Michelle's views still stood.
- St Helens Community Bonfire – Cllrs explained that Athersley Rec F.C. had put forwards a bid for £1,200 to cover the costs of two community bonfire and fireworks displays. The events have run for a number of years and attract a large number of the community from within and without of the Ward. All agreed to fund this to the full amount.
- Health event working budget – There was an identified need to determine a working budget for this event, as the Edlington Community Partnership have not responded to our request to host the slipper swap. After discussion , it was agreed to sign off £750

as a working budget, and Lee agreed to contact Wynsors to see if they would arrange and staff the slipper swap. The event was decided to be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 1.30-3.30pm at Community Shop. The working budget was agreed and Lee was asked to send Cllr Platts the list of agencies used at the last event.

**Christmas Events:** The list of Christmas events for 2019 have been determined. In addition, the memorial event was confirmed to be held on Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm, Laithes Crescent Chapel.

Madge agreed to check if there are any baubles left at the TARA Office.

The brass band has been confirmed to attend all switch on's, but Michelle said she doesn't need the face painter at the new lodge switch on. Cllr Leech was however asked to be father Christmas for the switch on at that event as it was felt that all the kids know who Tony is now, and the illusion isn't there.

Cllr Tattersall agreed to ask Laithes Primary School if they want to gather a choir to attend the New Lodge Event. Cllr Platts has asked Athersley South School to attend the St Helens Church event, and Athersley North School has been asked to attend the Community Shop one.

**Ward Plan:** Actions on the Ward Plan around promotion and recruitment have moved forwards, with two potential new members coming on board for the next meeting.

The work to find more groups to bid into the meeting for money is still ongoing, but in the meantime, it was decided to look at one of the other themes at the next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Clyde Black relinquished his position as Treasurer due to time commitments, and that he felt Lee was in a better position to give an accurate depiction of monies left. Clyde was thanked for all of his hard work over the years, and it was noted that he would still be attending the meetings as a regular Ward Alliance member.

Lee reported that there would be £8,202 in the funding pot when all funding applications had been accepted.

**Forthcoming Projects/Bids:** In terms of upcoming bids, it was noted that Junior Tykes are intending to ask for some money towards purchasing a container as temporary toilet facilities and the Caterpillar Club would likely be sending in a form for consideration.

**Any Other Business:** Tony asked the situation regarding removal of bins in the areas when there's a strong case of dog fouling. Cllrs explained that bins are only removed if they are within 20m of another bin, and that identifying stickers, explaining they can be dual use have been placed on all remaining bins.

Michelle said that she will likely be late for future meetings, but she still intends to come along and remain a Ward Alliance member.

Clyde gave his apologies for the November meeting

**Date and time of next meeting:**

The next meeting will take place on the 21<sup>st</sup> November at 4pm in the TARA office  
The meeting closed at 5.30pm.

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