

<b>MEETING:</b>	Central Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 1 March 2021
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Held Virtually

## AGENDA

1. Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

### Minutes

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 11th January, 2021 (Cen.01.03.2021/2) *(Pages 3 - 8)*

### Performance

3. Performance Management Report (Cen.01.03.2021/3) *(Pages 9 - 44)*

### Items for Decision

4. Procurement and Financial Update (Cen.01.03.2021/4) *(Pages 45 - 56)*

### Ward Alliances

5. Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.01.03.2021/5) *(Pages 57 - 90)*  
Central – held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 and 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021  
Dodworth – held on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 and 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2021  
Kingstone – held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2020  
Stairfoot – held on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2021
6. Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.01.03.2021/6) *(Pages 91 - 94)*

### Items for Discussion

7. Covid-19 Update - Cath Bedford (Cen.01.03.2021/7)
8. Day and time of future meetings of Central Area Council (Cen.01.03.2021/8)

To: Chair and Members of Central Area Council:-

Councillors Williams (Chair), P. Birkinshaw, Bowler, Bruff, Carr, Clarke, Dyson, Fielding, Gillis, W. Johnson, Lodge, Mitchell, Murray and Wright

Area Council Support Officers:

Jonathan Banwell, Central Area Council Senior Management Link Officer  
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities  
Sarah Blunkett, Central Area Council Manager  
Lisa Phelan, Central Area Council Manager  
Peter Mirfin, Council Governance Officer  
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Friday, 19 February 2021



<b>MEETING:</b>	Central Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Monday, 11 January 2021
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Held Virtually

## MINUTES

Present Councillors Williams (Chair), P. Birkinshaw, Bowler, Bruff, Carr, Clarke, Fielding, Gillis, W. Johnson, Lodge and Wright

### 8. Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute 10 due to his wife being chair of Barnsley YMCA.

### 9. Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 2nd November, 2020 (Cen.11.01.2021/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Central Area Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Central Area Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 10. Procurement and Financial Update (Cen.11.01.2021/3)

Andrea Battye and Emma Turton from Barnsley YMCA were welcomed to the meeting to speak about the Unity Project. This had been commissioned by the Area Council to help young people improve their resilience and promote positive emotional health and wellbeing. Members noted the programme of activities delivered with partners, which included schools. Members were reminded of the original organisation of the project, which aimed to deliver two sessions every week in each ward within the Central Area and also provided specific provision within school holidays. The sessions were led by young people and the service also offered opportunities for peer support and volunteering.

Those present heard of the changes necessary due to restrictions in place to address the pandemic. However, positive relationships had been maintained and nurtured throughout. Where possible lunchtime clubs in schools continued, as well as detached street-based activities, and virtual online sessions amongst others arranged in Covid safe ways.

Despite lockdowns, the service had delivered 211 sessions and reached 213 children and young people in 2020/21 with other performance targets also being met.

Members received case studies from the work undertaken in each Ward and praised the work of the service, continually adapting delivery in order to meet the needs of young people. Members acknowledged the significant challenges, and thanks were

given for the continuity the programme provided for young people who had been affected by the pandemic.

Questions were raised in relation to access to IT, as an increasing number of services were provided virtually. It was noted that young people did miss face-to-face contact and, now that teaching was online, felt increasingly overloaded by the use of technology. Members heard that detached sessions were still provided when possible to address this, and to include those who had poor access to digital services. It was noted that support was available those not digitally enabled, and it was suggested that the service highlights any issues they are aware of with families struggling due to a lack of IT.

The Area Managers then spoke to the report previously circulated. Members were reminded of previous discussions about the service to support new and expectant mothers. The Area Council approved the service in December 2018. Following a procurement process the service commenced in April 2019 for a year, with an option to extend this for two further periods of a year.

In year 1 it was noted that reports regarding the impact of the service were positive, however referrals were still considerably below target. Members had agreed for the service to be continued into year two, with efforts to increase the numbers being referred.

It was noted that in the second year Covid had severely impacted the service. Referrals were still below target, but the service still engaged volunteers successfully, and the impact on those accessing the service was significant.

Members discussed the service and the impact it would have in light of current restrictions which meant that new and expectant mothers were increasingly isolated. Concerns were expressed about referrals. It was noted that a significant number of referrals being made were not eligible due to individuals being resident outside the Central area, and this may have discouraged further referrals. Members discussed the service and whether it provided value for money in some depth.

The attention of Members was drawn to the service to create a cleaner and greener environment with local people. The contract had commenced in April 2019 and had since been extended for a further year. It had increasingly focused on supporting new groups and increasing volunteering. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions the service had to be flexed and had been supporting Neighbourhood Services. However, despite restrictions, the service continued to perform well against performance measures.

Members commented on the need for more environmental education, and it was noted that the service had arranged sessions with a number of local schools, but these had to be postponed.

Members then discussed the Environmental Enforcement Service delivered by District Enforcement, with a supporting Service Level Agreement provided through the Safer Neighbourhood Service. During the first lockdown the service had been flexed, and had not issued any fixed penalty notices (FPNs), but patrols can continued, which provided useful intelligence. The issuing of FPNs had since resumed, with approximately £13,000 issued within the year.

Those present discussed the service in detail, noting that the number of complaints about the volume of dog fouling and litter remained high. It was noted that Ward level information on patrolling and issuing of FPNs would be provided to Members. Members were encouraged to continue to report issues in as much detail as possible, including litter being thrown from vehicles.

Members were reminded of the Central Wellbeing Fund and the grant issued to Creative Recovery. Delivery had focused on two wards, with the extension of the project to deliver in two further wards dependent on performance. It was suggested that this be considered in more detail at the next meeting of the Area Council.

**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) That thanks be provided to staff at YMCA for the presentation and for their continued hard work in the Central Area;
- (ii) That the overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund projects and associated timescales be noted;
- (iii) That the financial position for 2020-21 and projected expenditure as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2, be noted;
- (iv) That the overview of Central Area Council projects approaching the end of the contracted period be noted;
- (v) That approval be given for the service for new and expectant mothers delivered by Family Lives to be continued for a further year at a cost of £50,000 from 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2022;
- (vi) That approval be given for the service to create a cleaner and greener environment in conjunction with local people delivered by Twiggs Grounds Maintenance to be continued for further year at a cost of £95,000 from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022;
- (vii) That approval be given for the Environmental Enforcement Service delivered by District Enforcement Ltd to be continued for a further year at an annual cost of £45,000 from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022;
- (viii) That approval be given for the Service Level Agreement with Safer Neighbourhoods to be continued for a further year at a cost of £13,000 from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022;
- (ix) That approval be given for the service to build emotional resilience in children and young people delivered by YMCA to be continued for a further year at a cost of £136,500 from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022;
- (x) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Communities to negotiate necessary contract variations for the service support new and expectant mothers delivered by Family Lives, and the service to create a clean and green environment in conjunction with local people delivered by Twiggs Grounds Maintenance, following liaison with the Central Area Council Chair; and
- (xi) That the phase 2 grant for the Creative Recovery 'Uplift Project' be considered at the next meeting of the Area Council in March, 2021.

**11. Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.11.01.2021/4)**

The meeting received the notes of the following meetings:-  
Central Ward Alliance, held on 28<sup>th</sup> October, and 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2020;  
Dodworth Ward Alliance, held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2020;  
Kingstone Ward Alliance, held on 21<sup>st</sup> October, and 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2020;  
Worsbrough Ward Alliance, held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.

**RESOLVED** that the notes from the Ward Alliances be received.

**12. Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.11.01.2021/5)**

The report was received for information

**RESOLVED** that the report be received.

**13. Covid-19 Update - Cath Bedford, Kay Tinkler and Laura Dixon (Cen.11.01.2021/6)**

Cath Bedford, Public Health Principal – Communities; Kay Tinkler, Neighbourhood Engagement Officer; and Laura Dixon, Neighbourhood Engagement Officer, were welcomed to the meeting.

Members were reminded of the national lockdown which commenced on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 and it was noted that the rate of infection was steadily but persistently rising with around 100 new cases per day across the borough. Rises were generally seen in the working age population, especially in those aged 50-59 and 20-39. The message of 'Hands, Face, Space' remained and Members were also reminded of the need to open windows for fresh air.

Members heard that situation report meetings were held twice a week to consider data, and it was noted that cases seemed distributed across the borough. Members were encouraged to feed in any intelligence which may result in understanding any patterns.

16 Covid Marshals had been employed and though they have no formal powers of enforcement, they will work closely with Police and Regulatory Service staff who do. Their recent observations included lack of face coverings being worn, poor social distancing, and a lack of signage in commercial premises. Also noted were recurrent gatherings of young people in outdoor public places.

Those present heard how six Neighbourhood Engagement Officers were now in post. One was assigned to each Area Council. Members also heard about the community insights work, with workshops being organised to understand behaviour in relation to Covid. Additional finance had been secure to support engagement with disabled and BAME communities.

Members noted the work to support vulnerable communities impacted by Covid, and to understand and support the management of any outbreaks.

Members heard about the Covid Support Service in place to support the national test and trace efforts, with welfare telephone calls being made and even house visits for those unable to be reached.

Details of the Community Testing Centre at the Metrodome were provided. This had opened recently with a pilot focusing on the routine testing of critical frontline workers. Members noted that the lateral flow tests used were less accurate and any individual tested positive would be referred for a more accurate PCR test.

Members noted that Barnsley currently had three testing sites for those with symptoms, and a mobile testing unit. It was acknowledged that routine testing would also be undertaken in secondary schools, but further detail on this was outstanding.

Vaccinations had commenced with sites at Priory Campus, Apollo Court and Goldthorpe Medical Centre. Members were asked to encourage residents to wait to be called for their vaccine rather than making enquiries.

Members were provided details about the role of Neighbourhood Engagement Officers. They supported compliance in businesses, and referred any issues for enforcement where necessary, working closely with Covid Marshals and Community Responders. The role also included raising awareness of financial support to businesses in the area. Members were asked to report any breaches of Covid guidance which would provide useful intelligence for all agencies supporting this effort.

It was noted that the Central Area covered more wards and a greater population than other Area Councils. Members heard how resource from the Penistone Area could be used to assist Central when required.

Members discussed capacity at testing centres, and it was noted that there were no issues with capacity at the time of the meeting. Members were asked to encourage anyone with symptoms to get tested. Members discussed the rate of positive tests, and how many of these would lead to hospital admissions. It was agreed that this information would be provided if available.

Those present discussed the impact of vaccinations and whether this would lead to complacency, noting that guidance should be adhered to even when vaccinated.

The issues around schools and congregating parents were discussed, and it was noted that Covid Marshals could be deployed to situations such as this and schools had been aware of this offer.

**RESOLVED:-**

- (i) That thanks be given to officers for the update;
- (ii) That figures relating to admission to hospital and any correlation to the rate of positive tests be provided to Members.

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Chair

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**CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL**  
**Performance Management Report**  
**2020**

**Quarter 3**  
**October-December 2020**

# Central Area Council - Priorities, Principles and links to Corporate Outcomes 2020 - 2021



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



Contributing to the following Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:

<p><b>THRIVING &amp; VIBRANT ECONOMY</b></p>	<p><b>PEOPLE ACHIEVING THEIR POTENTIAL</b></p>	<p><b>STRONG &amp; RESILIENT COMMUNITIES</b></p>
<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 are/have been delivering a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives of Central Area Council.

Priority	Service/Fund	Provider	Value	From	To	Type
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund 'Uplift' for the Central Area	Creative Recovery	£15,000 <i>*Dates for delivery extended to Covid-19.</i>	1/07/19.	*30/06/20	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund Advice Drop-In	DIAL Barnsley	Year 1 £30,000 Year 2 £30,000	01/07/19 01/07/20	30/06/20 30/06.21	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Financial Resilience Funding Covid response support service	Age UK Barnsley	One year one-off funding £10,000  <i>Nb. Additional external funding was secured to maintain the service to 31/03/21</i>	01/07/20	31/12/20	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	CAC Commission Building emotional resilience and well being in children and young people aged 8-14 years	Barnsley YMCA	Year 1 £135,000 Year 2 £136,500  <i>Commended 2020 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
Children & Young People	Central Well-being Fund Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £48,000 Year 2 £48,000	01/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Creating a cleaner and greener environment in partnership with local people	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3  £95,000 per annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract

<b>Clean &amp; Green</b>	<b>CAC Commission</b> Providing an environmental enforcement service SLA with BMBC's Safer Communities Service to support/complement the contract above	District Enforcement & BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3  £45,000 p/y plus £13,000 to BMBC SLA  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract & SLA
<b>Clean &amp; Green</b>	<b>CAC Commission</b> Targetted Household Flytipping Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2  Cost: £32,000/annum.  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
<b>Clean &amp; Green</b>	<b>CAC Commission</b> Private Rented Housing Support Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2  Cost: £32,500/annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20  SLA Extension agreed to November 2021	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
<b>Vulnerable People</b>	<b>CAC Commission</b> New Mothers Support Service	Family Lives	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3  £50k per annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
<b>Vulnerable People</b>	<b>Central Well-being Fund</b> Hope House Connects	Hope House Church	Year 1 £13,913 Year 2 £14,000	1/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement

<b>Vulnerable People</b>	<b>Financial Resilience Funding</b> Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service	Citizens Advice Bureau Barnsley	One year one off funding £10,000  <i>Delivery of this service was expected in November 2020 but was delayed due to operational challenges</i>	01/01/21	31/12/21	Grant Agreement
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## PART A - OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE –

FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2020 – 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020

The following tables reflect the overview of performance of all Central Area Council contracted services and projects outlined in Table 1.

### Reduction in social isolation in adults & older people

NB: New outcomes will be set based on services funded through the Social Isolation and Loneliness Challenge Fund.

### Improvement in the emotional resilience & wellbeing of children and young people

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved to date
No. of group sessions delivered to children and young people in term time and holidays	404	196
No. of peer support sessions	/	15
No. attendees	4039	1607
No. new attendees	249	213
No. of Covid-19 Delivery Activities (such as virtual sessions and phone contact)	/	897

### Creating a cleaner & greener environment in partnership with local people

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved Q3
No. of FPN for littering and dog fouling	/	150
No. of household fly tipping incidents investigated	/	330
No. of letters issued re fly tipping/waste	/	275

## Supporting vulnerable people

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved to date
Total no. of referrals	60	31
Total no. of families receiving support	\	16
Total no. of new volunteers	25	30

## Growing the economy

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved to date
No. of FTE jobs created and recruited to	\	1
No. of PT/sessional jobs created and recruited to	\	14
No. of apprentice placements created and recruited to (twiggs have 1)	\	1
No. of work experience placements created and delivered	\	1

## Building strong & resilient communities

Outcome Indicators	Target	Achieved to date
No. of new volunteers	160	83
No. of new community groups	4	6
No. of existing community groups supported	24	24
Cashable value of volunteer hours (£13.51 per hour)	£29,762.00	£16,470.72
No. of times people have taken up volunteering opportunities linked to the work of Area Councils & Ward Alliances	476	282

# PART B - SUMMARY PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR EACH SERVICE

## Barnsley YMCA

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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: orange;">●</span>
	Social value targets met	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
	Satisfactory spend and financial information	<span style="color: green;">●</span>
	Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	<span style="color: green;">●</span>

The YMCA contract to deliver a service that builds emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people aged 8-14 years will come to an end on 31st March 2020. The new service, Service for Building Emotional Resilience and Wellbeing in Children and Young People Aged 8-14 Years started in April 2020 and this report covers Year 1 Quarter 3 (October-December 2020). A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted by YMCA in January 2021. The subsequent contract management meeting took place on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The project has adapted its delivery in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and continues to operate a flexible model of delivery. Some examples of the varied delivery methods throughout Quarter Three include:

- Juniors Youth Club held at the YMCA Building with booked on places
- Virtual activities via Microsoft Teams such as workshops.
- The creation of resource page on their website YMCA@home containing information and ideas of things to do and ways to support their health and wellbeing.
- Text line and email support.
- The varied use of social media from messaging to posting short films recorded by staff.
- Sleep support training & pilot project to supports participants who expressed a need.



## Case study

This case study explores the impact the allotment sessions held at Joseph Locke Primary School, have had for one young person and how having support from the team in this environment has helped him in general and through the pandemic.

Jowan is 9 years old and attends our Joseph Locke after school club. During lockdown he attended the summer allotment sessions and then continued to attend the allotment sessions delivered for the participants who would normally attend the Joseph Locke after school club through the autumn term. Owen joined the after school club after being identified by our school contact who is the school's Parent Support Advisor as a child who would benefit from accessing the club to support him to interact with the other children out of the school environment and build his confidence and self-esteem.

During his time attending the project Jowan has developed positive consistent relationships with the staff team who he regularly sees, and this has supported him to fully engage in the sessions and develop friendships with his peers in the group. As the sessions moved outdoors due to lockdown the YMCA allotment was used throughout the summer holidays and then for the autumn term when the staff team could not go into school or use the YMCA building. This suited Jowan as he loves the allotment environment and learning new information and skills at the allotment with the team. Jowan really comes into his own at the allotment and staff have noted how his confidence has grown and how he is much more engaged in the sessions and fully participates in all activities now. Jowan unfortunately lost his grandma during lockdown which obviously impacted him greatly, he continued to attend sessions and mum feedback the difference in his mood one of the days he had attended the allotment session when she text staff to express this;

say a big Thankyou for looking after Jowan he adores coming to ymca but tonight he has come back a completely different child he's been very down with loosing his nanny yesterday but he's come home tonight with his little spark relit so just wanted to say thank you it's lovely how he's spent 1.5-2 hrs with you and the difference thank you so much ... could you

Staff continue to be in regular contact with Jowan through text and emails to his mum and he is keen to start attending the after school club as soon as the staff team are able to resume this either in school or at the YMCA building dependent upon restrictions and guidance from The National Youth Agency. The team continue to keep in touch via Facebook, the YMCA website, Facebook Live, You Tube, emails, texts and doorsteps visits, cards through the post and virtual youth clubs / meetings as well as street based detached sessions to ensure young people are safe and following restrictions and guidance during these ever changing times. Feedback from Jowan's mum regarding his time with the project so far is included below;

*"Jowan has been coming to YMCA for just over a year now, he loves coming and attending the sessions and when he returns he is in a lot calmer state of mind. They are enabling him to socially*

*interact with others of a similar age out of the classroom environment. In that short time Jowan has become more confident, independent, and bubbly. Jowan enjoys all aspects of coming to YMCA, the staff, the activities and the environment and in his words makes him feel grown up. For me as a parent, knowing Jowan is safe and secure and enjoying himself is everything. He can sometimes display challenging behaviour so to know when he attends YMCA, he is respected, having fun and the staff understand him is brilliant as well as a sense of security for us as parents. One of Jowan's favourite activities is going up to the allotment he really does love those sessions and has told us lots of information which has been sourced from there. In a nutshell we would not be lost without YMCA they have helped Jowan so much ..... Thank you."*

## District Enforcement

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	Outcome indicator targets met	<span style="color: orange;">●</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: green;">●</span>

District Enforcement commenced delivery of the new Central Area Council contract on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019. This service was then flexed in light of Covid-19. A comprehensive monitoring report for Quarter Three was submitted in January 2021 and the subsequent contract management meeting took place on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021. The monitoring report for Quarter Three was also attached as a supplementary document at the Area Council Meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Operations are on-going and all areas continue to be patrolled. This quarter 150 FPN's have been issued in the area. 146 of these have been for littering offences and 4 for dog fouling offences. Cigarette litter accounted for 75% of the offences.

The Area Council Manager is currently working with District Enforcement to identify possible educational approaches to complement current approaches.

### Operations / Case Studies

Littering and Dog Fouling Operations have continued in the Central Area through information received from Councillors and Neighbourhood Services. Two particular areas identified were around the Warren Quarry Lane/Highstone Road and also Birk Avenue in Kendray.

In total 20 FPN's for littering have been issued across both locations. 12 FPN's for Littering have been issued in this quarter around the area of Warren Quarry Lane/Highstone Road, with a further 8 FPN's issued on Birk Avenue in Kendray. (See separate attachments for individual case studies).

## Twiggs Ground Maintenance



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

**The new Clean & Green contract commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019, with a renewed focus on the establishment of new groups and encouraging more volunteering. This expectation was obviously lifted in light of Covid-19 restrictions.**

**A comprehensive monitoring report for Quarter Three was submitted by Twiggs in January 2021, and the subsequent contract management meeting took place on 28<sup>th</sup> January.**

The Area Council Manager is working with Twiggs to look at how we ensure the performance measures better reflect some of the excellent work they have undertaken during covid restrictions.

The Area Council Manager has been able to identify additional funding to support a 'tool bank' where volunteers can access litter picking sets which are sanitised and delivered in a covid safe way with a health and safety conversation. There was been a great uptake on this already. We will be promoting this though the Ward Alliances and reflecting on the successes of this approach in the Quarter Four report.

## Case Studies

### **01/10/2020 – Dove Valley Trail car park, Central**

Pruning the diseased and dead wood from the area, reintroducing all the green waste to create a habitat pile.

Litter Picked – 1 bag



### **10/11/2020 – Whinby Road, Dodworth**

Trimming back the edges to ensure social distancing on the footpath is possible. Grass cut, trimmed back branches and mulched down all green waste.



### **30/10/2020 – Footpaths leading to Measborough Dyke, Worsbrough**

Reinstating the footpath, strimming back the edges, clearing the leaves and grass encroaching onto the walkway.



### **20/11/2020 – Ardsley Park entrance, Stairfoot**

Supporting local group AFACT who work around Ardsley Park

Cutting back branches, clearing brambles and weeds. All waste was mulched and reintroduced into the grounds.



### **07/10/2020 – Farrah Street, Kingstone**

Pruning shrubs, clearing smashed glass bottles and other litter.

Litter Picked – 1 bag

# TARGETED HOUSEHOLD FLYTIPPING – SLA



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

Further to the one-year extension to this SLA from November 2019 to November 2020, it was agreed at the August 2020 Area Council meeting to extend the SLA to November 2021. A comprehensive monitoring report for Quarter Three was submitted in February and has been discussed with the Area Council Manager.

As the table above demonstrates, the service is being effectively delivered with all milestones and outcome indicators being met.

## Case Studies

Working with area council and resident’s where multiple complaints have come in relation to one location, letters door knocking, and phone calls have resolved several private land hot spots through the quarter.

Complaint from resident, cleared within a week after contacting landlord and tenant.



# SUPPORT FOR NEW TENANTS IN PRIVATE RENTED HOUSING – SLA



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Milestones achieved	●
Outcome indicator targets met	●
Social value targets met	●
Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

Further to the one-year extension to this SLA from November 2019 to November 2020, it was agreed at the August 2020 Area Council meeting to extend the SLA to November 2021. A Contract Management Meeting took place on 15<sup>th</sup> July and the service have been in regular contact since. A comprehensive monitoring report for Quarter Three was submitted in February and has been discussed with the Area Council Manager.

As the table above demonstrates, the service is being effectively delivered with all milestones and outcome indicators being met despite the limitations on usual processes brought about by COVID-19. For example, officers are currently unable to door knock.

## Case studies

Visited property with JC and a full inspection was carried out. The property is a three bedroomed mid terrace. The Initial complaint was for a waste pipe leaking at the back from what looks like the toilets location. A number of hazards were identified:

- A- No door handle on external rear door on the inside appears to have been boarded up – currently preventing egress via the rear in event of a fire.
- B- No smoke alarms throughout the property - Fire Safety Referral has been issued to SYF.
- C- A lack of handrails on top floor bedroom staircase and into cellar
- D- A re-occurring leak at the rear of the property could be linked to the leak in the kitchen ceiling.
- E- Front and rear guttering is blocked with plants/moss
- F- No working lights in kitchen or cellar.

A)



C)



D)



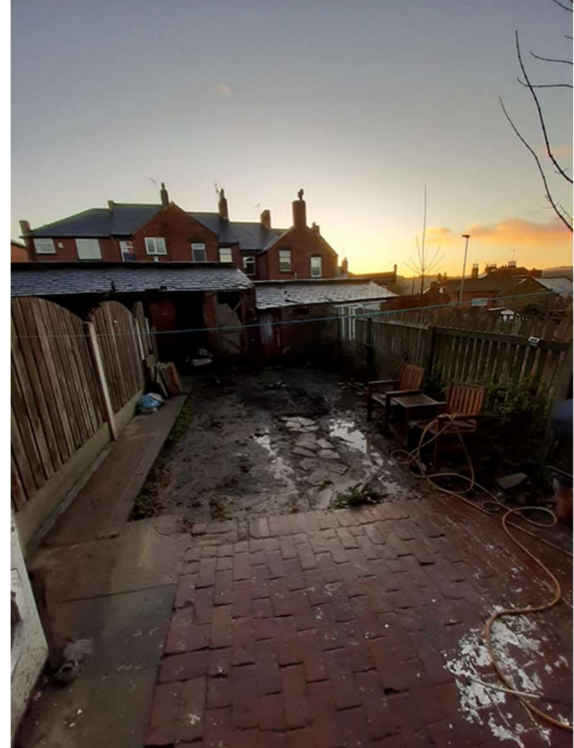
E)



Smoke detectors are now in place and working and Adam is due to re-inspect this property in the new year and will have results/ follow-up photos next quarter.

## Worsbrough

Before and after photos for a significant amount of dog mess which smelt awful. The landlord cooperated after the tenant ignored warning letters.









## Dodworth

Before and after – following landlord intervention after warning letters to the tenant. This case is still open and Adam is supporting this individual after a mental health deterioration, he was suicidal when Adam spoke to him and he is now getting the relevant support with Mental Health. After Adam's involvement with the landlord regarding mediation, a meeting has been arranged in the new year to discuss this tenancy. Namely any support and financial agreement we can get to regarding a repayment of current arrears.





# FAMILY LIVES - NEW MOTHERS SUPPORT SERVICE

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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	

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**This contract formally commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019. The Quarter 3 (October to December 2020) monitoring report was submitted in December 2020, and the subsequent Contract Management meeting took place on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021.**

Despite Covid-19, delivery has continued, and the challenges posed have been responded to in a number of ways such as by:

- Conducting virtual visits and telephone support for those who are isolating or shielding
- Continuing to provide face-to-face visits
- Using social media to advertise on mum groups
- Utilising IT platforms to connect mums with one another
- Attending health partner meetings

The RAG ratings in the table above reflects the progress that has been made to date. However, notwithstanding Covid-19 restrictions, the referrals received in Q3 are still below the target set, resulting in amber ratings for milestones achieved and outcome indicator targets met. At the Contract Management meeting in January 2021 the low referral numbers were discussed and potential methods to increase these were considered. Potential mitigations discussed included extending the eligibility age range to children up to the age of three and/or extending the eligibility to fathers, new stepparents and kinship carers.

A subsequent meeting was held with Family Lives on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Prior to this meeting, they submitted a report outlining their proposed contract variation. This report was presented and discussed with the following outcomes being agreed:

- Extending the eligibility age range to children up to the age of three.
- Extending the eligibility to fathers and kinship carers.

A contract variation is going to be completed to reflect these changes.

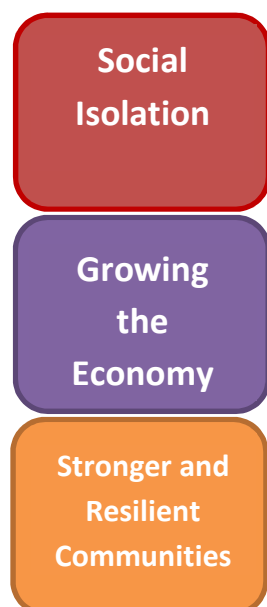
Moreover, it must be noted the number of referrals from January are looking promising (seven have been received so far in Quarter Four) and there has previously been interest shown in referring males to the service. Recent feedback from partners also includes:

Lesley has been always maintained contact with me and sends out regular communications regarding the service. We have met up on a few occasions to discuss joint working and how we can support one another to support our customers. Lesley clearly has a passion for what she does, this shines through. –  
Social Prescribing Advisor

Your project is fantastic; not only for the clients you support, but also for the volunteers you recruit and train. Those on the Supported Volunteering Project need good support and you have provided it and helped build their confidence. Since AS started volunteering with you, she has blossomed! The training you have provided has been spot on too and during Covid, you have adapted so well. – Barnsley CVS

# CENTRAL WELL-BEING FUND PROJECTS

## CREATIVE RECOVERY – UPLIFT for the Central Area



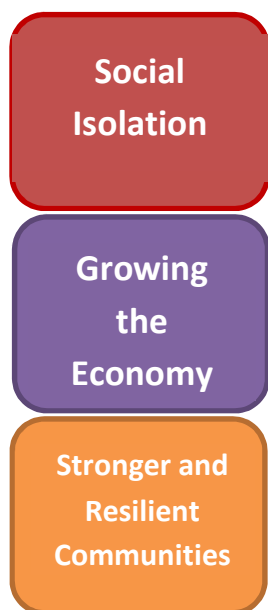
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Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

In previous reports we have had regular updates and information about the Uplift Projects that have already taken place and elected members welcomed the Creative Recovery team to a briefing on 9<sup>th</sup> December where they had chance to do a deep dive into the project and explore outcomes in more detail.

The Area Manager met with the staff from Creative Recovery at a grant monitoring meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January and discussed what delivery is realistic moving forwards. After exploring options, it was felt that the best (and recommended) course of action would be to ‘press pause’: Creative Recovery are making preparations for when Covid-19 restrictions are lifted and they are aware that the collective trauma and anxiety that people have struggled with will become more apparent, and also planning for when community connections can be tentatively restored.

The balance of the Uplift grant is £7,053. When it’s safe to do, Creative Recovery would like to like fulfil their commitment to the ‘Blow out the Blues’ project in Kingstone. This is site responsive work created with tenants, so not something we would move elsewhere. We feel that working alongside Berneslai Homes as planned would be positive in terms of supporting their work with the most vulnerable. We also discussed using any remaining funding to then create something with people in Kendray, following on from user-led conversations we had while working on the Window project there. Their strengths-based approach has always been to begin with relationships and build something with people at the heart of it. The recommendation to pause enables the opportunity for future delivery to create projects WITH people rather than FOR people.

# DIAL – Central Area Advice Drop-in



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

DIAL had a Year Two extension covering July 2020 – June 2021. A comprehensive monitoring report for Quarter Three was submitted by DIAL in January 2021, and the subsequent contract management meeting took place on 25<sup>th</sup> January.

As reflected in the rag ratings above, progress has been excellent despite the implications of Covid-19. For example, during Quarter Three, 533 individuals accessed alternative provision across the Central Area. Here are the figures divided by Ward:

By Ward Oct-Dec 2020	No. of individuals accessing alternative provision
Central	136
Dodworth	86
Kingstone	78
Stairfoot	108
Worsbrough	125

## Further figures demonstrating their success include:

- 260 residents have received telephone advice
- 82 residents have been supported by telephone to complete benefit claim forms
- 86 residents have received safe and well checks from our team
- 105 residents have received timely and accurate public health advice
- £238,152 has been generated in unclaimed benefit income since July 2020
- For every £1 invested by the Central Area Council Wellbeing Fund £15.87 has been generated for the local economy
- 87% of residents reported a reduction in anxiety and improved wellbeing
- 81% of residents reported feeling more confident and having an improved outlook

- 100% of residents reported feeling less isolated

### **Case study from Central Area work**

#### **Before DIAL**

Mr M is an 82-year-old gentleman who has Arthritis, COPD and a hearing impairment. He had been claiming Disability Living Allowance for many years due to issues with his mobility. Since then his condition has worsened and he now needs a lot of help with his care needs. His friend and neighbour have been helping Mr M with his care needs for a few years and they wondered if he may qualify for Attendance Allowance as well as DLA.

#### **Advice provided by DIAL**

DIAL did a case review and checked the benefits he was already getting. As he already has an award of DLA of higher rate mobility, we advised him to ring the DLA unit and ask for a review of his DLA so they can look at his care needs.

Mr M rang us back when the DLA review form arrived which we then helped him to complete. This had to be done over the phone with his neighbours help as, due to Covid 19 restrictions, we could not see him face to face as we would normally do. Although Mr M would have preferred a face to face appointment due to his hearing impairment, he understood why we could not do that and was happy to proceed as long as his neighbour could assist him,

**After DIAL** - Mr M's DLA was reviewed and he was awarded the higher rate care component (as he needs help with care needs during the day and night) as well as keeping his higher rate on mobility.

"I am very grateful to DIAL for their help. I had no idea that I could ask for a review of my DLA until they told me. I would also like to express how grateful I am that DIAL is still able to help despite everything being disrupted by Covid."

# HOPE HOUSE CONNECTS

Supporting  
Vulnerable  
Families

Growing the  
Economy

Stronger and  
Resilient  
Communities

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Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report	●
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Outcome indicator targets met	●
Social value targets met	●
Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

The Hope House Connects Project commenced Year 2 of funding on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020. A report was submitted in January 2021 detailing how they continue to operate during COVID-19 covering the following areas:

**1. Reopening Cheeky Monkeys Toddler Group.**

Each session was limited to twelve adults (not including staff), a booking system was used, and tickets were limited to two adults per family.

**2. Lockdown two**

As support groups were allowed, they ran a ‘drop – in’ session on a Friday morning for anyone who needed a safe place to come and chat to a familiar face.

**3. December – Christmas activities and relaunching Little Chimps Family Support**

Christmas activities involved: Christmas themed craft activities at Cheeky Monkeys Toddler Group, a virtual Christmas party with activity packs including a nativity sticker scene they used together during the party and a Christmas Present Delivery. They received the following feedback from a parent:

Thank you both for a lovely Christmas party. He absolutely adored the nativity sticker scene too, thank you. He's usually running around full of beans, so it was lovely and surprising that he sat listening to Sarah tell the story whilst sticking the pictures on the scene ❤️ xxx

They also relaunched Little Chimps and received the following feedback:

I can't thank Rachel and Sarah enough for having a safe place for our family to come to. My husband has had Covid and suffers with breathlessness so we don't get out much. We were able to park right next to the building so my husband was able to get out of the house and we could get some support....We really do appreciate all they do.

#### 4. What next for Hope Connects in Quarter Three

In order to continue providing support during Lockdown Three, which introduced tighter restrictions, they spoke to the Central Area Neighbourhood Engagement Officer. As their building is a registered safe place, they decided to run a drop -in session, similar to the one they ran in Lockdown Two. Each session is for one family only and is ran in a Covid secure manner with social distancing and sanitizing between appointments. FaceTime Sessions are also available for those who prefer this.

#### 5. The Spirit of Barnsley Award

Hope Connects was nominated for a Spirit of Barnsley Award for showing outstanding contribution to our community during the Coronavirus pandemic. They posted a photo of staff with the award on social media and received the below comments from session users:

you both do such a fabulous job, we love attending group and your both super supportive ❤️ xxx

Great ❤️ xxx  
you both  
deserve it  
so much



You both  
deserve  
it 🌟  
👏 fantastic  
news!! Xxx

Gosh you two deserve this so much! You've been amazing throughout this pandemic and before. You genuinely care about the people you work with and you are appreciated more than you know 🍀🍀🍀

# Youth Work Fund Projects

## THE YOUTH ASSOCIATION (TYA) – StreetSmart Kendray

Children & Young People

Growing the Economy

Stronger and Resilient Communities

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Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

**The Youth Association ‘Street Smart’ project commenced Year 2 of funding on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020. A report was submitted detailing the work that has been happening and all targets and Milestones are being met.**

StreetSmart is a scheme that improves skills, attitudes and prospects by taking training and certification to street level. The project involves delivering street-based workshops, supplemented by sports, social action and other initiatives.

Due to the Covid restrictions put in place throughout November, youth workers adapted their approach to working with young people across the four wards. Detached Youth Workers have continued to be out working face to face with young people to provide a consistent face during a time of constant change. But they have also engaged with some young people online which is where a new LGBTQ+ group emerged.





## Sport

One of four sports satellite sports clubs have come to an end but 2021 will see new sports satellite clubs being set up across the four wards. Due to the current restrictions young people were consulted regards online sports sessions but little interest was shown, with feedback being sports sessions would be preferred outdoors, this was a result of the types of preferred sports, lack of space at home and poor WIFI connection.

## Social Action

Young people continue to take great interest in what social action is, how they can get involved and what this might mean for their prospects. Consultation has been carried out to find what young people think about social action and to encourage them to consider how it benefits the community. They have also carried out different activities such as litter picks in their local hang out spots and a graffiti project in Ward Green spray-painting skate ramps in order to reclaim the space. The LBGTQ+ group are also working on raising awareness of the experiences of LBGTQ+ young people in education.



(Gathered from consultation exercise)

### Street-based curriculum

The street-based curriculum continues to be delivered across the four wards. Young people have taken part in newly devised sessions around teambuilding and role models. Young people engage well, particularly with tablets and devices that youth workers use to deliver sessions.



### Ward specific activity







<b>Kingstone</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basketball project was postponed pending Covid-19 restrictions.</li> </ul>
<b>Stairfoot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 20-week football satellite sports club completed</li> <li>- Consultation process for the painting of the mushroom completed. This project was postponed pending Covid-19 restrictions</li> <li>- StreetSmart sessions</li> <li>- Online baking</li> <li>- New LGBTQ+ focused project</li> </ul>
<b>Worsbrough</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Young people in Ward Green have completed their consultation regards a graffiti project in the skate park.</li> <li>- Young people have taken part in a community litter pick and have engaged with youth workers in the importance of keeping their area looking and feeling good.</li> <li>- Young people want to reclaim this space and have spoken about developing skills in art and spraying.</li> <li>- Detached teams maintained consistent levels of communication with CDOs for this area, as it was apparent that ASB increased during this time.</li> </ul>
<b>Central</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Detached teams are now working in the Measbrough Dike area.</li> <li>- A group of young men have shown an interest in starting a football sport satellite club, which was planned to start in January 2021, Covid-19 restrictions pending.</li> <li>- Contact with young people from Hoyle Mill skate park continues with groups there waiting for a response regarding their social action project currently under consultation by relevant partners within the council.</li> </ul>

# YMCA – Detached Youth Work

Children &  
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People

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Economy

Stronger and  
Resilient  
Communities

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Satisfactory spend and financial information	
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	

**The YMCA youth Work Project commenced Year 2 of funding on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020. A report was submitted detailing the work that has been happening during Quarter Three.**

The detached project is delivered in Dodworth and Gilroyd on Tuesday evenings and is an established programme engaging with a regular group of participants. They also maintain contact with and support other groups of young people more sporadically in other areas in Dodworth. They have maintained a consistent and regular detached provision throughout the period and continued to work with young people within their communities.

Due to Covid-19 they were unable move to working indoors over the colder months as planned. But as detached youth work is recognised by the government as essential work, their detached programmes have been active since June 2020, and their teams have maintained their presence within the communities they serve. They have therefore been able to continue to engage with and support their regular groups young people.

Throughout tighter restrictions like lockdowns, ‘garden gate youth work’ has become the norm for their teams. This involves walking around communities they are recognised in and having checked in on people at their garden gates.

They continue to remind young people of the latest guidelines and their obligations to older members of their families / bubbles. Whilst also having conversations with them about any worries they may have regarding the pandemic.

They also remind any small groups of young people they find socialising on the streets of their obligations and the need to comply and often find once reminded the young people comply.

# Other Grants

## Age UK Barnsley

Reduction in loneliness and isolation in adults & older people

Stronger and Resilient Communities

Growing the Economy

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Satisfactory spend and financial information	●
Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract	●

**The Age UK Covid support project commenced deliver on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020. A report was submitted detailing the work that has been happening during the second quarter of delivery and all targets and Milestones are being met or exceeded.**

In this quarter they have worked with 69 older people/couples in the central area, providing a range of activities and support from volunteers' telephone befriending & regular calls from inclusion workers. The support they have provided has been varied and includes:

- Delivering 11 different home-based activities which included cooking, gardening, photography, puzzles, history, art and hampers based around two main events Halloween/bonfire night and Christmas.
- Creating their own activity booklets
- Created a 'jigsaw library' with over 50 jigsaws available to service users. Social Inclusion workers/volunteers provide a drop-off and collection service. 4 of our service users in the Central Area take part in the club.
- Continuing to provide resources and further support around mental wellbeing, mobility/falls and keeping warm in winter.
- Signed posted 20 service users to other organisations.

### Future projects:

Age UK Barnsley are currently working in partnership with BMBC to deliver a new Digital pilot project. They are providing a digital tablet and 3 months' internet access, along with IT support, set-up and ongoing support until the older person is confident in knowing how to access online services such as shopping. Once the three-month scheme finishes, the user has the option to continue by taking on the costs themselves and we would gift them the equipment to allow them to continue, or if they feel it has not been beneficial then they can return the equipment with no additional costs.

Moving forward, one of Age UK's social inclusion workers has plans in place for a local walking football group, links have already been made with a local club who will support and provide equipment and facilities to successfully start and run the group.

A partnership has been formed with the National Trust, specifically for their site at Wentworth Castle Gardens. This partnership will allow Social Inclusion workers to provide guided walks, tailored to the needs of the service user's (Short, Long, Historical, Scenic etc) and grant free entrance for them when accompanied by us, to access the beautiful grounds.

### **Outcomes indicators for October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

<b>Project Outcome</b>	<b>Progress so far</b>
<b>Outcome 1</b> <b>Enable people to feel less isolated</b>	42 people having regular befriending calls or visits  65 older people have been offered a range of interactive activities to help stay involved
<b>Outcome 2</b> <b>Enable people to shop and go out independently</b>	9 older people have been supported to find new ways of getting their shopping.  7 are now using Morrison's doorstep delivery phone service, online shopping or hot meal/frozen/long life meal delivery service  Staff have been out with 2 older people to build up confidence.  Age UK Barnsley volunteers are no longer shopping for older people as at 31 December 2020
<b>Outcome 3</b> <b>Address low mood and mental health issues.</b>	We have spoken to 40 people this quarter about low mood. 9 people have said they felt down and received support  We have sent out our booklet 'my mind matters' to 28 people.  We have signposted 2 people to GP/ mental health/cancer-specific helplines/forums
<b>Outcome 4</b> <b>Address balance and mobility issues</b>	43 people have discussed their mobility and balance this quarter. All have been offered the Staying Steady booklet  2 people were escorted/taken to hospital and GP appointments  1 expressed fear of falling and has now had a falls assessment and uses aids and adaptations to help with mobility in her home/ keep herself active

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# Central Area Council

Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot, Worsbrough

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## **CASE STUDY**

### **Introduction**

This is a case study from; The Central Area Team focusing on our 'Healthy Holidays' initiative.

### **Background**

The Central Area team have supported the delivery of the Healthy Holidays activities for the last 3 years. Primarily it has been used as a tool for community engagement with the added value of providing a healthy lunch for participants.

Through consistent delivery and Ward Alliance support, the team have created and developed a number of new community groups that took over the planning and delivery of such activities in various areas across the Central Area Council patch.

Due to the pandemic and the subsequent lock down, the area team had to re-evaluate the desired outcomes and delivery methods. Following discussions with key stakeholders, including Volunteers, Community Groups, Elected Members, Ward Alliances and Good Food Barnsley, it was agreed to revert to a team-led delivery method for the Summer, October half-term and Christmas Holidays.

The primary outcome was thus shifted from community engagement to supporting families that would otherwise suffer from holiday hunger during this time. Initially the target audience were families that were in receipt of free school meals but following the government's decision to extend the free school meal voucher scheme, the priority was changed to focus on families suffering financial hardship as a result of Covid-19 e.g. redundancy, a reduction in income due to furlough/self-isolation, reduced working hours etc.

### **The Issue**

Though the team have a very good reach into communities, most of the previous participants of Healthy Holidays activities were on Free School Meals.

The late decision to target a new cohort with the focus on providing a meaningful contribution to reduce holiday hunger proved to be a real challenge. The families who the team wanted to primarily target were harder to reach due as they were unknown to our usual partner services, they did not always recognise that they were eligible, and in some cases, felt embarrassed to take part.

The food that had been provided in previous years was also reviewed. We acknowledged that packed lunches for example would not address food poverty. After discussions within the team and with our volunteers, it was agreed that families would be provided with the raw ingredients and instructions to make two healthy meals per week; this came with its own challenges, for example:

- Lack of equipment in which to prepare and cook the food
- Fuel poverty
- Ability to travel to venues to collect

In addition to the above, the team were conscious that ongoing engagement was also *integral* to the success of the project and new that lockdown restrictions would make this even more difficult.

\* During the Christmas holiday festive hampers were supplied in replacement of the meals. The hampers were a mix of festive treats and carefully chosen store cupboard staples.

### **What was done**

Where the team had previously used schools, family centre colleagues, social workers, and commissioned partners to promote the healthy holidays provision, they were now called upon to identify specific families and make direct referrals. In addition to this; the team developed a targeted social media campaign to encourage families to *self-refer*. Through these methods, 100 families were identified and supported in the summer and these numbers steadily increased in October and December.

In order to make the scheme accessible to all, the meals selected were 'family favourites' which were appealing, relatively quick and easy and only need basic utensils and crockery to cook and prepare. The ingredients were also supplied in the exact quantities needed for each of the recipes for ease of use.

Facebook was used as the primary source of engagement with participants. The team put together a comprehensive schedule of posts that encouraged continued interaction and created a real sense of community for those taking part. As part of this strategy and to enable user-led involvement despite restrictions; the recipes were published weekly, and people were asked to vote on which one they would like to see cooked live the following week.

Guest chefs were volunteers from existing groups, often prominent people in the community and this really helped people to feel connected with the project. Using members of the area team as co-presenters on the live cooking demonstrations was a great way of introducing the different team members to the previously unknown families and supports our ongoing engagement aims.

### **The result**

- 79 families were supported during the summer holidays
- 146 (increase of 67) families were supported during October half-term
- 176 (further increase of 30) families were supported over the December Christmas holidays.
- A total of 1,060 children have benefitted from the project so far.
- General feedback from the families that took part was amazing. Many were overwhelmed with the offer and said they now felt supported during what is a worrying and difficult time. They were thrilled with the offer of the food in itself



but were also delighted to have the recipe cards which enabled them to use meal times as a fun and social activity and to engage positively with their children around food

- We were also able to provide additional activities e.g. craft kits which also provided them with "something to do" during the holidays.

## **Reflection**

By liaising more effectively with commissioned providers and other local organisations, we are able to extend our reach within communities and to engage with more residents and families than we have done through previous healthy holidays projects.

Consulting with key stakeholders enabled us to identify and eliminate many of the potential barriers to families engaging and ensure that the 'offer' was appealing and meaningful from the outset. Delivering in this way also gave families the opportunity to learn new skills together and build a support network with others that also took part.

Whilst we were quickly able to adapt and put together a meaningful offer to support families within our wards; we now need to consider at the long-term delivery of the scheme. It is apparent that the Healthy Holidays provision is more important than ever: What was once *primarily* used as an opportunity for the Area Team to engage with residents, it has now become a lifeline to many families. Looking back at the previous years' data there is a clear rise in participation which indicates an increase in families that are in danger of, or are suffering from food poverty, (and not just during the school holidays).

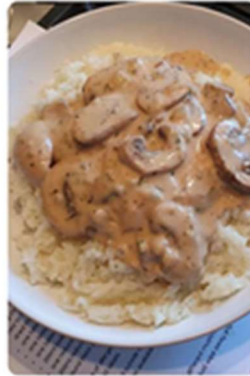
Whilst Area Teams have a role to play, we are aware that our remit is not the responsibility to feed hungry families, especially since food poverty continues to grow beyond school holidays. We are ensuring that we are linking with other local partners who are also working on this agenda and escalate information to senior managers so that we inform the tactical and strategic direction of the food poverty agenda.

In addition to our existing volunteers, many new informal groups have started up in response to food poverty. The team recognises the need to better understand what these new groups are delivering and assess if these groups have the capacity to be part of a more coordinated approach to food distribution/ healthy holidays provision through liaising with the Area Team or directly with Good Food Barnsley.

Working with the voluntary and community sector to establish more sustainable community initiatives e.g. community pantries is also another way in which Ward Alliances and the team can contribute to this agenda whilst still fulfilling the service objectives. This is being piloted in the Worsborough Ward.

Ward Alliances, Elected Members and the Area Team will continue to be the eyes and ears on the ground to identify new and emerging issues and identifying ways these can be addressed at a Ward level and/ or Area Council level. We will continue to support Healthy Holidays in line with the remit and capacity of the team.

# Photographs





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**Central Area Council Meeting:  
1<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**Report of Central Area Council Manager**

**Central Area Council Procurement and Financial Update Report**

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report provides members with an up to date overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and provides an overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded projects, with associated timescales.
- 1.2 Updates are also provided within the report about the previously agreed areas of work relating to services for Social Isolation and Loneliness:
- 1.3 The report also considers the extensions of grants in line with area priorities.
- 1.4 Finally, the report outlines the financial position to date for 20/21 and the projected financial position to 2023/24. Nb. Financial projections are based on the assumption that the base income budget remains the same and that existing services are maintained.

**2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Members note the overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund projects, with associated timescales.
- 2.2 Members note the actual financial position to date for 2020-21 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.
- 2.3 One year grant extensions are awarded as follows:
  - YMCA - Detached Youth Work - £12,360 from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022
  - The Youth Association – Street Smart £49,440 from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022
  - DIAL - Advice Drop in - £30,900 from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022
  - Hope House Connects - £14,420 from 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021
- 2.4 Creative Recovery are supported to delay delivery of the remainder of their project until restrictions are lifted.
- 2.5 The Youth Work Fund remains 'under consideration' until further needs analysis is completed.

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### 3. Social Isolation and Loneliness Challenge Fund Update

- 3.1 The moderation panel met on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> February to consider all applications into the challenge fund.
- 3.2 At the time of writing this report; projects has been shortlisted and will be invited to give a presentation to the panel before final decisions can be reached.

### 4. Overview of Contracts and timescales

- 4.1 The table below outlines all the Central Area Council contracts, Service Level Agreements (SLA's) and grants **currently** being delivered, together with values, timescales and recent actions **agreed**:

Priority	Service/Fund	Provider	Value	From	To	Type
Social Isolation	<b>Central Well-being Fund</b> 'Uplift' for the Central Area	Creative Recovery	£15,000 <i>*Dates for delivery extended to Covid-19.</i>	1/07/19.	*30/06/20	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	<b>Central Well-being Fund</b> Advice Drop-In	DIAL Barnsley	Year 1 £30,000 Year 2 £30,000	01/07/19 01/07/20	30/06/20 30/06.21	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	<b>Financial Resilience Funding</b> Covid response support service	Age UK Barnsley	One year one-off funding £10,000  <i>Nb. Additional external funding was secured to maintain the service to 31/03/21</i>	01/07/20	31/12/20	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	<b>CAC Commission</b> Building emotional resilience and well being in children and young people aged 8-14 years	Barnsley YMCA	Year 1 £135,000 Year 2 £136,500  <i>Commended 2020 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
Children & Young People	<b>Youth Fund</b> Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £48,000 Year 2 £48,000	01/07/19 01/07/20	30/06/20 30/06/21	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	<b>Youth Fund</b> Detached Youth work	YMCA	Year 1 £12,000 Year 2 £12,000	01/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement

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Clean & Green	<b>CAC Commission</b> Creating a cleaner and greener environment in partnership with local people	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3  £95,000 per annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract
Clean & Green	<b>CAC Commission</b> Providing an environmental enforcement service SLA with BMBC's Safer Communities Service to support/ complement the contract above	District Enforcement  &  BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3  £45,000 p/y plus £13,000 to BMBC SLA  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract & SLA
Clean & Green	<b>CAC Commission</b> Targetted Household Flytipping Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2  Cost: £32,000/annum.  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
Clean & Green	<b>CAC Commission</b> Private Rented Housing Support Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 Year 2  Cost: £32,500/annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/11/19 01/11/20  SLA Extension agreed to November 2021	31/10/20 31/10/21	SLA
Vulnerable People	<b>CAC Commission</b> New Mothers Support Service	Family Lives	Year 1 Year 2 Year 3	01/04/19 01/04/20 01/04/21	31/03/20 31/03/21 31/03/22	Contract

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			£50k per annum  <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>			
<b>Vulnerable People</b>	<b>Central Well-being Fund</b> Hope House Connects	Hope House Church	Year 1 £13,913 Year 2 £14,000	1/06/19 01/06/20	31/05/20 31/05/21	Grant Agreement
<b>Vulnerable People</b>	<b>Financial Resilience Funding</b> Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service	Citizens Advice Bureau Barnsley	One year one off funding £10,000  <i>Delivery of this service was expected in November 2020 but was delayed due to operational challenges</i>	01/01/21	31/12/21	Grant Agreement

### GRANT/CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

#### 5. Targeted Youth Support

*Improving Skills & Health by taking training to young people at a street level*

- 5.1 Over the 18m period that the YMCA and The Youth Association have been delivering this service across the five Wards. Comprehensive quarterly monitoring reports have been submitted and regular funding management meetings have taken place. The original grants were awarded as a result of the 'Youth Work Fund' grants call. Both organisations have clearly put down roots in the area and performance has been excellent, especially considering the much altered environment that they are operating in due to Covid-19 restrictions. All targets and outcomes either flexed or adapted to reflect restrictions.
- 5.2 In addition to the expected outcomes, the services have supported public health and enforcement colleagues with regard to the Covid response/messaging and work in close partnership with each other.
- 5.3 Improving the emotional resilience in children and young people people was agreed as a priority for the Central Area Council in July 2020 with an acknowledgement that this continues to be an ongoing priority.
- 5.4 Given the information outlined in this section, alongside the performance information included within the Area Council papers, it is recommended that the following grants are extended for a further one year to 2022.
- 5.4.1 Youth Association – Streetsmart in Worsborough, Stairfoot, Kingstone and Central at a total cost of £49,440 (1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022)
- 5.4.2 YMCA Detached Youth Work project in Dodworth – total cost £12,360 (01<sup>st</sup> August 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022)



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- 5.5 If the recommendation to extend the grants is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the services or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

### 6. DIAL

- 6.1 Following approval by the Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process; DIAL were awarded a grant to provide welfare rights advice and unlock the financial barriers which prevent people from taking pathways to opportunities for participation, inclusion, volunteering and personal development. Performance has been excellent considering Covid-19 restrictions, with all targets and outcomes being met or exceeded. The new virtual delivery model has actually resulted in an increase in demand and response.
- 6.2 Supporting vulnerable people remains a priority for the Central Area Council.
- 6.3 Given the information outlined in this section alongside the performance information included within the Area Council papers; it is recommended that the DIAL grant is extended for a further one year from 01<sup>st</sup> July 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> June to 2022 at a cost of £30,900.
- 6.4 If the recommendation to extend the grant is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the service or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

### 7. Hope House

- 7.1 Following approval by the Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process, Hope House were awarded a grant of £14k to provide support sessions for families with babies. Performance has been excellent considering the much altered environment that they are operating in due to Covid-19 restrictions, and targets and outcomes have been flexed or adapted to reflect restrictions.
- 7.2 Supporting Vulnerable People and social isolation and loneliness remain priorities for the Central Area and ongoing demand on this service demonstrates that it is in need.
- 7.3 The Area Manager has started work with SYFAB and Hope House to identify alternative sources of funding for this project. This funding will allow a bridging period until alternative funding is sourced and the evidence collected as part of continuous monitoring arrangements can be used as a 'test and learn' as evidence for other funders.
- 7.4 It is recommended that the Area Council agree to fund the project for the further one year from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022, up to a maximum amount of £14,420, with the expectation that Hope House will apply for external funding in

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order lever in match to address the future sustainability of the project within the time period.

- 7.5 If the recommendation to extend the grant is not agreed; the alternatives for consideration would be to a) stop the service or b) go out to market to procure a revised service

### **8. Creative Recovery Uplift Project**

8.1 Following approval by Central Area Council as a result of the Central Wellbeing Fund grant process, Creative Recovery were awarded a £15k grant to pilot their 'Uplift' project in two areas with the recommendation from the grants panel that this should be reviewed and rolled out in the additional two areas if the approach proved to be successful.

8.2 Members have received performance updates regularly including how the project has been flexed as a result of Covid-19 restrictions. At a members briefing on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020, Creative Recovery presented more detailed information about delivery to date and future plans.

8.3 It is recommended that the Area Council allows the £7,053 balance of the original £15k grant funding to be spent in line with the outcomes of the original grant application as and when restrictions allow in collaboration with the Area Manager and Area Team.

8.4 It is recommended that the additional £15k funding that was earmarked to extend this project is not released at this time. This is not a reflection of the success of the project but in support and acknowledgement of the organisations current capacity (further to the Area Managers continued liaison with the Creative Recovery team).

### **9. Youth Work Fund**

Further to consultation with local youth groups before Covid-19; the Youth Association and YMCA developed a training model which blends one-to-one support for organisations with accredited youth work training and group support. The funding for this was earmarked as being 'under consideration' in the last financial year.

9.1 Recent feedback from local groups suggests that there is still an appetite for this work.

9.2 Improving the emotional resilience of Children and Young People remains a priority for the Central Area.

9.3 It is recommended that the Youth Work fund status remains 'under consideration' until restrictions are lifted and a further needs analysis is completed.

### **10. Financial Position**

10.1 Based on updated information relating to existing Central Area Council contracts, SLA's and funding agreements, **Appendix 1** provides a revised position statement on Central Council funding.

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It shows actual expenditure for 2020/21.

The 2019/20 figure includes a carry forward amount from 2018/19 of £193,240, And all previously agreed funding/allocations are included

The 2020/21 – 2021/22 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 10.2 A finance overview with future projected expenditure for the period 2020/21 to 2023/24, is also attached for information at Appendix 2 (attached).

This includes all costs associated with the formally approved contracts and procurement updates contained within this report, which are shown in **black**.

Interventions being considered at today's meeting and other" informally agreed" services are shown in **amber**, with future potential proposals shown in **red**. Items for consideration at this meeting are highlighted in **yellow** for ease of reference.

- 10.3 Members should note that further all previous approvals made by the Central Area Council an amount of **£400,790** has been *committed* for 2021/22. The balance c/f from 2020/21 is **£189,987** and FPN income has been estimated based on previous years' income bringing the total income projection for 2021/22 to **£709,987**.
- 10.4 The 2021-24 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes. The assumption is that the baseline budget remains the same year-on-year and this may be subject to change.

### 11. Other Matters

#### Appendices:

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Appendix 2: Finance Overview – Projections

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16<sup>th</sup> February 2021

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**CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING  
BUDGET FINANCIAL ANALYSIS - 2017/18 TO  
2021/22**

Contract Name	Delivery Body	Start Date	Length of Contract	Total Cost of Contract	2018/19		2019/20		2020/21	
					Profile	Actual	Profile	Actual	Profile	Actual
<b>Base Expenditure</b>					500,000	626,619	500,000	693,240	500,000	
<b>Additional Income</b>									10,000	
Older People - Reducing Isolation & Loneliness	Royal Voluntary Service	Jun-14	2 Years	197,436						
Contract Extension Reducing Isolation	Royal Voluntary Service	Jun-16	10 months	85,000						
Further contract extension reducing isolation	Royal Voluntary Service		3 months	25,000						
<b>Reducing Isolation in over 50s</b>	<b>Royal Voluntary Service</b>	<b>Jul-17</b>	<b>1 year + 1 year +9</b>	<b>275,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,020</b>				
Service for Children Aged 8 to 12 Years	Barnsley YMCA	Jul-14	2 Years	199,781						
Contract Extension Children 8-12 years	Barnsley YMCA	Jul-16	9 months	81,000						
Service for Young People Aged 13 to 19 Years	Core Assets Children's Services	Jul-14	1 year	64,970						
	BMBC Summer 2015 Delivery			5,900						
<b>Service for Young People Aged 13 to 19 Years</b>	<b>Exodus, Lifeline, YMCA</b>			<b>126,829</b>						
<b>Building emotional resilience in 8-14 years</b>	<b>YMCA</b>	<b>01-Apr-17</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>390,000</b>	<b>127,892</b>	<b>127,892</b>	<b>130,000</b>	<b>130,940</b>		
<b>Youth resilience fund</b>				70,000	17800	17800				
<b>Youth resilience fund extensions</b>					10676	10676				
<b>Emotional Resilience - C&amp;YP</b>		<b>01-Apr-17</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>413,150</b>					134,965	101,223.72
Cleaner & Greener Environment	Twiggs	Oct-14	18 months	148,860						
Clean & Green Contract 2	Twiggs	Apr-16	1yr + 1 yr	170,000						
<b>Clean &amp; Green Contract 2 extension</b>	<b>Twiggs</b>	<b>Apr-18</b>	<b>9 months</b>	<b>64,000</b>	<b>64,000</b>					
<b>Clean &amp; Green Contract 2-3 month extension</b>	<b>Twiggs</b>	<b>Jan-19</b>	<b>3 months</b>	<b>21,250</b>	<b>21,250</b>					
<b>Clean &amp; Green service</b>	<b>Twiggs</b>	<b>Apr-19</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>285,000</b>			95000	95,000.00	95000	
Environmental Enforcement	Kingdom Security	Aug-14	1 Year	40,771						
	Safety			14,000						
<b>Fixed Penalty Notice Income</b>					-30008	-30008		-22815		-9925
Car Parking Income					-2269	-2269		-2690		
Environmental Enforcement Extension	Kingdom Security - Extension	Aug-15	7 months	27,697						
	Safety SLA Extension			4,000						
<b>Environmental Enforcement Contract 2</b>	<b>Kingdom</b>		<b>1 yr+1yr</b>	<b>84,000</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>34,558</b>				
	<b>BMBC Enforcement SLA 2</b>			<b>21,000</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>10,707</b>				
<b>Environmental Enforcement Service</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Apr-19</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>135,000</b>			45000	45,000.00	45000	7447.74
	<b>BMBC Enforcement SLA support</b>	<b>Apr-19</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>39,000</b>			12686	12686	13,000	
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety	Jan-15	22 months	141,875						
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement Extension	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety	Feb-17	2 months	12,897						
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety	Apr-17	12 months	67,175						
<b>Private Rented New tenancy support</b>	<b>BMBC - Community Safety</b>	<b>Jun-18</b>	<b>1+1</b>	<b>65,000</b>	<b>13540</b>	<b>11163</b>	<b>32500</b>	<b>32816</b>	<b>32500</b>	<b>13541.67</b>
Working Together Fund	Various	Oct-14	18 months	77,606						
Celebration Event 2015	Central Area Council	Jun-15	N/A	5,000						
Celebration Event 2016	Central Area Council			5,000						
Homestart Extension (3 mths - Mar 16)				5,300						
Homestart Extension (Apr-May)				3,500						
Private rented Home Visiting Service	Homestart SY	Jun-16		15,852						
Private rented Home Visiting Service - Extension				21,600						
<b>Private rented Home Visiting Service - Extension to September 2018</b>	<b>Homestart SY</b>			<b>3,010</b>	<b>3010</b>	<b>568</b>				
<b>Events/Review</b>	<b>Various</b>			<b>10,000</b>	<b>3526</b>	<b>3526</b>				
					5000	2633			2367	
<b>Proactive flytipping SLA</b>				<b>64,000</b>	<b>10670</b>	<b>10863</b>	<b>32000</b>	<b>32000</b>	<b>32500</b>	
<b>PeriNatal Volunteer Home visiting service</b>		<b>Apr-19</b>		<b>150,000</b>			<b>50000</b>	<b>49,949.00</b>	<b>50000</b>	<b>41,448.50</b>
<b>CentralWellbeing Fund</b>				<b>90,000</b>			<b>67,500</b>	<b>67,500</b>	<b>22,500</b>	
<b>Wellbeing Fund</b>		<b>Apr-20</b>							<b>33,000</b>	
<b>Voluntary Youth Work Support and Training</b>	<b>waiver to be done - sept time</b>	<b>Apr-20</b>		<b>28,000</b>					<b>18,000</b>	
<b>Youth Work Fund for 13+</b>	<b>Grants - various</b>	<b>Apr-20</b>		<b>60,000</b>					<b>50,000</b>	
<b>Devolved to 5 Ward Alliances</b>				<b>150,000</b>	<b>50000</b>	<b>50000</b>	<b>50000</b>	<b>50,000</b>		
<b>Healthy Holidays Fund</b>									<b>17,250</b>	
<b>Age Uk Covid Support</b>									<b>10,000</b>	
<b>CAb WA Projects</b>									<b>10,000</b>	<b>10000</b>
					447,587	433,379	514,686	490,386	566,082	153,737
<b>Expenditure Incurred in Year</b>					<b>52,413</b>	<b>193,240</b>	<b>-14,686</b>	<b>202,854</b>	<b>-56,082</b>	<b>-153,737</b>
<b>In Year Balance</b>					<b>179,032</b>		<b>164,346</b>	<b>1,297,209</b>	<b>108,264</b>	<b>925,158</b>

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## Central Area Council - Budget proposals

code: Black = Committed spend; Amber = under consideration; Red = Future proposal /projected spend

Income	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Central Area Council Allocation	£ 500,000.00	£ 500,000.00	£ 500,000.00	£ 500,000.00	£ 500,000.00
Income from FPNs	£ 22,815.00	£ 9,925.00	£ 20,000.00	£ 20,000.00	£ 20,000.00
Financial Resilience Central Gov Funding		£ 10,000.00			
Healthy Holidays		£ 17,250.00			
Carried forward from previous year	£ 193,240.00	£ 198,062.00	£ 189,987.00	£ 61,212.00	-£ 8,428.00
Total anticipated available spend:	£ 716,055.00	£ 735,237.00	£ 709,987.00	£ 581,212.00	£ 511,572.00

Expenditure - Service / provider	2019/2020		2020/2021			2021/2022			2022/2023			2023/2024		
	Committed		Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal
Clean & Green	£ 95,000.00		£ 95,000.00			£ 95,000.00					£ 97,850.00			£ 97,850.00
Environmental Enforcement Contract	£ 45,000.00		£ 45,000.00			£ 45,000.00					£ 46,350.00			£ 46,350.00
Environmental Enforcement - SLA	£ 12,686.00		£ 13,000.00			£ 13,000.00					£ 13,390.00			£ 13,390.00
Emotional Resilience Contract - YMCA	£ 130,940.00		£ 135,000.00			£ 136,500.00			£ 140,330.00					£ 144,000.00
Youth work fund - YMCA & Youth Ass.			£ 50,000.00			£ 10,000.00	£ 51,500.00			£ 10,300.00	£ 51,500.00			£ 61,800.00
Voluntary Youth Support							£ 18,000.00			£ 10,000.00				
Private Rented Tenancy Support	£ 32,500.00		£ 32,500.00			£ 18,960.00		£ 13,540.00			£ 32,500.00			£ 32,500.00
Social Isolation Challenge Fund	£ -						£ 100,000.00			£ 100,000.00			£ 100,000.00	
Peri-natal and Family Emotional Wellbeing	£ 50,000.00		£ 50,000.00			£ 50,000.00								
Targetted Fly tipping and Waste Collection Education	£ 32,000.00		£ 32,000.00			£ 21,330.00		£ 10,670.00			£ 32,000.00			£ 32,000.00
Central Well Being Fund	£ 67,500.00		£ 22,500.00			£ 7,500.00	£ 23,175.00			£ 7,725.00	£ 23,175.00			£ 30,900.00
Central Well Being Fund - Dial			£22,500.00			£ 7,500.00	£ 23,175.00			£ 7,725.00	£ 23,175.00			£ 30,900.00
Central Well Being Fund - Hope House			£10,500.00			£ 3,500.00	£ 10,500.00			£ 3,920.00				
Age UK Covid-19 Recovery Grant			£10,000.00											
Devolved to WA	£ 50,000.00		£0.00											
CAB Service - Financial Resilience Funding			£10,000.00					£ 20,600.00			£ 20,600.00			£ 20,600.00
Healthy Holidays			£17,250.00											
Events / Review	£ 2,367.00													
Totals:	£ 517,993.00		£ 545,250.00	£ -	£ -	£ 400,790.00	£ 203,175.00	£ 44,810.00	£ 140,330.00	£ 131,945.00	£ 317,365.00	£ -	£ 100,000.00	£ 479,390.00
total anticipated contract spend:			£ 545,250.00			£ 648,775.00		£ 61,212.00	£ 589,640.00		£ 589,640.00			£ 579,390.00
In Year Balance	£ 198,062.00		£ 189,987.00			£ 61,212.00		-£ 8,428.00	-£ 8,428.00		-£ 8,428.00			£ 67,818.00

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**CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE**

**MEETING NOTES**

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	<b>Central Ward Alliance Meeting</b>
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Decmber 2020 @ 5:30pm</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Virtual – Microsoft Teams</b>

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
<b>Councillor Margret Bruff (Chair)</b> <b>Charlotte Moulds (Community Development Officer)</b> <b>Paul Bedford</b> <b>Jennifer Hulme</b>	<b>Councillor Martin Dyson</b> <b>Linda Wheelhouse</b> <b>Dee Cureton</b>

<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
Cllr Bruff welcomed everyone to the meeting.		
<b>2. Apologies for Absence</b>	<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
As detailed on page 1.		
<b>3. Minutes From Previous Meeting</b>	<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
Meeting notes from 25 <sup>th</sup> November meeting approved.		

<b>4. Declarations of Precuniary and Non Precuniary Interest</b>	<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
N/A		

<b>5. Projects Updates</b>	<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
<b>5.1 Resident Support &amp; Fall Prevention Packs Update</b>		
All distributed and well received.		

5.2 Advent Calendars & Edible Treat Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Distributed and well received.		
5.3 Healthy Holidays – Hamper Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Hampers and kids packs distributed this week all well received. Collection from Hope House Church 16/12/2020.		

6. WAF Budget		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<b>WAF Budget = £10,354.33</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Engagement Pot = £536.31</li> <li>- Small Sparks Fund = £1,000.00</li> </ul>		
6.1 Ward Alliance Applications Received		Action/Decision	Action lead
	N/A		
6.2 Ward Alliance Applications In The Pipeline		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p><b>- Sensory equipment for SEND children/families at home</b></p> <p>Identified through Denise Green (SEND Child Social Care) for those who cannot currently attend school and missing out on sensory/learning experiences etc. also provides respite for parents/carers at home.</p> <p><b>-Care home technology equipment assistance</b></p> <p>Carehomes within central ward to receive 1-2 laptops/ipads so residents can connect with friends and families in current restrictions. Need to further look in to old council IT being redistributed, and in addition, what the carehomes currently have in place.</p>	<p>To continue to be progressed</p> <p>To continue research</p>	<p>CM</p> <p>CM</p>

7. Upcoming Events / Dates		Action/Decision	Action lead
	N/A		

8. AOB	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Charlotte Moulds Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Small Sparks Fund Promotion</li> <li>- Ward Alliance Promotion</li> </ul> <p>Paul Hope House Church Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Church are online for the moment, online carol and Christmas service.</li> <li>- Café closed and received Covid Resillience grant for assistance with staff etc.</li> <li>- Community groups fed up and want to meet but most not coming together virtually.</li> </ul> <p>Jenny Hulme Fullhouse Estate Community Group Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not coming together virtually, but seeing some members through café etc.</li> <li>- Christmas Tree up and installed, also a memory tree and resident's have started hanging their memory tags on.</li> </ul>		
9. Date and time of Next Meeting.	Action/Decision	Action lead
Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2021 @ 5:30pm – Microsoft Teams.		

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# CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

## MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Central Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 @ 5:30pm
Location:	Virtual – Microsoft Teams

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Margret Bruff (Chair) Councillor Martin Dyson Charlotte Moulds (Community Development Officer) Laura Dixon (Presenter) Sarah Davey (Observer) Paul Bedford Jennifer Hulme Linda Wheelhouse Dee Cureton	N/A

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
Cllr Bruff welcomed everyone to the meeting.		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
As detailed on page 1.		
3. Minutes From Previous Meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
Meeting notes from 25 <sup>th</sup> November meeting approved.		

4. Declarations of Precuniary and Non Precuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
N/A		

5. Short presentation from Laura Dixon (NEO)	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>LD introduced herself as the Neighbourhood Engagement Officer covering all the Central Area Council Wards. LD explained this was a new role within BMBC following the fall out of the Covid-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Due to the challenging times in the Area Teams, Barnsley Council has been working hard to protect our communities. Due to COVID-19 it was identified the need to recruit some Neighbourhood Engagement Officers as support in having conversations with local communities helping to ensure their safety was paramount and help them to understand this ever-changing landscape.</p> <p>LD reported she had already made contact with local businesses in our Ward having conversations and making them aware of what finance and business support packages is available putting them in touch with the relevant people/organisations. Also giving advice and assistance on Covid compliance matters; LD stated she met regularly on a fortnightly basis with Regulatory Services Teams to ensure there was a consistent approach on this issue.</p> <p>LD explained her position wasn't an enforcement role, although she does liaise and work with the Covid Marshalls as necessary on issues.</p> <p>LD stated there would be a time when we would be looking at covid recovery and development and not just the economic side, but mental health and wellbeing also. LD reported that work had started on this and Public Health had been contacted about mental health and how this links with any future recovery. A social isolation and loneliness funding pot was also being created and the application process was currently being reviewed in respect of this.</p>		

6. Projects Updates	Action/Decision	Action lead
6.1 Healthy Holidays Update		
<p>Christmas Feedback</p> <p>Total families = 46 – All feedback was positive, some families commenting on the size of the hampers and amount of items included. They loved the nicities of Christmas crackers and chocolates etc. too. Overall very well received.</p> <p>February Forward Planning</p> <p>Reverting back to 2x family meals with additional goodies such as fruit packs, activity packs etc. Final plan TBC.</p> <p>Need to bare in mind money from Good Food Barnsley was cut short this time and this may be a reoccurring theme</p>		

	<p>moving forward in 2021.</p> <p>Request to help additional families across the ward, not just the same families every time, with a small token such as family fruit box (roughly £5).</p>	<b>CM to speak to schools re: distribution and capacity</b>	<b>CM</b>
<b>6.2 Small Sparks Fund</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>Now set up financially as a working budget.</p> <p>Group reviewed proposed application form, guidance and poster and agreed to all help with distribution and communication.</p>	<b>CM to create poster and contact re: distribution</b>	<b>CM</b>
<b>6.3 Ward Alliance Promotion</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>Ward Alliance want to promote themselves better and create new poster to state how and what they do etc.</p> <p>Community notice board and local shops to be utilised for distribution. Ward alliance members will help distribute.</p>	<b>CM to create posters and contact group for distribution</b>	<b>CM</b>

<b>7. WAF Budget</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p><b>WAF Budget = £10,354.33</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Engagement Pot = £536.31</li> <li>- Small Sparks Fund = £1,000.00</li> </ul>		
<b>6.1 Ward Alliance Applications Recieved</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	N/A		
<b>6.2 Ward Alliance Applications In The Pipeline</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p><b>- Sensory equipment for SEND children/families at home</b></p> <p>Identified through Denise Green (SEND Child Social Care) for those who cannot currently attend school and missing out on sensory/learning experiences etc. also provides respite for parents/carers at home.</p> <p><b>-Care home technology equipment assistance</b></p> <p>Carehomes within central ward to receive 1-2 laptops/ipads so residents can connect with friends and families in current restrictions. Need to further look in to old council IT being redistributed, and in addition, what the carehomes currently have in place.</p> <p><b>- Sheltered Housing Accomodation Support</b></p> <p>Make contact with all sheltered housing complexes inc.</p>	<p>To continue to be progressed via Denise Green</p> <p>To continue research</p> <p>Make contact with Jospeh Court and others to research needs and create WAF for working budget.</p>	<p><b>CM</b></p> <p><b>CM</b></p> <p><b>CM</b></p>

	Joseph Court re: support packs/hampers and what would be best received to support their residents.		
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8. Upcoming Events / Dates	Action/Decision	Action lead
N/A		

9. AOB	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Charlotte Moulds Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Butterflies Dementia Group wanted to give thanks for their prev. support and inform ward alliance that the Christmas packs were well received with great feedback and thanks from the recipients.</li> <li>- DVP Litter Pickers wanted to give thanks for prev. support and in addition, ask for some additional support of more litter picking equipment etc. to meet the needs of their growing number of volunteers.</li> </ul> <p>Linda Wheelhouse Harborough Hills Group Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continuing work on community allotment and group staying on contact where possible.</li> <li>- New club owner on harborough hills and seems positive to work with the group and ward alliance moving forward with possibility of community events when possible.</li> </ul> <p>Dee Cureton Churchfields Group Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nothing from group as cannot meet etc but Dee does speak to a members when possible via telephone.</li> <li>- House move confirmed and moving to lower Monk Bretton so staying within ward.</li> </ul> <p>Paul Hope House Church Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All okay at the church, continuing best they can. Foodbank still happening but café closed at the moment.</li> <li>- Well St site looking for redevelopment in to a community base.</li> </ul> <p>Jenny Hulme Fullhouse Estate Community Group Update</p>		



	- Group still speaking albeit over telephone or when they happen to bump in to eachother. Hoping to get back to things asap.		
<b>10. Date and time of Next Meeting.</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2021 @ 5:30pm – Microsoft Teams.		

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# **DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE**

## **MEETING NOTES**

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	<b>Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting</b>
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020 @ 6pm</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Held Via Teams Meeting</b>

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
<b>Councillor Phillip Birkinshaw (Chair)</b> <b>Councillor Neil Wright</b> <b>Councillor Peter Fielding</b> <b>Charlotte Moulds – Community Development Officer (CM)</b> <b>Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group (LK) Notes</b> <b>Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH)</b> <b>Darren Dickinson – Higham Resident (DD)</b> <b>Janet Turton – Gilroyd Business Owner and Gilroyd Community Group (JT)</b> <b>Natalie Parkes – Dodworth Business Owner (NP)</b> <b>Lisa Phelan – Central Area Team Manager (LP)</b>	<b>Michelle Robertson – Dodworth Resident (MR)</b> <b>Ben Scrivens – Dodworth St Johns Church (BS)</b> <b>Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident (RC)</b>

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Councillor Birkinshaw welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>NP introduced herself to the meeting as a newly appointed Ward Alliance Member.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members introduced themselves to NP welcoming her to her first meeting.</p>		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>As detailed on page 1.</p>		
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Minutes of the last meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 were perused. There were no matters arising from the minutes and were agreed as a true record.</p> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw informed the Ward Alliance that he had received a phone call from a reporter from the Barnsley Chronicle. The reporter asked about a decision taken at the last ward alliance meeting not to support the funding of an advent calendar project. Councillor Birkinshaw stated that he informed the reporter that this decision was reached as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was felt by some Ward Alliance Members it was too short notice to implement and roll out such a project and it be fully successful.</li> <li>• Some Ward Alliance Members did not want to only roll it out to certain schools within the Ward as proposed, and felt they would rather wait until next Christmas when we would be in a better position to include all the schools in the Ward.</li> <li>• All Members at the meeting were asked to vote and the decision reached was both democratic and independent.</li> </ul> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw reported he was unhappy about being questioned on this matter by the reporter, and stated that such an event as described was not in line with the code of conduct or ground rules of the Ward Alliance.</p>		

	<p>He referred all Members of the Ward Alliance to item 6 on the agenda including a document detailing the Ward Alliance Framework and Ground Rules.</p> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw stated he would not be going through the document at tonight's meeting, however, he asked all Members to familiarize themselves with the contents of the document and the ground rules of being a member. If any members of the Ward Alliance have any questions or issues in relation to this matter, they should contact Councillor Birkinshaw or CM directly to discuss.</p>	ALL	
<b>4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interest</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>Pecuniary interests were declared by Councillor Wright in respect of the funding application received from Dodworth Miners Junior Rugby Club.</p> <p>Non Pecuniary interests were also declared by Councillor Birkinsha in respect of Dodworth Miners Junior Ruby Club; Councillor Birkinshaw is a trustee of the Miners Welfare Club although not directly linked to the Rugby Club.</p>		
<b>5. Membership Update</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>CM reported that both Charlotte Hollingsworth and David Locke had now terminated their membership of the Ward Alliance.</p> <p>As already reported, Natalie Parkes, Dodworth Business Owner, has now joined the Ward Alliance.</p>		
<b>6. Ward Alliance Framework and Ground Rules</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>As already stated, Councillor Birkinshaw asked all Ward Alliance Members to familiarise themselves with this document.</p>	ALL	
<b>7. Christmas Lights</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>Councillor Birkinshaw reported that all Christmas Trees, Lights and Motives had been erected in Dodworth, Gilroyd, Higham and Pogmoor.</p>		

	<p>LK reported that since the Christmas tree situated outside the library had been installed, she had not seen the lights on and had checked at various times and on various days. CM stated she would contact the library as these lights should be on a timer and would contact street lighting if necessary if it was an electrical issue.</p>	<p>CM</p>	
<p><b>8. Healthy Holidays Update - Hamper and Activity Packs</b></p>		<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>
	<p>As reported at the last Ward Alliance Meeting, CM stated they were now looking to implement a further project for the Christmas holiday period to once again help struggling families.</p> <p>CM stated that this time Hampers had been put together which not only included store cupboard staples, but also recipe cards to make Christmas inspired treats. CM drew attention to the attached publicity leaflet which gave details of the Christmas initiative and how eligible families could self refer for one of the hampers. Extra efforts will be made to publicise the scheme as much as possible in order to try and increase the uptake in our Ward. The use of Keresforth School as a drop off point for families will hopefully help with this. Also a small number of deliveries will be made in Dodworth to families who don't have transport.</p> <p>CM will update on how we can continue to roll out this initiative in the new year and also an evaluation of the uptake of Christmas hamper scheme.</p>	<p>CM</p>	
<p><b>9. Winter Warmers Packs by Libraries &amp; Fall Prevention Packs by Public Health</b></p>		<p><b><u>Action/Decision</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Action lead</u></b></p>
	<p>CM reported that after successfully securing funding from the Coop, Dodworth Library was rolling out a winter warmers pack initiative. The pack includes such items as hats, scarfs, gloves, soup etc. The distribution of the packs are being targetted at the elderly and most vulnerable who will be eligible to receive one.</p> <p>CM also reported that BMBC Public Health are rolling out fall prevention packs. These will include a keep active band used to exercise and thus gain strength.</p>		

10. Covid 19 – Resilience Funding Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>CM reported that the Covid-19 Resilience Funding Scheme was still available and applications could still be submitted. CM drew attention to the attached application form to be used in relation to this initiative. Completed forms should be sent to LP in the first instance for co-ordination.</p> <p>CM reported that so far £110,000 had been spent from the Resilience Funding Pot; an additional £100,000 was pending on the successful outcomes of further applications submitted, and £30,000 was currently still unallocated and available, with the potential of being topped up further with additional funding.</p>		
11. WAF Budget	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>CM detailed the latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation as follows:-</p> <p>Current Balance: £11,354.53</p> <p>Engagement Pot: £627.61</p> <p>Environment Pot: £561.26</p> <p>Incredible Edible: £695.00</p> <p>LP reported that it had now been confirmed that by 31/3/2021 any remaining budget can be carried forward into next financial year.</p> <p>LK queried if there was any upper limit to the carry over amount. LP wasn't aware there was a limit, but stated she would seek clarification.</p>	LP	
11.1 Funding Applications		
<p><u><i>Dodworth Miners Juniors Rugby Club – Floodlights</i></u></p> <p>A funding application received from Dodworth Miners Junior Rugby Club was presented to Ward Alliance Members for consideration. The application gave details of its request for the sum of £948.00 to install new LED floodlights on their new training area. The club is based at the Dodworth Miners Welfare but provides training for everyone within Barnsley. Installation of new floodlights will enable training to be</p>		

<p>done 12 months of the year. It will ensure rugby league training can be provided from 3 to 13 year olds all year round with the ambition to expand this up to 16 year olds within the next few years.</p> <p>The Ward Alliance agreed to fund this application in full expressing it would be of great benefit to the younger residents of our community.</p> <p><u>Small Sparks Funding Scheme</u></p> <p>As discussed at the last Ward Alliance Meeting, this initiative was to create a small separate working budget within the Ward Alliances funding pot which can grant upto £150 per application for individuals within our community to implement small projects/ideas. This would allow someone to create really low level engagement community led project without the need to set up a formalised constitutional group with a bank account etc. Following the informal agreement by Ward Alliance Members to progress this proposal, CM presented a formal funding application for the sum of £1,000 in order for the funding pot to now be set up.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members agreed the application for the full amount.</p> <p>CM reiterated from the last meeting that she would be closely monitoring all applications received in respect of this funding pot, ensuring funds and the respective projects were implemented accordingly, and all necessary receipts etc are accounted for. As is the normal procedure for any funding application received, applications for this funding pot will be presented and discussed at Ward Alliance Meetings. The application form will be a less onerous task tailored to reflect the scale of the projects looking to be implemented.</p> <p>Councillor Wright stated that the new initiative needed to be fully publicised to the wider community. CM stated that a Ward Alliance news letter was being considered and an article about this scheme could be included along with others forms of publicity such as facebook and other social media platforms.</p>		
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<b>11.2 Ward Alliance Applications in the Pipeline</b>			
	<p><u>Ward Alliance Storage</u></p> <p>In respect of identifying a suitable location for a storage container, Councillor Wright reported that he had approached the owner of the Dil Raj about siting one on their land. Councillor Wright stated that the owner was considering the proposal.</p> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw stated that the idea mentioned previously, on siting a container on land at the side of Gilroyd Club, should be progressed along with investigating the various options in terms of container sizes. CM stated she would contact Jo Birch, BMBC's Parks Supervisor, to ascertain land ownership details and discuss the possibility of positioning a container on parks services land. CM will also look into container size options and respective prices.</p> <p>Suggestions from NP in respect of the field/land to the rear of the police station /Coop, and Councillor Fielding in respect of land on Woodland Drive near to the Medical Centre were also received. CM will seek clarification who the land belongs to in respect of both suggestions.</p>	CM	CM
<b>12. Upcoming Events</b>			
	There are currently no upcoming events to report.		
<b>13. Any Other Business</b>			
	<p><u>CCTV Cameras</u></p> <p>MH reported on behalf of DD that the CCTV cameras funded by the Ward Alliance and installed on Royd Lane, Higham, were proving to be very successful.</p> <p>From intelligence data taken from the cameras and passed to the Police, a prosecution was able to be secured.</p> <p><u>Speeding High Street Dodworth</u></p> <p>NP reported that speeding and antisocial driving by motorbikes was being witnessed on High Street, Dodworth. CM stated that this should be forwarded to the Police who deal with such matters, and encouraged other residents to do the same if they had such concerns.</p>		

Thankyou's

LP wanted to thank CM for her work, and in particular due to staff sickness, for covering additional workloads and duties.

Toy Appeal Project

Councillor Fielding reported on the success of the toy appeal scheme which NP has been organising. The project which has collected toys to wrap and distribute to children who otherwise would not have had a present to open on Christmas day has been greatly appreciated by many families.

NP stated that 22 children from Keresforth School had received one of the wrapped presents for Christmas along with children from other wards in Barnsley.

NP said that St John's School had also been contacted to be involved, asking them to identify children at their school who would benefit from the project. However, up to date, no response had been received from them.

DD stated he was surprised that the school had not responded to the communication and was sure that many children who attended the school would have benefitted. DD suggested he could contact the school about their involvement and engagement in any future community initiatives.

Ward Alliance Members felt this suggestion should be progressed. DD will look into drafting a communication to the school on this basis.

Principal Towns

LK asked whether there were any updates in respect of the above project. CM reported that no further updates had been received in respect of the scheme. CM stated that members could email Fiona O'Brien Principal Towns Officer directly if they had any further input/suggestions to put forward for consideration for the scheme.

Fiona's contact email is :-

[FionaOBrien@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:FionaOBrien@barnsley.gov.uk)

	<p>Before closing the meeting, Councillor Birkinshaw wished everyone a Merry Christmas and A Happy, Healthy and Safe New Year.</p> <p>The meeting closed.</p>		
	<p><b>14. Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p>		
	<p><b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 6.00 pm</b></p>		

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# **DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE**

## **MEETING NOTES**

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<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 @ 6pm</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Held Via Teams Meeting</b>

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
<p><b>Councillor Phillip Birkinshaw (Chair)</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Neil Wright</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Peter Fielding</b></p> <p><b>Charlotte Moulds – Community Development Officer (CM)</b></p> <p><b>Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK)</b> Notes</p> <p><b>Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH)</b></p> <p><b>Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident (RC)</b></p> <p><b>Michelle Robertson – Dodworth Resident (MR)</b></p> <p><b>Ben Scrivens – Dodworth St Johns Church (BS)</b></p> <p><b>Laura Dixon – Neighbourhood Engagement Officer (LD)</b></p>	<p><b>Darren Dickinson – Higham Resident (DD)</b></p> <p><b>Janet Turton – Gilroyd Business Owner and Gilroyd Community Group (JT)</b></p> <p><b>Natalie Parkes – Dodworth Business Owner (NP)</b></p>

1. Welcome and Introductions		Action/Decision	Action lead
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2. Apologies for Absence		Action/Decision	Action lead
	As detailed on page 1.		
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>LK reported that she had observed that the Christmas lights on the tree outside dodworth library had not been fully lit, noticing a section of the tree had been unlit. CM stated she would make a note of this and would organise for them to be tested.</p> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw stated if they were unable to be repaired we would therefore purchase a new set for next Christmas.</p> <p>Minutes of the last meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020 were agreed as a true record.</p>	CM	
4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interest		Action/Decision	Action lead
	There were no pecuniary interests declared.		

5. Presentation from Laura Dixon - Community Engagement Officer	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>LD introduced herself as the Neighbourhood Engagement Officer covering all the Central Area Council Wards. LD explained this was a new role within BMBC following the fall out of the Covid-19 pandemic. Due to the challenging times in the Area Teams, Barnsley Council has been working hard to protect our communities. Due to COVID-19 it was identified the need to recruit some Neighbourhood Engagement Officers as support in having conversations with local communities helping to ensure their safety was paramount and help them to understand this ever-changing landscape.</p> <p>LD reported she had already made contact with local businesses in our Ward having conversations and making them aware of what finance and business support packages is available putting them in touch with the relevant people/organisations. Also giving advice and assistance on Covid compliance matters; LD stated she met regularly on a fortnightly basis with Regulatory Services Teams to ensure there was a consistent approach on this issue. Councillor Fielding stated that it should be ensured support and help for the self employed is also made available.</p> <p>LD explained her position wasn't an enforcement role, although she does liaise and work with the Covid Marshalls as necessary on issues.</p> <p>LD stated there would be a time when we would be looking at covid recovery and development and not just the economic side, but mental health and wellbeing also. LD reported that work had started on this and Public Health had been contacted about mental health and how this links with any future recovery. A social isolation and loneliness funding pot was also being created and the application process was currently being reviewed in respect of this.</p> <p>LD also reported that the role of Project Manager Markets and Town Centre had been newly filled by Christopher Savage. Chris will be overseeing all matters and leading the team responsible for the operation and future shaping of all the markets in the Barnsley borough.</p>		

6. Healthy Holidays Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p><u>Christmas Feedback</u></p> <p>As reported at the last Ward Alliance meeting, CM stated that the Christmas Hamper project was rolled out over the Christmas holiday period to reach out and give help to struggling families. The hampers contained both tinned and boxes food items. Uptake in the Dodworth Ward was still low but had improved with a total of 14 families who were eligible signing up to receive a hamper.</p> <p><u>February Planning</u></p> <p>CM reported that the project will continue to be rolled out over the February half term break reverting back to the original scheme providing families with 2 meals per week. Again it will provide all the raw ingredients for 2 meals with accompanying recipe cards and full cooking instructions.</p> <p>The suggestion of a £5 fruit box and activity sheet including possibly an information sheet about how to eat healthy was being considered. Ward Alliance Members agreed the roll out of fruit boxes stating it was a good idea. However, there was a consensus by Ward Alliance Members that the aim was to give food and telling people how to eat healthy may not be appropriate at this time.</p> <p>It was agreed more work was needed to reach out to struggling families as it was felt there would be more who would be eligible, but for reasons unknown weren't coming forward. It was thought this could be families who weren't used to needing help previously, and may be embarrassed to ask.</p> <p>CM stated she would be promoting the scheme in local shops, notice boards, sending information into schools, using social media platforms, family centre teams and other social care networks.</p> <p>Councillor Birkinshaw suggested connecting and promoting through Churches in the Ward could be explored.</p>	<p>CM</p> <p>CM</p>	



	<p>MR stated through her previous roles working with food banks, they had used head teachers to identify struggling families. CM confirmed DD had contacted Dodworth St John's School and hopefully they will be able to identify any eligible families.</p> <p>Councillor Fielding asked MR to email any other suggestions/ideas on how to deal with this issue to make the scheme as successful as possible targeting those most in need. MR to email any relevant information.</p>	MR	
<b>7. Small Sparks Fund Update</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p><u>Small Sparks Funding Scheme</u></p> <p>At the last meeting Ward Alliance Members agreed the funding application presented for the sum of £1,000 to set up the funding pot in respect of the above initiative.</p> <p>CM circulated to Ward Alliance Members a copy of the application form which will be used in respect of the scheme. The application form is less onerous to that of the standard ward alliance funding application form and has been tailored to reflect the scale of the projects looking to be implemented. Accompanying the application form is a Guide/Application Procedure document created to assist with application process.</p> <p>CM also circulated a work in progress poster which is will be used to advertise the scheme. Once the poster has been finalised it will be used to promote the initiative on social media, notice boards, and community hubs etc.</p>		
<b>8. Covid-19 Resilience Fund Update</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
	<p>CM reported that the Covid-19 Resilience Funding Scheme was still available and applications could still be submitted. Completed forms should be sent to LP in the first instance for co-ordination.</p>		

	<p>As part of the Henry Boot Construction contract with Barnsley Council, a funding pot was created called the Better Barnsley Bond Scheme. The purpose of it to support initiatives wider than just construction jobs and apprenticeships within their sector; but supporting training, employment and local community initiatives in the Barnsley area including Area Councils and the Love Where You Live community initiatives.</p> <p>CM reported that the Better Barnsley Bond Scheme was now coming to an end with the funding pot due to close.</p> <p>CM stated that monies left in this pot would hopefully be transferred across to top up the Covid Resilience Fund. Criteria for the Covid Resilience Funding was also changing slightly to larger amounts of money per application to fund more borough/area wide focussed projects.</p> <p>CM reported projects specific to the Ward, such applications should continue to be sent to the Ward Alliance.</p>		
<p><b>9. Ward Alliance Promotion and Newsletter</b></p>		<p><u><i>Action/Decision</i></u></p>	<p><u><i>Action lead</i></u></p>
	<p>Ward Alliance Members discussed ideas how best to promote the Ward Alliance and the work it does. CM suggested that a Ward Alliance newsletter and/or poster could be produced. The poster would be used in community notice boards and community hubs whilst the newsletter would be distributed to all residential households in the ward. Initial quotes were £300 to deliver a newsletter to approximately 5,000 homes.</p> <p>CM also mentioned the better use of social media platforms particularly Facebook and ensuring the Ward Alliance Facebook page is better utilised. CM asked members who might be interested in being administrators and/or to help/input into future posts on the page to contact her directly.</p> <p>Further consideration on how to promote the Ward Alliance and how it can engage more with residents and businesses will continue to be looked at.</p>		

10. WAF Budget	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>CM detailed the latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation as follows:-</p> <p>Current Balance: £9,281.54</p> <p>Engagement Pot: £627.61</p> <p>Environment Pot: £561.26</p> <p>Incredible Edible: £695.00</p> <p>Small Sparks Fund: £1,000</p>		
<p><b>10.1 Funding Applications Received</b></p>		
<p>There were no funding applications received.</p>		
<p><b>10.2 Ward Alliance Applications in the Pipeline</b></p>		
<p><u>Community Angels Application</u></p> <p>CM reported that an application from the above group was looking to be submitted. The community angel's initiative is to help struggling families.</p> <p><u>Ward Alliance Storage Application</u></p> <p>In respect of siting a storage container, identification of a suitable location was still being investigated.</p> <p>Parks department had been approached about siting one on parks lands; they had responded stating that if a suitable location was to be identified then a Service Level Agreement would have to be put in place and that planning permission may also be required.</p> <p>Councillor Fielding stated that the planning department had been contacted about this issue and they had confirmed planning permission wouldn't be required.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members agreed that a site central in location to the ward would be preferred; a vacant garage site plot would be the ideal solution if one could be identified.</p>		

	<p>In terms of costs, the purchase and siting of a container would be in the region of £2,000.</p> <p>Work will continue to identify a suitable location before an application can be submitted.</p>		
<b>11. Upcoming Events</b>			
	<p>There are currently no upcoming events to report.</p> <p>Councillor Wright suggested whether we should start to think about what events or ideas for projects/initiatives could be implemented next financial year.</p> <p>With Covid-19 restrictions this will limit what type of projects can be implemented, however, with a budget of £19,000 from April including carry over, we should be mindful how this can be used effectively in line with the restrictions. Ward Alliance Members agreed we did not want to be in a position March 2022 where we have not used the budget and in a situation where we could therefore lose the funding.</p> <p>LK suggested the idea of hanging baskets in key locations of the ward could be considered this year if Ward Alliance Members felt appropriate. LK stated it was a project which could be implemented more easily in line with any covid restrictions. CM stated she would make some initial enquiries with other wards who previously had hangings baskets to ascertain what companies they had used and the processes and practicalities involved in implementing the project.</p> <p>All Members will give thought to what other projects the Ward Alliance could implement.</p>	<p><b>CM</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>	
<b>12. Any Other Business</b>			
	<p>The meeting closed.</p>		
<b>13. Date and Time of Next Meeting</b>			
	<p>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 6.00 pm</p>		



# Kingstone Ward Alliance Meeting

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 5:45 pm

## Virtual Teams Meeting

### Notes

Due to restrictions on meetings during the corona virus the Kingstone Ward Alliance will be conducting this meeting via Micro Soft Teams

1. Attended: Charlotte Moulds (CDO), Cllr Williams (Chair), Stephen Bullcock, Tony Barraclough, Peter Robertshaw, Peter Roberts, Kelly Quinney, James Stephenson,
2. Apologies: Cllr Mitchell, Florentine, Vera, James Stephenson
3. Declaration of Pecuniary and None Pecuniary Interest - N/A
4. Notes & Matters arising from Previous Meeting:
  - AGE UK Directory Leaflet – **Action Point: CM to locate and circulate along with meeting notes.**
  - Wild Flower Planting – Peter Roberts wanted to clarify his point that the flower beds don't attract litter, they hide litter and make it difficult to look after the bed itself.
5. Ward Alliance Fund: Budget available: **£10,393.00**
  - £589.50 spent from Events Budget on 150x children's activity packs for WCCA and Hope in the Community to coincide with Healthy Holidays offer.
  - WAF Application/s
    - i. Locke Park Bowling Club – Lawn Mower - £6,000  
Ward alliance members had numerous questions in relation to the application, including details around the club itself, member numbers, type of mower etc. It was decided that a decision could not be made until these questions were answered and the group would look to make a decision in January. **Action Point: In the mean time CM would work with the group to answer questions and to apply to covid resilience fund to seek additional funding.**
6. KWA Priorities Updates and Actions:-
  - **Central Area healthy holiday project – update**
    - i. **WCCA – supporting the Central Area Team Offer – up to 50 families**  
Hamper with storecupboard staples and few Christmas treats.
    - ii. **HOPE in the community – a different offer – A week of virtual activities (50 families + )**  
Activities inc. crafts and baking etc. Started advertising and had good number of sign ups so far.
    - iii. **Good Food Network Kids Activity Packs – x50 for WCCA x100 for HOPE Funded from Events pot**  
To go with the two Healthy Holidays projects as above.
  - **Community Christmas Advent Calendar**  
Distributed predominantly via primary schools, but additional out to Bernslai Homes, sheltered housing, youth work providers, family centres etc.  
Kingstone highly over subscribed with 1,400+ needed in schools alone. **Action Point: CM to circulate copy to the group.**

- **Environmental activities: update**
    - i. **Litter picking guidance**  
Please follow government guidance at the time of planning the activity, in relation to which tier Barnsley is in, rulings around meeting in groups outside and social distancing etc.
    - ii. **Bulb planting – too late now, will have to wait until next year**  
Will revisit for Spring 2021. Locations TBC but some locations prev. discussed.
    - iii. **Hanging baskets – aiming for spring 2021**  
Will revisit for Spring 2021. Street identifying to take place after Christmas. Price is roughly £150 per basket, but cost comes down when second time due to bracket already being fitted etc. Will be approaching businesses and churches etc. for sponsorship.
  - **Winter Directory of Services – Age UK – printed and will update as distributed**  
AGE UK are currently undertaking distribution and will save a few for ward alliance memebrrs etc. to distribute. **Action Point: As mentioned above, CM to locate and send out with notes.**
  - **Pen pal project – Age UK are progressing**  
Will look for an update from AGE UK.
  - **Kingstone’s winter warmer packs – stored at Gateway, will count and potentially distribute to local residents via AGE UK**  
**Action Point: CM to locate and contact Bernslai Homes re: distribution**
  - **Kingstone’s grit bins x 4 – refilling**  
Ward alliance group voted to take this out of the environmental pot. **Action Point: CM to contact suppliers and arrange refilling/payment.**
7. Report from Central Area Council – Information and issues that effect Kingstone Ward: - Cllr Williams
- Comissioned services/partners presentations are due from next week and reviews will be taking place in March 2021.
  - Lonliness and isolation project is now on YorTender, this ends 8<sup>th</sup> Jan and will be looking for an April 2021 start date. 36 organisations took part in the workshop and over 40+ have declared an expression of interest.
  - Cllr Williams (as Chair of Central Area Council) and Cllr Johnson (from Stairfoot) and officers are looking to pilot a project around fly tipping in correlation to residential bins and turn over of residents. This could potentially be used as a casestudy to roll out across the whole area/borough should it work successfully.
8. Any other business:
- Cllr Williams wanted to let the group know that Lock Park received a Horticultural Society certificate and wanted to extend thanks to the Friends of Lock Park group.
9. Date of next meeting: 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 @ 5:45pm

**Notes**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021 (10:00 am)– Virtual Meeting**

1. **Attendees:** Cllr Johnson, Cllr Gillis, Cllr Bowler, Rev Fiona Kouble, Cynthia Cunningham, Sian Pearson, Robert Stendall, Sarah Davey
2. **Apologies for Absence:** -Lisa Hammond, Ann Hart, Roy Marsden, Dave Winnard
3. **Introductions:** Cllr Johnson introduced Sarah Davey, the new Community Development Officer for the Central Area Council who will be temporarily acting as Doreen's replacement until the post has been successfully recruited for. Ward Alliance members introduced themselves and what they are currently doing in the communities within the Stairfoot Ward.
4. **Declarations of Pecuniary & None Pecuniary Interest:** None
5. **Notes of Last Meeting & Matters Arising:** The last minutes were from October and there were no matters arising
6. **Ward Alliance Fund – Remaining balance:**

Main budget: £16,066.74  
 Environmental Working Budget: £1884.85  
 Events Working Budget: £0
7. **Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan – 2020/2021**
  - a. **Environment**
    - i. Request for a collapsible trolley costing £50/£60 was approved to be delivered to Lisa Hammond from Environmental Working Budget
    - ii. Myra's bench: currently deciding on the best place and should be in place within a week to 10 days. Discussion around whether two planters could be placed at the sides of the bench if they could be secured

**ACTION:** CDO to contact John Twigg to deliver trolley to Lisa: done
  - b. **Healthy Holidays Project**
    - i. **Christmas Healthy Holidays:** This went very well and families who participated were really pleased with the food hampers. Cllr Johnson expressed disappointment about the activity packs which had been produced by Good Food Barnsley as they were lacking things that were promised. However, alternative holiday packs were put together by Cllr Johnson and others with a variety of activities such as crosswords, word searches, a diary and a calendar
    - ii. **Healthy Holidays February half-term:** Packs will be put together with ingredients and recipe cards for two family meals. There will also be a fruit basket and an activity pack printed professionally by the Council. Volunteers will need to put together the food bags from 9-11 on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February at Ebenezer Church. Fiona gave apologies that she would not be able to help as her church was doing something similar for Lent on the

same day. It was felt there would be enough volunteers. Collection from families would be from 11 till 2.

35 families have been referred (40 bags of food due to size of some families). Also, Hunningley Primary School have been in contact after the closing date to see if they could be involved.

Sian mentioned that families sometimes find it very hard to ask for help.

**ACTION:** Sarah to contact Kath re being a volunteer for Healthy Holidays-done

#### c. Ebenezer Church

Keith Savage is very keen to use the space at Ebenezer Church for community activities going forwards. It was agreed that the church is in a great geographical location

#### d. Stairfoot Art project / Principal Towns

Robert gave an update on the Stairfoot Art Project. The plans for the **small park** are going well and Robert described the 'sculptures' and colourful floor spaces which would be used to brighten up the area. There would be three colourful poles with a design on the tops. School children had been consulted about what they wanted to see and the artists had incorporated their designs into the product. The tree has already been removed from the park, creating a more open space. The metal box by the park will also be covered with art- work.

**Sculpture at Stairfoot:** this is meant to represent a bottle from Barnsley's glass industry and will be created in a contemporary style. The artist is currently making some adaptations to his design, after some thoughts had been expressed by the Stairfoot Art Project group.

Cllr Gillis explained that the artist was also looking into a painted brick surround to represent Stairfoot's brick industry and a piece of coal to represent the coal mining industry. Robert made some other suggestions as to where they might also be able to focus on the coal mining industry.

**Signage on the Trail:** Signage was being created on the trail which involves images of animals which appear to move when people pass them. The artist is working on the designs to show at the next meeting of the Stairfoot Art Project group.

Everyone agreed that the artists were very talented and that the art projects would enhance Stairfoot and make it more a place where people want to stop and visit. The sculptures would also create a focal point to meet.

#### e. Hanging Baskets

Cllr Johnson explained he had done a lamppost survey along the routes leading from the Stairfoot roundabout hub. He shared how Worsbrough had placed their hanging baskets along the A61 to the Red Lion pub opposite Worsbrough Country Park and how this had lifted the area. Cllr Johnson showed pictures of hanging baskets from Worsbrough. Discussion was had around whether we could do the hanging baskets in the same way at Worsbrough, though the community had been heavily involved in the Worsbrough project.

Prices were discussed- £120 for basket and bracket in first year with £28 for signage. For the second year, it would be £55 for the cost of the basket. All costs included fitting. The baskets would be watered by the Council. Signs could be re-cycled. There was some confusion re the costs, so these would be checked by the CDO.

Cllr Johnson suggested that we charge £85 per hanging basket which would cover the basket and the sign and that the Ward Alliance would cover the rest of the cost, i.e. for the brackets



where brackets were needed. This was agreed.

Sponsorship of the baskets was discussed. It was felt that local businesses might struggle with paying for baskets at this time, having been hit hard by Covid, but that the price of £85 might make it accessible for them. It was suggested that individuals might want to sponsor a basket in memory of a loved one and that churches might be a starting point for this.

There was a discussion around whether businesses or individuals might want a basket directly outside their home or business or whether that would be too random and detract from the idea of the hub.

Fiona expressed that she felt that the hanging baskets would look lovely and build a positive community feel.

It was agreed to put aside £1000 from the budget to be used as needed for the project. If the project does not go ahead, or there was surplus money, this would go back into the pot.

**ACTION:** CDO to double check prices without brackets- done

**ACTION:** Cllr Johnson to send posters to CDO to distribute to the Ward Alliance members

f. **Spring bulb planting:** it was confirmed that this was too late for this year

## 8. Ward Alliance Priorities 2021-2022

It was agreed to put this on the agenda for the next meeting when it is clearer what is happening re Covid/ lockdown etc

## 9. Obstacles to attending meetings

This was discussed briefly though it was noted that there had been a good attendance at this meeting. The main issue seems to be around people working/caring responsibilities at the times of some meetings or some feeling 'zoomed out' if Zoom meetings happen consecutively, It was agreed to look into whether we could have at least some meetings around 4/4.30 to enable more people to attend

**ACTION:** CDO to check with Lisa and David to see if this time would be more suitable for them- done

## 10. Any other business

- i. **Data base of organisations in the Stairfoot Ward:** Councillor Gillis explained about the discussion had with the CDO re an up to date data base of organisations in Stairfoot. It was felt there was already one somewhere which seemed to be updated regularly as people were asked for updates. CDO explained that Alice, the Project Officer from the Central Area Team was currently compiling a list.

**ACTION:** CDO to look for the existing list

- ii. **Fence repair:** Robert reported that a fence had been broken down and there had been a really quick response from the Parks department and to express appreciation for this
- iii. **AFACT:** the group had carried out their activity at Christmas with Santa but had not yet received any money in their sacks/ bank account!

**ACTION:** CDO to check out

- iv. **Benches in Ardsley:** Robert mentioned that they were looking for two additional benches for Ardsley Park for when people started to get out more- this would create opportunities for social interaction whilst keeping socially distanced. It would cost approximately £1000. It was felt this would be a Ward Alliance Funding bid, though Cllr Johnson also mentioned the potential of buying the second bench created alongside Myra's bench

**ACTION:** CDO to send WAF to Robert

**11. Date and time of next meeting:** 8<sup>th</sup> March 16.15- 17.45

## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Central Area Council Meeting

**DATE: 01<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

### Report of Central Area Council Manager

**Officer Contact:** Lisa Phelan & Sarah Blunkett

**Tel. No:** 01226 775707

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021

#### 1. Purpose of Report

This report seeks to inform Members about agreed spend to date from the Ward Alliance Funds within the Central area for 2020/2021.

#### 2. Recommendation

**That the Central Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes spend to date for the Wards of Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsborough.**

#### 3. Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to the Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

Following the Council's decision to withdraw Devolved Ward Budget funding from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016, the use of Ward Alliance Funding and the associated allocation of monies to Ward Alliances across the borough has also been reviewed and amended.

- 3.2 In considering projects for the use of Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

#### 4. Commitments to Date

- 4.1 A breakdown of the approved spend for the 2020/21 financial year, is attached at Appendix 1.

- 4.2 Ward Alliances are currently reviewing priorities and updating action plans to ensure the timely expenditure of all Ward Alliance funds in 2020/2021.

**Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview****2020/21 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS**

For 2020/21 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, and Area Council's may also choose not to allocate any funding to ward level.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2019/20 Ward Alliance Fund has been combined and added to the 2020/21 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.

**CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE**

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£5,071.35	carried forward from 2019/20
£4,014.99	Unspent/ return of grants
£278.72	Christmas Calendars Unspent
£182.12	Resident Support Packs Unspent
£49.00	Elf Masks Refund

**£19,596.18 total available funding**

The **Central Ward** has allocated £9,190.54 of its £19,547.18 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation, with £7,732.02 of this commitment charged to the Ward.

<b>Ward Alliance Fund Project</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Charged spend</b>	<b>Allocation remaining</b>
Dearne Valley Litter Pickers	£414.51	£414.51	
Residents support packs	£1999.93	£1,817.81	
Hope House Food Bank	£500	£500	
Engagement Pot	£669.60	£669.60	
CAB Project	£2,000	£2,000	
Christmas Advent Calendars	£1,000	£723.60	
Full House Estates Group Christmas Lights	£300	£300	
Harborough Hill Community group - Christmas Lights	£750	£750	
Small Sparks Projects	£1,000	£1,000	
Good Food Barnsley Kids Packs	£250	£201	
Winter warmer packs - Butterflies	£360	£360	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£9,244.04</b>	<b>£7,727.52</b>	<b>£10,352.14</b>

### DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£9,661.69	carried forward from 2019/20
£536.85	Unspent/ returned grants
<b>£20,198.54</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

The **Dodworth Ward** has allocated £12,419.50 of its £20,198.54 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation, with £2,909.50 of this commitment charged to the Ward.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Secretary payment	£125	£125	
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Higham Community Group	£2,000	£2,000	
Dodworth Christmas Trees and Lights	£4,586.50	£4096.50	
CAB Service	£2,000	£2,000	
Dodworth MW Juniors rugby Lights	£948	£948	
DWA Small Sparks	£1,000	£1,000	
Secretary Payment	£125	£125	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£10,909.50</b>	<b>£10,419.5</b>	<b>£9,289.04</b>

### KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£4,538.91	carried forward from 2019/20
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£4,384.99	Income Expenditure
<b>£18,923.90</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

The **Kingstone Ward** has allocated £9,012.24 of its £18,923.90 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation, with £9,012.24 of this commitment charged to the Ward.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Hope in the Community – Covid-19	£1,217.99	£1,217.99	
Exodus project food delivery programme	£1,508	£1,508	
A bowling club for local residents	£959	£959	
Bowling Greens Locke Park	£700	£700	
St Edwards Church IT Equipment	£470	£470	
Highstone Bowling Club	£1675	£1675	
CAB Project	£2,000	£2,000	
Community Advent Calendars	£482.25	£482.25	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£9,012.24</b>	<b>£9,012.24</b>	<b>£9,911.66</b>

## STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£10,026.99	carried forward from 2019/20
£900	Unspent/ returned monies
<b>£20,926.99</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

The **Stairfoot Ward** has allocated £4,882.25 of its £20,926.99 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation, with £4,882.25 of this commitment charged to the Ward.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
Repair to Roundabout Ardsley park	£900	£900	
Memorial Bench	£1,000	£1,000	
Defib in the community	£500	£500	
CAB Project	£2,000	£2,000	
Community Advent Calendars	£482.25	£482.25	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,882.25</b>	<b>£4,882.25</b>	<b>£16,044.74</b>

## WORSBROUGH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	base allocation
£18,161.66	carried forward from 2019/20
£5,043.75	Funds unspent/ returned
<b>£33,205.41</b>	<b>total available funding</b>

The **Worsborough Ward** has allocated £24,194.39 of its £33,205.41 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation, with £19,194.39 of this commitment charged to the Ward.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Allocation	Charged spend	Allocation remaining
WA - Environmental Pot	£2,000	0	
Wors Community Church - Easter session	£100	£100	
WA - Defibs in the Community	£1,500	£1,500	
The Barnsley Shedders Community Group - more shed less bed	£2,217.98	£2,217.98	
Worsbrough Bridge AFC - Flood Relief Support	£550	£550	
Ward Green Youth Club - Youth Activities	£768.83	£768.83	
Worsbrough Bridge Cricket Club - Junior Provision	£3,005.33	£3,005.33	
Secretary Payment	£125	£125	
Malta Court Community Covid Support	£100	£100	
Secretary Payment	£125	£125	
CAB Project	£2,000	£2,000	
Covid 19 Healthy Holiday Provision	£5,000	£5,000	
Community Advent Calendars	£482.25	£482.25	
Ward Green Primary School - Christmas Cheer	£720	£720	
Engagement fund top-up	£3,000		
The Mill Academy	£2,500	£2,500	
Secretary Payment	£125	£125	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£24,319.39</b>	<b>£24,319.39</b>	<b>£8,886.02</b>