

MEETING:	Central Area Council
DATE:	Wednesday, 1 September 2021
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 7th July, 2021 (Cen.01.09.2021/2) *(Pages 3 - 8)*

Items for Discussion

- 3 Cancer Screening Behavioural Insights - Emma Bates and Kaye Mann (Cen.01.09.2021/3)
- 4 Performance Management Report Q1 (Cen.01.09.2021/4) *(Pages 9 - 80)*

Items for Decision

- 5 Procurement and Financial Update (Cen.01.09.2021/5) *(Pages 81 - 90)*

Ward Alliances

- 6 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.01.09.2021/6) *(Pages 91 - 124)*
Central – held on 28th July, 2021
Dodworth – held on 1st June and 13th July, 2021
Kingstone – held on 30th June and 11th August, 2021
Stairfoot – held on 12th July and 9th August, 2021
Worsbrough – held on 8th July, 2021
- 7 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.01.09.2021/7) *(Pages 125 - 128)*

To: Chair and Members of Central Area Council:-

Councillors Williams (Chair), Bowler, Bowser, Bruff, Clarke, K. Dyson, M. Dyson, Fielding, Gillis, Lodge, Mitchell, Ramchandani, Risebury, Wray and Wright

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Monday, 23 August 2021



MEETING:	Central Area Council
DATE:	Wednesday, 7 July 2021
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present Councillors Williams (Chair), Bowser, Bruff, Clarke, K. Dyson, Fielding, Gillis, Lodge, Wray and Wright

1 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute number 4 in relation to his membership of the YMCA.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 26th April, 2021 (Cen.07.07.2021/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Central Area Council held on 26th April, 2021.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Central Area Council held on 26th April, 2021 be approved as a true and correct record.

3 Social Isolation Challenge Fund (Cen.07.07.2021/3)

Jane Holliday, Chief Executive Officer, Age UK Barnsley, was welcomed to the meeting to talk about the My Community, My Life service. Members were reminded about the organisation being a local charity working in partnership with Age UK, with all money raised in the area being spent locally.

The organisation had worked in the Central Area since March 2020, supporting the social inclusion of older people throughout the pandemic. Members noted that efforts had moved now towards a recovery phase, supporting the prevention of falls, raising mobility and improving mental health, all of which had suffered during the pandemic.

Members noted the links with Age Friendly Barnsley and the Barnsley Third Sector Dementia Alliance and the associated benefits.

Members heard how the service would provide 1:1 support guided through conversations and planning with individuals. It would support good neighbour volunteers, matching them with people locally who required support.

There were plans to promote a community car scheme, which was not intended to be large, but would provide support to those who may not be able to access other transport.

An Information and Advice Worker would provide support 1 day a week, and new groups and activities would be promoted as well as support provided to existing

groups.

Those present heard of the intention to hold events and celebrations, supporting public health initiatives such as winter warmth.

Members heard of the £56,625 of benefit gained already in the first quarter following support from the Information and Advice Worker and that 70 individuals had already been provided 1:1 support.

Questions were raised around how the organisation worked in partnership with organisations such as BIADS, and it was noted that Age UK was part of the dementia alliance which created a pathway for users to access a multitude of support services.

In relation to questions about local consultation, conversations had been had with individuals who had already been identified as social isolated in order to shape activities. It was noted that flexibility had been used in order to provide home based activities through the pandemic, but more group activities would follow when allowed. The focus would also be seasonal with extreme heat being considered in the summer, but the autumn would look at winter preparedness with Tai Chi and balance classes being established to help avoid falls.

Liz Hopkinson, Service and Development Manager, Rotherham and Barnsley MIND spoke to the meeting about the Thriving Communities Project. The project offered an opportunity to engage those lonely and isolated. Like to Age UK Barnsley, the local organisation was part of a national network, but all fundraising was spent locally. Members heard how the demand for the counselling service had growing significantly during the pandemic, and much of the provision had transitioned to being delivered remotely.

The service offered a range of activities provided in person and on the phone/online. These included weekly check in and chat calls; virtual and physical check in and chat group sessions; CBT in small groups; loneliness workshops and signposting to groups and community initiatives.

Members noted the progression that could be made as participants grew with confidence and made social networks. With regards to group and community initiatives, the service was committed to understanding what people desired and facilitating what was requested, establishing groups if necessary.

Questions were raised about how the organisation worked in partnership and it was noted that in addition to working with voluntary and community organisations, training had also been delivered within the private sector and work had taken place with schools.

Those present discussed the increase in mental health issues since the start of the pandemic and it was noted that the organisation was applying for funding wherever possible to provide provision to address this.

Sean Margison, Health and Wellbeing Officer, Reds in the Community, was welcomed to discuss Reds Connect. Members were reminded of the mission and aims of Reds in the Community, which included harnessing the reach of Barnsley

Football Club to raise aspirations; encourage active, healthy lifestyles; and enhance community cohesion.

Members were made aware of the core delivery themes of Reds in the Community – Sports Participation, Social Inclusion, Health, Education and National Citizen Service.

Those present heard that Reds Connect would provide new opportunities for people in the Central Area to engage, participate and connect, addressing social isolation and loneliness. Provision included group social activities, wellbeing activities, inviting guest speakers, and outings or celebration events.

7 walking football sessions had been delivered, and 4 walks undertaken with the walking group. It was noted that the exercise class and sporting memories event would commence shortly.

Questions were raised about whether the association with the football club could act, not only as a draw, but could potentially discourage some users who may think it was only football related. It was noted that the service would be promoted widely, raising awareness of the breadth of offer.

With regards to the geographical spread of activities, it was the intention for activities to be conducted throughout the Central Area, with Councillors encouraged to provide suggested walking routes in their area.

Questions were raised around the numbers engaging in all activities, and where participants lived, with this information being crucial to ensuring value for money was assessed. It was noted that this information would be provided in future performance reports. Concern was also expressed that individuals could be counted multiple times if accessing all services, and care should be given to identifying the number of discrete individuals who may have engaged in activities funded through the Social Isolation Challenge Fund. It was noted that a strategic planning and performance system was being implemented, which would help in this endeavour.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That thanks be given to all presenters for their attendance and responses to questions;
- (ii) That in depth performance information relating to all Social Isolation Challenge Fund projects is included in future performance reports.

4 Performance Management Report Q4 (Cen.07.07.2021/4)

The Area Council Manager spoke to the report previously circulated. Members heard that management meetings had been held with all contract or service level agreement holders. No areas of concern had been highlighted, and all had met or exceeded their targets.

It was noted that the report provided an overview of performance for the full year 2020/21, and also providing more detail through case studies. Feedback was encouraged on the format of the report, which aimed to provide a balance between brevity and detail.

Questions were raised in relation to specific activity undertaken by The Youth Association, and it was noted that the information contained within the report related to the previous quarter and earlier where restrictions were in place, and that any specific queries could be answered directly.

RESOLVED:- that the report be noted.

5 Procurement and Financial Update (Cen.07.07.2021/5)

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager who made Members aware that the funding applied for from Self-Isolation Fund had been received, an amount of £39,424.

Members were reminded of previous discussions around the provision of information and advice services from Citizen's Advice Bureau. Covid reliance funding had been matched with that from the Ward Alliance Funds in the area to provide a service in each ward of the Central Area. However, this service would end shortly.

It was noted that strategic discussions were taking place around the provision of information and advice, however the outcome was unlikely to result in any immediate changes. Therefore, based on successful performance to date, a recommendation was made to extend the service to the start of the financial year.

Attention was drawn to the two Service Level Agreements with the Community Safety Service to provide support to those in private rented sector housing, and to address issues around fly-tipping. Members were reminded of the performance of both officers to date and it was recommended that both agreements be extended to the end of the financial year.

A question was raised about fly-tipping on private land, and it was noted that in certain cases the Council could intervene to clear this and recover any costs. This would be assessed on a case to case basis, taking account of the severity of the issues, and the length and cost of the legal process.

Questions were raised around how value for money of was measured, and how to ensure those most likely to benefit from commissioned services had access to the service. It was suggested that this could be discussed in more detail either at a future meeting or a workshop.

Members received an overview of the current financial situation of the Area Council, noting that finance had been retained, but not used, for the Creative Recovery project, and also for the project to provide support for voluntary youth groups. From a total anticipated budget of £781,878.27, which included finance carried forward, income from Fixed Penalty Notices, and grants successfully applied for, £554,875.55 had been committed for 2021/22.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the overview of Central area Council's current priorities, all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund projects, with associated timescales be noted;

- (ii) That the actual financial position to date for 2021-22 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals to 2023-23 in appendices 1 and 2 of the report, be noted;
- (iii) That the additional £39,424 received from the Self-Isolation Fund be noted; and
- (iv) That extensions to the following services be granted:
 Citizen's Advice Bureau – funding for 9 months to March, 2022 at a cost of £30,000;
 Private Sector Housing Support for 5 months to 31st March, 2022 at a cost of £13543;
 Flytipping Support for 5 months to 31st March, 2022 at a cost of £13,333;
- (v) That arrangement be made for Members to consider the value for money of Central Area Council commissions, projects, and service level agreements, with a view to maximising the impact of investment in the area.

6 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.07.07.2021/6)

The meeting received the notes of following meetings:-

Central Ward Alliance held on 28th April, 26th May and 23rd June;

Dodworth Ward Alliance held on 20th April, 2021;

Kingstone Ward Alliance held on 7th April and 19th May, 2021;

Stairfoot Ward Alliance held on 12th April, 17th May and 14th June, 2021;

Worsbrough Ward Alliance held on 15th April and 3rd June, 2021.

RESOLVED that the notes and feedback from the Ward Alliances be received.

7 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.07.07.2021/7)

The report was received for information.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

 Chair

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SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

Central Area Council

Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot, Worsbrough

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT

QUARTER ONE: APRIL – JUNE 2021

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

Table 1 below shows the Providers that are/have been delivering a series of services which address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives of Central Area Council.

Priority	Service/Fund	Provider	Contract Value	Contract Dates
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund 'Uplift' for the Central Area	Creative Recovery	£15,000 <i>*Dates for delivery extended to Covid-19.</i>	01/07/19 - *30/6/20
Social Isolation	Central Well-being Fund Advice Drop-In	DIAL Barnsley	Year 1 £30,000 Year 2 £30,000 Year 3 £30,900	01/07/19 - 30/06/20 01/07/20 – 30/06/21 01/07/21 – 01/07/22
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund My Community, My Life Project	Age UK Barnsley	Two years funding: £79,187	01/04/21 – 31/03/23
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Thriving Communities Project	Rotherham and Barnsley Mind	Two years funding: £78,866	01/04/21 – 31/03/23
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Reds Connect Project	Reds in the Community	Two years funding: £30,252.96	01/04/21 – 31/03/23
Children & Young People	CAC Commission Building emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people aged 8-14 years	Barnsley YMCA	Year 1 £135,000 Year 2 £136,468 <i>Commenced 2020 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/20 – 31/03/21 01/04/21 – 31/03/22
Children & Young People	Youth Fund Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £48,000 Year 2 £48,000 FOC Year 3 £49,440	01/06/19 – 31/05/20 01/06/20 – 31/05/21 01/06/21 – 30/06/22 01/07/21 – 30/06/22
Children & Young People	Youth Fund Detached Youth work	YMCA	Year 1 £12,000 <i>(amended dates)</i> Year 2 £13,303 <i>(amended dates)</i>	01/09/20- 31/06/21 01/07/21 – 30/06/22
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 – 31/03/20 01/04/20 – 31/03/21 01/04/21 – 31/03/22

Clean & Green	CAC Commission 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 p/y <i>Commenced 2019 with option to extend for a further 1 year plus 1 year, subject to annual review</i>	01/04/19 – 31/03/20 01/04/20 – 31/03/21 01/04/21 – 31/03/22
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Targeted Household Fly Tipping 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> <i>*Extended for 5 months at a cost of £13,333</i>	01/11/19 – 31/10/20 01/11/20 – 31/10/21 *Extended to 31 st March 2022
Clean & Green	CAC Commission 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> <i>*Extended for 5 months at a cost of £13,543</i>	01/11/19 – 31/10/20 01/11/20 – 31/10/21 *Extended to 31 st March 2022
Vulnerable People	CAC Commission 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 – 31/03/20 01/04/20 – 31/03/21 01/04/21 – 31/03/22
Vulnerable People	Central Well-being Fund Hope House Connects	Hope House Church	Year 1 £13,913 Year 2 £14,000 Year 3 £14,420	1/06/19 – 31/05/20 01/06/20 – 31/05/21 01/06/21 – 31/05/22
Vulnerable People	Financial Resilience Funding Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service	Citizens Advice Bureau Barnsley	One off funding 6m £20,000 (£10k funded via Ward Alliances) <i>Delivery of this service was expected in November 2020 but was delayed due to operational challenges</i> <i>*Extended for 9m to 31st March 2022 at a cost of £30,000</i>	01/01/21 – 30/06/21 *Extended to 31 st March 2022

Part A: Snapshot of Quarter Performance

Clean and Green

493

Warning letters issued to neighbourhoods regarding household fly tipping

14

Private rented housing properties improved because of service intervention

142

FPNs issued

423

Bags of litter removed from Central Area

Vulnerable People

149

7

Clients assisted by CAB advisers

Referrals to Family Lives' Support Service

£87,294

Worth of benefits claimed by the support of CAB

£84,115

Worth of debt managed by the support of CAB

25

New families from the Central Area attending Hope House Connects Groups

Reduction in Loneliness & Social Isolation

58

Participants in Creative Recovery's Blow Out The Blues Project

80

Socially isolated older people working on personalised plans with Age UK

419

Residents supported through DIAL's alternative provision

£188,332

Generated in unclaimed benefit income with the help of DIAL

Children & Young People

168

Youth work sessions delivered by YMCA & The Youth Association

1,243

Children & young people attendees at YMCA & The Youth Association Sessions

Please note, not all providers' quarters cover the same periods.

Part B: Performance Management Reports

key points

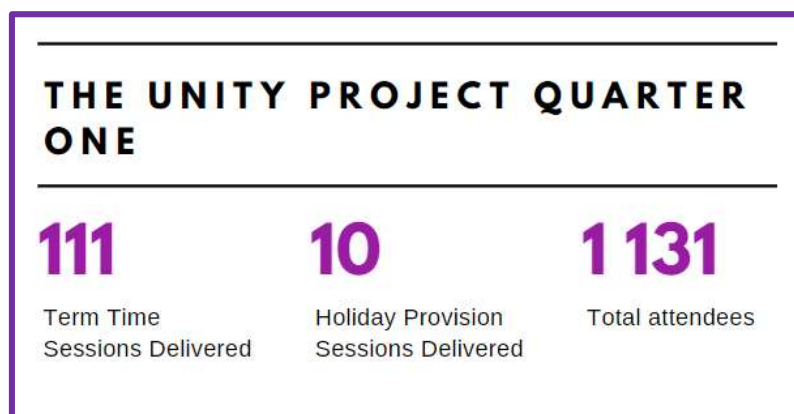
Barnsley YMCA – The Unity Project



YMCA UNITY PROJECT

Building emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people aged 8-14 years

Covers: Central, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting has taken place. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

This quarter The Unity Project continued to offer a flexible model of delivery, constantly adapting in response to Covid-19 restrictions and guidelines. All sessions are now being delivered face to face with a mix of centre based and outdoor provision. Group sizes are limited to fifteen participants which continues to reduce overall attendance numbers. Although there has been a notable increase in participation this quarter now some sessions are beginning to return to pre-Covid delivery.

Holiday provision ran through the Spring Bank Holiday with sessions being delivered across all Central Area Wards. Examples of these sessions are: Sports & Games with Sports Activ+ at Ardsley Park, Themed Arts & Crafts at Kendray & Worsbrough Family Centre, Imagination Gaming at Dodworth Methodist Church, and environmental activities with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust at the YMCA Allotment.

Peer Supporters have engaged in consultation and participation events with both the National Institute for Health & Research and Barnsley's Targeted Youth Support Participation Team around physical, emotional, and mental health.

There continues to be a notable increase in traffic to YMCA's website and social media pages, and the holiday activity information and promotion added to this. Staff have continued to note an increased interest from new and existing parents and carers contacting the YMCA email and Facebook page for updates on when clubs will reopen.

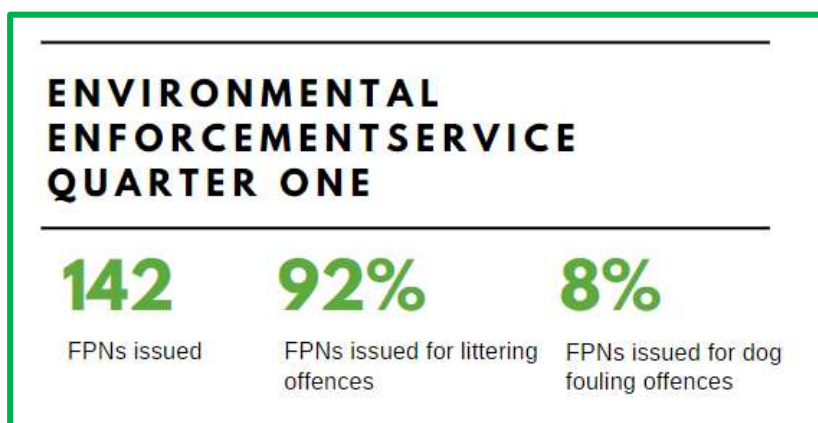
Planning again with schools took place throughout this quarter and the majority of after school delivery in community venues, primary and secondary schools is planned to resume in September. Throughout this quarter as part of their Covid specific model, YMCA we continued to deliver lunchtime clubs in most primary schools.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 1 for case studies.

District Enforcement - Environmental Enforcement Service



Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting has taken place. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

Operations are on-going and all areas continue to be patrolled. Many of the tasks which have come through this quarter are reports of dog fouling. As part of their patrols the officers have continued to visit parks and open grass spaces within the borough in an attempt to catch these offenders. Now that the mornings are lighter, the officers have been able to target more frequently these areas, in an attempt to identify these offenders within the Central Area. However, there is still a noticeable lull in the tasks received from the Area Council/Neighbourhood Services up to date this quarter, with seven tasks being received this quarter.

This quarter saw the introduction of joint working operations between the Area Council and the subcontracted agencies, which the district officers attended, and also helped to highlight the high visibility approach that these operations also created in certain hotspots within the area.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 7 for case studies.

Twiggs Ground Maintenance – Clean & Green Service

Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting has taken place. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

Throughout this quarter Twiggs have continued to identify areas for improvement in each of the five central wards alongside focusing on the specific areas highlighted within the original SLA.

Twiggs' apprentice for the Central Area, Arron Riley has started now and is settling in well.

In the performance management meeting it was agreed for several of Twiggs' quarterly targets to be increased. These changes are as follows:

- No. of volunteering hours undertaken by adults increased to 200 from 50.
- Total no. of adult volunteers engaged increased to 100 from 25.
- No. of Provider led Social Action interventions/ added value increased to 25 from 10.
- No. of different new/emerging groups supported by Twiggs increased to 3 from 2.
- No. of interventions with new/emerging groups increased to 5 from 0 (this had previously been reduced to 0 due to Covid-19)
- No. of Twiggs interventions with established groups increased to 10 from 0 (this had previously been reduced to 0 due to Covid-19).
- No. of interventions with new/emerging groups increased to 5 from 0 (this had previously been reduced to 0 due to Covid-19).
- No. of Twiggs interventions with established groups increased to 10 from 0 (this had previously been reduced to 0 due to Covid-19).

[Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 8 for case studies / Please refer to Appendix 2 Page 1 for Twiggs' new performance monitoring table](#)

Targeted household fly tipping – SLA

Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough

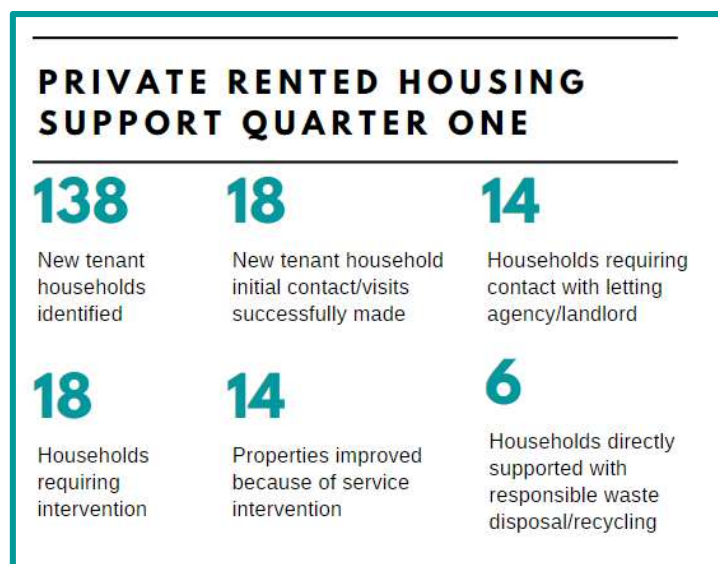


A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting has taken place. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 20 for case studies.

Support for new tenants in private rented housing - SLA

Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



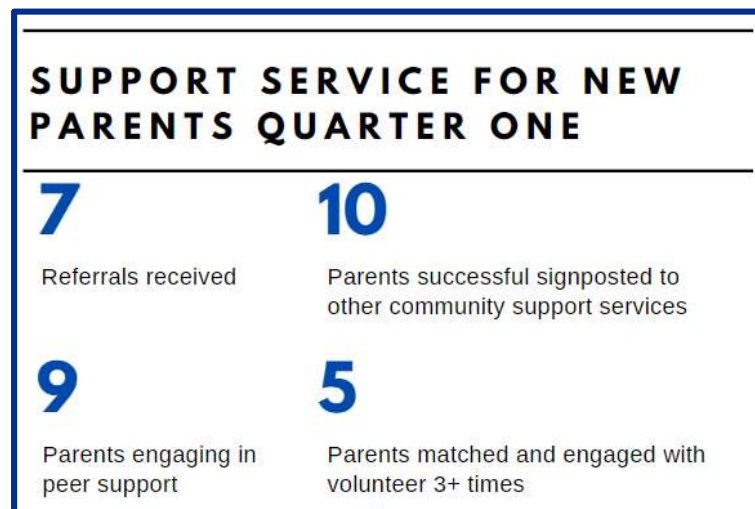
A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting will take place in August. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 30 for case studies.

Family Lives – Support Service for New Parents



Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting will take place in August. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

Family lives' current caseload is 33 families. Thirteen mums are in the initial assessment stage and 20 mums are matched with volunteers or paid staff and receiving ongoing support. Some of these mums have been receiving support for over 12 months due to the Covid-19 pandemic and their specific issues. The easing of Covid restrictions and increase in social mobility is enabling families to reach their goals and six of their mums now feel confident enough to end the service in the next quarter.

The Covid-19 pandemic has continued to compound some of the issues faced by parents such as problems with feeling isolated, anxious, and depressed. Therefore, the level of support for some of their families continues to be intensive in terms of spending time with parents, being there and working towards reducing anxieties, isolation and maintain good mental health.

However, there is a shift of focus emerging and despite these disruptions, as restrictions have lifted Family Lives have been able to support parents to reduce the isolation and loneliness, they experience by facilitating their attendance at a local playgroup and with meeting other parents accessing the service and volunteers, as well as other mums who attend the group regularly.

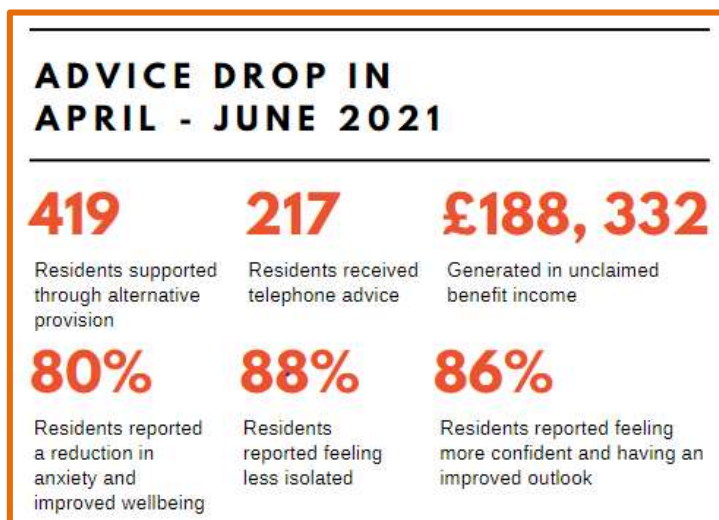
Family Lives' connections with other organisations continue to grow. For example, they requested an invite to and attended the health visitor meeting. Through this they met the new Health Visitor Team Leader and gained additionally publicity about their work which resulted in two referrals.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 33 for a case study.

Central Wellbeing Fund Projects

Dial Advice Drop-In Service

Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough



A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting will take place in August. There are no areas of concern to highlight. The infographic above picks out highlights from the report.

The project primarily targets residents with long term health conditions, out of work residents, carers and families who all have been affected by Covid – 19, welfare benefit changes to eligibility criteria and processes. Many have been directly affected and are experiencing financial hardship/exclusion which is influencing their wellbeing, others are nervous about what may happen to their benefits and anxious about the impact this will have on their lives.

The 419 residents supported by Ward breakdown	
Central	117
Dodworth	59
Kingstone	57
Stairfoot	86
Worsbrough	100

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 34 for a case study.

Hope House – Hope Connects



Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough

A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting will take place in August. There are no areas of concern to highlight.



Cheeky Monkeys Toddler Group Quarter Four Update

During lockdown three Hope House were engaging with several new families on social media who were keen to attend the group as soon as the government's roadmap out of lockdown allowed. Hope House felt that it was important to provide a toddler group for these new families along with existing session users. They therefore made the decision to run a morning and afternoon toddler group each Friday. Precautions were taken to ensure these groups were covid safe, such as a rigorous cleaning routine in between the morning and afternoon session and at the end of the day. Adults were also asked to wear face coverings and to remain in their seats unless they needed to supervise their child. Any snacks provided were also individually wrapped.



Little Chimps Baby Group Quarter Four Update

In April Hope House relaunched Little Chimps on Thursday mornings as a group for babies from new-born to pre or early walking stage. This was advertised via social media and Eventbrite was used as the booking system. The families who were interested in attending felt isolated due to being unable to attend groups and meet others with new babies; and were very aware that due to lockdown their babies had missed out on early social skills. Taking this into account they created a central play area for babies to allow them to interact with each other whilst asking adults to socially distance as much as possible.

What our weekly sessions look like! Babies becoming familiar with a new environment and learning to interact with each other and away from their parents.



In response to parents' discussions at Little Chimps a one-off baby massage session was also voluntarily led by Naomi from Little Acorns.



Attendee's Data

Session users and where they live

Area	Number of families	New families this quarter
Central	50	25
North East	6	5
North	6	5
South	3	1
Beyond Barnsley	2	2
	67	38

Breakdown of Central Area wards

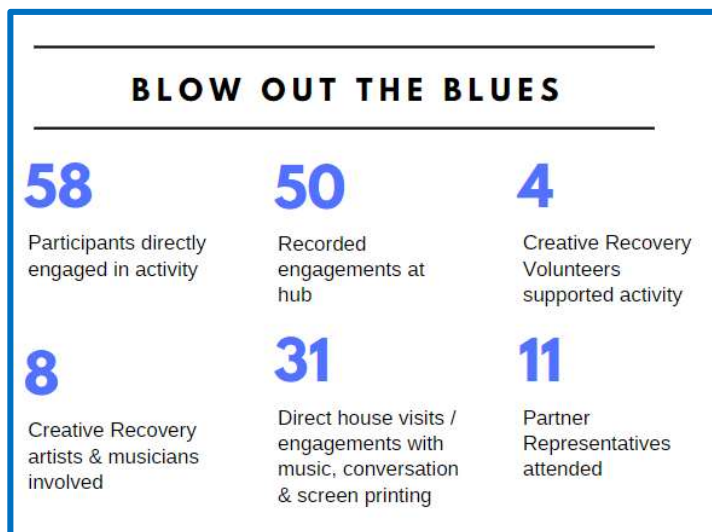
Ward	Number of families	New families this quarter
Stairfoot	6	1
Central	12	5
Worsborough	5	4
Kingstone	24	13
Dodworth	3	2
	50	25

Please refer to Appendix 1, Page 41 for case studies.

Creative Recovery – Uplift Blow Out The Blues Project



Covers: Kingstone



24 hours of activities took place from Sunday 11 July to Saturday 17 July 2021 across Bainton Drive, Caister Avenue and Ellington Court.

Activities included targeted interventions such as garden /porch visits with musicians and screen-printing, pop-up making area set up for drop-ins, poetic conversations, and an art installation.

90 wellbeing packs (Barnsley Libraries and Co-op) were created for local residents. 65 were distributed on site, the rest donated to Central Area Team, Barnsley YMCA Mental Health Drop In (via a Resident) and Creative Recovery.



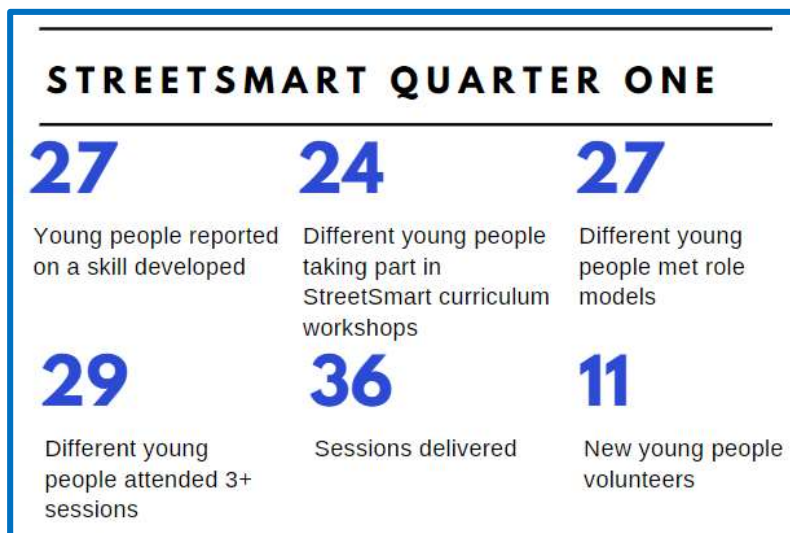
Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 35 for a case study and examples of feedback received

Youth Work Fund Projects

The Youth Association -StreetSmart



Covers: Central, Kingstone, Stairfoot, Worsbrough



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Area Update

Kingstone: Post lockdown engagement from young people has risen dramatically, detached teams are seeing consistent engagement. Sports is the main thread of this sessions with young people asking youth workers to run team games, football, basketball, and rounders. These sporting activities have created an inclusive and positive atmosphere where all young people are welcome to take part. It has seen new groups form for the purpose of the session. Merging new groups of young people does come with its challenges, detached teams have tailored weekly sessions to mould individuals and the groups to move forward in a positive way. Youth workers have reported a marked improvement in these behaviours, such as the use of discriminatory language, listening, bullying, fighting, and including others. Managing emotions and recognising mental wellbeing has been addressed via the StreetSmart program. Most young people in this session have received CPR training. Moving forward 2-3 young people have become project reps for this ward.





Stairfoot: This project continues to go from strength to strength, with existing and new young people consistently participating in sessions, since the lockdown young people have reported the importance of the sessions regarding getting out of the house, socialising with other young people and being active. This session involves sports and team games, cooking, reflection time and has seen visits from the ward’s community development officer Craig Aubrey and South Yorkshire community foundation. 4- 5 of the young people from his project would like to become projects reps for their ward. Online work with the United unicorns naturally came to an end shortly after lockdown restrictions were lifted as young people wanted to attend the face-to-face sessions, this project rounded off with hate crime awareness training delivered by Jayne Wynn and a tea party with special mentions for each young people who took part, all young people received certificates of participation and for each of the online StreetSmart session they took part in.



Worsbrough: Detached teams in the ward green area of Worsbrough have seen young people engage in team building and outdoor activities such as problem solving, shelter building, tent building and scavenger hunts. Young people have also taken part in a host of fun activities with the aim of informally educating young people on issue-based topics such as the potential consequences of drink alcohol and teen pregnancy.

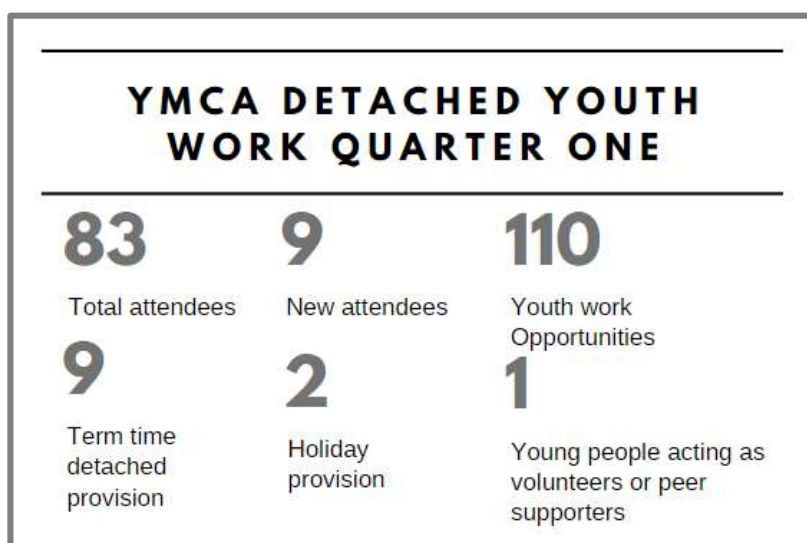


Central: Central area project has had a heavy focus on football, with a sports coach attending sessions to run drills and skills training with young people. Young people in this ward have asked to host a football tournament and have created promotional material to invite 5 a side teams to play (scheduled for august). Young people in this ward have also undertaken their CPR training and took part in 3 weeks of outdoor cooking, as most young people in this ward enjoy hands on activities, youth workers aimed to encourage young people to take the lead, to try new food and to develop their cooking skills. Young people from this project also met with South Yorkshire community foundation and feedback why these projects are important to them and other young people and what they think the needs are in their local area.

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Covers: Dodworth and Gilroyd



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The delivery of the programme has been significantly impacted by the challenges and restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic. This quarter YMCA have maintained a flexible delivery approach as government restricts have gently eased and young people have returned to school.

Weekly provision has continued throughout this quarter in both Gilroyd and Dodworth. They have maintained contact with a group in Gilroyd whom they have a long-standing relationship with. But the majority of the group have continued to ignore government guidelines in recent months, despite youth workers' attempts at gentle interventions, and their engagement with youth workers varies depending on who is present.

Some of the newer relationships youth workers' presence throughout lockdowns nurtured have continued as restrictions ease. For example, they have maintained regular contact with a group of young people (and sometimes the odd parent / grandparent) who talk to them about their lockdown experiences, their concerns as restrictions ease and their aspirations. They are also currently consulting with this newer group about their summer holiday provision.

The team have continued to patrol other areas where young people may meet or have at least met previously and are engaging sporadically with smaller groups of older young people in these areas. Whilst staff have found clear evidence of young people's activities i.e., camps and dens, there is no evidence of illicit drug use as has been a concern previously.

Please refer to Appendix 1 Page 36, for a case study and examples of feedback received

Social Isolation Grant Fund Projects

Rotherham & Barnsley Mind – Thriving Communities Project



Covers: Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot & Worsbrough

A comprehensive monitoring report was submitted and the subsequent grant monitoring/management meeting will take place in August. There are no areas of concern to highlight.

The Thriving Communities Project was launched in April 2021. During this first quarter a lot of groundwork has been carried out which has resulted in a slower start to the project. Examples of this groundwork includes:

- Recruitment, induction, and training of team - two key team members have been recruited following a recruitment process across May and June.
- Development of a referral pathway – completed w/c 12/7.21
- Established project promotion

In addition, the Covid-19 pandemic continues to present new challenges which are being navigated in order to support the successful launch of this project. For example, feedback they have gathered from various sources suggests people who were already anxious about social interactions, or were shielding or caring, have seen their levels of anxiety increase significantly over the last 18 months, and in particular in recent weeks due to new variants. As a result, they have conducted a period of in-depth research, discussions with key stakeholders, and evidence gathering in these initial stages of the project to ensure the assumptions about the needs of potential users are accurate.

Due to this groundwork, there has been a slower start to the project and hence some targets have been missed. Although, since conducting this initial groundwork they have received an increase in referrals and can now focus on the delivery of the project with the support of their two new team members. Progress which will be reported in the next performance report.

Please refer to Appendix 2, Page 4 for examples of the promotional material

Age UK Barnsley – My Community, My Life Project



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1:1 Social Inclusion Work

During this first quarter, Age UK Barnsley have worked with 80 older people in the Central Area through 1:1 social interventions and providing a range of activities and support. This includes volunteers providing telephone/home befriending, regular calls/ visits from the Social Inclusion Worker and providing home based activities like arts and crafts provided to service users who are house bound. The spread of these service users across the Wards is demonstrated in the table below:

1:1 Service Users by Ward			1:1 Service Users by Age		
Kingstone		10	50-59		7
Central		20	60-69		11
Dodworth		21	70-79		25
Worsbrough		13	80-89		31
Stairfoot		16	90-99		6
Total		80	Total		80

Information and advice

In this quarter, the Information and Advice element of the service worked with 30 Service Users and generated £56,625 in benefit gains for older people in the Central Area. Age UK's Accredited Information and Advice Service is extremely busy at the moment and have advised that there are a lot of older people claiming disability benefits due to decline in health conditions throughout the pandemic. The spread of these service users across the Wards is demonstrated in the table below:

No of Service Users by Ward		No of Service Users by advice category	
Central Area	4	Benefits	24
Dodworth	9	Social Care	2
Kingstone	6	Health	
Stairfoot	4	Travel	1
Worsbrough	7	Other	3
Total	30		

Group Activities

In this quarter three outdoor activities have been developed. These are:

Walking Football group – the group runs in partnership with Pogmoor AFC and has 11 members from the Central Area (24 in total). The aim is for this location to be accessible to the Dodworth Area as they are already teams in the town centre and Worsbrough. It is open for any resident over the of 50, but all promotional work and advertising has been aimed at Central Area residents.



Community Allotment – A new community allotment on Eldon Street North. The site was extremely overgrown and contained a lot of rubbish so preparatory work has taken place. Once this is completed, they plan to instal six raised beds for community use. Three of these are already booked by Central Area Residents (two old couples and one individual).



Wentworth Castle Garden's Walks – Due to a pilot project alongside the National Trust, Age UK Barnsley have secured places for both their Area Council based services (Penistone and Central) to be able to offer free entry and guided walks around Wentworth Castle Gardens. A launch walk has been held and there are plans to hold one or two per month moving forward.

Please refer to Appendix 1, Page 38 for case studies.

Red in The Community – Reds Connect



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Walking Football Update

Walking football has been started. The location has been moved to Sives in Kendray following consultation with local people and South Yorkshire Sport, who have matched funded the sessions and are covering the venue costs.

Participants have played Doncaster Dynamos at Oakwell and future plans are in place to play them again at their home. They have also engaged in a Diversity and Inclusion Festival at Oakwell.

Walking Group Update

The walking group activity has started and is being delivered over four starting locations on a rolling basis. These are Worsbrough Mill, Shaw Lane, Locke Park and Hoyle Mill.

Additionally, participants accessing the walking reds sessions have now set up their own 'lunch club' where they socially gather at venues to further connect and build friendships. This has been actioned outside of our sessions from the friendships made within. The 'lunch club' runs monthly at the moment and locations are decided by the individuals.

Sporting memories and exercise groups update

Establishing the delivery of the sporting memories and exercise groups is ongoing. This has seen a delay in launching due to venue restrictions initially due to covid-19. The libraries teams were at this stage unable to accommodate any group bookings on their site.

Quotes from participants this quarter.

'The social side is fantastic to be able to go out, meet other people and exercise as a group rather than being alone.'

'After so many ups and downs mentally to now be exercising and chatting together has given everyone a huge boost.'

'The chat afterwards is also good as it gives me the chance to speak to other people and find out their interests and hobbies which gives me ideas what I could do to pass away the hours.'

Other grants

Citizens Advice Barnsley (CAB)- Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service

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Clients can currently only access the service through the telephone Adviceline or by digital means such as email, webchat, or video appointment. Face to face contact with clients remains suspended in light of the Coronavirus outbreak.

The top 3 enquiries this quarter Apr - Jun 21 were, benefits, housing, and consumer issues. However, there were still high levels of enquiries relating to employment, debt, relationship and family issues and immigration.

Client contacts this quarter by Ward

Ward	Number of clients
Central	45
Dodworth	17
Kingstone	43
Stairfoot	30
Worsbrough	14

Please refer to Appendix 1, Page 43 for case studies

Appendix 1: Case Studies April – June 2021

YMCA – The Unity Project

The project continues to work towards and meet its aims of contributing to building emotional resilience and wellbeing in children and young people aged 8-14. This has continuously been achieved through; consistent positive relationships with trusted adults, offering a safe environment for children and young people, providing positive opportunities and experiences to raise aspirations and in turn build confidence and self-esteem. Also, through offering a range of support models and referral to additional services, both within the YMCA and with external agencies, when required.

The project through quarter 1 year 2 has still continued to adapt its delivery in response to the COVID-19 pandemic but with more sessions and activities beginning to resume as allowed and as restrictions have lifted. We have continued to ensure we offer the consistent positive relationships and support to the children, young people and their families that we work with. The project continues to work on supporting children and young people to build their emotional resilience and wellbeing using the specific approaches from the Resilience Framework.

Case Study 1 gives an overview of the work delivered at the start of year 2 of the project quarter 1, April to June 2021 and how the YMCA Barnsley team have continued to adapt our delivery where needed and to look at beginning to resume normal pre Covid delivery where allowed to ensuring the relationships with children and young people we work have remained consistent and support has remained in place. The case study focuses on the activities delivered over the Spring Bank Holiday.

Case Study 2 shares the journey of one of our participants throughout his time with us on the project so far and includes feedback from the young person and his mum. The case study explores what the project has provided for him and how attending has helped him. Also looking at how delivery in the area the participant is from has been developed to meet the needs of the young people in the area.

Case Study 1 – Resuming More Face to Face Delivery – Spring Bank Holiday Fun!



April 2021 was the start of year 2 of the project and as some restrictions started to ease some return to normal delivery was on the horizon. As the restrictions in the majority of the schools we deliver in meant we were only able to deliver lunchtime provision our team continued to offer a variety of activities through a lunchtime model. We are planning for most of our after school clubs to resume in September 2021

In Queens Road Academy we have been able to resume our after school club from the start of the June half term with the year 6 bubble who had previously accessed the lunchtime club to allow support through transition from year 6 to year 7.

In the secondary schools where lunchtime clubs and after school clubs were not an option staff delivered a programme of 'All About Me Workshops' to support with self-awareness, confidence building, aspirations, building emotional resilience and positive wellbeing. This gave the team the opportunity to continue to support the young people to ensure that even though they could not access the team at after school drop in/ club they could see them weekly through the sessions which ran as 6 week programmes. This ensured positive consistent relationships were maintained. In Barnsley Academy where project delivery was new to the school it enabled the staff team to build new relationships with the young people ready for the after school club which we anticipate will commence in September 2021.

'we have had a couple of parents rave about your all about me sessions with y8 group, they have really appreciated your support so thank you very much. (A Wake Safeguarding Lead Horizon CC)

Holiday delivery was able to resume in the model closer to normal delivery this quarter and saw the team delivering sessions in all of the 5 wards across the Spring Bank break. The team had consulted with the children and young people at school lunchtime clubs and at Juniors Youth Club and Dodworth St Johns Youth Club which resumed in quarter 2. From the ideas the children and young people had shared the team were able to shape the Spring Bank delivery. All delivery was in line with all government and National Youth Agency guidelines which YMCA Barnsley continue to work under meaning sessions had to be booked on with allocated places and social distancing and all other Covid safety guidelines in place.

All the sessions were well attended with all sessions becoming booked up quickly. The sessions that ran though the Spring Bank holiday involved lots of linked up working with local businesses and organisations including Rhythm Inc., Sports Activ+, Imagination Gaming and Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. Sessions were delivered across all wards in the Central Area and included; music at YMCA Barnsley, problem solving and team games at Ardsley Park, Themed Arts & Crafts at Kendray & Worsbrough Family Centre, gaming activities at Dodworth Methodist Church and building Bird Boxes & Bug Hotels at the YMCA Allotment.

All the children and young people who attended the session gave really positive feedback and staff were able to consult with them about what activities they would like to attend in the summer holidays with lots of ideas discussed that the staff team have begun to plan for summer delivery. The Sports & Games, Imagination Gaming and Allotment Sessions were favourites and the young people asked if these could run again as part of the summer programme. During the Spring Bank Holiday provision, the team were able to identify lots of personal development from the children we have continued to support throughout Covid and some real resilience shown. One young person who has struggled with a recent immediate family bereavement during Covid attended the arts & crafts session but struggled at the start of session to leave mum. With support from the team who she knew and has been in regular contact with throughout lockdown the young person stayed and participated in the session and then went on to attend the allotment session too and is now wanting to access future allotment sessions. Staff also received some wonderful feedback via Facebook regarding the sessions.

'My two loved this! In fact, they enjoy everything that the YMCA arranges. Thank – you so much to everyone for all your efforts!! '😊 (Parent feedback from the Spring Bank Holiday Sessions June 2021)

'Xxxxx had such a wonderful time at both sessions. Thank you so much x' (Parent feedback from the Spring Bank Holiday Sessions June 2021)

‘They loved the session and in fact they are asking for some of the games for birthdays/Christmas. Thank you for arranging and running the activities, they love it! (Parent feedback from the Spring Bank Imagination Gaming Session at Dodworth Methodist Church June 2021)

‘Hi Xxx has mentioned she really enjoyed the Allotment group when she visited in the holiday. Do you have anything else in the allotment on at the moment where there may be a space for Xxx? (Parent feedback from the Spring Bank Holiday YMCA Allotment Session with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust)

Case Study 2 – Corbin’s Journey with YMCA Barnsley So far...



Corbin has attended the Unity Project for just over two years. He began by attending The Forest Academy after school club after school identified him as a child who would most benefit from the project. Corbin has special educational needs and struggles with emotional regulation, finding loud noises, shouting, and understanding personal space difficult.

The first holiday provision Corbin attended was our summer holiday provision in summer 2019 and he took part in the two day ‘This is Me workshop’. He really struggled at some points during the workshop finding it hard to stay focused and cope with the changing routine of the days. He did participate but required lots of support from the staff team to engage. He continued to attend his regular after school club at The Forest Academy 2019 to 2020 and now continues to attend lunchtime club which means the team are able to support him through his year 6 to year 7 transition.

The team are now working in Barnsley Academy delivering our ‘All About Me’ Programme until after school club can begin in September and will be offering an after school club /drop in using

the model we offer at Horizon CC. The consistent positive relationship Corbin has with the staff team will be able to continue giving him the opportunity to attend the club at Barnsley Academy and still accessing the staff team there and continuing to access holiday provision if he wishes. Corbin has accessed all holiday provision since joining the project in 2019.

This Spring Bank holiday provision was a whole different story for Corbin with staff commenting on how he was much more independent, he attended all activities over the Spring Bank week, fully participating in them all. Staff also expressed that at lunchtime club at school Corbin will lead games and is much more confident in the sessions around his peers. The staff team have remained in consistent contact with Corbin throughout lockdown and as restrictions have lifted through postcards, lunchtime clubs, holiday provision and contact with mum through our Facebook page. Ensuring he has maintained the positive relationship he has with the staff team.

When staff spoke to mum after each session at the Spring Bank activities she agreed that Corbin's had really grown in confidence and had made lots of progress, becoming more independent and finding it easier to interact with his peers.

'Corbin started YMCA a couple of years ago he was a shy young man who was uncertain of his own abilities. Corbin has really opened up as a person and his personality is thriving since been with YMCA, he doesn't have a lot of stability in his life and him having his group with people he knows and cares has massively helped him he's more independent more confident in general, he has made some lovely relationships with his peers and mentors at YMCA. During lockdown Corbin begin to withdraw and become less confident in himself, but receiving the support from YMCA via school team meets and holiday club has really brought back his little spark. He loves seeing everyone there and just being part of something. I am so proud of Corbin's commitments he makes with YMCA and I'm extremely grateful to each and every member of staff that helped him thank you.

Staff asked Corbin what he likes about attending the sessions with YMCA Barnsley, how it helps him and what he enjoys;

Corbin said his favourite thing about the sessions is that he has the chance to meet new people during the holiday activities and see some of his old friends who have moved up to secondary school.

"I enjoy all the sessions at the YMCA, especially the Imagination Gaming one during the Spring Bank Holiday."

The YMCA helps me relax and have fun on the days when me and my brother have been fighting, Corbin explained to staff that he looks forward to this. Corbin explained to staff that his brother is autistic and they sometimes fight and argue a lot.

The team continue to follow all government and The National Youth Agency guidance throughout all the work we deliver and to constantly adapt our delivery at this current time using the different expertise and experience of our staff team to ensure support is in place and meets the needs of all our participants and their families. Currently we are planning to resume after school provision in most of our delivery schools from September with only a couple still requesting lunchtime clubs until October half term to reassess at the end of the first half term.

The team as previously mentioned are now delivering sessions in Barnsley Academy, following the feedback we received from the Stairfoot young people that Oakhill Haven (the old caretakers house) was no longer an appropriate space for them due to lack of a sports hall. After consultation with the young people staff will deliver in Barnsley Academy using the model delivered in Horizon CC and we feel this will be a better way for the young people to access the project. Delivery has already begun this quarter in Barnsley Academy through 'All About Me' sessions with these being completed by the end of the summer term and the after school club beginning at the start of the September term.

District Enforcement - Environmental Enforcement Service

Operations.

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 Worsbrough Area in general and also Pitt Street/Pitt Street West in Barnsley.

In total 23 FPN's for littering and Dog Fouling have been issued across both locations. 11 FPN's for Littering and 3 for dog fouling have been issued in this quarter in the Worsbrough area, with a further 7 FPN's for littering and 2 FPN'S for dog fouling offences issued on Pitt Street in Barnsley (See separate attachments for individual case studies)



Added Value

'Litter Picking' days

For those juveniles that are caught committing an offence, District would normally offer an option of a Litter Pick as a means of discharging their liability for the FPN. However due to the current Co-vid 19 pandemic regulations and the relevant Social Distancing regulations, we are unable to offer this option still at the moment. Therefore due to the current circumstances, a letter will be sent to the parents/guardians of each of the juveniles discharging their child from all liability for the FPN, but asking them to explain to their child that any further offences could result in a Litter pick having to be attended in the future.

Twiggs Ground Maintenance – Clean & Green Service

A. Twiggs Led Projects promoted and delivered

1. 30/04/2021 - Grassed area at the bottom of Queens Road, Central

Supporting the work of a new aging volunteer who independently clears litter from the green space.

Strimmed down the grass to a manageable level. Litter Picked – 1 bag



John Twigg
Absolutely love this 🍷🍷
Like · Reply · Message · 13h

Ian Jackson
I think a visit to the schools by Twiggs Team members, would have an even bigger impact. Just a thought.
Like · Reply · Message · 12h

2. 19/05/2021 – Grassed area at the bottom of Queens Road, Central

Supporting the work of a new elderly volunteer who independently clears litter

Cleared the litter and cut down the grass. Litter Picked – 1 bag



3. 01/06/2021 – Dearne Valley Park, Central

Volunteer Week Event – 1 sustained adult volunteer (Sarah)



Edged the pathways, cleared weeds and moss from around the turning point, all green waste reintroduced into the woodland.



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4. 15/06/2021 – Highham, Dodworth

Supporting 1 sustained volunteer (Tanya)

Strimmed the overgrown grass verges around the bus stop area. During activities with Tanya how we can further improve the area in the near future following restrictions.



5. 16/06/2021 – Grass area at the bottom of Queens Road, Central

Supporting 1 sustained adult volunteer

Reducing the grass and hedges enabling sustained volunteer to clear litter without tripping on the long grass.

Litter Picked – 1 bag



6. 06/04/2021 – Hardcliffe Close, Dodworth

Supporting 1 sustained volunteer

Worked alongside our volunteer to clear a build up of moss, weeds and litter. We then assessed the area for future volunteer activities. Litter Picked – 2 bags



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7. 20/04/2021 – Whinby Road layby, Dodworth

Supporting 1 sustained volunteer

Strimming the grass, so that litter is accessible.



8. 22/06/2021 – Saville Road, Dodworth

Working with the BMBC Central Area Team (Charlotte) and 1 local Cllr

Weeding the incredible edible beds and removing dead heads to prepare them for new edible planting. Strimming the grass around the area and clearing any bits of litter around.



9. 27/05/2021 – Bank End Park, Worsbrough

Supporting Cllr Lodge

Clearing litter and soil from the play equipment area. Trimming back the overgrowth and over hanging trees.

Litter Picked – 4 bags



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10. 03/06/2021 – Worsbrough Dale Park

Supporting Cllr Lodge

Working in and around Worsbrough Dale Park. We cut back a number of self sets and utilized the waste to create a habitat pile.



11. 15/06/2021 – Higham

Working with 1 sustained volunteer

Strimming the grass around the bus stops. Discussed planning a future planting event in the area.



12. 09/04/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone

Supporting 2 sustained volunteers

Litter Picked – 8 bags



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Kingstone Ward Alliance
Welcome on board thank you for giving your time.

Kaynfred Thewlis
Well done everyone

Louise Orley
Amazing people! Thankyou

Kathy Bostwick
Well done to all concerned, Star's All

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13. 16/04/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone

Supporting 2 sustained volunteers Litter Picked – 12 bags



Kingstone Ward Alliance
Wow fantastic thank you so very much for your help and loving where you live

Sarah Fothergill
Fantastic Well done you. Please support these wonderful volunteers by putting your rubbish in a bin and pick up after your dog. Love where you live

Louise Orley
Amazing people

Aron Riley
They were lovely volunteers, making Barnsley a safer and cleaner community, Thankyou

John Partridge » Barnsley Thefts, Breakins, Robberies & Anti-Social Behaviour
Yesterday at 10:27 AM

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4 Shares

5 Comments 4 Shares

14. 05/05/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone

Supporting 2 sustained volunteers and 1 CDO (BMBC Central Area Team)

Continuing with litter control around this area. We discussed with Litter Picked – 11 bags, 1 large suitcase



15. 07/05/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone

Supporting 2 sustained volunteers

Clearing the litter surrounding Castle Street. We have seen a huge different in the area since the start of our ongoing sessions.



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16. 14/05/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone
 Supporting 2 sustained volunteers. Litter Picked – 13 bags



17. 21/05/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone
 Supporting 2 sustained volunteers. Litter Picked – 8 bags



18. 25/06/2021 – Castle Street, Kingstone
 Supporting 2 sustained volunteers. Litter Picked – 10 bags



19. 29/06/2021 – Area just of St Georges Road, Kingstone
 Supporting 15 volunteers (BMBC John Partridge, BMBC employees, local Councillors, local PCSO's and residents)
 Focusing on the alley way which runs behind St Georges Road and leads to Bleniem Road. Our team used power tools to strim down the grass which was overgrowing along the alley way. Volunteers worked together to clear litter.
 Litter Picked - 6 bags



B. Existing/ Established Groups Supported

Barnsley Main Heritage Group

1. 07/04/2021
2. 08/04/2021
3. 21/04/2021
4. 06/05/2021
5. 07/05/2021

Supporting Barnsley Main Heritage Group with grass cutting as they currently have reduced tools/ equipment following recent thefts.



11/05/2021 – Barnsley Main Heritage site provides an excellent open space to offer essential on the job training for our new apprentices and work experience placements. Training provided on lawn mowers, strimmers and blowers (all petrol powered tools), whilst also supporting the group maintaining their space.



17/05/2021 – Lawn mower delivered to the site, enabling volunteers to commence their independent maintenance activities.



Age Uk

28/06/2021 – Working together at Honeywell Allotments. No volunteers attended our first session due to restrictions and commitments but we made a start clearing the mass area of brambles and weeds.



Worsbrough Tidy Group

22/04/2021 – Highstone Lane, Worsbrough

Working in Partnership with:

1. [Worsbrough Tidy Group](#)
2. [Berneslai Homes](#)
3. [Neighborhood Services](#)
4. [Local councillors](#)

First of all we cut the grass and brambles back which allowed volunteers to access the litter. We transported each full bag of waste up to the top of the hill, piling them together for collection. In the future we will be supporting more of these activities alongside Worsbrough Tidy Group.

Approx. 70 bags and fly tipped removed by BMBC Collection Services

Supporting 10 Volunteers



29/04/2021 – Kingwell Road and Pinfold Hill, Worsbrough

Supporting the work of a volunteer from the group, we trimmed back the bramble, nettles and grass to make it easier and safer for volunteers to independently clear litter.



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Sharon Barnsley
Well done 🙌
Like Reply Message · 4d

Sarah Tattersall
Well done to all involved
Please support this wonderful work by not dropping litter
and picking up after your dog
Love where you Live 🍀🍀
Like Reply Message · 4d

Kirstie-Iouse Lowe
Lovely shame bank end was as nice sick to back teeth of
litter and over grown weeds!
Like Reply Message · 4d

Louise Osley
Looks great guys I know that area well that was the route
from home to my grandparents house. Nice memories
but bankend is rough now sad to say.
Like Reply Message · 4d

19/06/2021 – Attending the 551 Event supporting:

1. Worsbrough Tidy Team
2. Worsbrough Ward Alliance
3. Neighbourhood Services
4. BMBC Officers
5. Elected members

The aim of the event was to start at 5 different points throughout Worsbrough and meet at the same destination to clear any litter found along the routes. A local business, Whites Bakery, donated bread cakes and cookies for all volunteers who participated. 45 + bags were collected and removed.



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Worsbrough Ward Alliance

08/04/2021 – Supporting the group with waste collections following on from their planned litter pick.



BMBC Central Area Team

17/06/2021 - Toys collected from the Lew Whitehead Centre and dropped off at the Church Hall on Bank end road. Supporting the Central Area Team in preparation for the Toddlers Group.



23/06/2021 – Grass cutting around Worsbrough Common Community Centre to keep the area looking tidy and presentable for volunteers and the BMBC Central Area Team.



Stairfoot Ward Alliance/ Friends of Stairfoot/ TESCO (Community Champion)/, Cllr Johnson, BMBC Neighbourhood Services

Partnership working with Cllr Johnson to coordinate the collections of bags following independent volunteer litter picks.

07/04/2021 – A total of 28 bags collected for the various above groups in Stairfoot, from various areas such as: Wombwell Lane, Bleachcroft Way, Grange Lane/ Doncaster Road and the Ash Pub area.

23/04/2021 – Collection of 10 bags from Wombwell Lane (supporting the Friends of Stairfoot)



11/05/2021 – Collection of 6 bags from Tank Row, Stairfoot (supporting the Friends of Stairfoot).

13/05/2021 – Collection of 15 bags from Stairfoot TPT (supporting the Friends of Stairfoot).



Friends of Kendray

11/05/2021 – Collecting 2 bags cleared from the Kendray area, left for collection to the front of The Forest Academy.



AFACT Group

10/06/2021 – Collecting waste from Ardsley Park, requested by Mr Johnson (who still continues to be active with volunteers in the Stairfoot).

Stairfoot Station Heritage Group

17/06/2021 – Collecting bags of waste from the Stairfoot T.P.T entrance as requested by local volunteers. This was both supporting the group along with independent volunteers active in the area. When we arrived they had already been taken.



Supporting Local Councillors

27/04/2021 – Supporting Cllr Clarke, removing 1 bag of waste from Bank End Road.

27/04/2021 – Supporting Cllr Johnson, removing 5 bags of waste from Wombwell Lane.

Dearne Valley Park Group – Central Ward

Formal Stewardship – Own Hand Tools now Independently achieving positive results

New and sustained volunteers have contacted us during the COVID-19 restrictions, giving updates of areas litter picked and additional activities they are planning towards:

06/04/2021 – Fly tipping removed from Dearne Valley Canal.



14/04/2021 – Targetting Cliffe Wood woodland area parallel to Rotherham Road and the Iceland Stone alleyway, clearing brambles and strimming down the grass which then enabled a huge amount of litter to be cleared by volunteers. 4 bags removed.



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19/04/2021 – Maintenance around the stone circle area, cutting back the overgrowth and fixed in bolts to secure the raised beds.



20/04/2021 – Cleared self-sets from alongside the canal preventing deterioration of the footpath edges. All waste reintroduced in the local woodland area.



26/04/2021 – We responded to reports of a fallen tree obstructing a footpath on Dearne Valley Park. Our team reduced the waste and utilized the waste to create a habitat pile.



30/04/2021 – Strimmed the grass and removed self-sets, all waste reintroduced adding to the existing habitat piles.



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05/05/2021 – Clearing a large area of bramble along the canal area. Enabling volunteers to safely access the litter.



11/05/2021 – Supporting 2 volunteers from who were clearing litter along Burton Road, Monk Bretton. We trimmed back a section of overgrowth next to the road side to expose the litter enabling volunteers to extend their activities.



12/05/2021 – Trimmed the hedges, and cleared 1 bag of waste, and 1 fly tipped tyre from Dearne Valley Park.



18/05/2021 – Working with 5 sustained volunteers
22 bags of litter cleared from along Burton Road near the Wickes Store.



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19/05/2021 – Working with 1 sustained volunteer

Weeded one of the large planters within the park. We then planted some tomatoes to grow alongside the potatoes currently in the beds.



24/05/2021 – Grass cut, brambles reduced and cleared 1 bag of litter.



14/06/2021 – Supporting the work of volunteers who clear litter from the park regularly. We completed various maintenance tasks, cutting down the grass, over growth and clearing back obstructing nettles/ weeds. We also revealed the fence line along the footpath, allowing more space for park users.



21/06/2021 – Clearing overgrown areas of brambles/ weeds, enabling access to bins and footpaths. Grass cutting and clearing handrails of obstructing overgrowth.



28/06/2021 – Supporting 2 sustained volunteers

Pruning back trees, scraped the footpaths and cutting the grass. Litter Picked – 2 bags



C. New/ Emerging Groups Supported

1. Ride Barnsley – Cyclist, Equestrian & Trial Users Advocacy Group

22/04/2021 – On site meeting with members of the group to discuss partnership working with our services, Dearne Valley Country Park Group, Sustrans and Ride Barnsley. Collaboratively we all offer in depth knowledge of the local environment and Barnsley Cycle Network. Post Covid-19 restrictions lifting, this looks to be a positive network providing excellent sustainable opportunities to improve and tackle littering issues along the TPT/ Cycle paths through Barnsley.

2. 22/4/21 - Sustrans



3. **Bluebell Bank Residents Group**

Working with 1 new adult volunteer

14/05/2021 – Jo an independent resident volunteer from Bluebell Bank estate has had discussions with likeminded people from her estate who will eventually be setting up their own group. We have provided Jo with volunteer bags, she will initially be working together with our area team to clear litter. Once she and other members of the group are confident, they will consider applying funding to purchase their own tools and equipment.

4. **Dearne Valley Fishing Group**

14/06/2021 – Working with 3 new adult volunteers

Targeting the area around the fishing lake. We reinstated the seating areas so that users can enjoy the views when resting. We cleared around fishing pegs, cut back the overgrown weeds and grass.



5. **Yorkshire Sport Foundation (BMBC Employment and Volunteering) and Active Kendray (Kendray Community Group)**

28/04/2021 – A productive first meeting with members from the Foundation. We will begin setting up regular events targeting the Swanee area, in support of the Swanee Step Challenge. Our team will be delivering the activities/ support and supplying the equipment to create a sustainable on going project starting on May 7th at 10am – 12pm. To start we will be working in groups of 4, then promoting for more volunteers once the COVID restrictions are lifted.



07/05/2021 – The first session of our Swanee Steps project, working with 5 volunteers from BMBC Employment and Volunteering services. First job was to tackle the mass of litter at the Swanee Steps in Kendray. 31 bags were collected and removed from our first session. This project will be taking place on a weekly basis, every Friday from 10am-12pm.



18/05/2021 – **Supporting 6 sustained volunteers**

Working together with the BMBC Employment and Volunteering Services Group and Active Kendray (6 volunteers). We reinstated a section of the steps and cleared 7 bags of litter. Our team completed the Swanee Steps Challenge and were presented a free t-shirt to acknowledge the achievement. Our second event with the group, and we received a lot of positive feedback from local residents. Litter Picked – 7 bags



21/05/2021 – Continuing our project with 3 volunteers working along the footpath reinstating the edges. 3 bags of litter also cleared from the area.



28/05/2021 – Supporting 6 volunteers

Continuing to target the steps, reinstating the edges and clearing weeds/ mud. All green waste reintroduced into the area.



04/06/2021 – Focusing on another section of the footpath, we widened the edges taking it back to its original width, allowing more than one person to walk along comfortably, all soil and debris removed was reintroduced into the surrounding areas. 4 bags of litter collected and removed.



18/06/2021 – Supporting 4 volunteers

Worked with Kendray Community Group in partnership with BMBC Employment & Volunteering service. Reinstating the footpaths and cutting back the overhanging trees blocking the access. Green waste utilised to build habitat piles.



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25/06/2021 – Supporting 3 volunteers

We continued along the footpaths, widening to its original width. We received positive feedback from a passer-by who kindly donated some chocolate treats for our volunteers.



6. BIADS

07/04/2021 – Meeting with BIADS. The members wanted advice on how to involve the wider community/ volunteers with a dementia garden, which will then be open to the public. There is a small group of volunteers already involved, we advised them with new ideas about a rewilding area, picnic area, reflection area and an incredible edible planting space. This will be a great project to be involved with should the group receive funding they are applying for.

7. Pogmoor Pickers (crossing over boundaries to continue their efforts)

17/05/2021 – Supporting an organized event by Pogmoor Pickers, who crossed over wards from the Old Town into Kingstone, Farrar Street to continue their efforts. We cut the grass at the end of Farrar Street/ Perseverance Street to further compliment the cleaned up area.



25 4 Shares 37

Carmel Keith
That extra input gives all hardworking volunteers such a boost. Thank you.

Like Reply Message 1d

Louise Oxley
Looks fantastic!

Like Reply Message 1d

Kingstone Ward Alliance
Thanks for supporting the poggy pickers you all made a great difference to the area

E. Businesses Supported

Reduced Engagement due to COVID-19 Lockdown Restrictions

10. B&M Store

04/05/2021 – B&M Staff members engaged and witnessed clearing litter around their public footpaths.



40 7 Shares 98

Barnsley Community Alliance
19h

[Barnsley - B&M Staff Helping Keeping Barnsley Tidy]

Louise Oxley
Aww that's brilliant I'm so glad they are helping out! Like you say if we just did one area or just the front of our houses what a difference!

Like Reply Message 18h

11. The Range

11/05/2021 – Discussions with The Range regarding plant donations to distribute between the community groups, rather than wasting due to slight damage of stock.

12. McDonalds

03/06/2021 – Discussions with the store manager regarding their environmental responsibilities, as volunteers have reported an increase in McDonalds waste dropped. The manager agreed to follow our meeting up with their staff, and start planning towards action days.

13. Berneslai Homes and BMBC Central Area Team

07/06/2021 – Supporting Berneslai Homes and BMBC Central Area Team in preparation for their planned litter activities, 15 litter pickers delivered for their use and collected back in after the event.

20 bags of litter were collected by volunteers:

- 10 Adult residents
- 10 children
- 3 local councilors
- 4 South Yorkshire Police representatives
- 3 BMBC Safer Neighbourhood reps
- 2 Berneslai Homes representatives
- 1 Central Area Team representative (Michelle Toone)

Bank End Litter Pick Monday 7th June 2021

Hi Wendy,

Just wanted to take the opportunity for thanking you for supporting this event. It was very much appreciated, especially as you were informed at such short notice.

Regards Jola

Jola Walker (she/her)
Central Housing Management Team Leader
Customer and Estate Services

14. Dodworth Football Club

11/05/2021 – Supporting the independent work of members from Dodworth Football Club. We targeted the woodland area at Water Royd Drive, removing 3 bags of waste and other fly tipped items including a blue bin, plastic and burnt rubbish. We cleared the footpath from brambles and started building a timber edge leading to the hidden bench area. This also supports BMBC 'Take a seat' Campaign



Sarah Tattersall
Wow amazing work
Well done to all involved
Please support this wonderful work by not dropping litter and picking up after your dog
Love where you live

Carmel Keith
What a transformation! Great team effort by all involved.
Thank you.

Deborah Georgina Price
Amazing

Dorothy Coates
Fantastic work

Louise Oxley
That looks fantastic!

John Round Partridge
Amazing

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Targeted household fly tipping

Information Advice and Guidance intervention's and leaflet drops conducted 493 this include doorstep inquiries about crime, ASB, waste management, and neglect and hoarding.

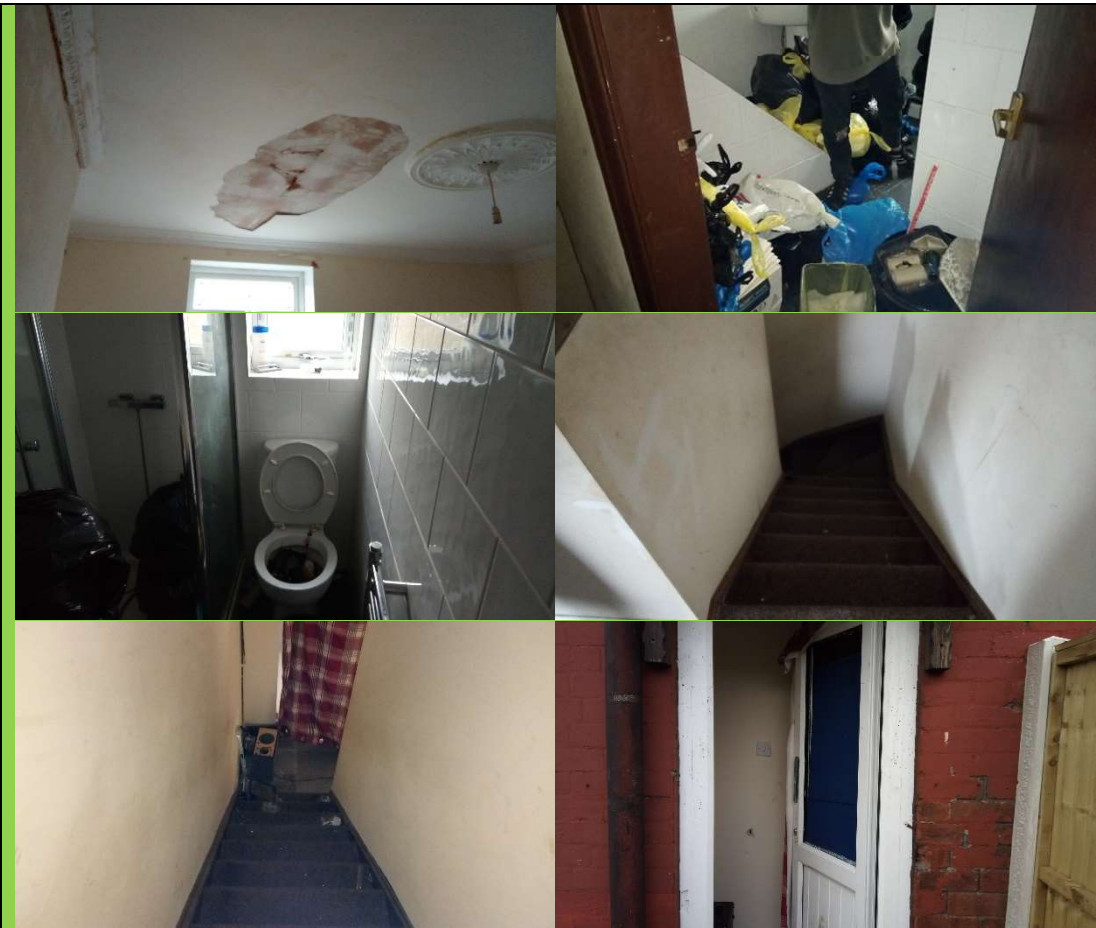
In April I received a request from Cllr Lodge to investigate the number of abandoned bins around Ward Green, I located and recoded a number of contaminated bins on Bank End Road and James Street which were recovered within 48 hours by NS.



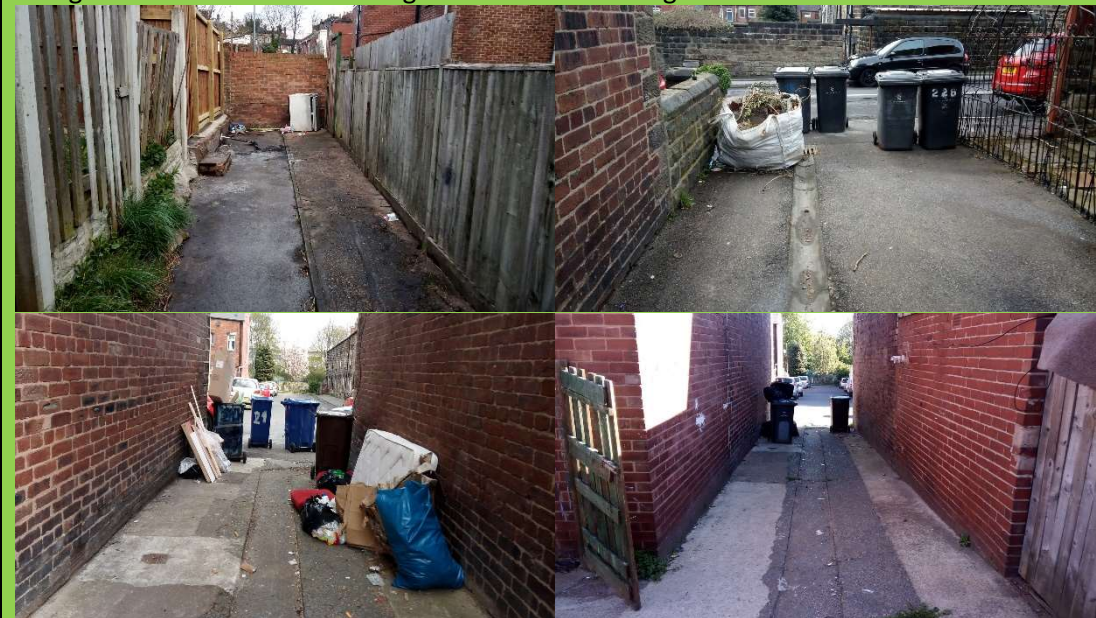
On request by resident's and tenant's of Station Road these contaminated bins were investigated as they were commercial bin's they have been abandoned by a now defunct company who was prosecuted by Barnsley Council.



When I was investigating an issue with Fly tipping and Side waste on Junction Street I came a cross this on a joint visit, there human waste building up inside the property and other issues with not heating or lighting I passed my finding's on to the private housing department to follow up and investigate.



With a lot of issues around Measeborough Dyke I have been working with landlord's and NS to get the backing cleared up some work is still ongoing, but it has been improved by clearing the overgrowth and FT bin's and fridges still need removing.

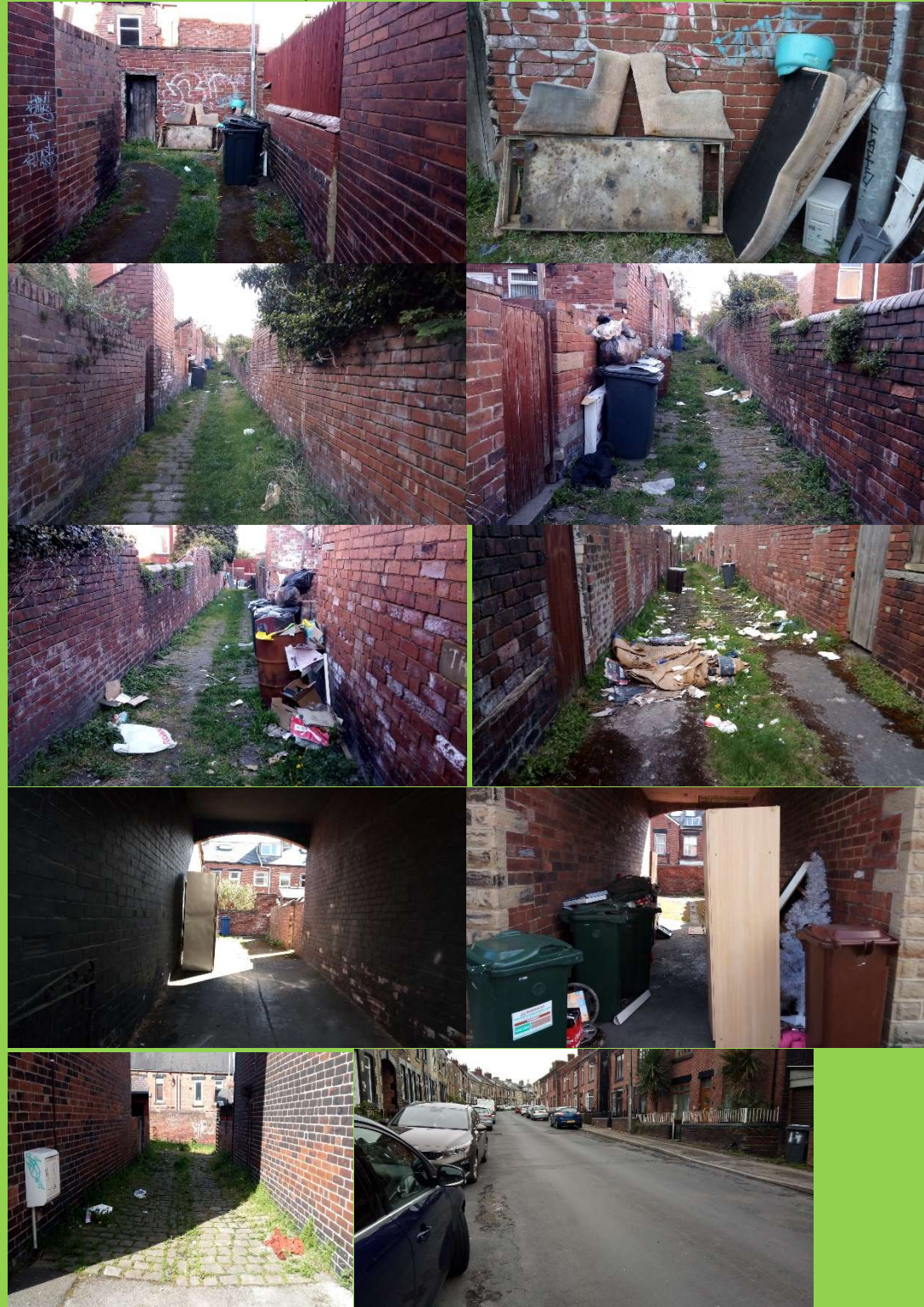




Another hotspot on Wilby Lane that has now been cleared and reduced the number of incidents to zero, bins recorded, and I coordinated the uplift with NS personally.



St Georges and Blenheim Road was in need of some serious TLC, these two roads have created a lot of work for myself and my colleagues, so a day of action was completed on the 30th June with Barnsley West NPT Michelle Armitage and Leanne Cooper Goodall, the volunteer litter picker's Poggy Pickers we had Berneslei Homes checking their properties and tenant's. And BMBC NS and Twigg's clearing the backs of fly tipping and overgrown vegetation. We also conducted a crime ASB and bin survey this was coordinated by me and Adam Baily with support from other BMBC colleagues Jill Griffiths Sofia Colton and Amy Forster and Craig Aubrey our community Development Officer.

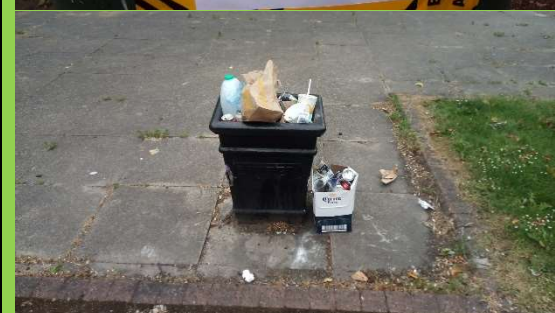








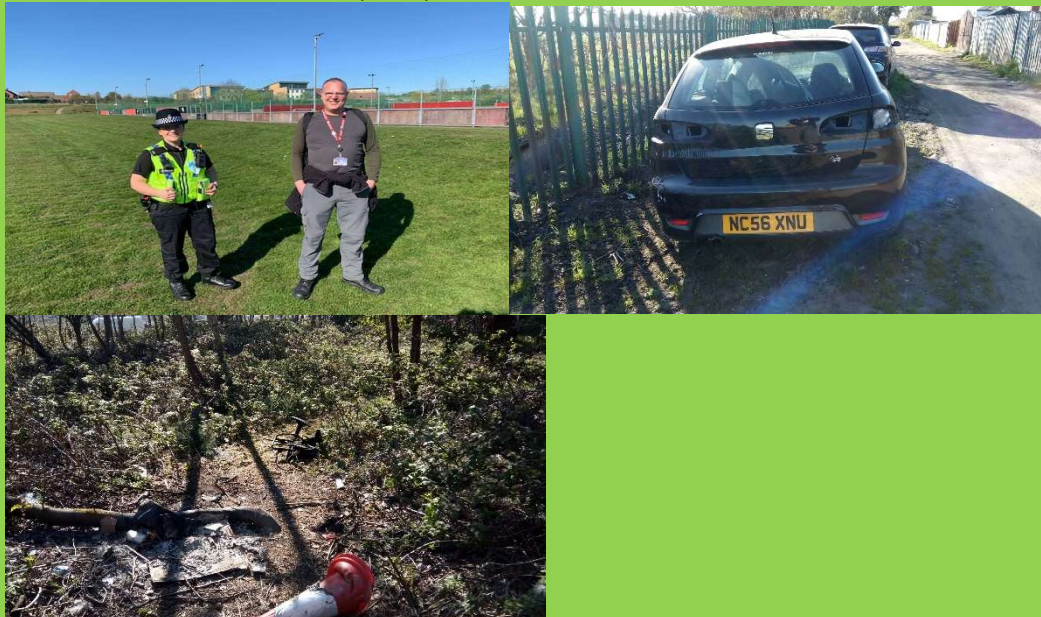
Another hot spot is Plumber Street near the Town End Roundabout it was attracting vast amounts of side waste and fly tipping so another personal request to recover the bin's and litter pick the park area was put in by me, and the volunteers were the Poggy Pickers who are amazing.



I am building up a great rapport with people on social media relating to waste issues and fly tipping engaging with Keep Barnsley Tidy has brought forward many volunteers and intel. This litter bin was reported, and I was asked if I can get the item's cleared and was also asked to provide signage which I did.



Are rare moment of peace on a site visit with Barnsley West NPT Jade and Paul discussing a day of action around the 5ives and open spaces near Farm Road.



My day volunteering for the PCC and council election's at the polling Station in Hood Green and the two pop up policing events Pop up event in in May at Penistone's iconic market barn, with West NPT

BTP and BMBC advising resident's on crime ASB housing and waste issues. And again the same on Bank End.



And again at Bank End



Support for new tenants in private rented housing

Case Studies

Central – Update -

I inspected a property last year and this issue has been long-term at this property due to the significant vulnerabilities of the client/tenant previous victim of domestic violence, survivor of suspected financial abuse. Legal issues surrounding the eviction of said tenant due to financial arrears accrued during the tenancy.



Hazards were identified last year on the initial inspection and these issues were rectified by the tenant, however in the recent bad weather we've had during the winter the roof leaked and has since collapsed. This accompanied with the lack of a sufficient guardrail which has not yet still been complied with after a Building Act Notice I served, I am in the process of taking the landlord to court due to non-compliance with my legal notice. See photos for outstanding works – lack of a suitable guardrail however this was amended last month. The ceiling is still exposed in the top floor bedroom leaving the children exposed to the damp and excess cold in the night – I'm currently awaiting a full costing for roof repair and will update accordingly in the next quarter.

External referrals have already been made for social housing assessment, along with a referral to children's services which is still ongoing, and it is currently sitting at a Public Law Outline from my initial referral to social services on concerning neglect grounds.



(left) **photo after** guardrail compliance after Building Act Notice was served.

I'm currently preparing the case with out legal team and I'm prosecuting the landlord for non-compliance on the building act notice that had expired. I've raised a purchase order with our

contractors and have repaired the dormer roof which cost approximately £1600. The tenant is over the moon and there will be further penalties for the landlord in court for the danger he has put her family under.



Dodworth – after proactively patrolling the area I came across a significant amount of waste in the rear garden. After speaking with the tenant and offering support, he was struggling with addiction, mental health and was having some difficulty getting this cleared. He was in rental arrears and was facing potential eviction from his landlord, it was only through my involvement and mediation that this

was avoided. The tenant did not help himself in some areas often cutting communication for a number of weeks at a time, not answering the doors when we'd arrange a meeting and it became apparent he was just attempting to manipulate the situation for whatever reason. Finally after months of perseverance, patience and rapport building, he accepted the referrals for support and his situation improved. The garden has now been cleared, I printed off a bin timetable for him to try and avoid this situation in the future and his mother ordered him a skip.



Action Day – 29th June 2021 –

Tuesday 29th June I organised an ‘action day’ which involved lots of other agencies and we made a collective attempt to tackle some of the issues we were experiencing in the area which involved namely fly-tipping, excessive side waste and anti-social behaviour in the Kingstone wards. The two streets chosen for the day were Blenheim Road and St. Georges’ Road. There was a lot of meetings and organisation that went into the day, we acknowledged the need for a bin amnesty as many of the bins in the areas had become contaminated. Neighbourhoods services would then just remove/uplift the contaminated bins which would not be replaced, therefore increasing the amount of fly tipping and side waste due to the inadequate bin provision. I provided a letter encouraging a response advising when I would be coming to collect the survey, I was overwhelmed with the amount of response I got from both landlords, tenants and homeowners alike. I had officers from South Yorkshire Police speaking with residents in relation to anti-social behaviour, neighbourhood services were out clearing all fly-tipping and excess waste, Twiggs cleared all the ginnels of overgrowth, Berneslai Homes were visiting their own areas and speaking with their own tenants. There was also around 10 volunteers who were litter picking around the areas and did a fantastic job. Myself and my team spoke with at least 180 residents on both streets to discuss the aforementioned issues and I’ve received some great feedback and intel as a result. Unfortunately there are no before and after pictures here as my colleague John P has them, I’m currently isolating and have no means of contacting John.

More pictures to follow in next Q report.



Family Lives – Support Service for New Parents

Case Study – AV

A health visitor referred a mum, who moved to Barnsley with her husband and daughter as asylum seekers with settled status. Twelve days earlier mum had given birth to a baby daughter and she was experiencing depression. Mum's GP prescribed anti-depressants. Mum was breastfeeding and was anxious about how she was going to manage when her husband returned to work, particularly about getting her 7 year old to school. The health visitor referred mum to the mental health team. Mum spoke a little English but was unable to understand detailed conversations. We sensitively used a translator tool and with patience, we were able to have meaningful conversations. Mum was isolated and lonely; she had been unable to eat properly and was tearful. Mum appeared to have low confidence and self-esteem. She had lost interest in looking after herself and was struggling with managing appointments. Dad was worried and supportive.

We visited mum weekly and provided telephone text support. We supported the family with registering their baby's birth, accompanied mum to a postnatal appointment, facilitated the conversation during her mental health assessment, talked through strategies for managing mental health, helped to organise her medication and understand how it works and liaised with the school regarding home learning and travel issues. Mum accessed acupuncture and support from an existing friend who helped with mealtimes. When the washing machine broke down, we contacted the Seventh Day Adventist Church and linked mum to Alison and Mike, who obtained a new washing machine via the ACTS charity. Their contact has continued. Over time mum started to smile more and her appetite improved. Mum was matched to a Spanish speaking volunteer for a short while, which she enjoyed. At Christmastime, we gifted presents courtesy of Barnsley donations and sourced a large food hamper, which delighted the family. On Christmas Eve, we liaised between the family and Berneslai Homes to enable the family to resolve a power cut. Mum started going out into the town to do her shopping and has now visited many places in South Yorkshire with her family. She reduced and then stopped taking her medication. We gave further support regarding a potential house move and recently facilitated mum's attendance at the Cheeky Monkey's playgroup where we introduced her to other mums. Mum is now attending an English conversational class in Barnsley and is making new friends and a life for herself and her family. The children are thriving and the family are in a happier and healthier place and have a sense of community.

In mum's words

'My health visitor asked me three times, one year ago, to seek support from the New Mums service and I refused. I did not know how much it would help and I was scared. In August 20, I said yes and I am glad I did. I have found the support very helpful. I needed support and received what I was promised. I was scared about my feelings, taking medicine and going out. I am 90% better than I was in the beginning. I think it is a great service and something all women should have.'

Dial Advice Drop-In Service

Central Case Study

Before DIAL

Mr L is a 54 year old man who was recently widowed. He was his wife's carer and claimed carers allowance for looking after her. He also claimed Employment and Support Allowance for himself and his wife was added to this claim. He was understandably upset when he rang DIAL to ask how he lets DWP know that she had passed away and how his benefits would be affected. He was also very worried that he did not have enough income or savings to be able to afford to pay for his wife's funeral.

Advice provided by DIAL

We gave Mr L the number for the DWP's 'Tell Us Once' service where he could let them know that his wife had passed away and make the necessary re-calculation of his benefit entitlement. We advised Mr L that he could ask the DWP for help with the funeral costs and gave him the link to download the appropriate form which we helped him to complete. We recognise how distressed Mr L was at the loss of his wife as he rang often to speak to us about his feelings so we suggested that he may benefit from bereavement counselling. We advised him to speak to his GP about this.

After DIAL

Mr L's benefits were re-assessed. His Employment and Support Allowance was amended to the single person rate and he was awarded Bereavement Support Payment of £2,300 for the first month and a further £100 per month. His GP referred him to bereavement counselling.

Mr L said

"I have used DIAL for many years and they have always been very helpful. When my wife passed away I did not know what to do. DIAL were very understanding and didn't just help me with benefits advice, they also helped me to seek help for my mental health issues. They were there for me during my darkest days with a listening ear, humour and compassion"

Acknowledged Outcome

Reduced social isolation
Improved Health and Well Being

Creative Recovery – Uplift Blow Out The Blues Project

Case Study

On our final day, we were approached by a resident who experiences severe anxiety and rarely leaves her home. She darted across the street with a box of origami baubles she had been making throughout the week whilst watching us work on the corner. She wanted to contribute and be part of it, in her own way. A neighbour commented on how positive this outcome was as she rarely engages or leaves the house.



Feedback Received

“ It has given me a real lift and made me feel hopeful. Hope is important right now”

“ I didn’t come out, but hearing the music made me feel warm inside again.”

*“I have never seen *** come out of his house. Amazing!”*

“ It’s been a really tough couple of years, and when I sat in my new flat reading the Hope Postcard, I shed a few tears and felt like things were possible again and I was in the right place”

“ My brother was telling me about the music and how it lifted him. He doesn’t get out much you know.”

YMCA – Detached Youth Work

This case study highlights the impact and value of youth workers being part of a young person journey, as consistent, trusted, positive adults over significant periods of time. Supporting them throughout life's transitions and their personal and social development. Providing support, guidance, positive experiences and opportunities, increasing knowledge, skills, understanding and widening their aspirations.

Baz. (Anonymised)

Baz has been familiar to us approximately 3 years, first engaging with our detached team as a 13 year old young man. Whilst always pleasant and keen to engage Baz often fell into line with his peer group whose behaviour and attitude towards our team could be quite challenging.

Baz sometime appeared embarrassed by his peer's behaviour and our presence would clearly compromise his standing in the group, evident by his frequent awkwardness. Our staff team were always mindful of this and whilst he was always encouraged to be the best him as possible, our support was often discreet in the company of his friends. Part of his circle was made up of younger family members and Baz clearly took on the older cousin role but was seldom listened to when he made attempts to challenge their behaviour. Previously Baz would often step up into an organisational role. Prior to the pandemic he would assist in setting up games and activities, often sorting teams and taking a lead role. Frequently some of his peer group including family members would make this difficult for him, however with support from our staff he would persevere.

Our team on occasion would bump into Baz, throughout lockdowns this would sometimes be via an open window or front door step to his house. He appeared pleased to see staff and would fully engage in conversation. He reported that he hadn't seen or heard from some of his peer group for a while but was continuing with his school work as best he could and whilst missing his team sports and some friends, there were others he missed less.

It was clear that Baz was reflecting on his lockdown experience and his future.

In recent weeks Baz's peer group have continued to have a very visible presence in their community, playing football in their local MUGA, meeting under the seated shelter with little if any regard for social distancing. Staff observed that on each occasion they have seen the group, Baz wasn't present and on asking if he had been seen, a shrug of the shoulders suggested he hadn't.

Our team would ensure they would walk past Baz's home in the hope that they might be spotted and Baz would appear as has happened previously however no contact was made.

A chance meeting in Baz's local shop happened some weeks ago, almost unrecognisable as he now has a beard. He stood and chatted and reflected on the times he used to see us with his friends and how he often found it difficult being the older cousin in the mix. Our team shared experiences of lockdown and talked about how it has been a time to reflect on many things

including those relationships we want to maintain and sadly those we have to say goodbye to, or at least put on the back burner for a while.

Baz said he would like to keep in touch and would look out for us on the streets, he then made his apologies as he was going to be late for his shift as he was working part time in the evenings.

It is positive to reflect on and acknowledge his personal and social development over the last 3 years, from being part of a group whose behaviour was challenging and often anti-social and the challenges of having responsibilities to this group and his family members. With support he became an older role model in the group, taking on responsibilities to support and lead on sports and games, and engaging with other stakeholders in the community. During the restrictions of the pandemic last year he has used the opportunity to distance himself from the group and has matured and started to move away from the ties of the group and recently gaining part time employment and the personal development and responsibilities that come with that role.

Age UK Barnsley – My Community, My Life Project

CASE STUDIES

Age UK Barnsley

Case Study 1

Title Service User Case Study
Date 25/05/2021
Ward Area Central
Summary <p>Ms M was originally first referred to Age UK Barnsley by the Social Prescribing Service. She was isolated due to Covid-19 and suffered from extreme anxiety and depression. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a telephone assessment was carried out by the Social Inclusion Worker.</p> <p>This case study aims to demonstrate how Covid-19 has affected the mental wellbeing and mobility of Ms M and how she is now moving forward with support.</p>
Key Learning Points <p>Understanding how much a simple walk, or being deprived of them, can have huge effect on a person's mental wellbeing. Covid-19 has been very restrictive for everyone, being cut off from the things you know and enjoy can really do damage to a person's mental state. However with time, support and introducing coping mechanisms, this can be eased.</p>
Background <p>Ms M is in her late 80's and lives alone. Prior to Covid-19 and lockdown restrictions, Ms M enjoyed going on walks with family as she really enjoyed nature. Since lockdown, she has been unable to get out and her anxiety levels have increased, exacerbated by loss of family contact. Being isolated affected her mental health and due to loneliness, Ms M no longer trusts the outside world.</p> <p>She gets around the house fine albeit very slowly due to limited mobility. Ms M considers herself trapped in her own home due to the recent pandemic. Ms M says she feels lonely and scared.</p>
Who was Involved

Staff: The Social Inclusion Worker for Central Area conducted an initial telephone assessment to discuss the needs of Ms M and establish what type of support could be offered. They remained in regular contact, initially over the telephone but also face to face visits to her front door after a few weeks of confidence building.

- **Outcomes of Project**

- Through the development of a supportive relationship between Ms M and her Social Inclusion Worker, she now doesn't feel as scared about the outside world as she initially was and she is now confident for her SIW to come to her home and sit in the garden to talk.
- Ms M was enrolled into Wentworth Castle Gardens Walk, providing her with a safe, structured environment to get back to what she loved the most.
- During her time at Wentworth Castle Gardens, Ms M stopped to smell every flower, and view every inch of scenery she could. It was a very emotional walk for Ms M, one that she says she will treasure.
- Ms M will be attending any future walks that are planned at Wentworth Castle Gardens and has even mentioned she would be interested in other groups too now. She now knows what facilities are available in the local community and adapting to the changing Covid circumstances to gain confidence.

Age UK Barnsley

Case Study 2

Title

Service User Case Study

Date

08/06/2021

Ward Area

Central

Summary

This case study describes how Mr W started getting support from Age UK Barnsley and how he has progressed since due to the changes and developments in the pandemic.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Mr W called into Age UK Barnsley after seeing an advertisement for one of our groups. Being isolated and having no family or friends, Mr W felt compelled to reach out to Age UK Barnsley in a last ditch effort to improve his life, which he says he was finding pointless.

Prior to Covid-19 and lockdown restrictions, Mr W was very active, loved socialising with people but really missed his working life after retirement as he lost all his friends.

Since lockdown, he feels his social life has disappeared completely and he can go weeks without speaking a single word to anyone.

Key Learning Points

Understanding how important regular conversation is to a person's mental wellbeing and that the lack of male companionship with can make someone feel they are worthless in society.

Background

Ms W is in his late 60's and lives alone. He misses work life, socialising in community areas such as parks and public houses and the general "banter" he had with other men. He is at a point in his life where he doesn't know what the point in continuing with life would be.

Who was Involved

Staff: The Social Inclusion Worker for Central conducted an initial telephone assessment to discuss the needs of Mr W and establish what type of support could be offered. Regular contact remained over the telephone to gain confidence in the relationship between Service User and SIW.

Any unplanned outcomes (Good or Bad)

- During the initial telephone assessment it was clear that Mr W needed a social group, especially with other men his own age. However it needed to be a group where there would be light hearted jokes and male "banter" as that is what he missed the most
- Mr W agreed to attend our Walking Football group to see how he felt. Mr W is now a regular attendee and has not missed a single week since he signed up.
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Outcomes of Project

- Mr W now regularly attends our walking football sessions and never misses a session.
- Mr W has gained friendship within the group which has improved his mental state
- Following the walking football sessions, Mr W is now signed up to become a volunteer at Age UK Barnsley, offering his handy man services or simply face to face discussions with service users in their gardens over a cup of tea.
- As Mr W's confidence grew, he has now also used his new friendship links to start to run a very active litter picking group around his area

Hope House – Hope Connects

Case Study One – Dawn

I saw an advert for Little Chimps Playgroup either on Facebook or the Barnsley Baby Mamas Facebook page. My baby was 7 months old when we attended our first group in April, when COVID restrictions allowed playgroups to reopen. I am a first time mum to a little girl.

Due to COVID I, like many other Mums/parents, felt like my little girl had missed out, so I was absolutely thrilled when I knew we could attend a group. I/We (my husband and I) wanted to go and do lots of things with our little girl. We wanted to talk to other Mum's and Parents in a safe environment, get support and advice, for someone to say your doing the right thing and your not on your own, for encouragement and to maybe make friendships and also for our baby girl to socialise and interact with other babies and adults.

The first time we went, my husband, myself and our Daughter attended. I was a little nervous but Rachel completely made me feel at ease straight away. Rachel was very warm, friendly, welcoming and kind. I have felt comfortable to attend every session since on my own with my Daughter. We absolutely love our Thursday mornings and look forward to it every week. It has been wonderful to see my little girl grow and develop and see her relationships with adults and her baby friends develop too.

Attending the group has given me confidence as a first time Mum, I know that people are going through the same things as me and it has been a real blessing sharing with others, for me to receive help and support and for me to share my experience with others and hopefully help them too. I/We have met some wonderful people and become good friends with some. I know that if I ever need anything or just a chat I can contact people. Thank you to everyone who has been involved in setting this group up.



Dawn's daughter enjoying playing and developing her rolling skills.

Case Study Two – Sarah

I first heard about little chimps playgroup when I asked around some of the mums who attended the toddler group and was told to give Rachel a message. I first messaged Rachel to say I wanted to join but I was so nervous with my hearing disability and how I had bad anxiety with covid. Rachel was very welcoming on her message back to me which made me feel comfortable about coming with my little boy.

When I came to my first session with the group I was met by Rachel who wore clear face guards and took time with me to discuss how things could be made easier for myself to be able to communicate with others. I settled in very quickly and everybody was so friendly and understanding. After a couple of sessions with the group my anxiety eased and I felt so excited for Thursday mornings, I still suffer really badly going to other places and getting back to normal life but coming to playgroup is no issue as I feel safe and relaxed. I'm hoping in time this will help me to build confidence in to getting back to some normality with other activities.

I believe playgroup has been beneficial for Oliver as he been able to interact with babies his own age and recently seeing babies younger than himself, he made some great friendships with the other children and is happy to interact with them, he also has confidence in approaching other adults which is quite a good thing as it shows he can be around others and not always attached to myself. We're now getting to the age where Oliver will be learning how to share etc and I'm excited to see him progress in this way with other children and to make new friendships.



Oliver enjoying playing with the toys.

Citizens Advice Barnsley (CAB)- Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service

BMBC Central Report

1st April to 30th June 2021.

CASE STUDY 1

Client wishes to divorce her former husband. They have resided apart for more than 5 years and have no assets or property from the marriage, nor are there any children. Both the client and the partner have agreed to a divorce and neither wanted the expense of utilising a solicitor. Client requested a face to face appointment so that we could review the court papers that she has completed, to ensure they have been completed correctly. Advised the client that due to COVID, no face to face appointments were available but if the client wished she could send a copy of all the paperwork to ourselves via email and we would review the paperwork and get back to her.

Client provided the paperwork via email which we checked and confirmed based on the information provided and what she had told us, that the paperwork appeared to have been completed correctly.

Client was extremely happy with the outcome and also the fact that we were able to deal with the matter in an appropriate fashion during the current pandemic without having to have a face to face appointment.

CASE STUDY 2

Client has separated from their partner and 2 dependent children and moved back into their parents home. Client's question is, "How do they deal with the family home which is held in joint names on a mortgage and has approximately £30,000 of equity in it and an outstanding balance of some £50,000? The Client's former partner is able and has maintained the mortgage payments for the last 18 months and neither of them have any debt or arrears at all.

Advised client that it would be better to deal with this matter through a solicitor to prevent any issues coming back at a later date, Advised client that in order for one person to take over a jointly held mortgage, they must be able to show to the mortgage company that they are able and willing to do this and also provide evidence to support that they can do this. It should be noted that mortgage

companies do not automatically agree to such requests due to the fact that they need to ensure that the mortgage will be repaid and no debts created.

Client was extremely happy with the above information and confirmed that the former partner had sufficient income to pay the mortgage and all the household bills plus a top up on the mortgage value, to include the 50% of the equity that the client would be entitled to. Provided the client with a list of matrimonial solicitors that would be able to assist them with this matter.

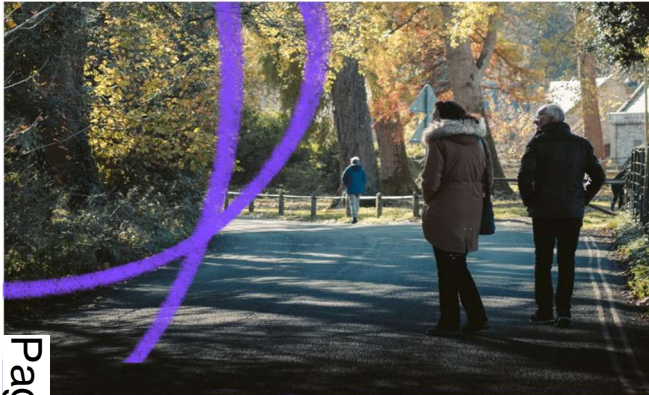
Appendix 2: Supporting Documents

Twiggs Ground Maintenance – Clean & Green Service: New performance table

	Q1 Apr-Jun Target	Q1 Apr-Jun Actual	Q2 Jul- Sept Target	Q2 Jul- Sept Actual	Q3 Oct- Dec Target	Q3 Oct- Dec Actual	Q4 Jan- Mar Target	Q4 Jan- Mar Actual	2020/21 Year Target	2020/21 Year Actual
Delivery of Ward Alliance SLA's	5	5	5		5		5		20	
No. of Provider led Social Action interventions/ added value	25	64	25		25		25		100	
No. of Providers supported events with Central Area Team/Ward Alliances	10	11	10		10		10		40	
No. of different new/emerging groups supported by Twiggs	3	10	3		3		3		12	
No. of new groups established with direct support from Twiggs	1	2 -Pogmoor Pickers - Bluebell residents group	2		1		1		5	
No. of interventions with new/emerging groups	5	30	5		5		5		20	
No. of established groups supported by Twiggs	6	9	1		2		1		10	
No. of Twiggs interventions with established groups	10	21	10		10		10		40	
No. of new adult volunteers engaged	15	5	15		15		15		60	
No. of new young people volunteers engaged	10	0	10		10		10		40	
Total No. of young volunteers engaged	20	41	20		20		20		80	
Total No. of adult volunteers engaged	100	267	100		100		100		400	
No. of volunteering hours undertaken by adults	200	534	200		200		200		800	
No. of volunteering hours undertaken by Young People	40	82	40		40		40		160	

*No. of different local businesses engaged & undertaking community social action	5	9	5		5		5		20	
No. of informal stewardship schemes delivered	1	1	2		1		1		5	
No. of formal stewardship schemes	0	0	0		0		1		1	
No. of local jobs created and filled	3	3	0		0		0		3	
No. of apprenticeships created and appointed	1	1	0		0		0		1	
No. of NVQ qualifications completed	0	0	0		0		1		1	
Work Experience Placements – 10 Hour minimum	1	1	1		1		1		4	
% of contract spend, spent within the Borough of Barnsley	95%	95%+	95%		95%		95%		95%	

Rotherham & Barnsley Mind – Thriving Communities Project: Promotional Material



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We all need a little social time

Whether it's a **chat and a drink**, a regular **phone conversation**, joining one of our **groups**, or booking a **mindfulness** or **wellbeing** session, we can help to open the world back up for you, and put in you touch with other local people, just like you.

Give us a call, and ask us what we can do for you.

Together we are always stronger.

We are your local **MIND** group, building **THRIVING COMMUNITIES** in

Central,
Dodworth,
Worsbrough,
Stairfoot and
Kingstone.

Building bridges in your community

contactus@rbmind.co.uk

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Are you feeling isolated & lonely?

If yes, and you live in the Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot or Worsbrough areas of Barnsley then why not try our new Thriving Communities Project?

This project will offer a range of services and support listed below, either in person, over the telephone or online....

- Weekly 1-1 support for up to 6 weeks
- Weekly check in calls to act as a friendly voice to chat about interest and support needs.
- Virtual & physical check in and chat group sessions (covid compliant) for individuals to make friends, share emotions – feelings – ideas & create mutual support networks.
- Small CBT and positive psychological group-based support sessions to help you become empowered, self-sufficient & re-engage with your community
- Loneliness workshops for individuals or professionals.
- Information around Group and Community Initiatives.

For more information or to refer yourself or someone else

Please contact us on:

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Thriving Communities Project Steering Group

Isolation and Loneliness

Rotherham & Barnsley Mind are calling on Barnsley Residents

From Central, Kingstone, Dodworth, Stairfoot and Worsbrough.

We are pleased to announce that Rotherham and Barnsley Mind have launched a new service across the Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsbrough areas of Barnsley.

The aim of the project is to tackle loneliness and isolation. We are currently looking for members of these communities to give up a few hours of their time each month to participate in a steering group which will shape this project.

- Do you have a interest in supporting the central communities in Barnsley,
- Have you experienced isolation or loneliness yourself.
- Do you want to help shape this project to meet the needs of the central areas and their communities.
- Have you had experience in supporting people that have been impacted by Isolation and loneliness.

Please do get in touch if you would like to join our steering group or would like more information, we would love to hear from you.

Contact : 01226 211188

Email contactus@rbmind.co.uk

Be part of reducing the impact Loneliness and Isolation has on the central communities in Barnsley.

Registered charity no: 1147740



**Central Area Council Meeting:
01st September 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 The report outlines the financial position to date for 2021-22 and the projected financial position to 2023-24. Please note 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 2021-22 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.

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3. Overview of Contracts and timescales

3.1 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	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 Year 3 £30,900	01/07/19 01/07/20 01/07/21	30/06/20 30/06/21 01/07/22	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	31/03/21	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund My Community, My Life Project	Age UK Barnsley	Two years funding: £79,187	01/04/21	31/03/23	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Thriving Communities Project	Rotherham and Barnsley Mind	Two years funding: £ 79,165.17	01/04/21	31/03/23	Grant Agreement
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Reds Connect Project	Reds in the Community –	Two years funding: £30,252.96	01/04/21	31/03/23	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 £136,468 <i>Commenced 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	Youth Fund Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £48,000 Year 2 £48,000 FOC Year 3 £49,440	01/06/19 01/06/20 01/06/21 01/07/21	31/05/20 31/05/21 30/06/21 30/06/22	Grant Agreement

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Children & Young People	Youth Fund Detached Youth work	YMCA	Year 1 £12,000 <i>(amended dates)</i> Year 2 £13,303 <i>(amended and subject to approval)</i>	01/09/20 01/07/21	31/06/21 30/06/22	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
Clean & Green	CAC Commission 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	CAC Commission 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	CAC Commission 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

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Vulnerable People	CAC Commission 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
Vulnerable People	Central Well-being Fund Hope House Connects	Hope House Church	Year 1 £13,913 Year 2 £14,000 Year 3 £14,420	01/07/19 01/07/20 01/07/21	30/06/20 30/06/21 30/06/22	Grant Agreement <i>Nb. Dates edited from last report to reflect actual delivery dates</i>
Vulnerable People	Financial Resilience Funding Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service	Citizens Advice Bureau Barnsley	Initial 6m pilot funding 6m £20,000 (£10k funded via Ward Alliances) 9m funding to extend to end of financial year	01/01/21	31/03/22	Grant Agreement

GRANT/CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

4. None

5. 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.

It shows *actual* income and expenditure for 2021/22. The carry forward amounts are still to be fully reconciled and finalised by finance colleagues.

The 2021-22 and 2022-23 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 2021/22 up to 2023/24, is also attached for information as **Appendix 2**. This has been updated as at year-end and reconciled with Appendix 1 for accuracy.

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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 **£609,087.22** has been *committed* for 2021/22. The balance c/f from 2020/21 is **£216,769.27**. We have successfully drawn down two lots of additional funding in the year so far, amounting to £45,109. FPN income has been estimated based on previous (normal) years' income bringing the total spending budget projection for 2021/22 to **£692,087.22**.
- 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.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Finance Report – Actual spend

Appendix 2: Budget Projections

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17th August 2021

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**CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING
BUDGET FINANCIAL ANALYSIS - 2017/18 TO
2022/23**

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Contract Name	Delivery Body	Start Date	Length of Contract	Total Cost of Contract	2021/2022		2022/2023	
					Profile	Actual	Profile	Actual
Base Expenditure	Baseline Budget	n/a	n/a	n/a	500,000.00		500,000.00	
C/F From Previous Year	C/F from the previous year	n/a	n/a	n/a	216,769.27		615,751.25	
Additional Income from Grants	Internal & External Funding	n/a	n/a	n/a	45,109.00			
Additional Income from FPN's etc.	Fixed Penalties etc.	n/a						
TOTAL INCOME					761,878.27	0	1,115,751.25	0
Emotional Resilience - C&YP	YMCA (The Unity Project)	Apr-20	3 years	411,763.00	136,468.00	56,861.65	140,300.00	
Clean & Green service	Twiggs	Apr-19	1+1+1	285,000.00	95,000.00	31,666.68		
Environmental Enforcement Service	District Enforcement	Apr-19	1+1+1	135,000.00	45,000.00	7,500.00		
	BMBC Enforcement SLA support	Apr-19	1+1+1	39,000.00	13,000.00			
Private Rented New tenancy support	BMBC - Community Safety (SLA)	Nov-19	1+1	65,000.00	32,500.00		18958.33	
Proactive flytipping SLA (Targeted Householed Fly Tipping)	BMBC SLA	Nov-19	1+1	64,000.00	32,000.00		21330	
PeriNatal Volunteer Home visiting service	Family Lives	Apr-19	1+1+1	150,000.00	49,738.00	16,579.36		
Central Wellbeing Fund	Hope House Church (Grant)	Jul-20	originally 2-yrs, extended to 2022, new	42,333.00	10,815.00	3,605.00	3,605.00	
Central Wellbeing Fund	DIAL (Grant)	Jul-19	originally 2-yrs, extended to 2022, New	90,900.00	23,175.00		7,725.00	
Central Wellbeing Fund	Creative Recovery (Grant)	Jul-19	(Extended delivery to	15,000.00	15,000.00			
Voluntary Youth Work Support and Training	waiver to be done - sept time (YMCA and Youth Association)	Apr-20		28,000.00	18,000.00		10,000.00	
Youth Work Fund for 13+ (GRANT)	Youth Association	Jul-19	originally 2-yrs, extended to 2022, new	145,440.00	37,080.00		12,360.00	
Youth Work Fund for 13+ (GRANT)	YMCA	Jun-19	originally 2-yrs, extended to 2022, new	21,977.25	9,977.25	6,651.50	3,325.75	
Healthy Holidays Fund	Funding offset via Financial Hardship Income							
One of Financial Resilience Funding - Covid Response Support Service	Age UK Barnsley	01.07.20-31.12.20						
Financial Resilience Funding	Citizens Advice Bureau WA Projects	01.01.21 - 31.12.21			30,000.00			
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Age UK Barnsley	Apr-21	2 years	79,186.68	39,249.92	19,624.96	39,936.76	
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Reds in the Community	Apr-21	2 years	30,252.96	15,651.48	3,637.87	14,601.48	
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Rotherham and Barnsley Mind	Apr-21	2 years	78,865.17	39,432.57	19,716.27	39,432.60	
Year-End reconciliation								
Expenditure Incurred in Year					642,087.22	146,127.02	311,574.92	0.00
Balance at year end to carry forward					615,751.25		1,115,751.25	

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Central Area Council - Budget proposals

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

Income	2021/2022		2022/2023		2023/2024	
Central Area Council Allocation	£	500,000.00	£	500,000.00	£	500,000.00
Income from FPNs	£	20,000.00	£	20,000.00	£	20,000.00
Other Funding	£	45,109.00				
Carried forward from previous year	£	216,769.27	£	89,791.05	£	3,700.94
Other Funding TBC						
Total anticipated available spend:	£	781,878.27	£	609,791.05	£	523,700.94

Expenditure - Service / provider	2021/2022			2022/2023			2023/2024		
	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal
Clean & Green	£ 95,000.00					£ 97,850.00			£ 97,850.00
Environmental Enforcement Contract	£ 45,000.00					£ 46,350.00			£ 46,350.00
Environmental Enforcement - SLA	£ 13,000.00					£ 13,390.00			£ 13,390.00
Emotional Resilience Contract - YMCA	£ 136,468.00			£ 140,330.00					£ 144,000.00
Youth work fund - YMCA & Youth Ass.	£ 47,057.25			£ 15,685.75		£ 61,800.00			£ 61,800.00
Voluntary Youth Support		£ 18,000.00			£ 10,000.00				
Private Rented Tenancy Support	£ 32,500.00		£ -	£ 18,958.33		£ 32,500.00			£ 32,500.00
Social Isolation Challenge Fund	£ 94,333.97			£ 93,970.84	£ 11,695.19			£ 100,000.00	
Perinatal and Family Emotional Wellbeing	£ 49,738.00								
Street Cleaned Fly tipping and Waste Collection Education	£ 32,000.00			£ 21,330.00					£ 32,000.00
Central Well Being Fund		£ 15,000.00							
Central Well Being Fund - Dial	£ 23,175.00			£ 7,725.00		£ 30,900.00			£ 30,900.00
Central Well Being Fund - Hope House	£ 10,815.00			£ 3,605.00					
Age UK Covid-19 Recovery Grant									
Devolved to WA			£ 50,000.00						
CAB Service - Financial Resilience Funding	£ 30,000.00								
Healthy Holidays									
Events / Review									
year-end reconcilliation									
Totals:	£ 609,087.22	£ 33,000.00	£ 50,000.00	£ 301,604.92	£ 21,695.19	£ 282,790.00	£ -	£ 100,000.00	£ 458,790.00
total anticipated contract spend:	£		692,087.22	£		606,090.11	£		558,790.00
In Year Balance	£		89,791.05	£		3,700.94	-£		35,089.06

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CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Central Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Wednesday 28th July 2021 @ 5:30pm
Location:	Virtual – Microsoft Teams

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Margaret Bruff (Chair) Councillor Summer Risebury Charlotte Moulds (Community Development Officer) Jennifer Hulme Doreen Cureton Paul Bedford	Charlotte Moulds (Community Development Officer) Councillor Martin Dyson Linda Wheelhouse

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
Cllr Bruff welcomed everyone to the meeting.		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
Cllr Dyson and Linda Wheelhouse both gave their apologies.		
3. Minutes From Previous Meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
23 rd June- Carried over to current agenda		
4. Declarations of Precuniary and Non Precuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
5. Stronger Communities – Community Listening Exercise	Action/Decision	Action lead
Stronger Communities dept. are undertaking a borough wide community listening exercise to understand gaps in communities, recovering from covid and where exactly the dept. can support.		

	CM will be attending various events/projects throughout the summer inc. DVP Monkey Trail and Summer Sports van, as well as joining up with other team members to conduct the exercise.		
6. Ward Alliance Promotion			
	Additional posters need to be distributed to shops etc. around the ward. Cllr Risebury has had interest from a resident in Measborough Dike re: joining ward alliance.	Cllr Risebury to take out	Cllr SR
7. Project Updates		Action/Decision	Action lead
	7.1 Healthy Holidays: Central Area Team will be doing activities across social media to support and engage families across summer for Healthier Communities. A Monkey trail will be put around DVP to engage and encourage families to walk. Leaflets have gone out to the 3 local primaries. 7.2 Small Sparks – All to continue spreading the word	CM to look at when she needs support with Monkey Trail and inform group of times Encourage further applications	CM All
8. Budget		Action/Decision	Action lead
	WAF Budget = £13,169.33 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engagement Pot = £337.64 - Small Sparks Fund = £706.00 - Healthy Holidays Working Budget = £1,250.00 - Sheltered Housing Resident Support Working Budget = £197.07 		
9. Ward Alliance Applications		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Oakwell Rise Junior Warden Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prev. application that was successful is now unable to go ahead due to limited space on the course. Therefore the school have been encouraged to repropose their project with their own costings to enable them to still progress. WAF expected back in Sept 2021. 		

10. WAF's in Pipeline		Action/Decision	Action lead
	King St Outdoor Seating Area	Twiggs need chasing up Bernslai homes need chasing up	Cllr SR Cllr SR
11. Upcoming dates/events		Action/Decision	Action lead
	14 th August – Harborough Hills Summer Fayre	Posters to be printed and delivered to LW	CM
12. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Member Updates:</p> <p>JH – Group to have arranged new planter with Twiggs, great scheme at café whereby people can access free meals for children.</p> <p>DC – Waiting to start Forever Young group up againm residents ready and eager to start attending again.</p> <p>PB – Café back open and soon to be open 5 days, Over 50s back in few weeks, Table Tennis Ping It! Project is running over the summer holidays and refugee council back in attendance.</p>		

Next meeting date: 25th August 2021 @ 5:30pm—Via Microsoft Teams

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DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Tuesday 1st June 2021 @ 6pm
Location:	Held Via Teams Meeting

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Neil Wright (Chair) Councillor Peter Fielding Councillor Chris Wray Charlotte Moulds – Community Development Officer (CM) Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK) – (Notes) Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH) Ben Scrivens – Dodworth Methodist Church (BS)	Michelle Robertson – Dodworth Resident (MR) Natalie Parkes – Dodworth Business Owner (NP) Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident (RC) Darren Dickinson – Higham Resident (DD)

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Councillor Wright welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked all Ward Alliance Members to introduce themselves for the benefit of newly elected Councillor Wray.</p> <p>Councillor Wray introduced himself to the meeting and gave a brief summary of his background.</p> <p>CM reported that Janet Turton had resigned from the Dodworth Ward Alliance. Ward Alliance Members recorded their thanks for Janet's commitment and hard work and looked forward to still working with her in the future.</p> <p>Councillor Wright stated following the election of Councillor Wray, all 3 Elected Members had discussed the position of Chair Person of the Ward Alliance. Councillor Wright reported that all 3 Councillors had agreed the best way forward was to have a rotating Chair Person between each meeting rather than a dedicated one.</p> <p>Councillor Wright suggested a formal letter of thanks should be sent to Phil Birkinshaw, thanking him for his contributions and hard work on behalf of both the Dodworth Ward and the Ward Alliance. Ward Alliance Members agreed and CM will draft and send a letter.</p>	CM	
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>There were no matters arising, and the minutes of the last meeting held 20th April 2021 were agreed as a true record.</p>		
4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>There were no pecuniary interests declared.</p>		

5.	Ward Alliance Priorities Leaflet	Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>CM circulated the final draft of the Ward Alliance Priorities Leaflet for comment.</p> <p>As suggested and agreed at the last meeting, names of all Ward Alliance Members have now been added to the document.</p> <p>MH queried Ben Scriven's title in the document; BS confirmed his title was Methodist Minister and not Pastor as detailed. CM will amend accordingly.</p> <p>No other comments were raised. CM will circulate the final document when available. The final document will be displayed on facebook and community notice boards.</p>	<p>CM</p>	
6.	Healthy Holidays Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>CM reported that the Healthier Communities Department had delivered food parcels last week during the school holiday break. This time they opted for a delivery method which proved to be successful (previously there had been issues with parcels not being collected as arranged). The food boxes contained various tinned goods, pasta as well as some fresh food products.</p> <p>CM stated that due to staff absences, the Central Area Team had not offered as much support this time, but had still promoted through social media holding Facebook Live sessions providing recipe details/demonstrations about making meals from the ingredients in the food boxes.</p> <p>CM reported they are now awaiting news on what is planned for the Summer holidays and how much funding for this will be available.</p> <p>CM stated if the Ward Alliance wished to do something in addition to what is rolled out in the Summer, this decision can be taken last minute once we have received an update on any Summer planned scheme.</p>	<p>CM</p>	

7. Small Sparks Fund Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>CM stated that 2 funding applications had been received to be discussed later at this evening's meeting.</p> <p>CM stated that further promotion of the scheme was needed in order to encourage further future applications.</p> <p>Councillor Wray mentioned if details of the scheme could be included in the Ward Alliance Priorities Leaflet if this was appropriate.</p>		
8. Storage Container Site – Update	<u>Action/Decision</u>	<u>Action lead</u>
<p>CM provided an update regarding the 2 potential plots available for siting the storage container as detailed below:</p> <p>The Berneslai Homes plot, which is not the preferred option, is available and ready to go.</p> <p>The Highways owned plot of land, which is the preferred option, requires clarification that there will be no encroachment onto the embankment; we are awaiting a response from Streetworks Section. Also, clarification is needed whether any levelling of the land will be needed prior to siting the container. A site meeting with container company will be arranged to discuss this matter.</p>		
9. Bench St. John's Close Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p><u>Replacement Bench – St John's Close</u></p> <p>At the last meeting the funding application for the replacement of the bench at St. John's Close was agreed. LK had queried what type/style of bench was the quote for and asked if the bench would be the same as the ones outside the Co-op to keep consistency in that central area in terms of aesthetics.</p> <p>CM reported she had now sought clarification on this issue and confirmed it would be the same style bench as the ones sited outside the Coop.</p>		

<p>10. WAF Budget</p>		
<p>Councillor Wright detailed the latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation as follows:-</p> <p>WAF Budget Current Balance: £12,833.74</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement Pot = £592.41 • Environmental Pot = £561.26 • Incredible Edible = £695.00 • Small Sparks Fund = £1,000 • Ward Alliance Storage = £3,000 		
<p>11. Ward Alliance Applications Received</p>		
<p>2 Small Sparks funding applications had been as detailed below:</p> <p><u><i>Small Sparks Dog Walkers Get Together</i></u></p> <p>A Small Sparks funding application had been received requesting the amount of £150.00 to purchase trees, bulbs and seeds to plant in an area of a field to the rear of the Coop Warehouse on Broadway. The field is a popular location with Dog walkers particularly since Penny Pie Park is currently not accessible. The project would make the area more pleasant and attractive for people using it.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members agreed to the full amount requested.</p> <p><u><i>Small Sparks Walking Away from Isolation</i></u></p> <p>A Small Sparks funding application had been received requesting the amount of £130.00 to set up a walking group in the village of Dodworth.</p> <p>The funding would cover advertising, high viz vests, first aid kit, drinks flask, and snacks. It would also be used to purchase some basic walking items such as rucksacks, socks, and gloves for residents who cannot afford these items which may be needed for the walks.</p>		

	<p>The project aims to bring together the people of Dodworth and address social isolation and improve mental wellbeing. A walking group would encourage more elderly residents to join who would feel more confident and safe out walking in a group rather than by themselves.</p> <p>The group will aim to do a walk once a week in and around the village area and on occasions outside of the Ward. The applicant is an experienced walker and walk leader.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members agreed to the full amount requested stating that such a scheme would not only encourage better physical health, but also mental health. It would also enable people to feel more confident going out and enjoying activities after being isolated for so long during the pandemic.</p>		
<p>12. Ward Alliance Funding Applications in Pipeline</p>			
	<p>There are currently no other applications in the pipeline.</p>		
<p>13. Upcoming Events</p>			
	<p><u>High Street Christmas Event</u></p> <p>Councillor Wright reported that it was hoped that the Christmas Event could be held this year.</p> <p>Councillor Wright stated that he was not sure if Janet Turton would be interested in participating in the Christmas event as previous years; Janet has already confirmed she is no longer able to commit to any Summer event held.</p> <p>To help raise funds for the Christmas Event, 2 Bingo/Quiz Evenings have been organised for 10th July and 23rd October at Dodworth Miners Welfare. Councillor Wright is helping with co-ordination of the 2 fund raising evenings and is looking for any suitable small prizes which can be donated to the event.</p>		

<p>14. Any Other Business</p>		
<p>Councillor Fielding mentioned the procedures of the Ward Alliance asking if these could be reviewed and that Ward Alliance Members were familiar with them.</p> <p>CM stated she would be circulating an email to all current Ward Alliance Members asking to reconfirm their commitment as a Member of the group. This is a routine procedure carried out annually.</p> <p>The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 13th July 2021 at 6.00 pm.</p> <p>The meeting closed.</p>	<p>CM</p>	

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DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Tuesday 13th July 2021 @ 6pm
Location:	Held Via Teams Meeting

Attendees	Apologies
<p>Councillor Peter Fielding (Chair)</p> <p>Councillor Neil Wright</p> <p>Charlotte Moulds – Community Development Officer (CM)</p> <p>Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK) – (Notes)</p> <p>Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH)</p> <p>Tereesa Williams – Principal Towns</p> <p>Fiona O’Brien – Principal Towns</p>	<p>Councillor Chris Wray</p> <p>Michelle Robertson – Dodworth Resident (MR)</p> <p>Natalie Parkes – Dodworth Business Owner (NP)</p> <p>Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident (RC)</p> <p>Ben Scrivens – Dodworth Methodist Church (BS)</p>

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
Councillor Fielding welcomed everyone to the meeting with no introductions being necessary.		
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
There were no matters arising, and the minutes of the last meeting held 1 st June 2021 were agreed as a true record.		
4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
There were no pecuniary interests declared.		
5. Principal Towns Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Fiona and Teresa gave an update on the Principal Towns project. It was reported that further delays had been experienced due to issues with procurement and legal matters. Other issues concerning specifications for bricks and coping stones, along with general delays with sourcing materials due to the Covid Pandemic.</p> <p>However, it was reported that works should be starting on site at the end of August/early September. The contractors are expected to be on site for about 8 weeks to complete the works.</p> <p>The library will still be accessible at all times during the works with one side being completed at a time.</p>	CM	

	<p>It was reported that funding for the principal towns shop frontage initiative was still available. 9 businesses in total have taken advantage of the scheme so far. The new owners of Dodworth Domestic will be approached again as they have indicated some provisional interest in the scheme.</p> <p>Fiona stated she will also send some information to Ward Alliances when available concerning the Stronger Towns Funding initiative which is to be rolled out in the middle of next year. This initiative will be looking at substantial capital projects approximately in the region of £200,000 - £500,000. It will cover areas which are wider than local high streets, but details of how much wider are still awaited.</p>		
6. 5G Mast Proposal	Action/Decision	Action lead	
	<p>A discussion was held concerning a planning application which had been submitted to erect a 5G mast on the corner of High Street, Dodworth, on the green space area outside the Coop, with Ward Alliance members voicing their concerns about this proposal.</p> <p>The deadline for any comments and objections to the proposal should be submitted online to the council's planning department by the end of today 13/7/2021. (Link attached to the agenda email circulated previously).</p> <p>Councillor Fielding reported the Ward Councillors had been invited to a planning meeting which would discuss the proposal and stated that they would be voicing their objections to the proposal.</p>		
7. Healthy Holidays Update	Action/Decision	Action lead	
	<p>CM reported news is still awaited on what is planned for the Summer school holidays, but that hopefully a further project rolling out more food boxes would be carried out again.</p> <p>CM reported that the Council's Public Health Department were planning some work to promote and implement physical activity within the community. This initiative will include additional beat the street projects and also a sports van which will visit parks and provide both activity coaches and equipment to play with/utilise.</p>		

	<p>MH expressed concerns about parental consent in respect of the project; CM will forward these comments onto the appropriate people.</p> <p>CM will send a schedule of the programme of activities if and when available.</p>		
8. Community Listening		<u>Action/Decision</u>	<u>Action lead</u>
	<p>CM reported that as part of the Stronger Community's priority, community listening projects were to be conducted.</p> <p>This project is about identifying what gaps there are in the community, what issues there maybe since Covid and what is needed to help the community bounce back.</p> <p>An online survey will be used to gather this information which CM will circulate.</p> <p>CM stated that wandering round the community engaging with the public will also be carried out as well as calling into the library and letting them have a copy of survey for people to fill in.</p> <p>CM will let ward alliance members know more details when everything has been scheduled/timetabled.</p>		
9. Small Sparks Fund Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>CM gave a brief update on the 2 Small Sparks funding applications which had been approved previously as detailed below:-</p> <p><u><i>Small Sparks Dog Walkers Get Together</i></u></p> <p>Volunteers involved in the project are waiting for a period of good weather before starting work with the planting.</p> <p><u><i>Small Sparks Walking Away from Isolation</i></u></p> <p>The walking group has now started with walks taking place every Friday morning. All the walks are local around Dodworth, and last approximately 1-2 hours.</p> <p>CM stated the Small Sparks initiative had got off to a reasonable start, but could do with more schemes/applications now being submitted.</p>		

	<p>Councillor Fielding suggested that a leaflet about the scheme could be produced and delivered around the ward. CM will look into preparing a leaflet which could be distributed.</p> <p>CM is also working to see if there any appropriate new ward alliance members.</p>	<p>CM</p> <p>CM</p>	
<p>10. Storage Container Site Update</p>			
	<p>The preferred site for the container at Castle View has now been approved by the Highway Department and site clearance can commence. Once the site is cleared a site meeting will be carried out with Highways carrying out a site inspection of the cleared area.</p> <p>Twiggs are to carry out the site clearance works.</p> <p>JSW is the storage container company who will be supplying and siting the container.</p> <p>CM will provide an update of dates and times of the above programme of works.</p>	<p>CM</p>	
<p>11. Bench on St. John's Close Update</p>			
	<p>CM reported that the new replacement bench should be delivered during this week. The works including removal of the old bench and installation of the new one should take 1 day to complete.</p>		
<p>12. Incredible Edible Planters in Gilroyd Update</p>			
	<p>Councillor Fielding reported Twiggs had carried out a general clear up/tidy up of the area and the planters had now also been tidied up and finished off.</p> <p>Keresforth School, a mixture of mainly year 5 pupils, are to produce a piece of artwork to be displayed on the green mental fence. This will be a nice additional feature to the planters highlighting /drawing attention to the much improved area.</p> <p>A quote will be requested from Totty's signs to make the current notice board at this location to be made back to back. Costs for this can be covered from the already agreed Incredible Edible working budget.</p>	<p>CM</p>	

13. Ward Alliance Funding Budget			
	<p>Councillor Fielding detailed the latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation as outlined on the agenda. The current balance amount is in addition to the approved additional workings budgets listed below.</p> <p>WAF Budget Current Balance: £12,708.74</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement Pot = £592.41 • Environmental Pot = £561.26 • Incredible Edible = £525.00 • Small Sparks Fund = £720.00 • Ward Alliance Storage = £2,400 		
14. Ward Alliance Funding Applications Received			
	<p>There have been no new funding applications received.</p>		
15. Ward Alliance Funding Applications in Pipeline			
	<p>There are currently no other applications in the pipeline.</p>		
16. Upcoming Dates/Events			
	<p><u>High Street Christmas Event</u></p> <p>Councillor Wright confirmed 5th December is the proposed date for the High Street Christmas event.</p> <p>Councillor Wright reported that the recent quiz/bingo night held, raised £312.00 which will help towards staging the Christmas event.</p> <p>A further fund raising event is provisionally planned for the 11th September; a meeting is to be held this Friday to discuss the details. Central Club have agreed to the event being held at their premises and the act Neil Diamondo has agreed to attend/perform at the charity event.</p> <p>Councillor Wright will update on any assistance required in organising the event.</p>		

	<p>CM reported that Laura Dixon is available to assist on any covid related guidance matters when organising any events.</p>		
<p>17. Any Other Business</p>			
	<p>There was no other business reported and the meeting closed.</p> <p>Date of the next meeting is to be agreed/decided in due course.</p>	<p>CM</p>	

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KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Kingstone Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	30th June 2021
Location:	Teams

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Cllr Williams, Cllr Ramchandani, Peter Roberts, Florentine Booth-King, Peter Robertshaw, Kelly Quinney,	James Stephenson, Cllr Mitchell

3. Declarations of pecuniary & none pecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
None that aren't on the agenda		
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward Alliance Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget available: £10,765.23 • Environmental budget: £1,454.19 • Events budget: £157.11 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future bid for toddler group over the summer. H.O.P.E in community. To see if can be agreed moving forward. • Kelly possible funding for similar programme. 	Agreed up to £500 for both. WAF to be completed before funding released.	PRshaw KQ
7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hanging Baskets – Baskets have been delayed due to over subscription from Barnsley area. • Platinum Jubilee – Discussion on events/activities for Platinum jubilee next year. • Healthy Holidays – H.O.P.E will be delivering on our ward. A full list hasn't been sent out yet. Once information is know, it will be shared. • Window Art – WA to create competitions across the year for families and young people to decorate their windows with art. Prizes will be included. • Environmental events. Action day reported to the group. KW/CA to 	<p>Continue to update</p> <p>WA would support activities taking place within the ward</p> <p>Share information when available</p> <p>Subgroup to be created for this</p> <p>Fix dates and look at areas</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA, PRshaw & KQ</p>

<p>arrange the dates. Summer lane highlighted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blow of the blues – Send it out to all • BT/Virgin boxes – Kingstone WA has permission to paint the boxes. A number of ideas were put out and the group will be working with the college and schools to start with, including museums too. Possibility of businesses supporting the artwork. Looking at completing on Race Common, Park road and Summer Lane 	<p>Send it out</p> <p>Contact College, museums and youth association</p>	<p>KW/CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>KW</p>
8. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring bulb planting project – autumn to plant with Twiggs • Street Art Graffiti – look to BT boxes project instead • Small Spark funds – Send to Peter 	<p>Send to Peter to be agreed by the group.</p>	<p>CA</p>
9. Any Other Business:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at mapping walking maps in Kingstone • Postbox on Longcarr Lane is an issue 	<p>Progress</p> <p>KW to engage</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>KW</p>
10. Date and time of next and future meetings:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of next meeting: Wednesday August 11th at 5.30 pm 		

KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Kingstone Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	11th August 2021
Location:	Teams

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Cllr Williams (Chair), Cllr Ramchandani, James Stephenson, Steve Bullcock, Peter Robershaw, Florentine Booth-King, Peter Roberts	Kelly Quinney, Cllr Mitchell, Vera Mawby

3. Declarations of pecuniary & nonpecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at Walking/Green Corridors in Kingstone. Looking at the work North East team has done and progress in our area 	Get NE work and share information	CA
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ward Alliance Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget available: £9,630.23 Environmental budget: £1,454.19 Events budget: £157.11 Small Sparks fund as been agreed and will now be transferred and advertised 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worsbrough United was agreed between WA meetings. This project is now in up and running. The football team are targeting children that would normally miss out for financial, confidence or ability reasons. H.O.P.E toddler session being well attended – 5 – 10 families at each session enjoying the sessions. Other bids have come through, but they have been supported through other funds. CDO will update the group on these as they progress and where the group can volunteer. 	Forward information	CA
7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hanging baskets have now been put up in Stairfoot ward and we will be next. Long delays and learning curve for next year. Baskets to be supported through until Spring • Healthy Holidays - low number of programmes throughout our area, meaning children are missing out. Other solutions have been brought forward and will be emailed out to the group if they can support. H.O.P.E sessions are going well and had a good volunteer coach for the sports sessions. Stephanie Peacock will be visiting the HH session at Shaw Lane. • Action day on Summer lane was a success. A number of residents spoke to Cllr Williams while he was about and thanked him. Thank you to all that came. 8.5 bags collected and further 2 reported. A September day will be selected, it needs identifying. • 'Blow out the blues' was a success with residents in the Caistor Ave/Bainton Drive area. A lot of good feedback and some great art work. A very good project. • BT/Virgin Boxes art work – Cllr Williams has sent out request for support from Barnsley College and Arts/Events team without any response. We will continue to look at avenues to get artists that fit the vision of the WA. • Bernslai Homes Events – 26th Aug at Malham Court. Ward Alliance have been invited if anyone would like to support the CDO 	<p>Forward HH update to group</p> <p>Organise next event</p> <p>Forward the report</p> <p>Follow up on Artists Contact BT/Virgin funding</p> <p>Info to be sent out when complete</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>CA/KW</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA/SB CA</p> <p>CA</p>
<p>8. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>

<p>9. Any Other Business:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccine uptake low in Kingstone particularly for white males aged 30-39. Asking the group for advocacy of the vaccine in their conversations with friends and family • Cllr Williams led a thank you from the WA to James Stephenson who will be stepping down. His skills and ideas will be missed. • Black History month is in October. The WA would like to celebrate this and will gather before the next meeting to discuss 	<p>Advocacy</p> <p>Meeting to be set and invited for all</p>	<p>All</p> <p>FB/CA</p>
<p>10. Date and time of next and future meetings:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 22nd September 5.30pm 	<p>See if we can meet in person</p>	<p>CA</p>

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Stairfoot Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	12th July 2021
Location:	Teams

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
<p>Cllr Dyson, Dave Winnard, Craig Aubrey (CDO), Cllr Gillis, Cynthia Cunningham, Cllr Bowler, Gav Frost (Observing), Robert Stendall, Sian Pearson</p> <p>Cllr Dyson Welcomed Gav Frost</p>	<p>Lisa Hammonds, Roy Marsden, Rev Fiona Rouble,</p>

3. Declarations of pecuniary & none pecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main budget: £18,388.22 • Environmental budget: £2,354.45 • Small Sparks Fund £1,000 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy at Hunningley funding was part agreed. However, we have managed to fully fund the project elsewhere and so no WA money was spent. 		
7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWA Healthy Holiday project – funding fresh fruit and vegetables deliveries through out summer. Schools have passed some families back and working to get list ready this week. • Hanging Baskets – Baskets should be up by WC 19th • Doncaster Road Rose Garden Naming project – the three primary schools are participating in the project and we have had some names back • Build Environment Projects (Clean ups) for summer – Ardsley park, Aldham, work with Friends of for Stairfoot and Kendray (Gully bottoms in Kendray need cleaning during). 	<p>Complete list and calculate funds</p> <p>Follow up on names and voting</p> <p>CA to work with groups</p>	<p>CA/SP</p> <p>CA</p> <p>All</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target cleanup of Active trail at Kendray Central park • Wildflower Meadow – Looking at taking back some grass lands for wildflower across stairfoot ward. Improvement of environment and cost saving of grass cutting. Looking Ardsley bankings as project start. 	Looking at the development of the project idea	AG
8. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion	Action/Decision	Action lead

9. Any Other Business:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Bench is now up on the TPT for Myra. There is no plaque, this is being created and will need additional funds. The group agreed for these funds to be released. • Discussion of 'Age friendly Barnsley' and the areas where benches may be suitable through any project • Carparking for Ardsley Bowling club is an issue and friction between homes and the club. • Look to open discussions with Starbucks/Costa/McDonalds at the amount of waste from their establishments • Stairfoot Ward Alliance have three new member. Gavin Frost - resident & Chair of Caring for Kendray, Kay Thewlis resident & lead for Friends of Kendray and Farm Road Park and Brian Swaine resident and local business owner 	Plaque to be created Report back to project Look at footpaths in Ardsley park Contact with Cllr's to discuss the approach	CA CA KD, AG, JB, CA
10. Date and time of next and future meetings:	Action/Decision	Action lead
9 th Aug 10am, 6 th Sept 4.30pm – Cllr Bowler to chair next meeting		

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Stairfoot Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	9th August 2021
Location:	Teams

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Roy Marsden, Cllr Dyson, Craig Aubrey (CDO), Cllr Gillis, Cynthia Cunningham, Cllr Bowler (Chair), Robert Stendall, Sian Pearson, Brian Swaine, Kay Thewlis.	Rev Fiona Rouble, Dave Winnard, Gav Frost

3. Declarations of pecuniary & nonpecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main budget: £18,388.22 • Environmental budget: £2,354.45 • Small Sparks Fund £1,000 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None – Hopefully as groups return then more bids will come in. 		
7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Holidays – low number of programmes throughout our area, meaning children are missing out. Other solutions have been brought forward and will be emailed out to the group if they can support • Hanging baskets were to be completed today (Mon 9th) or tomorrow, the ones up have been receiving compliments and already had a lot of new interest for next season. The group discussed payments and how this should happen in the future. BS said he'd be happy to have next year and support information getting out. CDO thanked Robert and Denise for their great work with the Hanging baskets • Doncaster Road Rose Gardens and Play Area renaming project went well. Two names were popular, and the winner was Rainbow park. Which falls in well with the artwork that will be erected in the future. 	Update healthy holidays List new people from interest Look at payment in other wards FB post about winner Work with school/pupil in Sept	CA RS CA CA/SP CA

<p>Looking at making more friendly, no dogs/dog fouling signs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pacer's Field – contact from resident to sort entrance and Twiggs were straight out (without being asked) and sorted it. A litter pick will be looked at for the area to improve. • Discussion took place on Twiggs and commissioned services, as to why they are in place. All members who have worked with Twiggs praised them and the great work they do throughout our area and with community groups. • Wildflower meadows – discussed with work rights of way teams and their work on TPT. Waiting on more information, costs etc before progression • TPT memorial – the plaque is being made and will be put in place before September 2nd when friends of Stairfoot are planning an event for the memory of Myra. • Swanee – CDO to meet with resident to look at area to progress a project. Help would be need to clean the area up and this was offer by Friends of Stairfoot and Kendray 	<p>Look into</p> <p>Organise a litter pick for area</p> <p>Chase information</p> <p>Confirm sign and when it will be placed</p> <p>Progress project</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA</p>
<p>8. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>

<p>9. Any Other Business:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HB cost - £128 - £100 for Basket, upkeep and bracket From First Impressions - £28 for the sign from Signs Extra 		
<p>10. Date and time of next and future meetings:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th September 4.30pm – Cllr Gillis is the chair 		

Ward Alliance Meeting



Date & Time:	Thursday 8th July @ 5.30 pm
Location:	Via Microsoft Teams

1. Attendees/ Welcome and Introductions			
Chair Person:		Cllr John Clarke	
CDO:		Michelle Toone	
Secretary:		Andrea Greaves	
Committee Members:		Cllr Roy Bowser, Cllr Jake Lodge, Alison Sidebottom, Allison Johnson	
Guest:			
2. Apologies for absence			
Rev'd Adrian Bateman, Ian Langworthy, Alan Littlewood, Tracey Hamby			
3. Welcome and Introductions			
4. Declarations of pecuniary & Non-Pecuniary Interest		Action/Decision	Action lead
	None declared.		N/A
5. Notes of Last Meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Agreed as a true and accurate record.	All	MT
5. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Principal Towns We have 18 businesses who have successfully accessed funding within the Worsbrough area with more businesses having expressed an interest. Cllr Clarke & Cllr Bowser handed out information leaflets to a number of businesses in the area and encouraged them to apply.</p> <p>Loneliness and Social Isolation Meeting held on 7 July between Central Area Council, Age UK, MIND and Reds in the Community. The commissioned providers presented proposals to the Council to help reduce loneliness and isolation. Cllr Lodge proposed that the providers should also go into the communities and how they could complement already existing provision, add value and aim to link with other services procured by the Central Area Council and the wider council and health partners.</p>		

	<p>Cllr Bowser pointed out that he felt the proposals as presented by the providers were not specific enough. He suggested to see and how the plans will be put into action and invite the charities to one of our WA meetings to see what we can develop in conjunction more specific for our area.</p> <p>Anti Social Behaviour A Pop Up Police Station will be set up on 15 July at Worsbrough Dale. Residents will have the chance to speak with representatives from Bernslei Homes, Barnsley Council, local neighbourhood policing team Barnsley West NPT. This event is being promoted on Facebook and other local platforms.</p> <p>Road Safety Issues The wall damaged and falling down between High Street and Bankend, which is a concern for road safety, which has been reported and awaiting feedback. Bernslei Homes will repair the wall on back of The Ship. Cllr Clarke confirmed that Barnsley Council received £90k funding for the repair for Highway Maintenance, traffic improvement and repairs across the Borough. Proposals had been put forward by each of the 21 Ward so the fund wouldnt be able to address all the issues. Worsbrough Cllrs have put forward 3 recommendations whih include the Jnc at Bankend Road/ Park Road to change the traffic light timings to allow safe crossing windows of opportunity and speed reduction meassures for the A61 Park Road/ Sheffield Road and Thickett lane / Station Road.</p>		
6. Ward Alliance Budget 2021/2022		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Total allocation for 2021/2022 = £16,505.52</p> <p>Ward Green Primary School – Junior Wardens project: £1,800 Ward Green Primary Barnsley would like to join Junior Warden Scheme which is organised by Dodworth Crime and Safety Group who have offered 4 places on the scheme to Central Area Council primary schools. The aim of the Junior Warden Scheme is to promote good citizenship and promote a safe and crime free community. To enable young people to gain a sense of community and to join several initiates to encourage participation in community events. Cllr Clarke suggested to promote this to the other primary schools within the Ward as well for them to have the opportunity to apply for funding.</p> <p>Worsbrough Bridge AFC – Defibrillator External Case: £528 Worsbrough Bridge AFC have a defibrillator for use by the football club and are willing to offer the use to the wider</p>	<p>WA agreed to award money in full.</p> <p>MT to contact Bankend Primary School & Mill Academy.</p> <p>WA agreed to award money in full.</p>	MT

	<p>community with the ward. The defibrillator will be installed on the externally on the premises of the Worsbrough Sports & Development Association and therefore requires a suitable case.</p> <p>Alison Sidebottom proposed maybe to consider providing i-gel Supraglottic Airway devices for anyone to use in addition to conventional CPR.</p> <p>Concern raised that it is a more specific medical device that may not be suitable to use by non-medically trained people (first aiders & general public).</p>	<p>MT to check suitability and costs for simple face masks (for mouth to mouth applications).</p> <p>Alison to check costs.</p>	
b.	Engagement Fund = £1,157.75		MT
c.	Environmental Fund = £28.02		MT
7. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	No Further updates at the Moment. Cllr Clarke to update at the next meeting following the Area Council meeting.		Cllr Clarke
8. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p><u>Worsbrough Community Pantry</u></p> <p>The printed leaflets to advertise the provisions are ready to collect from Michelle's office. Ideally, these need to be distributed prior the summer school break. Given that school half terms will bring additional financial burdens to families already struggling.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke said that he would collect some copies 9 July and distribute.</p> <p>Michelle and volunteers will also organise an Open Day on Wednesday, 22 September during the Pantry's opening hours. All WA members are invited to come along. Invitation extended to Bernslei Homes, DIAL, Family Lives, as well as organisations within the Councils' key providers.</p> <p>This will also provide a good opportunity for local residents to come along and sign up for membership and key providers to engage with existing users.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke on behalf of the WA thanked Michelle for all her hard work setting up the provisions. Cllrs have been receiving many positive feedback so far.</p>	<p>Group to let MT know of their availability and where they have planned to distribute the leaflets.</p>	<p>MT/ Worsbrough Community Church</p>
b.	<p><u>Hanging Baskets</u></p> <p>The hanging baskets are finally in place. The WA have purchased additional brackets so more baskets could be installed across the areas this year resulting in 70 baskets in total.</p> <p>There has been a high interest of individuals and companies. Going forward the allocation of the baskets will be reviewed with the volunteers. Mt proposed names in a hat could be a fairer way of allowing people on the waiting list the opportunity to sponsor a basket.</p> <p>Feedback from locals has been extremely positive.</p>		<p>Working group/ WA Group</p> <p>MT</p>

	<p>ClIr Clarke asked whether spare brackets at the Cutting Edge could be utilised. Further discussions with the volunteers around future support and long term sustainability would take place in the coming months. The volunteers have done a great job of communicating with the sponsors and liaising with the supplier and relevant departments and the scheme success is thanks to their hard work and efforts.</p>		
c.	<p>Healthy Holidays Healthier Communities will be supporting families on free school meals again during the school summer break. Previously, food boxes were provided, which were received very well. However, there is no further scope to provide food boxes and these will now be replaced by holiday clubs. Funding is available for groups/ organisations to apply to however the criteria around school meal standards food and the length and frequency of the sessions has been a barrier to the groups within Worsbrough applying. Moving forward MT will work with Primary Sports Coaching to set up a CIC so they can apply for funding directly and groups/ volunteers can be used to support the delivery of the sessions. Bankend friends planning to deliver four Healthy Holidays sessions in the Bank End area. However, stipulation around funding not feasible for local groups and therefore they will instead apply for funding from the WA directly. Michelle to liaise with the group to complete WAF application, which then will be sent to all WA members for feedback. The sessions are aimed at families and will be open and free to all. Each of the sessions will include an enriching activity these are, community games, community quiz, sports day finished with the Bankend has got talent show. In addition to the activity participants will be provided with a nutritionally balanced packed lunch. The quiz and talent show will be facilitated by a local events company that are able to provide all the equipment needed and compare the events creating a fun and engaging atmosphere No equipment will be purchased. Costs relate to consumables and hire.</p>	<p>WA members to agreed / decline WAF application as soon as received by email.</p>	MT
9.	Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus		
a.	<p>Environmental Group The group is looking to put a action plan ready to start delivery at the end of Sept/ Oct . The Worsbrough Tidy Group set dates already for rest of year for workdays. Kath from the Tidy Group will contact local schools again to discuss potential activities and support.</p>		MT/ Environmental Group
b.	<p>Support to Community Groups Most of community groups have inactive for almost 16 months. Michelle would be focusing on supporting existing community groups to start operating again now the restrictions are beginning to ease. This will include building up capacity to support Bankend Friends to deliver healthy holidays and supporting Pavilion Group to become financially sustainable and to make profit.</p>		MT

	<p>Key area to focus in the autumn will be on providing volunteer training program and put in place additional requirements for community groups such as renewal of food & hygiene certificate.</p> <p>Cllr Lodge met with representatives from the Family Centre Worsborough and Kendrey who expressed interest to get involved to deliver specific projects.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke asked and whether Ian could liaise with football teams to maybe put 5-A-Side matches on at Lew Whitehead. WA could provide funding as well for refreshments etc.</p>	WA members to let MT know of any groups and requirements.	
c.	<p><u>Promotion of WAF & Small Sparks</u></p> <p>As part of the focus to support groups to come together again MT will also be promoting the WAF and Small Sparks funds to existing and new groups / volunteers.</p> <p>No applications received to date.</p> <p>Cllr Lodge suggested for Small Sparks to organise an event such as street party to celebrate Queen's 75th Jubilee next year.</p>	The group agreed to do more promotions via Social Media campaigns. MT to coordinate.	MT
d.	<p><u>WA membership recruitment</u></p> <p>The group currently lacks diversity and not necessarily represents all residents in the area.</p> <p>Michelle to put a targeted process in place to encourage residents from ethnic minorities, with disabilities, and young people to join the group and become a volunteer. To make it more diverse and represent the area we are serving.</p> <p>Plan is to work alongside college, with the Barnsley Youth Council and local schools.</p> <p>Michelle will visit the Mosque in few weeks to take the opportunity to engage with people from the Worsbrough area. Current members will also be asked to re confirm their membership and commitment to the Ward Alliance. In addition, Michelle will conduct a skills audit again with all members.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke confirmed that out all the WA's in the Barnsley Borough, Worsbrough has one of the most members.</p>		MT
9. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p><u>Dale bowling team</u></p> <p>The Dale bowling team has approached Cllr Clarke asking for substantial funding to get trees around their area cut down again.</p>	MT to meet with the group to discuss cheaper options.	MT
b.	<p><u>Community Listening Exercise</u></p> <p>Listening to people is the foundation of community organising because it builds trust and relationships, uncovers issues and is an essential starting point for bringing people together to share stories, ideas and action.</p> <p>Any of WA member to volunteer and support more than welcome.</p>		MT
9. Dates and times of future meetings		Action/Decision	Action lead

	<p>The Ward Alliance agreed to continue to the six weekly schedule and to conduct the meetings in person. There will be additional meetings in between with various working groups. The next meeting of the Ward Alliance is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, 19th August @ 5.30pm at Miners Welfare • Thursday, 30th September @ 5.30 pm at Baptist Church • Thursday, 11th November @ 5.30 pm at St Thomas Parish Hall • 16th December social at Boatman Rest. Time TBC. 		AG
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BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Central Area Council Meeting

DATE: 1st September 2021

Report of Central Area Council Manager

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Date: 17th August 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 2021-22.

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 1st 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 CAC spend for the 2021/22 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 2021/2022.

Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview**2020-21 Ward Funding Allocations**

For 2021-22 each Ward had 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 2020/21 Ward Alliance Fund has been combined and added to the 2022/22 allocation, managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

All decisions on the use of this funding were approved through the Ward Alliance.

CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2021/22 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£5,254.33	Carried forward from 2020/21
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£15,254.33	Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Unspent /returned	Allocation Remaining
2021/22 Ward Alliance Allocation			£15,254.33
Off Road Biker Deterrent Signs	£160.00		£15,094.33
Full House Estate Community Group New Planter	£1,000.00		£14,094.33
Total	£1,160.00		£14,094.33

DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2021/22 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£6, 281.54	Carried forward from 2020/21
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£16, 281.54	Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Unspent /returned	Allocation Remaining
2021/22 Ward Alliance Allocation			£16,281.54
Q4 Secretary Payment	£125.00		£16,156.54
Bench Replacement at St Johns Close	£1,522.80		£14,633.74
Junior Wardens, St John's Primary Academy	£1,800.00		£12, 833.74
Q1 Secretary Payment	£125.00		£12,708.74
Purchase of Signage from Totty Signs	£298.74		£12,410.00
Total	£3,871.54		£12,410.00

KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2021/22 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£ 6, 975.69	Carried forward from 2020/21
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£16,975.69	Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Unspent /returned	Allocation Remaining
2021/22 Ward Alliance Allocation			£16,975.69
Classroom IT Equipment -Barnsley Sea Cadets	£1,790.00		£15,185.69
Drinking Water Supplier - ELSH	£1,198.46		£13,987.23
Junior Wardens - Worsbrough Common Primary	£1,800.00		£12,187.23
Amendment to previous WAF to reflect rising cost in shed and kitchen refurbishment – Highstone Bowling Club	£390.00		£11,797.23
Highstone Lane Allotments Clean Up & Skip Hire	£1,032.00		£10,765.23
HOPE In the Community, Healthy Holidays Toddler Group	£425.00		£10,340.23
Worsbrough United Football Team, Purchase of Goods for New Team	£710.00		£9,630.23
Total	£7,345.46		£9,630.23

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2021/22 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£14 ,763.34	Carried forward from 2020/21
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£24,763.34	Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Unspent /returned	Allocation Remaining
2021/22 Ward Alliance Allocation			£24,763.34
Moved to Environment Working Budget	£2,000.00		£22,763.34
Purchase of two benches, Friends of Ardsley Welfare	£1,575.12		£21,188.22
Small Sparks Fund Created	£1,000.00		£20,188.22
Forest Academy Primary School, Junior Wardens	£1,800.00		£18,388.22
Total	£6,375.12		£18,388.22

WORSBROUGH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2021/22 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£7,186.02	Carried forward from 2020/21
£0	Funds unspent/ returned
£17,186.02	Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Unspent /returned	Allocation Remaining
2021/22 Ward Alliance Allocation			£17,186.02
Q4 Secretary Payment	£125		£17,061.02
Cool as Ice, Worsborough Community Pantry	£555.50	£35.05	£16,540.57
Worsbrough Bridge AFC, Defibrillator External Case	£528.00		£16,012.57
Ward Green Primary Junior Wardens	£1,800.00		£14,212.57
Summer Cycle	£1,084.00		£13,128.57
Bank End Friends Healthy Holidays	£900.00		£12,228.57
Q1 Secretary Payment	£125.00		£12,103.57
St Thomas Toddle Group	£900.00		£11,203.57
Total	£6,017.50		£11,203.57