

MEETING:	Penistone Area Council
DATE:	Thursday, 7 April 2022
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Penistone Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

Minutes and notes

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Performance

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Items for decision

- 7 Procurement and Financial Update (Pac.7.4.2022/7) *(Pages 33 - 42)*

To: Chair and Members of Penistone Area Council:-

Councillors Barnard (Chair), Greenhough, Hand-Davis, Kitching, Lowe-Flello and Wilson

Area Council Support Officers:

Matt Bell, Penistone Area Council Senior Management Link Officer
Elaine Equeall, Penistone Area Council Manager
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities
Peter Mirfin, Governance Manager
Cath Bedford, Public Health Principal - Communities

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MINUTES

Present Councillors Barnard (Chair), Lowe-Flello and Wilson

29 **Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests**

No Members declared an interest in any item on the agenda.

30 **Minutes of the Penistone Area Council meeting held on 2nd December, 2021 (Pac.10.2.2022/2)**

The Area Council received the minutes from the previous meeting held on 2nd December, 2021.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Penistone Area Council meeting held on 2nd December, 2021 be approved as a true and correct record.

31 **Notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 9th December, 2021 (Pac.10.2.2022/3)**

The meeting received the notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 9th December, 2021.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 9th December, 2021 be received.

32 **Clean, Green and Tidy Service - Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Year 2 Update - John and Wendy Twigg**

Wendy Twigg and John Twigg from Twiggs Grounds Maintenance were welcomed to the meeting to give an overview of performance and work carried out for the 2021/2022 contract period.

Members heard how it had been a difficult year due to a number of changes in restrictions as a result of the Covid pandemic, staffing changes and difficulties with recruitment, but that the Team had worked hard in adapting to all the changes in order to provide a continuous service and help out when volunteer groups had the need to isolate.

An overview of the services provided was given including flexing the service in order to provide support to other strained Barnsley MBC core services and of work undertaken and the groups and organisations engaged. The tool bank initiative was being used by a number of families and volunteers who were more dependent and

self sufficient in disposing of any rubbish collected themselves, this was evident from the 533 bags that had been requested with only 79 requested for pickup.

Members questioned as to whose responsibility it would be for the purple rubbish bag collections and were informed that this was mostly the responsibility of Neighbourhood Services but that Twiggs and volunteers themselves were also collecting and disposing of bags.

Sites had been maintained whilst volunteers had been isolating to avoid undoing the work achieved and support to keep those relationships and people positive by way of a phone call, email or visiting to chat through a window. A Plant Swap initiative had begun in order to link groups during isolation and a Christmas Tree competition supported by the Spar in Penistone.

An update was provided on the progress made with Team Greenmoor, HB+ and Royd Community Gardens as an example of the variety of work that volunteer Groups had carried out in their communities during the year and continued to do so with support and guidance from Twiggs.

Engagements with a number of businesses had taken place and members were informed that support had once again commenced with some Schools as they started to open up due to restrictions lifting.

Members were informed that Twiggs had made a number of environmental pledges including the widespread use of electric tools which were lighter to use, had no petrol fumes and were easier to maintain. Some vans had been fitted with battery chargers in order to charge the tools whilst travelling from one place to the next. A paperless system had been created in order to record and produce instant reports once a job had been completed. Green waste had been reintroduced, where possible, to put it back into the environment as opposed to disposing of it at a tip site.

The use of a herbicide free solution for controlling unwanted vegetation called Frontline Foam was introduced to members who were informed of the multiple uses and benefits it could give in a variety of areas such as kids playgrounds, weeds, algae and chewing gum. This was a product that could be used unrestricted in all territories reducing the use of glyphosate products in the environment.

A new apprentice had joined the Team following the resignation of the previous apprentice. Members heard how there were 7 apprentices in total in the Team on a rotational programme around the different areas in order to gain the most work experience in all aspects and areas of work carried out.

Staff training days had taken place in partnership with Oakwell Training Ltd and included manual handling, working at heights, needle stick awareness and blood born viruses, Health and Safety, Emergency First Aid and Mental Health Awareness. Members were informed that training had been set up independently during the pandemic as courses had continually been cancelled or rescheduled, and so in order to aid staff training in a timely manner Oakwell Training Ltd was created to carry out accredited in house training and to create specific packages and programmes on subjects such as How to use Power Tools Safely.

An update was provided on the work carried out on the Take a Seat campaign. A number of benches that had been earmarked for 'badging up' needed restoration and the general areas around them tidying up. Further work needed to be carried out to identify additional benches to aid the campaign.

In the independent household statistics, 32 adult volunteers and 13 young volunteers had been engaged along with 29 households receiving support.

In terms of volunteer engagement statistics, members heard that there were 459 sustained adult volunteers and 54 new ones but that the biggest increase had been seen in the young volunteers with 14 sustained volunteers and 40 new ones. In total there were 567 volunteers which had resulted in 831 volunteer hours being accrued and a financial return of £11,384.70.

Members enquired as to whether a monthly or weekly report could be circulated informing people of where work was scheduled to be carried out in their areas in order for people to take part or see what was happening in the future. They were informed that due to Covid measures and restrictions this hadn't been possible as Twiggs led events were unable to take place and smaller volunteer group meetings needed to be maintained and manageable in numbers. However, it was indicated that once all restrictions were lifted this would be reinstated and a calendar of scheduled events could be circulated either on a fortnightly or monthly basis.

Members raised the issue around planting trees and informed Wendy and John Twigg that if they identified an area that trees could be planted, then these could be funded from the Council as part of its commitment to plant 10,000 trees by 2023. They also enquired as to whether a project to plant some Christmas trees in the community could be created in order to have a future supply in place of commercially buying in expensive trees on an annual basis.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation and hard work undertaken by Twiggs Grounds Maintenance in improving the area.

33 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Pac.10.2.2022/6)

Members received the report, noting its contents. The Area Council Manager drew particular attention to the £10,000 allocated to the Schools Out Fund which had received an application for a February Half Term Cricket Camp leaving a total of £7820 for further applications. Members were informed that a number of applications were expected in for the Easter holidays.

Members enquired as to whether the remaining funds had a deadline for being spent, they were informed that there was no deadline and could be carried forward as a Schools Out Funding pot or merged back into the Ward Alliance main budget.

Members noted that £11,768 remained in the Ward Alliance funds.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

34 Quarter 3 Performance Update Report (Pac.10.2.2022/7)

The Area Council Manager provided Members with an overview of Performance for Quarter 3 and all contracted Services.

Members attention was drawn to the comparison chart for the years 2020/21 to 2021/22 showing a positive upward trend in numbers confirming that things were moving forward and Groups were once again starting up and work with volunteers was more active.

Attention was brought to the significant increase in numbers for the quarter for residents and young people receiving advice and support, this was due to the inclusion of one of the young people projects that included providing advice to young people, whereas in previous quarters it had only included the CAB, Age UK and DIAL offers.

Twiggs numbers were exceeding their targets with working with groups, businesses and also with schools as things started to open up once more.

Lot 1 of the Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older People's grant, which had previously been extended had, amongst other things, provided one to one support for 26 existing service users and 23 had been offered information and advice.

The number of Community Car journeys had increased and had seen a move from just health visits to some leisure and educational visits. Intergenerational links had been welcomed with Thurlstone Primary school who had made 50 Christmas cards and donated 32 items of biscuits and chocolates which were given to Age UK to distribute to elderly residents. A number of activities had taken place over the Christmas period with Christmas lunch at Wortley Golf Club, visits to the Penistone Paramount and Cannon Hall.

Lot 2 had seen groups becoming active once again such as the Dementia Café at Penistone Leisure Centre which was making good progress. Particular attention was brought to the Penistone Men in Sheds group who had been helping Penistone Theatre Group out with set design and building, Age UK had used this as an opportunity to advertise in order to attract more people to join the men in sheds project.

Work had been undertaken around health immobility and healthy bones activities had been carried out in Thurgoland in conjunction with other health and leisure supporters. The Singing Group was doing well as well as the Tai Chi classes in Penistone which had been well attended.

Lot 3 had created a network which was being diverted and integrated into the larger age friendly agenda across Barnsley. A number of Berneslai Homes tenants bungalows had been fitted with solar panels in Oxspring had been identified and included in a battery storage project which was a collaboration between Berneslai Homes and Energise Barnsley, in order to produce a report to show what a difference it could make to households.

The Take a Seat Campaign continued to work with Twiggs in order to identify further benches to be included within the scheme. Age UK had looked at initiatives around helping older people with improved transport in rural areas and fed their findings into the consultation and review in conjunction with the South Yorkshire Mayor.

DIAL had received a significant number of people accessing their service with £115,000 of benefits claims supported with the majority being for Personal Independent Payments. DIAL had been working in conjunction with Public Health in order to carry out safe and well checks which had revealed a high incidence of loneliness. DIAL had hoped to commence face to face meetings in Penistone Town Hall but this had been delayed due to the Omicron variant, a date was yet to be agreed when this would commence.

Members were informed that whilst the Penistone Area Council had earmarked further funding from 2022, the project had also benefited from additional funds from the Lottery and the BMBC Advice Line Fund, which together had provided 28 hours of advice line support per week. DIAL had also provided Well and Warm packs for vulnerable clients by accessing the Local Support Grant allocated for the Penistone area.

Members raised a query as to whether fuel poverty had begun to be a concern, but at the time of the meeting this had not been highlighted as a major issue but that it would be monitored.

A significant impact had been seen with the Supporting Young People Grant Fund projects. Ad Astra had been continuing its work in Penistone Grammar School with pre 16 pupils providing advice and support. However due to restrictions in school, the proposed delivery model had required adaptation due to difficulties in securing a private safe space for individual contact, peer support to a group of pupils and planned walk and talk sessions could not be delivered resulting in reduced outcomes. Plans were in place for the Grammar school to carry out a baseline assessment for pupils to express their needs in order to direct future work.

Penistone Grammar School had put in place plans for mental wellbeing sessions for the post-16 pupils. Due to the impacts of Covid it had been unable to deliver on some outcomes detailed on the proposal. However, the school had recruited a volunteer Counsellor from Leeds Beckett University to carry out mindfulness/low mood sessions to pupils alongside the Pastoral Headteacher, with hopes to engage a further volunteer student Counsellor in the future.

Penistone Girl Guiding had created a project to support young women through positive experiences and activities as part of a 'Challenge' Badge and local event. The number of young women participating in the Girl Guides in the Barnsley West area had slowly increased as a result of the project. An open invitation for the Barnsley West area was to take place and Kingswood Outdoor Centre on 26th March, 2022 with 200 places available.

Angel Voices had continued its success with 31 regular attendees. Work carried on to get out into villages after successfully holding a workshop in Cawthorne. Two performances had taken place in Penistone Church and Cawthorne Hall resulting in £736 pounds being raised from ticket sales and given back for restoration funds. Members noted that a positive impact on confidence in the young people coming forward and helping with a variety of mental health issues such as low self esteem and lack of confidence.

Members heard how one of the projects hoping to come forward for funding from the Schools Out Fund was from Angel Voices in order to hold workshops in the Easter Holidays in greenspaces outdoors.

An update was provided on Penistone Leisure Centre which had unfortunately been delayed with its projects and outcomes due to a number of reasons. However positive progress had been made by recruiting and training some volunteers in order to operate from February 2022 onwards. A further update would be provided at a future meeting.

Penistone FM was progressing well with 2 groups of people trained and working on Podcasts. Links had been established with Penistone Grammar School in order to widen the training out to further young people. A visit was to be planned in order to see the work being carried out.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

35 Working Together Fund - Citizen's Advice Bureau Debt Advice Service Update - David Andy

The Area Council Manager provided members with an update on the Working Together Fund – Citizen’s Advice Bureau Debt Advice Service from the period October 2020 to December 2021.

Members were informed that additional funding from the Hardship Fund had enabled an extension to the contract to March 2022.

Some background information was provided about the contract and how it had started as a trial in April 2019. The accredited, free and confidential sessions were held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month in Penistone Town Hall by Citizens Advice Bureau staff to provide help on a number of issues including support on debt, money management and benefits.

Sine the pandemic the service had been delivered via telephone and email provision in line with government guidelines. 150 clients had been assisted in the period from October, 2020 to December, 2021 and 306 clients from the beginning of the contract, which on average equated to 10 contacts per month. A total of 274 issues had been dealt with which was around 1.83 issues per client.

Although the contract dealt with mostly debts, clients had been aided in claiming £42,139 worth of welfare benefits making a total of £187,762 since the project began. £1,066,069 worth of debts had been managed culminating in a total of £1,136,084 since the start of the project.

Members heard how the return on investment per £1 was £4 in benefits and £105 in debts, however this was skewed by just one client that was helped with managing £1million.

The majority of enquiries made and dealt with revolved around debt, benefits including tax credits and universal credit, relationships and families, employment and housing.

Members received a breakdown of profile data in the year to date which included 49% of clients accessing the service presented with long term health conditions or disabilities and an even split on male and female clients had been seen. For housing types a varied pattern of people had been seen with 13% who owned their own home and 14% lived in private rented properties but with 59% who preferred not to say. The employment status showed a similar picture with 23% identified as full time/part time/self employed and 8% on sickness benefit but with 63% not recorded.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation and that its contents be noted.

36 Procurement and Financial Update (Pac.10.2.2022/8)

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager who commenced by providing members with an update on the Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older Peoples Service. The procurement process for the service had commenced and the timeline would enable the new service to be in place by the middle of May 2022. Members were informed that a Grants Panel would be held around April//May time and requests for member representations would be forthcoming.

Members were reminded that £33,599 remained in the Penistone Area Council Working Together Fund and that the CAB Debt Advice Service funded by the Grant was to end in March 2022. Members views were sought as to whether CAB should be encouraged to submit a further grant application form. Members attention was drawn to a Welfare Services Review that was underway within the Council. If approved the Area Councils may not have the need to fund welfare services in the future, however there was no guarantee that this would be up and running in order to provide a continuous service once this contract came to an end in March 2022. Members were supportive of the encouragement of a further application with a view to organising an urgent Grant Panel in order to protect the continuity of the service.

The Working Together Grant Fund – Supporting Young People projects were all progressing well following a delayed start due to the pandemic.

Members were informed that the Clean, Green and Tidy Service was nearing the end of its second year of the contract and that a decision was required as to whether members were satisfied with the service provided and if so whether they wished to extend to the third and final year of the contract at a cost of £100,000.

Members raised concerns as to the visibility of the Maintenance Team over the past year but were informed that this had been due to the pandemic and that the Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Team had adapted to working in different ways and encouraging different activities within communities.

Members were informed that the cost of the contract funded the delivery of a service such as contributions towards staff time, tools and equipment, the funding for an apprentice, waste carriers licence along with other administration costs.

Members queried whether this service was also funded by the other Area Councils, they were informed that 5 out of the 6 Area Councils had contracts with Twiggs Grounds Maintenance but that each contract had a different ask and need and that each one had been agreed through a rigorous individual procurement process.

Members agreed to the contract extension for a year but with the ask of increased visibility and improved communications around a timetable of visits and events.

It was noted that an amendment to the Penistone Ward Alliance budget was required due to a further project being agreed following the report being published resulting in £7,820 being left in the budget.

Members noted that work continued on the Private Sector Housing Support Officer and would be presented at a future meeting of the Area Council.

Members attention was drawn to previous allocations of money from the budget for publications in the Penistone Living Magazine which had left a budget of £1,157 available to spend. Members expressed their interest in producing further publications in order to publicise work being carried out in the Penistone Area and wished to allocate a further £3,000 from the 2021/2022 budget.

An overview of the budget was provided. Following the approval of the additional £3,000 for the Penistone Living Magazine fund, the 2021/2022 financial year end total to be carried forward into the 2022/23 financial year was £41,904.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the update of contracts funded by the existing Supporting Isolated and Older People Grant Fund be noted and that the timelines for the procurement of a new service be noted;
- (ii) that the update and current financial position of the Penistone Working Together Fund be noted and that the encouragement for an application from the Citizen's Advice Bureau to continue to provide a debt advice service for the Penistone Area be agreed;
- (iii) that the update on ringfenced funds within the existing Working Together Fund to establish specific activities that will support young people in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic be received and noted;
- (iv) that the updates on the new Clean, Green and Tidy Contract started in April 2020 be noted and that approval be given to continue the service for a further 12 months to April, 2023 at a cost of £100,000 from the 2022/23 budget allocation;
- (v) that the Area Council Manager contact Twiggs Grounds Maintenance who would be requested to be more visible and provide communications to residents and elected members on work due to be undertaken;
- (vi) that the update on the Ward Alliance budget be noted;
- (vii) that the update on the proposals discussed to procure Private Sector Housing Support be noted;
- (viii) that the wish to continue to publicise the work of the Penistone Area Council and Ward Alliance via the Penistone Living publication be agreed and that approval be given for the allocation of £3,000 from within the 2021/22 budget for this purpose;

(ix) that the financial position for the 2021/22 budget, inclusive of decisions taken within the meeting, be noted.

37 Community Listening Report (Pac.10.2.2022/9)

The Area Council Manager drew members attention to the Community Listening Report. Members noted the contents and were informed that the report had been a useful exercise in order to provide an indication of what people's thoughts were and would be a useful aid to help forward plan for future projects.

RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

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NOTES OF PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE MEETING Thursday 10th March, 7pm, Penistone Town Hall

Present: Cllr Robert Barnard (Chair), Allen Pestell, Cllr John Wilson, Jon Cutts, Ann Walker, Richard Leech, Graham Saunders, Barbara Lee, Cllr Mandy Lowe-Flello, Joe Unsworth, Bob Blythe, Cllr Paul Hand-Davis

In Attendance: Tanya Dickinson and Laura Sharman, S106 Programme Manager

1. Introductions and Apologies

A round of introductions took place to welcome Laura to the meeting. Apologies received from Pauline Ogden, Chrissie Yates and Cllr Hannah Kitching.

2. S106 Monies

A presentation was given to members by Laura which gave an overview of S106, what it is for, current and pipeline schemes taking place, and what monies are available for the Penistone area. (Presentation attached to these notes).

Several questions were raised by members which are to be followed up after the meeting.

Action: Tanya Dickinson and Laura Sharman

3. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interest

Non-pecuniary interests were declared by Cllr Paul Hand-Davis for the Sprinvale Community Garden application, and Cllr John Wilson for the application received from the TPT Conservation Volunteer Group.

4. Notes of the Meeting Held on 10 February 2022

The notes of the previous meeting were approved.

5. Matters Arising from the Notes

There were no matters arising.

6. Ward Alliance Finances

Cllr Barnard confirmed the Penistone Ward Alliance fund stands at £4,495.43 and the 'School's Out' at £7,820.

7. Applications for Financial Assistance

Ward Alliance Funding:

a) Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth Parish Council - £2,500

After discussion it was decided to defer this application until the April meeting for more information about the match funding. Action: Tanya Dickinson to contact the group for a breakdown of the proposed match funding for this application.

b) Hoylandswaine Events Group - £1,320

The Alliance agreed to support this application with the expectation that the project becomes self-sustainable after the first year. A proposal of £1,320 was recommended for approval.

c) TPT Conservation Volunteers - £398.40

The hard work of this group was recognised along with the importance of encouraging use of the TPT. A proposal of £398.40 was recommended for approval.

School's Out Funding:

d) Springvale Community Garden - £860

It was agreed that this is a worthwhile project encouraging use of outdoor space. A proposal of £860 was recommended for approval.

e) Angel Voices Performing Academy - £1,000

Members agreed to support this application. Although the intention is to run the outdoor singing workshops during the Easter school holidays, the Alliance understood that due to personal circumstances of the organiser, project delivery may move into Spring Bank half term. A proposal of £1000 was recommended for approval which includes £192 for venue hire in case of bad weather. This amount to be returned once the project has been delivered and if all sessions were able to be delivered outdoors as planned.

The Ward Alliance was asked to consider utilising some of its School's Out funding to cover the cost of putting on a young people's engagement event at Penistone skatepark during the Easter holidays. The Area Team is working with colleagues in Community Safety and South Yorkshire Police to deliver this event which aims to address anti-social behaviour in the area. More detail to be provided once known. Action: Tanya

8. Update on Cawthorne Cricket Club – February half term activities

Following their application into the School's Out Fund, Cawthorne Cricket Club delivered a very successful 3-day cricket camp during the February half term at Penistone Grammar. The attached feedback has been provided by the cricket club.

9. Area Council Update

- Cllr Barnard informed the Alliance that a 6-page publication about the work of the Area Council and Ward Alliance went out in the Penistone Living magazine published by Barnsley Chronicle.
- Tanya informed the Ward Alliance that the Supporting Vulnerable & Isolated Older People Area Council commission is shortly going out to tender and asked for a community representative from the Ward Alliance to sit on the panel. Anyone interested in being a part of this, please contact Tanya. Action: Ward Alliance community representatives.

10. Any other business

- Ann shared details of a fundraising event taking place on Thursday 31st March at St Andrews Church to raise funds for UNICEF Ukraine Appeal. Action: Tanya to share via the Area Team social media pages.
- The Tankersley & Pilley Environment Group (TPEG) has been in touch regarding a wood chipping machine that they purchased using Ward Alliance funding which they no longer need. It was agreed that this piece of equipment be offered as a donation to the Penistone Community Equipment Bank or to a group which carries out environmental work. Action: Tanya to take this forward.

11. Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 14th April, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall. (Richard Leech sends his apologies for this meeting).

2021/22 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2021/22 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

50% of the funding requires a match-funding element of volunteer time that directly relates to the project in question, or other match funding resources (such as free room hire or donations of goods and equipment). This reflects the fact that the fund is intended to support volunteering and social action in our communities.

50% can be used for initiatives that have no volunteer element – such as the purchase and installation of benches, hanging baskets or other street furniture.

Area Councils have the option to allocate up to £20,000 from the Area Council budget to each of their Ward Alliances. This is discretionary to each Area Council, and Area Council's may also choose not to allocate any funding to ward level.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2020/21 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2021/22 Allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

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

2021/22 Final Ward Project Allocations

PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE

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

£20,000.00	base allocation
£6,925.00	carried forward from 2020/21
£10,000	Area Council - Ringfenced Schools Out Activities Fund
£36,925.00	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
			£13,462.50	£36,925.00
Tankersley Bench Renewal	£3,000	£3,000	£13,462.50	£33,925.00
Penistone Camera Club	£1,435.40	£1,435.40	£13,462.50	£32,489.60
Oxspring MUGA	£1,700	£27,566.40	£13,462.50	£30,789.60

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
Cawthorne Toddler and Baby Group	£475	£0	£12,987.50	£30,314.60
Thurgoland Welfare Replanting	£1,000	£2,274	£12,987.50	£29,314.60
Tankersley and Pilley Environmental Group (TPEG)	£677.77	£1,370	£12,987.50	£28,636.83
Barnsley Road Club Summer Club	£590	£1,150.80	£12,987.50	£28,046.83
Oxspring United JFC New Goals	£1,020	£1,849	£12,987.50	£27,026.83
Penistone Gala Penistone By The Sea	£1,650	£5,260.80	£12,987.50	£25,376.83
Springvale Community Garden Summer Activities	£1,000	£739.80	£12,987.50	£24,376.83
Penistone Cricket Club drainage	£2,000	£18,000	£12,987.50	£22,376.83
Tankersley Welfare Hall Garden	£750	£1,356.30	£12,987.50	£21,626.83
Conroyd Wood Footpath Project	£2,000	£2,466	£12,987.50	£19,626.83
Hoylandswaine Dog Poo Bags	£350	£123.30	£12,987.50	£19,276.83
Thurgoland iPad Station	£656.70	£2,466	£12,987.50	£18,620.13
Norcroft Pit Memorial	£325	£328.80	£12,987.50	£18,295.13

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
Hunshelf Parish Council	£2,000	£712.40	£12,987.50	£16,295.13
Stottercliffe Cemetery Children's Memorial	£2,000	£2,740	£12,987.50	£14,295.13
Thurgoland Bowls Club	£2,000	£3,370.20	£12,987.50	£12,295.13
Feb Half Term Cricket Camp Cawthorne CC	£590	£739.80	£12,987.50	£11,705.13
Penistone Arts Week 2022 Promotion	£800	£1808.40	£12,987.50	£10,905.13
Springvale Community Garden Activities	£1316.40	£1068.60	£12,987.50	£9588.73
Penistone Area Council Extra allocation December 2021	£10,000			£19588.73
Roughbirchworth Community Excavation Group	£500.00	£4,110.00	£12,987.50	£19,088.73
Ingbirchworth Pétanque Social Club	£2,990.00	£1,370.00	£12,987.50	£16,098.73
Thurgoland Village Welfare Queen's Jubilee	£500.00	£2,740.00	£12,987.50	£15,598.73

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
Oxspring Friends Queen's Jubilee	£343.50	£2,096.10	£12,987.50	£15,255.23
Millhouse Sports Club	£600.00	£2,466.00	£12,987.50	£14,655.23
Community Defibrillator at Wortley Top Forge	£163.60	£287.70	£12,987.50	£14,491.63
Angel Voices Singing Workshops	£1,000.00	£411.00	£12,987.50	£13,491.63
Springvale Community Garden Easter Activities	£860.00	£137.00	£12,987.50	£12,631.63
TPT conservation volunteers	£398.40	£0.00	£12,589.10	£12,233.23
Hoylandswaine Events Group Hanging Baskets	£1,320.00	£438.40	£12,589.10	£10,913.23

Red = Schools Out Activities Funds

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Penistone Area Council

Interim Performance Updates



Area Council Priorities



These services address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Penistone Area Council.

Priority	Service	Contract /Grant	Contract end date	Provider
	Clean, Green and Tidy	£100,000 per annum	Funded until end of March 2023	Twiggs
	Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older people	£70,000 per annum	Funded until May 2022	Age UK Barnsley
	Debt advice service	£12,118 per annum	Funded until March 2022	Citizens Advice Barnsley
	Information and Advice service	£10,136 per annum	Funded until January 2023	DIAL
	Working Together Grant Supporting Young People	£40,000	July 2022	Various
	Principal Towns	No cost to PAC	Ongoing	BMBC

Quarter 3 Stats (Quarter 4 due at PAC June 9th)

	Outcome indicator	Last complete quarter	This year 2021/22	Last year 2020/21	To date
	Clean & tidy activities which involve businesses	13	39	14	187
	Young people making a positive contribution to the design/ maintenance of their local environment	27	40	2	647
	People who feel they have the opportunity to influence the design and maintenance of their local environment	47	164	22	483
	Apprentice and placements created and recruited to	0	2	1	5
	People taking up work experience placements	0	1	0	32
	Young People engaged in volunteering	47	95	13	769
	Activities which involve young people under the age of 18	107	156	2	386
	Community groups supported	19	56	86	653
	New community groups supported	1	3	3	60
	Community car scheme journeys	94	126	4	980
	Adult volunteers engaged	160	680	138	3223
	New volunteers	51	123	40	938
	Residents and young people receiving advice and support	250	571	761	2359
	Residents referred to health and advice	15	67	76	160
	FTE jobs created and recruited to	0	2	3	24.5
	Local spend (average across all contracts)	95%	95%	95%	95.4%
	Volunteer hours contributed (£ value)	£21,701.25	£48,765.60	£13,668.52	£347,490.09
	Volunteer opportunities created	105	509	150	1976
	People achieving a qualification / accreditation	0	5	0	157
	People receiving training	52	103	52	1116

Clean, Green and Tidy Service

Twiggs



Update

This contract provides a service to help maintain a clean, green and tidy environment in the wards of Penistone East and Penistone West. The emphasis is to work with the community; incorporating volunteers, local businesses, parish councils and local schools to empower and enable a sustainable approach. In spite of restrictions due to the pandemic, the contract has continued to provide a supportive service for community groups and parish maintained areas, finding different ways to work with volunteers within COVID guidelines as well as identifying specific projects across the patch to maintain the appearance of the Penistone area.

- New area team leader started and is developing relationships in the area
- Team continuing to support specific groups with projects as restrictions now lifted and more groups identify projects where they are needing help.
- Worked with New Royd community gardens to support with Tree Planting initiative
- Ongoing links with HB+, TPEG, Springvale Gardens, Marketeers. Team Green Moor
- Planning and preparations for the Great British Spring Clean (25 March – 10th April) including Penistone Town Centre clean up event working with 34 businesses approx. on 30th March.
- Responding to specific work supported by volunteers in various parishes throughout the area such as Penistone town centre, Oxspring, Thurgoland, Silkstone Common and High Hoyland.
- Working with the Area team to support a young people's community safety event planned in the Easter holidays
- Starting to pick up contacts with Schools again now restrictions have started to lift

Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older people Grants

Age UK Barnsley



LOT 1: Social Action and Volunteering

Supporting people one to one through volunteer be-friending, providing specific information and advice for older people, assisting with travel through the community car scheme, and connecting people through small scale activities such as walking for health.

Lot 2 – Community Activities

The focus of this is to provide group based activities with an emphasis on achieving health outcomes, activities to engage men, activities to promote intergenerational relationships and creating opportunities where there are none in outlying villages.

Lot 3- Creating and Managing Responsive Networks

The emphasis on this is to create a sustainable network of people and groups who support older and more vulnerable people in the Penistone area.

- A new Social Inclusion worker started for the area primarily supporting volunteers and one-to-one activities as funded through Lot 1 of the grant. The service also sees a new Information and Advice worker starting , providing the same service as previously for the contract.
- Two new volunteers recruited as some have now moved on, and a bigger push is underway to encourage more volunteers in the next few weeks
- Men In Sheds now picking back up following the success of the collaboration with Penistone Theatre group on the Pantomime scenery, with 2 new members recently recruited

- Links have been made with the new incoming Penistone Town Mayor who has chosen Age UK Barnsley as his designated charity this year and is keen to link up with work Age UK are currently delivering in Penistone.
- Activities to support with health and healthy bones have increased with new provision at Thurgoland and Chair Zumba classes as well as previous work picking back up now on Tai chi and Pilley health life group. Our programme is also part of the Barnsley Older people Physical activities alliance which is working to provide a co-ordinated approach for physical activities for older people in Barnsley.
- Work supporting those living with Dementia continues to be developed: Happy Vibes café at Penistone Leisure centre is now back up and running and well attended. Age UK Barnsley are also signed up to Maintenance Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (MCST) supporting the wellbeing and mental stimulation of people living with dementia through group programmes and plan to trial the approach in Penistone shortly.

Citizens Advice Barnsley



Update

The advice service has supported clients with a variety of different issues, but as in previous years, the most common are Benefits and Tax Credits, Debt, and Universal Credit. As well as improved financial outcomes the support provided by the advice service also helps to improve health and wellbeing, reduces client stress, and improve resilience by increasing the client's ability to cope through self-help.

- This service continues to offer on-line and telephone advice
- Take up rate continue to be steady , with the predicted rises post covid not having yet hit
- Return to face to face services is currently being trialled in March and April on an appointment only service in the North area and discussions will be taking place about a potential future return to face to face work in other areas from May onwards
- This contract finishes at the end of March an application for further funding from the Penistone Working together grant has been received and is under consideration.

DIAL Barnsley



Update

DIAL help to reduce the financial exclusion of residents and work towards lowering anxiety. During the last quarter, they continued to concentrate on telephone appointments for form completion and advice along with Public Health Advice and guidance via self and well checks.

- The service continues to provide on line and telephone support only.
- Working with colleagues in CAB, it is intended to trial an appointment only system for Face to Face advice in the North area during April with a view to rolling out the approach from May.
- The Area Manager is working with DIAL to look at the feasibility of returning to face to face work using the Penistone town hall on a appointment only basis.
- The service continues to be well utilised currently and more detailed rates will be presented in the next full quarterly report.

Supporting Young People Grant Fund

This grant fund was set up in May 2021. All projects funded under this did not start to deliver until the end of June/beginning of July, with some starting as schools returned in September. The finish dates for projects is therefore variable, and reports will feed into end of quarter reporting.

Ad Astra



Update

Ad Astra – providing gender specific mental wellbeing sessions to pre-16 pupils at Penistone Grammar. Started promoting it via leaflets and with a couple of taster sessions before the end of term. From September will be working Monday and Thursday Lunch Times covering Y7 and Y10 on a Monday and Y8 and Y9 on a Thursday. Peer support model.

- The project continues to make progress working within Penistone Grammar school.
- Adaption have been necessary to the original project plan due to restrictions for contact within school during the pandemic period.
- Lunch time sessions with pupils in Yrs 7 & 8 have been proving beneficial to support young people with confidence and self esteem issues
- One to one support has been provided alongside the group sessions and as the reputation of the support is building up within the school pastoral systems , more pupils are being referred into this
- It is hoped that peer support groups will develop more as restrictions start to lift.

Penistone Grammar School



Update

Penistone Grammar school – Mind for the Future provides mental wellbeing sessions with post-16 pupils from September to enhance educational achievement and prevent mental health impacts on later life chances.

Due to the impacts of the Covid pandemic this project has like many others been unable to delivery on the outcomes detailed on the project proposal. With restrictions in the number of outside visitors to the school recruiting volunteers has been a problem, however the school managed to recruit one volunteer counsellor (from Leeds Beckett University) who has been coming into school and doing mindfulness/low mood sessions with Post 16 students (taking on 3 students a week, sometimes for a number of weeks).

- All post-16 pupils have now completed the assessment tool to identify specific mental health issues
- A programme of support is planned around this including specific sessions focussing on issues raised in the assessment
- One to one support is continuing with the volunteer counsellor
- The school is seeking to join up better with the work that Ad Astra is currently doing with Pre-16 pupils as part of a whole school approach to supporting pupils with mental health issues

Girlguiding Barnsley West



Update

Penistone Girl Guiding – supporting young women through positive experiences and activities to enhance self esteem and wellbeing as part of a 'Challenge' Badge and local event.

- The Challenge Badge syllabus has now been developed and approved by the Girl Guiding association.
- A badge design has been created based on a competition winning design , developed by one of the Girl Guides. A lot of interest has been expressed in the new badge, which is currently being produced ready for distribution.
- Attendance within guides is steadily improving post pandemic with new attendees coming in
- The activity day is now planned for March 26th and thanks to PAC funding has become available to a wider cohort as a result of the subsidised rate. This is open to 200 young women in the division including Rainbows, Brownies, guides and Rangers and will provide a great opportunity to bring girls together to experience exciting and challenging opportunities.

Angel Voices



Update

Angel Voices – community based singing workshops, culminating in community performance events to raise funds for charity .

The project so far has been extremely successful. The impact on the local community has been extremely noticeable, children have been learning about techniques that help their physical health and mental well-being that they have taken home to their families and friends. People in shops have said how nice it is to see events in the community which has also allowed for publicity via word of mouth.

- Further workshops have been held which have been really well attended
- Links have been made with Thurgoland and Hoylandswaine to look at reach further out into the community
- Proceeds from events have so far been given to St Johns church and Cawthorne Village hall
- Young People with additional needs have really benefited from the provision and have gained a great deal of confidence.
- The project is looking to provide additional workshops during the school holidays at Easter and is keen to develop links with environmental groups to look at the potential to develop singing in green spaces.
- Full detailed report due at the end of the quarter

Penistone Leisure Centre



Update

Well Penistone Youth, delivered by Sporting Penistone. Project to provide a range of physical activities such as Teen Boxing, skating and a planned resilience bootcamp for September.

- Starting to make some progress after a delayed start due to the pandemic and changes within the Leisure centre
- Boxercise and skating sessions have been popular and well attended with more planned
- Sessions for children with additional needs is proving more of a challenge to get established , volunteers are trained but due to restrictions session are still not up and running
- More detailed updates will be available at the end of the quarter

Penistone FM



Update

Active Minds project Penistone FM – to train a core group of young people in broadcasting skills who would then engage with other young people to provide their experiences and advice for others via podcasts. The project finishes in March and a full report will be provided to PAC.

Project highlights

- 3 groups of young people now trained and working on the Podcasts and videos
- Good links have been established with Penistone Grammar School and young people are recommending the training to others in their peer groups.
- The project also continues to be widely publicised through various means including Barnsley Chronicles magazine and paper, Darton Arrow and Look Local, social media platforms and one of the students who was a part of the first group talked with Cera on BBC Radio Sheffield about how she has benefited from the Active Minds Project.
- 38 Young people have attended 'talking sessions' which will be used to inform others
- Links have been made with various community groups to reach young people who would be willing to share their experiences – these have been used to inform video and podcast content.

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Penistone Area Council
April 7th 2022**

**Summary report of the
Penistone Area Council Manager**

Agenda Item:

Penistone Area Council Procurement and Financial updates

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides members with a summary update on the following commissioning and procurement activity:

- Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older people service
- Working Together Fund
- Supporting Young People Fund
- Clean & Tidy Service

1.2 The report outlines the current budget position of the Penistone Ward Alliance

1.3 The report outlines the summary 2021/2022 financial position for Penistone Area Council and provides a current budget update for the new financial year 2022/23.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 **That members note the update of contracts funded by the existing Supporting Isolated and Older People Grant fund and note the updates to the procurement process for a new contracted service.**

2.2 **That members receive the update and current financial position of the Penistone Working Together Fund**

2.3 **That members receive the update on the Supporting Young People ringfenced funds within the existing Working Together Grant Fund and consider the option to extend this funding for a further year.**

2.4 **That members note the updates on the Clean and Tidy contract started in April 2020 and note the agreed progression to the third and final year of the contract.**

2.5 **That members note the update on the Ward Alliance budget.**

2.6 **That members note the updates in relation to agreed funding allocated for inserts to the Penistone Living publication**

2.7 **That Members note the financial year end budget position for 2021/22 budget and the projected 2022/23 budget position in light of any decisions taken within this meeting**

3.0 **Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older People Service**

3.1 The current grant contracts held by Age UK have continued to perform satisfactorily, operating against flexed outcomes during the Covid-19 period which has been reflected in the performance reporting presented at previous meetings of PAC.

3.2 At the PAC meeting 1st October 2020 members were advised that current contracts to provide the existing service were due to end in January 2021, and it was agreed that £70K is made available from the 2020/21 Area Council budget to set up a further 'Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older People Fund' (SVIOP) with devolved responsibility for the formal approval of the grants to the Executive Director for Communities, following recommendations from the grant fund Panel Members.

3.3 In light of the ongoing impacts of the Covid -19 pandemic, and the need to provide continuity of service to vulnerable members of the Penistone Community, members agreed at PAC December 3rd 2020 to the allocation of £35k from the 2020/21 PAC budget to allow a six month extension for current contracts held by Age UK to June 2021 and to defer procurement activity for a new service until June 2021

3.4 Members were advised at PAC June 3rd 2021 that due to further impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic, it had become necessary to make a further deferment of the procurement of a new service beyond the original intended date of June 2021. As a result members agreed the allocation of £35k from within the 2021/22 PAC budget to support a further 6 month extension to the current Age UK Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older people grants contracts.

3.5 Following a Member workshop in August 2021 to review current provision by Age UK, a forward plan was agreed for the new grant specifications. In order to meet current procurement requirements to ensure wider market engagement, it was agreed by members at PAC on December 2nd 2021 that a further extension of the current contract with Age UK be granted to the end of May 2022 at a cost of £29,166.

3.6 Members have received details of the new Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older People grant spec which is now open for public tender with a closing date of April 20th 2022. Grant applications will be assessed by panel w/c 25th April 2022 and it is anticipated that a new contract may be operational by the beginning of June. Members will be kept informed of progress within this process.

3.7 Members will receive a final update on performance of current contracts delivered by Age UK at the next PAC meeting on June 9th

4.0 **Penistone Area Council Working Together Fund**

4.1 At the Area Council meeting of October 1st 2020 members agreed that the Working Together Grant should be promoted to accept applications to fund activities which will support covid recovery intentions with a deadline of 27th November 2020.

- 4.2 At PAC June 3rd 2021 Members were advised that two applications had been approved by the Grant Panel to fund a continuation of the debt advice service to be delivered by Citizens Advice Bureau at a cost of £8118 and an information and advice service to be delivered by DIAL at a cost of £10,136. Both contracts have been supplemented by pandemic financial hardship funds, made available to support area council budgets, this has enabled extended provision to support higher demand in the last 12 months.
- 4.3 A further application from Penistone FM to support young people has also been approved as part of the grant this year at a cost of £8583, and £594 has also been taken from this grant to supplement the Supporting Young people ringfenced pot.
- 4.4 A current application for **£8191** from Citizens Advice Bureau is under consideration by the grant panel. This will enable continuation of the delivery of the Debt Advice service which finishes at the end of March 2022.
- 4.5 The Working Together grant continues to be promoted by the Area Team. Recent interest in grant funding has increased and the area team has been working to support two projects with potential future applications for funding.
- 4.6 A current total of £33,599 is remaining in this pot. Should approval be received for the current CAB funding application this will leave a remaining amount of **£25,408**. Members may wish to review this at future PAC meeting in light of any increased demand from this grant pot.
- 4.7 Total allocations to date (since the grant started in 2014)

Penistone FM	£ 15,627.00
Penistone Round Table	£ 11,660.00
Penisone Scout Group	£ 8,050.00
Sporting Penistone	£ 16,230.00
DIAL (Information and Advice service 2017)	£ 4,275.00
Barnsley Market – BMBC Market Barn additions lighting and Wi-fi	£ 6,740.00
Penistone Youth Project (TYS)	£ 8,730.00
The People Focussed Group (Bumping spaces)	£ 19,836.00
Cycle Penistone CIC	£ 5,990.00
Penistone FM Community Radio Older people	£ 19,840.00
South Pennine Community Transport CIC 2017 pilot	£ 5,000.00
Trans Pennine Trail Conservation Volunteers Penistone Station project	£ 6,630.00
Allocation to Ward Alliances	£ 10,000.00
DIAL (Information and Advice service 2018)	£ 4,395.00

South Pennine Community Transport CIC 2017 Pilot extension	£ 6,538.00
South Pennine Community Transport CIC Service Delivery 2018/19	£ 20,000.00
TPT conservation volunteers Penistone Station project extension	£ 2,890.00
Penistone FM Young Voices	£ 7,644.00
DIAL (Information and Advice service 2019 with option to extend to 2020)	£ 9,700.00
CAB Barnsley (Information and Advice Debt support 6 month Pilot to Sept 2019)	£ 2,115.00
South Pennine Community Transport CIC Service Delivery contribution 2019/20	£ 14,000
Barnsley CAB debt advice service operational costs to September 2020	£ 3566
Barnsley CAB debt advice service operational costs to September 2021	£8118
DIAL (Information and Advice service 2021 with option to extend to 2022)	£10,136
Penistone FM Young Minds project	£8583
Additional amount allocated to cover YP grant overspend	£594
Total Allocations to date	£236,887
<i>Current Amount remaining for allocation</i>	£33,599
CAB application under consideration	£8191
Amount remaining if approved	£25,408

5.0 Working Together Grant fund – Supporting Young People

- 5.1 At PAC meeting October 1st 2020 members agreed to an additional £40k allocated from within the current 2020/21 PAC commissioning budget to be ringfenced within the Working Together Fund and promoted solely for the use of activities which will support the physical and mental wellbeing of young people.
- 5.2 Following grant panel assessment of applications in late April /early May 2021 five project proposals were approved for funding at a total cost of £40,594. The additional £594 outside of the ringfenced grant allocation is recouped from the main Working Together Fund grant pot as show in 4.7 within this report.

5.3 The impacts of the pandemic created delays for some of the projects in being able to start, however all projects have since made good progress as is highlighted in the performance updates presented to this and previous PAC meeting of February 10th 2022.

5.4 Breakdown of allocations for Supporting Young people grant

Ad Astra – supporting young people pre16 in Penistone Grammar school	£8640
Penistone Leisure Centre	£6454
Angel Voices	£10,000
Penistone Girl Guiding	£5,500
Penistone Grammar – supporting Young people post 16	£10,000
Total allocations	£40,594

5.5 All projects have been well received within the community and have demonstrated the benefit of provision which supports young people with their physical and mental wellbeing.

5.6 Demand continues to increase for activities as pandemic restrictions have lifted. In order to meet this demand and provide both a level of sustainability as well as encourage new projects, it is recommended that a second round of grant funding is made available at a cost of **£40k** from within the current PAC budget.

6.0 **Clean, Green and Tidy Service**

6.1 Following a robust procurement process, in which members participated, Twiggs Ground Maintenance Ltd were successful in being appointed as the preferred provider for the Penistone Clean, Green and Tidy service and started their contract on the 1st April 2020 at a cost of £100,000 for the year from within the 2020/21 area council budget allocation.

6.2 The current Clean Green and Tidy service contract started during the lock down period for Covid-19 and as a result it was agreed to flex this to meet immediate needs during the crisis period. The contract performed satisfactorily within the flexed terms with performance highlighted at PAC meetings during 2020.

6.3 Members at PAC February 11th 2021 agreed to the continuation of this service to year two of the contract from April 2021 at a cost of £100k from the 2021/22 PAC budget. A full update of this service, and performance during the pandemic period was received by members at PAC June 3rd 2021.

6.4 Year two of the Clean Green and Tidy service contract has continued to be reviewed and flexed in order to accommodate the ongoing impact of the pandemic in 2021. A full summary of Year 2 performance was presented to members at PAC on February 10th 2022. In light of the findings of this, members agreed to continue to fund the final year of this contract from April 2022 at a cost of £100k from the 2022/23 PAC budget.

6.5 A full performance report for the final quarter of year two of this contract will be provided at to PAC at their meeting on 9th June 2022.

7.0 **Penistone Ward Alliance**

7.1 A budget allocation of £20k (£10k for each ward within the Penistone area) has been made available to the Ward Alliance outside of Area Council funds for the financial year 2021/22. This, together with underspend of £6,925 from the previous financial year 2020/21 provided the Ward Alliance with a working budget of £26,925 for the 2021/22 financial year.

7.2 In light of the growing demand on the Ward Alliance funds during the year, PAC agreed at it's meeting on December 3rd 2021 to allocate an additional sum of £10k to support the Ward Alliance Budget to the end of the current financial year 2021/2022.

7.3 In addition, at PAC June 3rd 2021 members also approved £10k to enable the Ward Alliance to provide support to the PAC priority to Support Young People by allocating a small ring fenced funding pot for the provision of activities during the school holiday periods 2021/22.

7.4 Following the last Ward Alliance meeting on March 10th 2022, an overall total of **£10,913.23** remained from the 2021/2022 allocations. The ring fenced Schools Out funding accounts for £5960 of this total and will be carried forward with the remaining underspend of £4953.23 to add to the Ward Alliance budget allocation of £20k for the financial year 2022/23.

8.0 **Private Sector Housing support to the Penistone area**

8.1 At the PAC meeting on 2nd December 2021 members considered a range of options in relation to private sector housing support for the Penistone area. It was agreed that an option to investigate the need further be explored before any future decision is taken to fund this from within the PAC budget.

8.2 Members are advised that work on this is ongoing and will be presented at a later meeting.

9.0 **Penistone Area Council Community Magazine**

9.1 Following discussion at the Area Council meeting on February 14th 2019, Members agreed the option for communicating the work of the Area Council and Ward Alliance to the Penistone area via content for the Penistone Living Magazine.

9.2 As a result of the covid-19 pandemic from March 2020 publications were halted but members indicated an intention to continue to use Penistone Living when next available at their meeting of 23rd July 2020. As a result members approved for content at a cost of £921.60 to be included in a publication at the end of October 2020 and agreed a further allocation of £3000 for future publications.

- 9.3 Due to the limited number of publications during the pandemic 2020-21, content has only been submitted for one further publication, leaving a current total of £1,157 from within the original allocation available for spend on this item.
- 9.4 Members agreed at PAC February 10th 2022 that this was still a priority for communicating the work of PAC in the area and agreed a further allocation of £3000 from within the 2021/22 budget in support of this.
- 9.5 Members are advised that content for the publication in May 2022 is currently being prepared.

10.0 **Current Financial Summary Position**

- 10.1 A PAC budget allocation of £200k was made available for spend within the financial year 2021/22. This, together with carry forward from the 2020/21 budget of £15,225, gave a total working budget of £215,225 (plus £10k financial hardship monies) .
- 10.2 A self Isolation fund made available to support the most clinically vulnerable during the pandemic, was successfully drawn down to support people in the Penistone area at a revised value of **£13,845** which was added to the income giving a total budget of £239,070.
- 10.3 Approved spend at the end of the financial year 2021/22 totals **£187,166**, leaving a total of **£41,904**. This amount will be carried forward into the 2022/23 PAC budget allocation of £200k
- 10.4 Spending already approved from the 2022/23 PAC budget allocation includes £100k for year 3 of the Clean Green and Tidy contract.
- 10.5 Should spend of £40k be approved for a further round of the Supporting Young People grant at 5.6 within this report, a working budget of £101,904 is available to PAC in support of its priorities during the financial year 2022/23
- 10.6 **2021/22 Budget allocations**

Approved spend items in operation in 2021/2022	Current approved expenditure from 2021/2022 budget
New Clean Green and Tidy contract Year two	£100,000
Age UK grant contract extensions to December 2021	£35,000
Allocation to WA for ringfenced summer holiday activities	£10,000
Additional monies to Ward alliance budget	£10,000
Age UK grant contract extension to May 2022	£29,166
Communications budget for publication content via Penistone Living	£3000
Total allocated spend for year 2021/22	£187,166

Budget 2021/22	
Base budget	£200,000
Additional income to base budget	
Underspend from 2020/21 budget	£ 15,225
Financial hardship monies (earmarked)	£ 10,000
Self Isolation Funds	£13,845
Total budget available for spend 2021/22	£239,070
Current remaining total in 2021/22 budget to carry forward	£41,904

10.7 2022/23 Budget Allocations

Approved Spend items in operation 2022/23	Current approved expenditure from 2022/23 budget
Twiggs year 3 contract	£100,000
Young people's Grant (For approval)	£40,000
Budget 2022/23	
Base budget	£200,000
Additional income to base budget	
Underspend from 2021/22 budget	£28,059
Self Isolation Funds carried forward	£13,845
Total budget available for spend 2022/23	£241,904
Current remaining total available for spend (subject to approval of young people's grant)	£101,904

10.8 PAC Financial summary

PENISTONE AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING BUDGET 2021/22						
Contract Name	Commissioning Budget 2019/20		Commissioning Budget 2020/21		Commissioning Budget 2021/22	
	Budget		Budget		Budget	Spend
Base Expenditure	£200,000.00		£200,000.00		£200,000.00	
Underspend from previous year	£63,358.75		£115,224.75		£15,225.00	
Countryside Skills Training						
Countryside Skills Training Extension						
Clean & Green						
Clean & Green extension						
Working Together Fund	£50,000.00					
Allocation to Ward Alliances/DWB 15-16						
Allocation to Ward Alliances 16-17						
Reducing Isolation in older people						
Public Health Funds	£3,820.00					
Supporting Older People Fund						
Supporting Older People Fund ex	£17,500.00		£52,500.00			
Supporting Older People Fund ex 2			£35,000.00			
Supporting Older People Fund ex 3					£35,000.00	£35,000.00
Supporting Older People Fund ex 4					£29,166.00	
Supporting Young People Fund			£40,000.00			
Community Magazine distribution costs						
Allocation to Ward Alliances 17-18						
Allocation to Ward Alliances 18-19						
Allocation to Ward Alliance 19-20	£10,000.00					
Allocation to Ward Alliance Dec 21					£10,000.00	
Clean & Green 2017/18 (Y1)						
Clean & Green 2017/18 - extension Nov 19 (Y2)	£57,171.00					
Clean & Green 2017/18 - extension April 2020 (Y2)	£40,836.00					
Clean & Green April 2020 (Y1)			£100,000.00			
Clean & Green April 2021 (Y2)					£100,000.00	£80,000.00
Penistone Living Inserts	£2,664.00		£3,000.00			£1,843.20
Supporting Vulnerable & Older People Grant 2021			£70,000.00		£10,000.00	£1,590.00
Allocation to WA for ringfenced summer holiday activities						
Income						
Public Health Monies						
financial hardship monies					£10,000.00	
Practical Support Grant					£18,880.00	£5,035.60
Expenditure Incurred in Year						£123,468.80
What funds are available					£200,000.00	

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