

MEETING:	South Area Council
DATE:	Friday, 8 April 2022
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes and Notes

- 2 Minutes of the Meeting of South Area Council held on 17 December, 2021 (Sac.08.04.2022/2) (Pages 3 - 6)
- 3 Notes of the informal meeting of South Area Councillors held on 18th February, 2022 (Sac.08.04.2022/3) (Pages 7 - 10)
- 4 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Sac.08.04.2022/4) (Pages 11 - 12)
Hoyland Milton and Rockingham – held on 3rd March, 2022

Performance

- 5 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Sac.08.04.2022/5) (Pages 13 - 18)
- 6 Citizen's Advice Bureau - David Andy (Sac.08.04.2022/6)

Items for Discussion

- 7 Public Health Update (Sac.08.04.2022/7)
- 8 Procurement and Financial Update (Sac.08.04.2022/8) (Verbal Report)

To: Chair and Members of South Area Council:-

Councillors Markham (Chair), Andrews BEM, Eastwood, Franklin, Frost, J. Higginbottom, Lamb, Osborne, Shepherd, Smith, Stowe and Sumner

Area Council Support Officers:

Diane Lee, South Area Council Senior Management Link Officer
Lisa Lyon, South Area Council Manager
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities
Peter Mirfin, Governance Manager

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MINUTES

Present Councillors Andrews BEM, Eastwood, Franklin, Frost, Lamb, Osborne, Shepherd, Smith, Stowe and Sumner

Members in virtual attendance: Councillors J Higginbottom and Markham

20 Election of Chair

RESOLVED that Councillor Stowe be appointed Chair for the purposes of this meeting only.

21 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillors Markham and Frost both declared an interest in minute number 27 due to their positions on the board of Age UK Barnsley.

22 Minutes of the Meeting of South Area Council held on 22nd October, 2021 (Sac.17.12.2021/2)

The meeting considered the minutes of South Area Council held on 22nd October, 2021.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the South Area Council held on 22nd October, 2021 be approved as a true and correct record.

23 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Sac.17.12.2021/3)

The meeting received the notes from the following Ward Alliances, Hoyland Milton and Rockingham held on 3rd November, 2021; Darfield held on 16th September and 18th November, 2021; and Wombwell held on 20th September, 2021.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Ward Alliances be received.

24 Public Health Update - Smoking Cessation - Dayna Towns (Sac.17.12.2021/4)

Dayna Towns, Community Stop Smoking Advisor (South), provided an update in relation to Yorkshire Smokefree Barnsley.

Members were informed that Dayna had been in post since August, 2021 and her main role was to promote and develop Yorkshire Smokefree Barnsley across the South Area.

Smoking prevalence in the South Area was reported as lower than the overall average across the Borough, but that smoking was one of the latest contributors to death in England and one of the leading causes of a wide range of cancers.

Yorkshire Smokefree provided 12 weeks of support including a combination of face to face clinics and free replacement therapy products such as nicotine patches and chewing gum in order to help clients achieve their goal of stopping smoking. Members noted that there were plans for group clinics to be held in the New Year in Darfield and the Hoyland Centre. It was noted that this would be achieved with close working relationships with the Area Council, GPs, Pharmacies and neighbourhood partners in order to open up pathways for referrals, plus promotional events would be held around the area to aid in the work towards a smokefree society by 2025.

Lisa Lyon, South Area Council Manager provided members with a background to how the posts had come about, informing them that 3 had been recruited in total for the South, Dearne and Central Areas. The roles had been devised from a pilot scheme that had been held in the North East area that had taken a traditional smoking cessation post and embedded it within community work with GPs, schools and community groups which was then rolled out to other area councils. The key being to work with members to find opportunities to embed the roles locally rather than in GP surgeries. It was noted however, that there had been some difficulty in holding events and any suggestions from members would be welcomed.

Members gave an indication that they would welcome the service in Wombwell and that the library had rooms available to hold some sessions plus there would be an opportunity for a market stall on Wombwell high street on market day.

Dayna informed members that clients could be referred through a number of pathways including calling themselves, their GPs who have a specific referral system they can use and also through hospitals. There was a desire to also have referrals through dentists but this was still being looked into.

The Yorkshire Smokefree Barnsley 12 week programme was welcomed by members, however concerns were raised around the use and safety of vaping devices and whether this was also used as an alternative to smoking. They were informed that vaping was relatively new and research on the safety was continually being undertaken but that the NHS did not provide vaping devices and the use of which was client choice. Diane Lee, Head of Public Health, informed members that smoking remained the one of the biggest causes of death and illness and the aim of the work being done around smoking cessation was to create an environment where people would want to quit. Members were offered a presentation of the latest research report on vaping at the next area council to which they agreed.

Members raised questions around the age demographic of clients and whether there was a particular age range that were affected the most. It was confirmed that in general it was the older age ranges that had been smoking for most of their lives and had illnesses such as COPD that were being referred and that it could take some clients more than one 12 week course to quit.

It was recognised that there was a desire and a need to push for advisers to return to schools in order to aid pupils in stopping smoking.

The Chair and members thanked Dayna for the presentation and hard work being undertaken.

25 Procurement and Financial Update (Sac.17.12.2021/5)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item and referred members to the two items for recommendation following a member workshop held on 2nd December, 2021.

Members were reminded that funding for the Private Sector Housing Officer was in place until the end of September, 2022 following a review at a previous meeting held on 25th June, 2021. Following that decision, a review of the posts had been carried out through BMBCs Safer Neighbourhood Services resulting in the post becoming permanent rather than fixed term contracts from the 1st April, 2022. This was deemed a positive move in order to keep Officers in post who had been out in the Community creating positive relationships and gathering intelligence and become familiar with the area.

Members were supportive of Option A in the report to extend the post for a further 2 years until September, 2024 at a cost of £34,000 per year.

Discussion then turned to the District Enforcement Limited contract and members were given a number of options based on the fact that Barnsley MBC would be providing Borough wide enforcement through one contract from 1st April, 2022 with the possibility of add on services being commissioned by Area Councils. Following discussions members were minded to approve a variation to the contract for 6 months. This would allow for members to see what the Borough wide provider offer would be and look like, as it was anticipated that parking enforcement would not be in the offer which was vital for Wombwell High Street, Hoyland Town Centre and Darfield Local Centre.

Members requested further information around where parking enforcement activities had taken place and how many tickets were issued or whether there were no tickets due to there being no problems. The Area Council Manager agreed to circulate the report from the workshop and would contact the Contract Manager for further information to be circulated to members.

An update was provided on the Area Councils financial situation with £24,800 remaining to be allocated in the current financial year. Members noted that an additional income of £37,996 had been received from the Healthier Communities Covid Pot with a further £20,000 from the Covid Practical Support Fund. Following the receipt of this money, work with Berneslai Homes was being undertaken to get support out for people struggling with food and fuel costs. An update would be provided in the next quarterly report to see what that would mean and what could be done to aid that support.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the update on the Private Sector Housing Officer SLA be noted and that the post be extended for a further 2 years to 30th September, 2024 at a cost of £34,000 per annum be agreed;

(ii) that a variation to extend the Environmental Enforcement contract with the current provider for a further 6 months at a cost of £10,831 and that £21,662 be ringfenced to purchase additional resources from the new provider as part of the Borough wide offer be approved; and

(iii) that the risk that the current provider, District Enforcement Ltd, may not have the resources to extend be acknowledged.

26 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Sac.17.12.2021/6)

Members noted the available finance in each Ward Alliance funding pot and questioned whether any remaining funds would be eligible to be carried forward if unspent. They were informed that this would not be confirmed until around February, 2022.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

27 Performance Report Q2 (Sac.17.12.2021/7)

The Area Council Manager presented members with the Quarter 2 performance report.

Members noted the recently added red, amber and green rag rating in the report in order to see at a glance when commissioned services were achieving their targets.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

Chair



MEETING:	Informal meeting of South Area Councillors
DATE:	Friday, 18 February 2022
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY

NOTES

Present Councillors Markham (Chair), Andrews BEM, Eastwood, Franklin, J. Higginbottom, Lamb, Smith, Stowe and Sumner

1 **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

No Member wished to declare an interest in any item on the agenda.

2 **Minutes of the Meeting of South Area Council held on 17th December, 2021 (Sac.18.02.2022/2)**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th December, 2021 were received.

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the meeting of South Area Council, held on 17th December, 2021 be approved as a true and correct record.

3 **Notes of the Ward Alliances (Sac.18.02.2022/3)**

The meeting received the notes from the following Ward Alliances:-
Hoyland Milton and Rockingham held on 19th January, 2022;
Wombwell held on 20th January, 2022; and
Darfield held on 10th January, 2022.

RECOMMENDED that the notes from the Ward Alliances be received.

4 **Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Sac.18.02.2022/4)**

The Area Council Manager made Members aware of the following amounts of finance remaining in each of the Ward Alliance Funds:-

Hoyland Milton and Rockingham - £11,324.84
Darfield – £12,007.18
Wombwell - £9,574.11

RECOMMENDED that the report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds be received.

5 **Public Health Updates (Sac.18.02.2022/5)**

Diane Lee, Head of Public Health, spoke to the item and provided an overview of the draft Mental Health Strategy. The strategy covered the whole of the borough and

had been co-produced with those who had lived experience. Officers had worked closely with the Mental Health Forum.

The strategy acknowledged the impact of trauma and adversity on mental health, especially more recently from covid. It was noted that the document focused on the wider determinants of health, and also challenged stigma and prejudice. Members noted that the document also covered recovery and living well with mental health issues.

Noted were the themes within the strategy, which included the wider determinants of health, early intervention, a focus on children and young people developing well, as well as adults living and ageing well. Though focused on early intervention and prevention, the strategy also considered mental health crisis and suicide prevention, to ensure support was available.

Those present discussed how the strategy related to the South Area, and how this could be taken forward. It was noted that those with lived experience could engage with the Mental Health Forum, and community buildings throughout the area could be used to start a conversation about mental health.

Members discussed the increased pressures faced by children and young people, and also noted the significant waiting times for support through CAMHS.

It was acknowledged that the South Area was well provided by public and community buildings, and questions were raised about whether these could be better utilised to support young people more.

It was suggested that Lauren Nixon, CYP Emotional Health and Wellbeing Lead, could be invited to a future meeting in order to discuss the support already available for young people.

The Mental Health of older people was also discussed, and it was noted many groups which were paused due to the pandemic were now restarting, bringing people back together and improving their mental health.

Members also noted the positive work undertaken in the area by the Samaritans, and the popular misconception that they were only there to support people in crisis.

It was noted that many Area Council and Ward Alliance funded projects helped to bring people together and support positive mental health. It was suggested that it would be useful to map the support available and contribution to this agenda in the South Area, with a view to addressing gaps.

RECOMMENDED:-

- i) that thanks be given for the presentation; and
- ii) that further discussions take place on how South Area Council can assist in delivering the Mental Health Strategy.

6 Project and Finance Update (Sac.18.02.2022/6)

The Area Council Manager introduced the item, reminding Members of the investments they had made. £381,911 of the £400,000 received had been allocated.

An additional £20,000 of Local Support Grant had also been received and been allocated. £18,023 of the core budget remained for allocation and it was noted that £37,996 of Healthier Communities Covid Funding had also been added to the budget.

Members were reminded of the Area Council Priorities:-

Access to local information and advice;
Changing the relationship between the council and the community;
Improving the local economy;
Our environment;
Young people; and
Health and wellbeing for all.

Members noted the percentage of finance allocated to each theme, with 'Our environment' receiving significantly more money than others, with very little allocated to supporting young people.

An overview showing the distribution of Local Support Grant finance was provided. This had supported those impacted by the pandemic across the four wards. 7 projects were funded, which included supporting vulnerable residents and families on low income.

Members' attention was then drawn to the outcomes of the Community Listening exercise, where 86 responses had been received that related to children and young people. These included suggestions for improved facilities, better provision for teenagers, updated park equipment, summer camps and education on the environment.

Noting the finance remaining for allocation, Members discussed how young people in the area could be supported. Examples from other area councils were provided to stimulate this discussion.

There was support for detached youth work provision, which did not rely on community buildings and was thought would engage those who may not otherwise do so. It was also suggested that the Area Council may wish to consider provision for families with children who may have special educational needs or disabilities.

Many supported commissioning services, as it was thought that this would ensure appropriate coverage throughout the area.

Whilst not wanting to hinder progress, the consensus was to establish what provision was already in place, including through the voluntary and community sector and the Targeted Youth Support Service. Then a commissioning exercise could be undertaken to provide any further support based on gaps identified.

RECOMMENDED that further discussions be undertaken with relevant groups and agencies in order to establish current provision for children and young people and identify gaps where the Area Council may be able to intervene.

Chair

Notes for the meeting of the Hoyland Milton and Rockingham joint Ward Alliance

Held on Wednesday 3rd March 2022

Present	
Cllr Nicola Sumner	Rockingham Ward (Chair)
Cllr Jim Andrews	Rockingham Ward
Cllr Chris Lamb	Rockingham Ward
Cllr Robin Franklin	Hoyland Milton Ward
Cllr Tim Shepherd	Hoyland Milton Ward
Cllr Mick Stowe	Hoyland Milton Ward
Charlotte Moulds	BMBC CDO
Julie Phillips	Birdwell Community Group
Brian Clarke	Birdwell Community Group
Ian Warhurst	Hemingfield Action Group
Janet Cartwright	Friends of Elsecar Park
Joy Hart	Milton Resident
Peter Latham	Milton Resident

Apologies	
Rev. Chapman	St Mary's Church
Anne Sanderson	Resident
Leanne Cook	Bernslai Homes
Absent (No Apologies)	
Kerry Thompson	Age UK
Joan Whittaker	Resident
Danielle	Tesco

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and the group introduced themselves to one another as a recap after so long on Microsoft Teams.

2. Notes from the Ward Alliance meeting held on 19th Jan 2022

The notes from the previous meeting were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

3. Update on current project/s

Slips, Trips and Falls Event – Planned for 4th March 10am-2pm

Poster attached in papers. 14 providers booked to attend. No additional funding needed. Volunteers needed for the day e.g. meet and greet, provide refreshments etc.

Hanging Baskets

85 New brackets needed across the wards to meet the demand for summer 2022. Will review Christmas tree brackets after summer. Dual bracket to be discussed at next CDO officer meeting. WAF to be discussed below.

Community Fridge Potential Project

Comparison matrix and consultation sheet attached in papers. Meeting with lead volunteer and Leyla (Public Health) to be arranged. Potentially invite to next meeting.

Healthy Holidays

Speak to various providers to identify gap within HMR for Summer holidays provision.

4. Ward Alliance Budget

Hanging Baskets = -£831.00

Healthy Holidays = £3,577.00

Christmas = £576.91

Wellbeing Event = £2067.20

5. Ward Alliance Applications

Birdwell Hanging Basket Shortfall - £831.00 – Approved in Full

New Hanging Basket Brackets – £4,675.00 – Approved in Full

Mates of Milton - Queens Jubilee Events and Decorations - £300.00 – Approved in Full

New Hoyland Craft Group - Craft Equipment, Room Hire and Group Insurance - £1600.00 – Deferred until next meeting due to lack of information and want to clarify an agreement with branding/ward alliance funding recognition.

6. Any Other Business

Janet Cartwright – Fri 11th March Tree Planting at Elsecar Park

4th December Christmas Concert

Cllr Stowe – Work in Elsecar on highway has begun and will include new crossing, 100 x new parking spaces and landscaping near the stream for safety.

Cllr Shepherd – Would like the ward alliance to say thank you to Dawn Grayton, previous CDO for HMR and wish her well for the future.

Charlotte Moulds – Potential Jubilee event in Hoyland Town Centre = to work with Business Group to organise.

- Defib funding available through London Hearts Charity – will map current defibs and approach funder for exact details for next meeting.

7. Date of the next meeting - 11th May at 5pm

6th July 2022

7th September 2022

2nd November 2022

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 any 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.

DARFIELD WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000 base allocation
 £7,472.18 carried forward from 2020/21
 £1375 unspent grants
£18,847.18 total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining £9,423	Allocation Remaining £18,847.18
Hungry Caterpillars	£1080	£863.10	£9,423	£17,767.18
Summer Hanging Baskets	£2830	£438.40	£9,423	£14,937.18
Darfield Xmas Tree	£150	£1096	£9,423	£14787.18
Darfield Cricket Club Fireworks display	£1000	£27,400	£9,423	£13,787.18
Barnsley Leaders Junior Basketball Club	500	£4,644	£9,423	£13,287.18
Darfield Time to Talk	£430	£1644	£9,423	£12,857.18
Winter Warmer - Billingley	£850	£575.40	£9,423	£12,007.18
Darfield Summer Gala	£1500	£822	£9,423	£10,507.18

HOYLAND MILTON/ROCKINGHAM WARD ALLIANCE

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

£20,000	base allocation
£26,270.36	carried forward from 2020/21
£2,326.61	Returned Grants
£48,596.97	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining £48,596.97
			£24,298.49	
Hoyland Craft Club	£1600	£1863	£24,298.49	£46,996.97
Elsecar Colliery Angling Society	£4930	£548	£24,298.49	£42,066.97
Elsecar Main Junior Football Club	£1020	£6850	£24,298.49	£41,046.97
South Area Tidy Team - Autumn Planting at Hoyland Ceneotaph	£3192	£164	£24,298.49	£37,854.97
Hemingfield Action group	£500	£876	£24,298.49	£37,354.97
Celebrating the festive season in Birdwell	£1000	£164.40	£24,298.49	£36,354.97
Healthy Holidays Project	£2500	£342.50	£24,298.49	£33,854.97
Mates of Milton	£300	£342.50	£24,298.49	£33,554.97
Hoyland Community Choir	£1200	£383.60	£24,298.49	£32,354.97
Christmas in Hoyland	£2,054.15	£82.20	£24,298.49	£30,300.82

Hoyland Community Theatre Group	£388.51	£1370	£24,298.49	£29912.31
Mates of Milton - Safer playing	£2141	£657.60	£24,298.49	£27771.31
Jump Environmental group	£350	£82.20	£24,298.49	£27,421.31
Lets do Lunch	£1026	£411	£24,298.49	£26,395.31
Sloppy Slippers	£8000	£822	£24,298.49	£18,395.31
The Friendship Group - Restart and Recovery	£1000	£68.50	£24,298.49	£17,395.31
Hoyland Remembrance Service and Parade	£990	£1205.60	£24,298.49	£16,405.31
Xmas Tree Brackets - Birdwell	£1509	£342.50	£24,298.49	£14,896.31
Owd Marthas Yard	£1021.47	£1,726	£24,298.49	£13,874.84
Sparkles	£2550	£10686	£24,298.49	£11,324.84
Mates of Milton – Jubilee Party	£300	£1370	£24,298.49	£11,024.84
Hanging Baskets Brackets	£4675	£0	£19,623.49	£6,349.84
Birdwell Xmas Tree - Brackets	£831	£137	£18,792.49	£5,518.84

WOMBWELL WARD ALLIANCE

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

£10,000	base allocation
£8,521.16	carried forward from 2020/21
£30.45	Income/ Returned Grants
£18,551.61	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining £18,551.61
			£9,275.80	
Covid Safe Venues	£750	£1644	£9,275.80	£17,801.61
Thank you for volunteering celebration event	£1547.50	£41.10	£9,275.80	£16,254.11
Training for volunteers	£1120	£1644	£9,275.80	£15,134.11
Wombwell Station Community Garden	£2000	£411	£9,275.80	£13,134.11
Barnsley Leaders Junior Basketball Club	£500	£4644	£9,275.80	£12,634.11
High Street Xmas	£1800	£767.20	£9,275.80	£10,834.11
Craftanoon Club	£1260	£1972	£9,275.80	£9574.11
Wellbeing Event	£3,200	£1068.60	£9,275.80	£6,374.11
Hanging Baskets 2022	£1500	£82.20	£9,275.80	£4,874.11
Healthy Holiday 2022	£2500	£2740	£9,275.80	£2,374.11

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