

MEETING:	Penistone Area Council
DATE:	Thursday, 9 June 2022
TIME:	10.00 am
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Penistone Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

Minutes and notes

- 2 Minutes of the Penistone Area Council meeting held on 7th April, 2022 (Pac.9.6.2022/2) (Pages 3 - 6)
- 3 Notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance Meetings held on 14th April and 12th May, 2022 (Pac.9.6.2022/3) (Pages 7 - 10)

Performance

- 4 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Pac.9.6.2022/4) (Pages 11 - 12)
- 5 Q4 Performance Report (Pac.9.6.2022/5) (Pages 13 - 32)

Item for Discussion

- 6 Update on the Principal Towns Plan for Penistone - Fiona O'Brien

Items for decision

- 7 Procurement and Financial Update (Pac.9.6.2022/7) (Pages 33 - 40)

To: Chair and Members of Penistone Area Council:-

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

38 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

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

39 Minutes of the Penistone Area Council meeting held on 10th February, 2022 (Pac.7.4.2022/2)

The Area Council received the minutes from the previous meeting held on 10th March, 2022.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Penistone Area Council meeting held on 2nd December, 2022 be approved as a true and correct record.

40 Notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 10th March, 2022 (Pac.7.4.2022/3)

The meeting received the notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 10th March, 2022.

RESOLVED that the notes from the Penistone Ward Alliance held on 10th March, 2022 be received.

41 Penistone FM Active Minds Final Project Outcomes Presentation

Cera O'Rourke, from Penistone FM provided members with an update on the Active Minds Project that is funded from the Supporting Young People ringfenced funds within the Working Together Fund.

Members were informed that there had been a significant increase in students being affected by a range of mental health issues including stress, anxiety, self harm, eating disorders and even suicide. The project had been designed to engage young people to interact and connect post lockdown and help them to learn new transferable skills to gain confidence and improve wellbeing and health and resilience in the community.

A 7 week project of fun activities was created with each week focussing on a different task. Examples of each week were given with the first week being an icebreaker where people taking part got to know each other leading to the last 2 weeks of creating podcasts or videos.

38 engagements had been achieved and 10 podcasts had been created. Overall it had been reported that the course had improved students confidence with 3 students getting jobs and 5 reporting that they felt able to go to University.

Hopes for the future were to help more young people by gaining further funding in order to hold more projects and also to connect with Penistone Grammar School in order to help students there.

Members were shown a video that had been created and heard a podcast that had been produced by some of the students taking part in the project.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation and hard work undertaken by Penistone FM for their hard work in successfully delivering the project.

42 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Pac.7.4.2022/5)

Rachel Payling, Head of Service Stronger Communities introduced the item and Members noted the contents with regard to the Ward Alliance funds.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

43 Q4 Interim Performance Update (Pac.7.4.2022/6)

Rachel Payling, Head of Service Stronger Communities introduced the item giving members a brief overview of the projects commissioned and their progress.

Members commented how it was pleasing to hear that the DIAL and CAB offer would hopefully be returning to a face to face appointment with a view to offering some online/telephone appointments for those who were unable to attend in person.

Concerns were raised about the future increase of people who would be requiring debt advice due to the increase in the cost of living and that these services would be crucial in helping those people.

Councillor Greenhough had attended the Girl Guide event held on 26th March, 2022 which was deemed a huge success with many attendees across all age ranges enjoying what was on offer.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

44 Procurement and Financial Update (Pac.7.4.2022/7)

The Head of Service introduced the item previously circulated and invited questions or comments from Members on items mentioned within the report.

RESOLVED:-

(i) that the update on the contracts funded by the existing Supporting Isolated and Older People Grant Fund be noted and the updates to the procurement process for a new contracted service be noted;

- (ii) that the update and current financial position of the Penistone Working Together Fund be received;
- (iii) that the update on the Supporting Young People ringfenced fund within the existing Working Together Grant Fund be received and that the option to extend the funding for a further year at a cost of £40,000 from the Penistone Area Council budget be approved;
- (iv) that the updates on the Clean and Tidy contract started in April 2020 be noted and that the agreed progressions to the third and final year of the contract be noted;
- (v) that the update on the Ward Alliance budget be noted;
- (vi) that the updates in relation to the agreed funding allocated for inserts into the Penistone Living publication be noted; and
- (vii) that the financial year end budget position for 2021/22 and the projected 2022/23 budget position be noted inclusive of decisions made within this meeting

Chair

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NOTES OF PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE MEETING
Thursday 14th April, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall

Present: Cllr Robert Barnard (Chair), Allen Pestell, Cllr John Wilson, Jon Cutts, Graham Saunders, Joe Unsworth, Pauline Ogden, Ann Rusby, Cllr David Greenhough

In Attendance: Tanya Dickinson, Penistone Area Team.

1. Introductions and Apologies

Apologies received from Ann Walker, Bob Blythe, Richard Leech, Chrissie Yates, Barbara Lee, Cllr Hannah Kitching and Cllr Mandy Lowe-Flello.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interest

Non-pecuniary interests were declared by Pauline Ogden for the Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth Parish Council application and both Graham Saunders and Ann Rusby for the Penistone Agricultural Society application.

3. Notes of the Meeting Held on 10 March 2022

The notes of the previous meeting were approved.

4. Matters Arising from the Notes

There were no matters arising.

5. End of Year Report 2021/2022

An end of year report has been produced to showcase the work of the Ward Alliance over the past 12 months. The Alliance has once again been able to support a good number of local projects across the 2 wards. Action: Tanya to circulate the report with the notes of the meeting.

6. Ward Alliance Finances

Cllr Barnard offered an update on the final figures for the year 2021-2022. The Alliance had a balance of £2,777.03 of Ward Alliance funding and £5,960 of the School's Out Fund which has now been carried forward to 2022-2023. As we have started the new financial year, the Ward Alliance has received its annual allocation of £20k giving us a total of £22,777.03 in Ward Alliance funding. The £5,960 School's Out Fund will continue to be ringfenced for the provision of family activities during the school holidays.

7. Applications for Financial Assistance

Ward Alliance Funding:

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

A breakdown of the match funding was provided to the WA following this application being deferred from the March meeting. A proposal of £2,500 was recommended for approval.

b) Penistone Camera Club - £949.62

After discussion this application was deferred for further information. The Alliance would be keen to know more about how this piece of equipment works, what are its advantages and why it is felt that this is needed over the usual means of holding virtual meetings. Action: Tanya to request this additional information for further discussion at the next WA meeting.

c) Ospring United JFC - £425

The WA recognised that the sports field is a well-used facility and the importance of having community defibrillators. A proposal of £425 was recommended for approval.

d) Penistone Archive Group - £1297.20

After discussion it was decided not to support this application. The WA felt that there were more cost-effective options available to the group.

e) Hunshelf Parish Council - £467

A proposal of £467 was recommended for approval.

f) Wortley Mens Club & Institute - £400

A proposal of £400 was recommended for approval.

g) Hoylandswaine Events Group - £500

A proposal of £500 was recommended for approval.

h) Penistone Agricultural Society - £500

A proposal of £500 was recommended for approval.

School's Out Funding:

i) Stay Active & Safe, Advice for Young People Event - £290

The decision to recommend this application for approval via email ahead of this meeting was ratified by the Ward Alliance.

8. Ward Alliance Development

- Following individual reviews with members, a document is being pulled together to highlight the strengths and weaknesses of the WA. Once complete this document will be brought to a future meeting for the WA to discuss and used to inform a revised work plan for 2022-2024.
- Tanya informed the WA that several changes have recently been made to the Ward Alliance Governance Framework. Action: Tanya to send out a summary of these changes with the notes of the meeting.

9. Area Council Update

- Cllr Barnard informed the Alliance that the Area Council received an update from Penistone FM about their Active Minds project which was funded recently out of the Support for Young People Grant. The project had been very well received and trained up a number of local young people to pull together a series of podcasts allowing young people to talk about issues affecting them.

10. Any other business

None.

11. Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 12th May, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall. (Pauline Ogden sends her apologies for this meeting).

NOTES OF PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE MEETING
Thursday 12th May 2022, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall

Present: Cllr David Greenhough (Chair), Allen Pestell, Cllr John Wilson, Jon Cutts, Graham Saunders, Ann Rusby, Cllr Hannah Kitching, Cllr Mandy Low-Flello, Bob Blythe, Barbara Lee, Ann Walker and Richard Leech

In Attendance: Tanya Dickinson, Penistone Area Team.

1. Introductions and Apologies

Apologies received from Pauline Odgen, Chrissie Yates, Joe Unsworth and Cllr Robert Barnard.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interest

A non-pecuniary interest was declared by Cllr Mandy Lowe-Flello in the Veterans Tri Services CIC application.

3. Notes of the Meeting held on 14th April 2022

The notes of the previous meeting were approved.

4. Matters Arising from the Notes

There were no matters arising.

5. Ward Alliance Development

a) WA Governance Framework

Alliance members confirmed that they had received the revised Governance Framework.

b) Outcome of Individual Reviews

Following conversations with all WA members a document has been pulled together to highlight identified areas of strength and areas of improvement. Tanya talked through the document to those present. Action: Tanya to send out a copy of this document with the notes of the meeting.

c) Ward Alliance Plan 2022-2024

The current Ward Alliance plan (dated 2019/2020) was revisited and existing 'Aims and Actions' discussed. It was felt that these were all still relevant to the work of the Ward Alliance and recognised that in-order for them to be effective, they need to be more than just words on a piece of paper.

It was agreed that the plan be expanded to include a couple of specific projects – a WA promotional campaign (including a more identifiable branding) and a volunteer celebration / awards event.

Action: Tanya to update and adapt the Ward Alliance plan and circulate for further comments.

6. Ward Alliance Finances

Cllr Greenhough offered an update on the WA finances. Current balances stand at £17,985.03 Ward Alliance Fund, and £5,670 School's Out Fund.

7. Applications for Financial Assistance

Ward Alliance Funding:

a) Penistone Camera Club - £949.62 (Deferred from April's meeting)

Additional information provided by the group was considered by the Ward Alliance. After discussion it was agreed not to support this application. The WA didn't feel that this piece of equipment was essential in-order for the group to offer virtual sessions.

b) Hoylandswaine Bee Plus Nature Project - £917

A discussion took place about the re-wilding initiative being facilitated by Barnsley Council and the support available to the group via Penistone Twiggs Tidy Team. It was felt that there was overlap between these and the application and so it was agreed not to support this project.

c) Veterans Tri Services CIC - £2,500

The WA recognised the importance of this event and the benefits it brings to the Penistone area. A proposal of £2,500 was recommended for approval. It was agreed that Jon Cutts be the Project Liaison for this application.

8. Area Council Update

As the Area Council haven't met since the last Ward Alliance meeting, there was no update available.

9. Any other business

None.

10. Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 9th June, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall. Meeting to include a presentation from BMBC Adult Skills & Community Learning Team.

Richard Leech sends his apologies for this meeting.

2022/23 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

For 2022/22 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 2021/22 Ward Alliance Fund will be combined and added to the 2022/23 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.

2022/23 Final Ward Project Allocations

PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2022/23 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

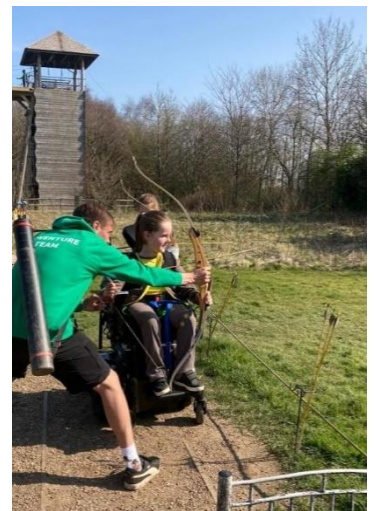
£20,000.00	base allocation
£4,697.23	carried forward from 2021/22
£4,040.00	School's Out Fund carried forward from 2021/22 projects highlighted
£28,737.23	total available funding

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
			£14,368.61	£28,737.23
Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth Parish Council - footpath	£2,500	£0	£11,868.61	£26,237.23
Hoylandswaine Events Group - Swainefest	£500.00	£548.00	£11,868.61	£25,737.23

Project	Allocation	Match funding element of allocation	Non Match funding allocation remaining	Allocation Remaining
Hunshelf Parish Council - Queen's Jubilee	£467	£493.20	£11,868.61	£25,270.23
Oxspring United JFC - Defib	£425	£95.90	£11,868.61	£24,845.23
Penistone Agricultural Society - Queen's Jubilee	£500	£2,329	£11,868.61	£24,345.23
Wortley Mens Club & Institute Queen's Jubilee	£400.00	£959	£11,868.61	£23,945.23
Skate Park engagement event Stay Safe & Active	£290	£232	£11,868.61	£23,655.23
Armed Forces Day	£2,500	£5466.30	£11,868.61	£21,155.23
Thurlstone Community Group - Queen's Jubilee	£500	£1086.00	£11,868.61	£20,655.23

January to
March
2022

Penistone Area Council Performance Report



Penistone Area Council
Penistone East, Penistone West

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 31 May 2022	Age UK Barnsley
	Debt advice service	£ 8,191	Funded until March 2023	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

	Outcome indicator	Q 4 Jan-Mar 2022	This year 2021/22	Last year 2020/21
	Clean & tidy activities which involve businesses	19	58	14
	Young people making a positive contribution to the design/maintenance of their local environment	36	76	2
	People who feel they have the opportunity to influence the design and maintenance of their local environment	135	299	22
	Apprentice and placements created and recruited to	0	2	1
	People taking up work experience placements	0	1	0
	Young People engaged in volunteering	102	197	13
	Activities which involve young people under the age of 18	86	242	2
	Community groups supported	22	78	86
	New community groups supported	2	5	3
	Community car scheme journeys	63	189	4
	Adult volunteers engaged	227	907	138
	New volunteers	45	168	40
	Residents and young people receiving advice and support	460	1031	761
	Residents referred to health and advice	4	71	76
	FTE jobs created and recruited to	0	2	3
	Local spend (average across all contracts)	95%	95%	95%
	Volunteer hours contributed (£ value)	£28,007.10	£76,772.70	£13,668.52
	Volunteer opportunities created	223	732	150
	People achieving a qualification / accreditation	0	5	0
	People receiving training	46	149	52

Clean, Green and Tidy Service

Twiggs

135 volunteers supported

346 volunteer hours supported

100 rubbish bags filled (inc tool bank)

29 local business worked with



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. With the restrictions due to the pandemic now reducing, the contract is starting to return to a more normal supportive service for community groups and parish-maintained areas. Work with volunteers was helped with the Great British Spring Clean returning to its traditional place on the calendar and as more groups resumed activities.

13 (Target 10) Groups and parishes supported including training volunteers with tool usage and connecting groups to support each other through redistribution of donations and skill sharing.

RE-wilding opportunities supported with HBe+ and Team Green Moor. Links made with Age UK men in sheds who can now supply bird boxes and planters to distribute to groups. 10 new trees that were given as part for the 10,000 trees project planted at Royd Community Gardens

New links made with Silkstone Heritage to support with the grave yard, Penistone Women's Institute, and Scouts and Girl Guides (activities planned for next quarter)

Other groups supported this quarter included: Wortley Top Forge, Team Green Moor, Royd Community gardens, Springvale Riverside Wildlife Haven, Penistone Archive group, Marketeers, Thurgoland PC, TPEG. Link made to work with Scouts, Cubs and Guides in May.





15 individual projects (target 10) – Twiggs taking initiative in the area.

- Penistone Leisure centre new bed preparation
- Footpath maintenance and clearance projects in Silkstone
- Drain clearance and bulb planting at Cubley
- Moss scraping , drain clearance and footpath strimming Oxspring
- Bench renovation to support Take a Seat at Hood Green
- Footpath and bench area clearance at Wortley.

- 3 (target 4) activities involving Primary schools and where possible to link to community groups e.g Millhouse Green/ Royd community gardens, Hoylandswaine /HB+ and Hoylandswaine Events group as an intergenerational activity
- 7 Twiggs led Social action projects created this quarter working with some existing and new volunteers, linking in schools , businesses and partners in areas such as Stainborough, Watermeadows incredible edible , monthly Penistone turn table and tank ramp event, Royd community gardens and Penistone High Street.
- 11 (target 10) individual litter picks undertaken and a total of 100 large black bags of litter removed (includes 10 bags collected as part the Tool Bank scheme for Penistone area)
- 29 activities working with businesses this quarter. As well as creating links between donations from businesses to link to community groups and encouraging employee volunteering, this quarter Twiggs introduced the Town Centre clean up with Penistone High Street businesses as part of the Great British Spring Clean. The event included Henry Boot, Penistone Library, Adore, Spar, Coop, Cafe Creme, Post Office, The Carpet and Bed Shop, Pride and Groom, Funeral Care, Hackets, Penistone FM, Hall Mark, Geanti, eCloud, Cucina, Lancasters, Spead Eagle, Martin from the Marketeers & Penistone Town Council. Plans to repeat the exercise in May.



Supporting Vulnerable and Isolated Older people Grants

Age UK Barnsley



1766 interventions

274 people helped

56 volunteers worked with

£17,929.60 estimated gains in benefits

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.

Number of existing service users 1:1	35
Number of new service users 1:1	5
Number I&A Service Users	9
Community Car Journeys	63
Number Volunteers <i>Existing , active volunteers</i>	27
Number of new volunteers; <i>Includes befrienders/good neighbours/car drivers</i>	1

Highlights

- 10 new referrals this quarter coming from the social prescribing adviser, family, self-referrals and social services. (3 with complex needs referred back as not suitable for support)
- 23 service users currently receive regular 1-2-1 befriending support from a regular pool of 19 volunteers. Other volunteers continue to support as and when and help with groups such as Walk for Health Group, the singing group at St John's Church and Happy Vibes memory café. Still only 2 community car scheme drivers operational.
- Volunteers had a first proper get together this quarter at Cubley Hall with 13 in attendance , all found this useful and more are planned.
- A focus has been made to reach to outlying areas such as Dunford Bridge, Carlecotes and Crow Edge. Transport solutions are being investigated to assist with this in the future.



- 9 new service users received information and advice, with 6 cases still being dealt with from the previous quarter. All enquiries have been dealt with via telephone or email initially. During this period 1 home visit, 1 office visit and 5 longer booked telephone appointments for benefit work. 3 Blue Badge application. Fuel poverty continues to be central in all discussions.
- The community car scheme continues to increase now that people are back out and about. 63 journeys have been made in this quarter by 7 service users and the types of journeys made are: Education - 24, Leisure - 30, Religion – 6, Health – 2 and Personal Business - 1.
- The quarter has also seen a gradual return of wellbeing and loneliness monitoring with service users , with a 50% increase in wellbeing recorded following activities and 100% improvement in loneliness from those measured



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.



Highlights

30 new participants this quarter



Group	Frequency	Location	Notes	Average No of attendees per session
Tea & Chat, Weavers Court	Monthly	Penistone	Resumed in January 2022.	10
Healthy Life Group	Weekly	Pilley (Tankersley Welfare Hall)	Operating weekly as normal.	11
Wortley Afternoon Social	Weekly	Wortley	On hold Jan to March 2022 – will resume in April.	3
Tai Chi for over 50's	Weekly	Penistone	Operating weekly as normal.	11
U3A	Various	Various in Penistone area	10 groups are now meeting regularly.	Various
Happy Vibes Memory Cafe	Fortnightly	Penistone Leisure Centre	Operating every 2 weeks as normal.	6

Penistone Men in Sheds	Twice weekly	Penistone centre	Meeting twice per week as normal.	
Singing group	Last Tuesday of month	St John's Church, Penistone	Operating as normal	13
Healthy Bones	Weekly	Thurgoland Village Hall	Operating as normal	6
Walk for Health	Weekly	Pot House Hamlet, Silkstone	New route from Silkstone Common during winter weather	9

Penistone Men in Sheds



The average attendance on Wednesdays is 5-6 and Fridays are 7-9. Membership currently stands at 21 with the most recent member having joined in January.

They have an arrangement with a business in Birdwell that allows them to collect waste pallet wood which has been very useful for making bird and bat boxes.

In March, they had a visit from the reporter from the Barnsley Chronicle who published an article and picture of some of the bird boxes. This has generated quite a lot of interest and one of the volunteers was invited to chat on Radio Sheffield on a Sunday lunchtime where he was on air for around 5 minutes. He has also been in touch with Penistone FM and spoken to them about making a short 30-40 seconds promotional chat explaining the project and how people can join. This is likely to take place in the next few weeks, as soon as they have a vacant slot in programming.

Following the promotional work the word is getting around and has resulted in:

- 6 bird boxes and 2 bat boxes that were installed at St Johns school in their forest garden.
- 6 bird boxes and 2 bat boxes for Millhouse primary school and delivered on 25/3 to be installed by Twiggs.
- 4 bird boxes for Thurgoland Primary School which were made and delivered in March. The caretaker has already put them up.
- Royd Community garden asked if they could make them a notice board. They did a site visit and will be returning to finalise the design and also to repair some damaged planters they have.
- They recently had a meeting with Twiggs to hand over 4 bird boxes and a planter to be installed in the community and Twiggs have more community projects lined up that they can work on together.

The lead volunteer has reported that this has been the busiest and most successful quarter yet. The team has really come together and members have 'gelled' with lots of light-hearted banter and some very productive sessions as they continue to expand their community project work.

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. The Supporting Older People in the Penistone Area (SOPPA) has been created to take this forward. Covid restriction have meant that the group had to meet virtually which has had a limited impact

Rather than try to continue with meetings, either face-to-face or virtually, it has been decided that the SIW will act as a link between the members and will act as an enabler / intermediary by contacting members on a regular basis and taking up any enquiries or requests for information. Time has been diverted to support the Age Friendly Penistone work as a result.

Age Friendly Penistone

- As part of the Take a Seat scheme a bench has been installed on Cubley Hill in Penistone.
- We will continue to get more seats into shops and other public venues.
- A number of physical activity sessions continue to be rolled out across Barnsley and Penistone including Healthy Bones, Tai Chi and seated exercise
- Support for people living with dementia will be improved through the Maintenance Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (MCST) programme scheduled to start in Penistone in June.
- Intergenerational activities have been a main focus of the Penistone Men in Sheds group and will continue to be so. Several schools have contacted us asking for the men to be involved in school projects and the Royd Community Garden at Millhouse Green have also involved the men in creating a new noticeboard and building planters and other items for families to enjoy.

Future Planned activities

Subject to further funding:

- Set up Maintenance Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (MCST) – a weekly, 26 week, 2 hour programme for people living with mild to moderate dementia. Group members will take part in meaningful and stimulating activities, proven to help maintain memory and mental functioning. The group will provide a fun and supportive environment where people can build new friendships. This will be in addition to the Happy Vibes Memory Café.
- Continued focus on physical activities – developing new classes and introducing new participants.
- Age UK Barnsley will continue to work in partnership with the Barnsley Older Peoples Physical Activity Alliance (BOPPAA) and a newly developing Healthy Start – Look after your Heart project to ensure that residents over the age of 50 years living in the Penistone area benefit from these opportunities
- Move forward on the re-location of Penistone Men in Sheds to the Penistone Theatre Group premises, subject to available funding.
- We will continue to focus on the communities in Crow Edge, Dunford Bridge and Carlecotes and Stainborough as they are the hardest to reach areas that are lacking easily accessible venues. These areas will have special focus in the new funding application and we hope to find new ways for older people to access transport in hard-to-reach locations.

Barnsley Citizens Advice

37 people supported (25 target)

£1,138,084 of debt managed since start (£2k this quarter)

£15,200 of benefits claimed (£202k since start)



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 is the final quarter of the current contract which finishes at the end of March 2022.

Since the start of the new contract in October 2020, the project has seen a total of 187 client contacts (making a total of 343 on this project since 1 April 2019). Currently all clients are being assisted via our Adviceline and Email service.

During this quarter:

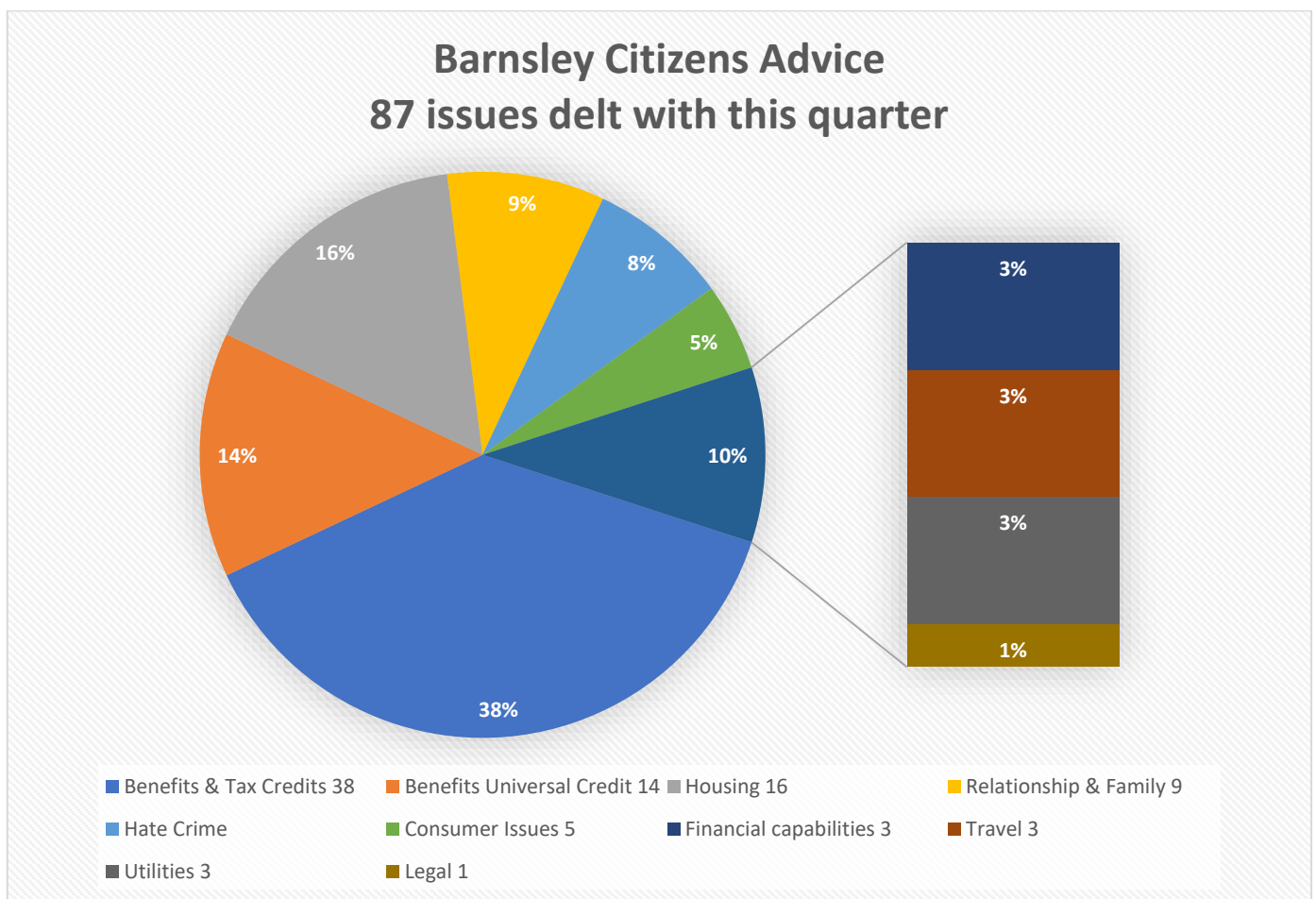
- 1 client has been supported with debt advice for a debt in total of £2,000. (since start of the service in Penistone 1st April 2019 we have assisted clients with £1,138,084 of debt.
- Assisted clients to claim an additional £15,200 of benefits which shows an investment return of £18 of benefit gain for every pound spent on this project (£202,962 of benefits since 1st April 2019 and claim £57,339 under the current contract from 01/10/2020).
- 40 hours of volunteer time signposting clients from the Email service, admin support. (12 new volunteers this year many are law students.)

CAB are expecting the numbers of clients seeking help and assistance through the Penistone Contract to increase now that restrictions are lifted and life starts to return to normal. The increase in the cost of living through Gas and Electricity, food prices and transport costs will mean more clients need money advice and support. It is anticipated that late summer/early autumn will see the increase demand resulting from the impacts of this.

Trials for a return to face to face contacts have been taking place in the North and South area council areas, on a drop in basis (enabling e-mail work to be done in between). Looking to return to face to face work in Penistone in later summer using the town hall.

Final outcomes for this contract (Oct 2020 – March 2022)

	Target	Actual
Number of client contact via telephone and e-mail	150	187
Number of client contacts via video appointment	33	2
Client contacts via face to face		0
Improved health and wellbeing (% positive improvement)	65% +	
Debt managed	£150k	£1.1M
Benefit gain	£300k	£57k



DIAL Barnsley

170 enquires made

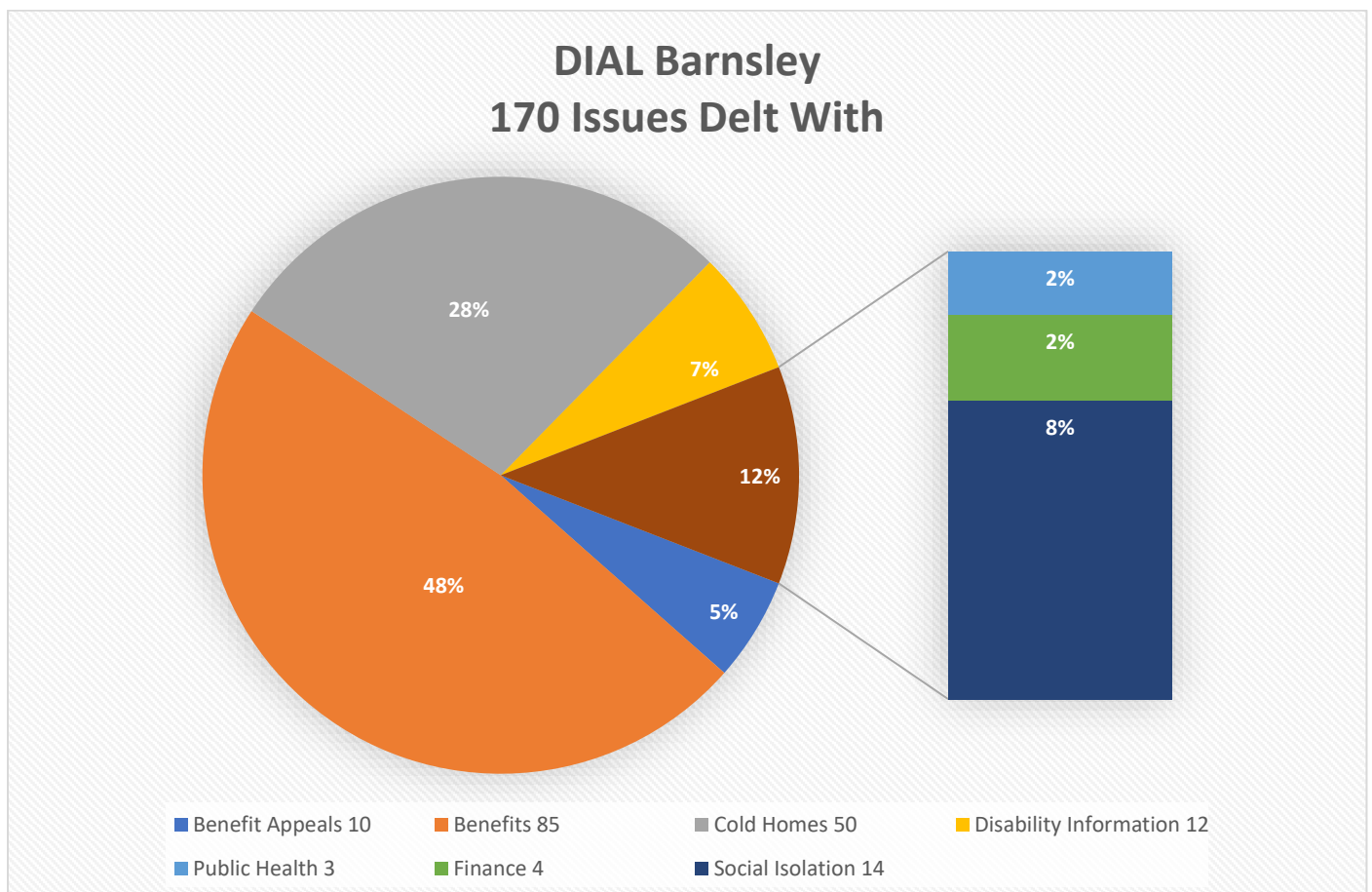
£32,311 benefits claims supported

60 hours of volunteer involvement

For every £1 invested in the project £5.55 returned to the area this quarter



DIAL help to reduce the financial exclusion of residents and work towards lowering anxiety. This is the report of the first quarter for the new contract which is due to finish in December 2022. 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.



As in previous quarters, the vast majority of benefit issues were in relation to Personal Independence Payments, and Employment Support Allowance. The cold homes support included the delivery of 49 winter warmth packs to client identified as being at risk from DIAL's register.

January saw a huge increase in demand with 101 contacts just in that month.

Self and well checks have continued to be provided as an opportunity to keep in touch with clients during the pandemic period and have resulted in public health information and guidance. Types of issues picked up from the 14 incidences this quarter have included Deterioration in mental health (6) Deterioration in physical health (5) Reduced confidence (3) Relationship breakdown (1) Work related issues (1)

The DIAL adviser visited Penistone Town hall before Christmas to look at returning to face to face work but this was put on hold following the outbreak of the Omicron variant. Following a trial period in the North area since then , and a further visit to Penistone, it has now been agreed that face to face delivery will be restarting from Tuesday 7th June in Penistone on an appointment only basis.

Our previous volunteer, Kat has now successfully been appointed as a paid adviser for DIAL and will be our new Penistone adviser when the face to face session start in early June. Volunteers continue to support delivery mostly supporting with follow up calls and admin from the main office.

Fuel Poverty

This has **not** yet been highlighted as a major issue for clients in the Penistone Area. DIAL support more people to help with switching providers (an issue for clients with limited phone access) and will link people into the warmer homes discounts and benefits available. The contract will continue to monitor the impacts of the rising costs of living over the coming months.

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 infographic is set against a dark blue background. On the left, the text 'Ad Astra' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. To the right of the text, there are three lines of white text: '73 people visiting sessions', 'Roughly equal numbers of males and females attending', and '11 sessions delivered'. Below the text are three white icons: a female silhouette, a group of three people sitting at a table, and a male silhouette.

Ad Astra – providing gender specific mental wellbeing sessions to pre-16 pupils at Penistone Grammar.

Due to Covid restrictions in the school the project has had to adapt the proposed delivery models which has inevitably led to reduced outcomes from what was originally planned.

The project started with lunch time drop in and information sessions which reached out to 215 pupils despite the restrictions with a core group of between 10 – 15 young people seeking support on a weekly basis.

During the last term from January 2022 through to April 2nd (when drop in sessions ended) the project engaged with

- **36 females** and **37 males** in the Dining Hall across all years
- The number of young people seen on an individual semi-regular basis are **9 females** and **6 males**. as part of our Lunchtime Drop In sessions

Following discussions with the school in the autumn term more positive ways to support the young people were agreed via a more formal drop in session within the school timetable rather than the lunchtime drop-in sessions where the young people were not getting the full benefit of the service.

These change each half term supporting a group of Y7 and Y8s up to Easter and then have two more groups from Years 9 and 10 after Easter to May

Group Sessions

The two new group sessions have gone well. 13 pupils in year 7/8 mixed male and female. There has been a good dynamic with the staff and more importantly with each other. Students supporting each other and offering their solutions and strategies for coping with similar problems and how to generally not be as anxious and overwhelmed.

Penistone Grammar School

Post 16 support

300 people accessing
sessions

150 sessions delivered



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 original outcomes detailed on the project proposal. The project has instead focused on 2 outcomes:

1. To deliver pupil wellbeing assessment tool 'PASS' to give an overview of mental health and wellbeing
2. To provide mindfulness/low mood sessions with Post 16 students via a student Counsellor

The pupil wellbeing assessment tool 'PASS' has been taken up by 300 students and has been really successful as students engaged really well with it and it has given an overview of mental health and wellbeing for both the cohort and for individual students.

The Post 16 team have then analysed this and put in place –

- ✓ Assemblies to address areas identified as a cohort.
- ✓ Mentor sessions which focus on specific issues (in particular self-image and self-worth which came out low, in particular for Y13 girls).
- ✓ One to one mentor sessions with the pastoral lead for students who are a concern.
- ✓ Counselling for students who display significant low mood.

PASS has been really successful in targeting interventions and the next instalment of the PAC grant next quarter will be used to re-test Y12 students to see the impact of interventions.

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. The counsellor has been successful in seeing 7 Post 16 students a week since the start of the academic year. This is a sizeable amount and is up from last years referrals, showing that the provision is badly needed to support Post 16 students This has proven to be such a successful intervention Penistone is now an approved school for volunteers from Leeds Beckett University to be a placement for trainee counsellors. Next year there will be two, rather than one, onsite working with Post 16 students, which is a direct result of the PAC grant.

Girlguiding Barnsley West

190 members attended event

50 volunteers helped at event

Challenge badge syllabus



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 to support with achievements toward the challenge badge.

This quarter saw the saw 190 local Girlguiding members aged 4- 18 with the support of 50 adult volunteers meet at the Kingswood Centre, Penistone, to enjoy a day of adventures, challenges and new friendships

The aim of the day was to offer an outdoor event that enabled the participants to develop team building skills, meet new people after Covid restrictions and have lots of fun.

The kind support of Penistone Area Council and a smaller contribution from our local Guiding Division funds enabled the event to be subsidised to £5.00 per person, meaning that the event was affordable for local families. The continued presence of Covid sadly meant that about 25 girls had to drop out of the activity at the last minute – we have held a smaller joint event in May which many of those girls attended which included a campfire, stories and singing.

The badges have been awarded for both the in unit activity and attending on the day, which the grant also paid for. Badges are an important Guiding tradition – one of our slogans is “Giving girls badges not labels”, so this was an important part of the project. The work in the units has looked at the 5 ways to wellbeing in an age appropriate way, and involved a wide variety of activities, from over 300 donations to the local food bank, to singing to local older folk and from adventure walks to crafting. The 5 ways to wellbeing fits very well with the Girlguiding programme and it was helpful to know that our regular activities also make a positive impact on the well being of local girls and women.



Angel Voices

20 people attending

28 volunteers (538 volunteers hours)

2 workshops

17 people going on to formal training/qualifications



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.

In quarter three two successful workshops were delivered in Penistone and Cawthorne (.planned to complete approximately four but due to an accident occurring in March the programme was paused and no concert could be held this quarter)

The project engaged 20 young people this quarter including 8 new young people. Sessions were supported by 28 volunteers (including 10 new ones)

Good links have been established with Cawthorne village hall with funds being presented to Cynthia, the representative for Cawthorne village hall, which were raised at a concert last quarter. These funds will be going towards repairs in the hall that will maintain the building.

The workshops have had very positive outcomes for many taking part, but in particular for improving both mental and physical wellbeing. The project is looking to develop this further in the future



Penistone Leisure Centre

Teen boxing established 10 attending
57 attending Glow!

1 new volunteer

Date for Calm Kids set



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, also structured targeted activities to support young people with additional needs and mental health issues (volunteers to be recruited and trained to run these).

After a start was made in the summer months with the Teen Boxing, and Glow sessions much of the project has been delayed largely due to the effects of the Pandemic and staffing changes.

The project has unfortunately suffered from many changes in staffing which has inevitably lead to reduced outcomes.

Two aspects of the programme have been successfully reinstated this quarter :

Glow which has attracted 57 participants

Smash Hit teen boxing has seen 6-10 members attending on a weekly basis.

Other aspects of the project will be established once the correct team is in place to deliver the sessions. A forward plan has been agreed and further monitoring of the programme will continue.



Penistone FM

38 people attending over the project

18 people trained in digital techniques
over the project

20 items produced over the project



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. This is the last report for the project which finished in February 2022.

The project has progressed well with 2 groups of young people now trained and working on the Podcasts. 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.

Cera who leads the project attended an online mental health conference to connect and talk with more people to publicise the project and how it benefits young people and their mental health. In attendance was the Youth Mental Health Ambassador Dr. Alex George, who re-shared a post from Cera's Instagram about mental health to his 2million followers.

The project is engaging with various community groups such as Cycle Penistone, Royd Community Gardens, Penistone Scouts and the Penistone Country Market where videos have been created about what they do to give students the experience of using camera/audio equipment



BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Penistone Area Council
June 9th 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 Grant Fund
- Supporting Young People Grant Fund
- Clean & Tidy Service

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

1.3 The report outlines the financial position for Penistone Area Council and provides a current budget update for the 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 outcomes of 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 and note the potential for any future need**

2.3 **That members receive the update on the Supporting Young People ringfenced funds within the existing Working Together Grant Fund**

2.4 **That members note the updates on the Clean and Tidy contract started in April 2020 and agree to the recommendation to review the needs for a future service.**

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

2.6 **That members agree to defer any further investigation into the need for private sector housing support until after Area Council priorities have been reviewed.**

- 2.7 **That members agree the recommendation to review PAC priorities in light of any emerging issues resulting from impacts of the pandemic over the last two years.**
- 2.8 **That Members note the current financial budget position for 2022/23 and record of allocated spend.**
- 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 Following a recent robust grant procurement process a new service has now been secured to support vulnerable and isolated older people which will be delivered by Age UK. The new contract will start from June 1st at a cost of £70k per year for two years. Members will be informed of progress to date with this at its meeting on July 21st 2022.
- 3.7 A final update on performance of current contracts delivered by Age UK is provided to PAC within this meeting.

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 was approved as part of the grant last 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 An application for **£8191** from Citizens Advice Bureau was approved by the grant panel in April 2022 that enables continuation of the delivery of the Debt Advice service to March 2023. Members are also advised that the current DIAL contract will expire at the end of December 2022. Options for a more consistent commissioning and contracting model to manage future welfare advice services, whilst maintaining local provision and oversight of delivery, are still being explored by officers, and members will be provided with a further update at a subsequent area council meeting.
- 4.5 A current total of **£25,408** remains within this grant pot. Members are advised that the area team is currently investigating future potential need for this grant fund and an update will be provided to PAC at its meeting on July 21st 2022
- 4.6 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	£ 5,000.00

2017 pilot	
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
Barnsley CAB debt advice service operational costs to April 2023	£8191
Total Allocations to date	£245,078
<i>Current Amount remaining for allocation</i>	£25,408

5.0 Working Together Grant fund – Supporting Young People

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.

5.1 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 4.6 within this report.

5.2 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

5.3 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.

5.4 At its meeting of April 7th 2022 PAC members approved for a second round of Supporting Young People Grant at a cost of £40k from within the current budget to encourage further provision. The grant is currently being widely promoted within the Penistone networks. Members will be kept informed and advised when grant panel representation is needed.

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 performance summary report for the final quarter of year two of this contract is provided to PAC within this meeting.
- 6.6 Members are advised that as this contract is now in its' final year of delivery it is recommended that a review of the clean green and tidy service is undertaken to help identify any need for a potential future service. Should members agreed to this review, a workshop date will be arranged outside of the PAC meeting dates.
- 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 2022/23. This, together with underspend of **£4,697** from the previous financial year 2021/22 and a carry forward allocation of **£4,040** from the ring fenced School's Out allocations provides the Ward Alliance with a working budget of **£28,737.23** for the 2022/23 financial year.
- 7.2 Following Ward Alliance meetings on April 14th 2022, and May 12th an overall total of **£20,655.23** remains from the 2022/2023 allocation. Members may wish to review this in light of demand later in the year and whether there is need to provide any additional allocation from the 2022/2023 PAC budget.
- 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 It is recommended that any further work on this is currently paused until members have had the opportunity to review PAC priorities.
- 9.0 **Penistone Area Council Priorities**
- 9.1 The current area governance arrangements recommend that Area Council priorities are reviewed on a regular basis in order to ensure that these reflect the current and emerging needs of the area and funding can be allocated appropriately.
- 9.2 During the pandemic in June 2020, it was recommended that Area Councils review existing priorities to ensure that they might impact on both local need, and contribute to the wider recovery priorities for the borough. To assist in this process, further information was presented at PAC 23rd July and at a workshop on 2nd September 2020.
- 9.3 Following the workshop on 2nd September 2020 members concluded that current PAC priorities were valid in terms of providing support for any emerging needs for the Penistone area in the wake of the covid-19 pandemic.

9.4 In light of the recent relaxation of restrictions following the pandemic period, it is now timely for PAC to reconsider its position in terms of priorities and forward plan for spend. It is therefore recommended that a member workshop is set up to enable members to reconsider PAC priorities.

10.0 **Current Financial Summary Position**

10.1 A PAC budget allocation of **£200k** has been made available for spend within the financial year 2022/23. Approved spend at the end of the financial year 2021/22 left a surplus of **£41,904** which has been carried forward giving a total working budget of **£228,059**.

10.2 A ring fenced 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 in 2021/22 at a value of **£13,845**. This has yet to be allocated and is therefore carried forward within the overall budget giving a total budget of **£241,904**

10.3 Approved spend at the end of the quarter one 2022/23 totals **£140k**, leaving a total of **£101,904** available for allocation (**£88,059** without ring fenced monies)

10.4 **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 Round 2	£40,000
Total approved spend to end of quarter one	£140,000
Budget 2022/23	
Base budget	£200,000
Additional income to base budget Underspend from 2020/21 budget Self Isolation Funds carried forward	£28,059 £13,845 (ring fenced)
Total budget available for spend 2022/23	£241,904
Current remaining total available for spend	£101,904 £88,059 (minus ring fenced monies)

10.5 PAC Financial summary

PENISTONE AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING BUDGET 2022/23

Contract Name	Commissioning Budget 2020/21	Commissioning Budget 2021/22		Commissioning Budget 2022/23	
	Budget	Budget	Spend	Budget	Spend
Base Expenditure	£200,000.00	£200,000.00		£200,000.00	
Underspend from previous year	£115,224.75	£15,225.00		£30,586.80	
Countryside Skills Training					
Countryside Skills Training Extension					
Clean & Green					
Clean & Green extension					
Working Together Fund					£2,047.75
Allocation to Ward Alliances/DWB 15-16					
Allocation to Ward Alliances 16-17					
Reducing Isolation in older people					
Public Health Funds					
Supporting Older People Fund					
Supporting Older People Fund ex	£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	£29,166.00		
Supporting Young People Fund	£40,000.00		£39,542.00		
Supporting Young People Fund 2022/23	£40,000.00			£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					
Allocation to Ward Alliance Dec 21		£10,000.00	£10,000.00		
Clean & Green 2017/18 (Y1)					
Clean & Green 2017/18 - extension Nov 19 (Y2)					
Clean & Green 2017/18 - extension April 2020 (Y2)					
Clean & Green April 2020 (Y1)	£100,000.00				
Clean & Green April 2021 (Y2)		£100,000.00	£100,000.00		
Clean & Green April 2022 (Y3)				£100,000.00	£16,666.66
Penistone Living Inserts	£3,000.00		£1,843.20		
Supporting Vulnerable & Older People Grant 2021	£70,000.00	£10,000.00	£10,000.00		
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			£230,586.80		£18,714.41
What funds are available		£234,105.00		£230,586.80	

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