

MEETING:	North Area Council
DATE:	Monday, 18 July 2022
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Meeting Room 1 - Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

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- 3 Community Safety Update - Cath Fairweather and Carolyn Nichols
- 4 Heart Health Plan and Campaign - Kay Mann

Items for discussion

- 5 Future Commissioning Workshop

Items for Decision

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- 7 Commissioning, Project Development and Finance (Pages 15 - 22)
- 8 Summer Sports Van Funding (Pages 23 - 24)

Ward Alliances

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- 10 Notes from the following Ward Alliances (Pages 31 - 46)
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Darton West – held on 25th May 2022, 15th June 2022
Old Town – held on 10th May 2022
St Helen's – held on 7th April 2022, 19th May 2022

To: Chair and Members of North Area Council:-

Councillors Leech (Chair), A. Cave, T. Cave, Crisp, Denton, Howard, Hunt, Lofts, Newing, Pickering, Platts and Tattersall

Area Council Support Officers:

Tom Smith, North Area Council Senior Management Link Officer
Rosie Adams, North Area Council Manager
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities
Elizabeth Barnard, Council Governance Officer
Cath Bedford, Public Health Principal - Communities

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Friday, 8 July 2022

MEETING:	Meeting of North Area Councillors
DATE:	Monday, 16 May 2022
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Meeting Room 4, Barnsley Town Hall

Notes of a meeting of North Area Councillors

Present Councillors Leech (Chair), A. Cave, Crisp, Denton, Howard, Hunt and Tattersall

57 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Tattersall declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute number 52 Youth Resilience Fund Project Delivery Update as she is a Cabinet Member for Children's Services.

58 Minutes of the North Area Council meeting held on the 14th March, 2022

The Area Council received the notes of the previous meeting held on 14th March 2022, but these are unable to be ratified due to the meeting being inquorate.

59 Youth Resilience Fund Project Delivery Update - Andrea Battye (YMCA) and Michelle Cooper (Ad Astra)

Members welcomed Andrea Battye from YMCA and Michelle Cooper and Rachel Sharp from Ad Astra who gave an update on the Youth Resilience Fund Project Delivery.

R Adams gave an overview of the work, and it was explained that these projects support young people aged 15-17 years who were displaying risk taking behaviours including self-harm, and the misuse of alcohol and drugs. Several workshops were carried out and these explored what provision was already in place which indicated there was a gap in services, not for this age group but the 8/9 and 13/14 years olds. Both organisations use differing techniques to deliver the interventions and are working with different schools. Statistics were explored and they identified three schools in St Helens and one school in an alternative area. Ad Astra will be covering this area with YMCA covering the other three wards. The work has been delayed due to covid and the unsettled periods in between lockdowns so both organisations have had difficulties.

Michelle from Ad Astra gave an overview on the history of the service which started in 2013 with staff having a vast level of experience and all being DBS checked and trained mental health first aiders. They cover North, North East and Penistone and have been based in St Helen's since 2016. They have a wider programme which includes delivering weekly food parcels, a woman's wellbeing programme, community bingo, café and groups along with afterschool provision.

In Old Town they are delivering the MAD Project at St Paul's after school club and in Penistone, Darton and North East they are looking at dental hygiene and listening support.

In Outwood work is being delivered to Y7 around transition, getting lost around school and not being able to sort dinner money. However, more serious issues came out such as bullying, gender concerns, estranged families, domestic violence, parents in prison, parents with disabilities, finances, covid and general anxiety with self-harm and suicidal thoughts. They supported over 50 children with these issues. Furthermore, they participated in parents' evenings with an information stall.

In Athersley North, Athersley South and Laithes they worked on a six-week transition programme and in New Lodge they delivered youth clubs and other activities. They did have some challenges which included covid but also building relationships with schools, communication and data collection. However, they now have a really positive relationship with Athersley North.

During Covid the service tried to support families by delivering packs of activities including art supplies and carried out outreach work in gardens. Since this, buddy and transitioning workshops have been delivered, with over 200 people completing the buddy training, along with litter picking and constructing bird feeders. During April 2021 to July 2021 all years 5 and 6 in Athersley South and Laithes Primary school were worked with.

In Athersley North the youth club grew to three sessions and was split into age ranges. There are now two sessions on a Tuesday with around 20 to 25 young people aged 8 to 13 years, with the older ones attending on a Wednesday night. During the holidays, hunger was a big issue at the holiday provision so cook and eat sessions were completed along with litter picks and walking to school groups for young people with ASD.

Some work with younger children in years two and three was implemented, as support was required early on to help with managing stress and building resilience. This makes it more cost effective for other organisations too as they will not be required to do work later on.

The service was really proud of the work they have delivered as they have worked with some amazing young people and watched them grow. Furthermore, they have been able to support families by helping parents get back into education through a 6-week training programme for maths and primary homework. They are pleased to be able to do it for another year and have had excellent feedback from Clare Storr at Athersley North, who said that young people had learnt how to be a good friend and how to stop bullying.

The relationship with Emma Sanderson from Athersley South has gone from strength to strength, the sessions have been really valuable and have contributed to growing confidence within the school.

In the ensuing discussions reference was made to:

The impressive work delivered which provides young people with the confidence to talk about things confidentially and detailed how the service responds to safeguarding issues. Furthermore, it clarified how to manage keeping secrets and what information can be kept as a secret or if it is something more serious such as

abuse at home, young people are aware they need to speak to an adult. The service tries to make sure they have information up front, they take a lot into schools and to other organisations and are there to support them on the journey.

Covid has had a huge impact on young people, and they will never get back the time that was lost, several young people are still wearing masks for fear of taking it home. They are academically worried and feel like they will never be where they need or want to be. The fear is there, and they will be living with it however, some young people think we need to get on with life. The education system has not been set up for a pandemic, so moving into GCSE's it is hoped that allowances are going to be made. Work has been done with some Y10 girls who are anxious, they have been referred to the service due to this, but early intervention is key as the issues raised can become far more serious.

The landscape has changed, and young people are struggling to respond to loss and family illnesses which have occurred. The economics within families and the war in Europe is impacting on young people's resilience and the need for the service is affecting their ability to respond. Prior to this they were constantly developing skills and now do not have the ability to do this. Work such as barriers to employment and communicating with employers have all been set back and we may not see recovery for a long time.

The issue of self-harm and how it is now across the board when previously this was not the case, was raised and the processes surrounding reporting this at a school level were highlighted, it was clarified that the service have a close relationship with the safeguarding officer. Waiting lists for correct services such as CAHMS are 2/3 years long, so the service is often picking this work up and more recently CAHMS have referred to Ad Astra for support. CAHMS does not have the capacity to take the numbers which are being referred, so are relying on the community and voluntary sector.

In regard to how numbers are gathered and recorded it was explained that YMCA receive data from youth and health organisations and being a national organisation they are directly involved in work targeting Barnsley, lobbying for funding and exploring why the levelling up funding was not received.

Ad Astra acknowledged concerns that schools are not identifying the correct pathways for young people and that CAHMS are being overwhelmed. They stated their service is not well known, so it is not respected enough to get heard by decision makers. Regarding academies it was claimed that it is tricky for the local authority to get anywhere due to how they are governed.

A Battye gave an overview of the work which had been carried out since 1857 which included:

- Safe Spaces
- Relationships with young people, families and local communities
- Emotional resilience & wellbeing
- Confidence
- Wellbeing Index & Resilience Framework
- Weekly activities in Darton, Kexborough & Mapplewell

- Design & develop sessions

The service has 3 key strands which involve Darton, Kexborough and Mapplewell, with Summer Lane soon to be added.

Schools youth work delivery:

- Wide range of activities to build relationships
- Y6 gender specific needs identified by school and then brought together
- After school drop in sessions
- Peer support training in Darton - working with years 7&8 to understand what it is to help others

Detached youth work:

- Street based since 2018 in Kexborough, Darton & Mapplewell
- Working on activities including arts & crafts, sports and environmental activities.
- Wider family's engagement around mental health and wellbeing
- Cross generational activities such as building communication skills
- Work with all communities to build relationships and reclaiming green spaces
- Personal development for parents - hosted a community event with arts crafts and games

Holiday Provision:

- Locally based and detached
- Supporting families and maintaining relationships.
- Increases opportunities for aspirations
- Make friends outside of school to build social networks

Wider opportunities include looking beyond the limitations of funding and being the venue for Chilypep's Home & Emotional Wellbeing Hub working with a step up/step down model. Collaborative working highlights gaps in services, increases services and enhances outcomes. Involving young people in service development along with youth volunteering and peer support guarantees the service has the young person at the heart of what they do.

In the ensuing discussions reference was made to:

Community green spaces where it was identified that the Ward Alliance were putting together a project for a community allotment and orchard, and in order to not duplicate work YMCA indicated that they would be excited to be involved. Although YMCA have limited capacity this could possibly be done as a subgroup.

The work being done and whether it is part of the curriculum or bolted on and it was confirmed that the work is open access and young people are funnelled into it. It was important to make sure that young people do not feel stigmatised, so work is done across the year group with the young people having their own agenda to support them in coming out of that environment and developing wider relationships. Ad Astra confirmed that the work they do is during the last hour of the school day and an hour after. It was noted that all

the work presented today is not all funded by the North Area Council but that wider opportunities come from all localities.

Services stated that it is difficult to employ youth workers on 1 or 2 year basis and it is an aim to offer people longer term contracts, with a clarification that this is more than 2 years, as people need longer term security to have sustainability.

RECOMMENDED that Andrea Battye, Michelle Cooper and Rachel Sharp be thanked for attending the meeting, for their presentation and for answering Members questions.

60 Stronger Communities Grant 2022/23

The Stronger Communities Grant had been running for a long time and the funding had been reduced over the last 3 years, with grants this year available for up to £10,000. Two projects have been funded which are:

Mother Runners – Stronger Mums and the Mapplewell and Staincross Greenspace and Recreation Group, Mapplewell Park – Children’s Cycle Path. Monitoring meetings will be carried out and reported back to evaluate. It was acknowledged that all applications were very similar as the needs of the community are in alignment.

61 Performance Report Quarter 4 2021/22

CAB & DIAL - The style they have for DIAL in particular and the work which has been done with appeals could not have been carried out without the support from DIAL. They have outreach services as a drop in within the community for each ward and the appointment system will cease at the end of May.

Twiggs - Their Activity programme is filling up but more forward planning would be useful. The KPI groups are not new to Twiggs, however it was noted that this is a difficult KPI to do authentically. Furthermore, it was noted that communication issues had been raised and taken on board by Twiggs but that it can be challenging for an organisation who are used to operational delivery being involvement in the development. The amount of volunteering hours was stated to be outstanding, and this will be collated to summarise its cash value in relation to the value of the contract.

Age UK has been delivering connecting communities which identified issues which covid only served to exasperate, the impact of loneliness is reported to be equivalent to smoking 20 cigarettes a day. The project has had 2 years of funding with the hope of bringing people together. It explored working age, older and people with long term disabilities and resulted in an all age physical and mental health activity. This is being delivered in the form of a walking group and a chair-based exercise group.

Regarding the Housing & Cohesion Officer, a lot of praise has been given to this officer as you can really see how they have developed in their role. The recent report which came in, indicates how they have joined up a wide range of opportunities and their values, skills and understanding contribute to the success of the role. They are someone who really cares about people and the operational responsibilities they had during covid was difficult, but they did a good job.

They have recently been working on two properties in St Helens and overnight you could see an amazing transformation, the street and the area improved immediately, and residents have given thanks for this.

Yorkshire Wildlife Trust are behind in their delivery but are recruiting a project officer to support this. However, if this is not satisfactory the Area Council will be seeking to reclaim funds.

The 5-star wellbeing funding which provided support around period poverty and men's mental health has come to an end. However, some additional funding has been found as continuity is important and this will be to work with young people in Delta Academy, Darton until the end of the academic year.

The Reconnect project funding with Carol Cotton has come to an end but Methodist North West Church have found additional funding for the post, which will involve more pastoral work.

Transition with the REDS funding has come to an end, the project delivered lots of physical activity and confidence building and was enjoyed by schools and young people.

It was stated that there is a good mix projects funded by the North Area Council but following the workshop back in March, some of the issues identified such as cost of living, anti-social behaviour, parking and careers advice for 14-16 year olds needs be supported. It was agreed that another workshop to address this within the next month would be organised.

RECOMMENDED - A Community safety update will be requested from Cath Fairweather.

62 Commissioning and Project Development and Finance

The item was introduced by the Area Council Manager, R Adams.

Members noted the report and funds therein.

63 Report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds

Darton East - Have had 3 funding applications approved

Darton West - Have had the Stars Award which was a great success

Old Town - Various updates

St Helen - Have had a spring clean, Jubilee event, Gala, hanging baskets and new members and are looking at future events

RECOMMENDED - Cllr Leech has a memorial bench to install and people from the regiment are coming along to help.

64 Notes from the following Ward Alliances

The meeting received the notes from the Darton East Ward Alliance held on 8th March, 2022; Darton West Ward Alliance held on 15th March & 26th April, 2022; Old

Town Ward Alliance held on 8th March, 2022; and St Helen's Ward Alliance held on 7th April, 2022.

RECOMMENDED that the notes of the respective Ward Alliances be noted.

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:
18th July 2022

Agenda Item: 6

Report of the
North Area Council Manager

NAC Priority Working Groups

1.0 Purpose of Report

To ensure highlight the purpose and function of the *Priority Working Groups* and ensure that each ward is represented on each of the working groups.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the North Area Council Members adopt at least one priority or project per member.**
- 2.2 **In doing so the representative agrees to participate in priority working groups to ensure that each ward is represented in planning, development and delivery of projects that benefit the North Area as a whole.**

3.0 Background

- 3.1 The working groups have proved invaluable to ensure that each ward is represented in the planning, development and delivery of Area Council services and projects designed to benefit the North Area as a whole.
- 3.2 The priority working groups allow responsibility for Area Council work to be shared across all the Members of the North Area Council, increasing understanding and ownership.
- 3.3 It also means that Area Council members can act as project sponsors and/or advocates to enable learning to be shared with their Area Council colleagues.
- 3.4 As a result, local members possess knowledge and understanding of how the Area Council is contributing to BMBC's Corporate Priorities.
- 3.5 The Priority Working Groups defined in Appendix 1 provides the updated list of responsibilities.

4.0 Working Groups

Volunteers are sought for the following priorities and projects:

- a) Opportunities for Young People
- b) Health and Wellbeing
- c) Environment
- d) Anti-Poverty
- e) Economic Regeneration
- f) Connecting Communities 2022/23-2023/24
- g) Stronger Communities Grants 2022/23-2023/24

5.0 Next Steps

5.1 Area Council Members are requested to confirm with the Area Manager their preferred Priority Working Group representations. The allocated responsibilities are intended to be strengths based and inclusive.

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Appendix 1.

NORTH AREA COUNCIL COMMISSIONING

PRIORITY WORKING GROUPS

Each working group will include a Member representative from each Ward within the North Area. The representatives will be instrumental in the development and monitoring of projects that will address North Area Priorities. (Agreement sought at the July 2022 Area Council Meeting.)

Young People

DE Cllr Crisp
DW Cllr T Cave
OT Cllr Newing
StH Cllr Tattersall

Economic Regeneration

DE Cllr Denton
DW Cllr T Cave
OT Cllr Lofts
StH Cllr Leech

Health and Well-being

DE Cllr Denton
DW Cllr A Cave
OT Cllr Newing
StH Cllr Platts

Environment

DE Cllr Crisp
DW Cllr Howard
OT Cllr Pickering
StH Cllr Leech

Anti -Poverty

DE Cllr Hunt
DW Cllr T Cave
OT Cllr Lofts
StH Cllr Leech

Connecting Communities 2021-2024

Chair Cllr Leech (not scoring)
DE Cllr Hunt
DW Cllr T Cave
OT Cllr Pickering
StH Cllr Platts

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BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council Meeting:
18th July 2022

Agenda Item: 7

Report of North Area Council
Manager

Commissioning, Project Development and Financial Update

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides the Area Council with a financial position and forecast for expenditure based on the projects that have been proposed.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. **The North Area Council should note the existing budget position the existing the funding commitments.**
- 2.2. **That the North Area Council actively participate in the development of IAG provision.**
- 2.3. **Councillors note the update in 3.1 regarding the Clean and Green Steering Group.**
- 2.4. **Councillors note report generated from the workshop on the 6th July, details included in Agenda Item 5.**
- 2.5. **Councillors are requested to note the updated projected spend, appendix 1.**

3. Background highlighting all significant financial commitment

3.0 The Anti-Poverty Community Outreach Project

Contract 1 commenced on the 14th September 2015. This is a one-year (plus one year) contract valued at £149,000 in total. The initial contract has now concluded.

Contract 2 commenced on the 14th September 2017 for a two-year term at a contract value of approximately £95,000 per annum. On the 25th March 2019 the Area Council took the decision to utilise the contract extension clause and extend the contract until the 13th September 2020.

The Area Council agreed to continue to fund this project in September 2019. Due to procurement pressures during Covid-19 the decision was taken to submit a waiver in the summer of 2020 and extend the existing contract by 12 months until 13th September 2021.

UPDATE: The Area Manager submitted as waivers as requested by the Area Council. This has been approved and new contract is in place for a further 12months delivery, running until 13th September 2022.

Update: Options for how welfare services can be more consistently commissioned, and contract managed, whilst maintaining local provision and oversight of delivery, are still being explored by officers. It is hoped that a report will be submitted to this meeting in due course.

The North Area Council confirmed in May 2022 that they wished to utilise the extension clause of the existing waiver to continue provision in it's existing format until September 2023.

Recommendation:

Medium Term – That the North Area Council participate in any development opportunity provided to shape the future Welfare IAG provision in the North Area.

3.1 The Clean and Green Service

Contract one was delivered by Forge Community Partnership commenced on the 14th September 2015. Prior to the end of the contract the tender opportunity was advertised.

The second environmental contract commenced on the 2nd October 2017 at a value of £85,000 per annum. The provider, Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd, commenced service delivery on the 2nd October 2017. On the 25th March 2019 the Area Council took the decision to utilise the contract extension clause and extend the contract until the end of September 2020.

N.B. The current contract was tendered in autumn 2020. Twiggs Grounds Maintenance Ltd secured a two-year contract with the opportunity for a final one-year extension. The contract commenced on 1st April 2021 and is now in it's second year of delivery.

Update: To help manage the expectations of this contract and tailor delivery to the needs of individual wards a steering group will meet on the last Tuesday of the month to help programme delivery. It is suggested that each ward prioritise two work streams for delivery:

- *Working with existing voluntary group*
- *Generating new active volunteers*
- *Aiming to form new community groups*
- *Working with businesses*
- *Working with schools*

- 3.2 Housing and Cohesion Officer (Private Sector Housing) – At the November meeting 2017 it was agreed that the North Area would fund a private sector housing officer post at Grade 6 for 12 months fixed term. The successful candidate started on the 22nd January 2018 and proved to be a great asset to the area. The officer left the North Area council at the end of June 2019 for a promotion within BMBC.

The current Housing and Cohesion Officer started in post on Monday 19th October 2020. The officer now has a permanent contract and the role forms part of the Safer Communities structure.

In addition to the salary fees the Area Council agreed to fund uniform, PPE including IT, phone and bodycam, plus a £5k annual working budget.

N.B.: Contractually the position is covered by a permanent contract to ensure employment rights for individuals. If the Area Council agreed to cease funding the position a 6-month notice period will be required.

- 3.3 Health and Wellbeing – Connecting Communities Grant

At a series of workshops in 2021 the Area Council discussed the loneliness and isolation and the impact of Covid-19. In July 2021 it was agreed to fund a grant program for two years with a budget of £100,000 per annum.

The grant opportunity was advertised at the end of September 2021 and the final date for submission was the 22nd October 2021. A total of 9 applications were received before the deadline totalling £615,710.39.

Stage one moderation took place on the 1st November and 4 organisations were invited back to present their projects on the 8th November. 3 applications were recommended for funding. The total allocated amount for these 3 projects was £186,766.44.

Successful Projects:

- Age UK Barnsley – North Area Social Inclusion Service - £79,600.20
- DIAL Barnsley – Connection Hubs - £66,450.00
- Reds in the Community – Reds Connect - £40,716.24

N.B.: £13,233.56 remained unallocated and has been recirculated into the main Area Council budget for forthcoming delivery allocation.

- 3.4 Stronger Communities Grant 2022/23

The total funding allocated for 2022/23 is £40,000. Each grant has an upper limit of £10,000. A total of 4 applications were received, totalling £23,716.34.

At the Grant Panel on Thursday 17th February 2022, two projects were recommended for funding. Pending receipt of further information the applications have been approved.

Successful projects:

- Mother Runners – Stronger Mums – £9,950.00
- Mapplewell and Staincross Greenspace and Recreation Group – Mapplewell Park – Children’s Cycle Path – £8,761.00

3.5 Devolved Funding to Ward Alliances

The Area Council has profiled £20,000 to be devolved to Ward Alliances during 2022. This means a £5,000 allocation per ward where the end of year balance is less than £10,000.

N.B. Members are confirmed at the January 2022 meeting that they wish to make this allocation in 2022/23.

3.6 Health and Wellbeing – focus on Young People

In November 2019 the North Area Council agreed to fund a project for up to three years. The project entitled ‘An Empowerment Programme Enabling Resilient Transitions for Children and Young People Aged 8-14 Years’ was advertised as a competitive grant in early 2020. The process was unsuccessful. It was agreed in on the 16th March that the opportunity should be chunked down to allow the VCS to respond.

N.B. This opportunity has been tailored to help address the fall out of COVID-19 lockdown and aid in the delivery of the COVID-19 Recovery Strategy. The grants went live on the 1st November 2020, delivered by YMCA and Ad Astra.

The Area Council has committed to fund this work for up to three years. Covid-19 Lockdown restrictions caused delays and for a time schools would not permit external partners into schools. The providers are now working within 5 schools.

Current Position : Grant agreements are in place with providers until October 2022. At the March 2022 meeting the Area Council agree to fund the project for a further 2 years, until October 2024, at £90,000p.a. (it will be essential to ensure that the providers receive a 3% financial uplift).

Update: Updated grant agreements have now been signed and issued to providers.

This security will enabling the existing providers to support students adversely affected by Covid-19 and support them in their educational transitions, primarily the move to senior school.

4. Financial Position

- 4.1. At the end of 2021/22 there was a significant **underspend of £109,566 (includes underspend from previous years). The budget was varied considerably during Covid-19, period 2020/21-2021/22.**
- 4.2. **The forecast for 2022/23 shows that the underspend** (including underspend from previous years) **was profiled to reduce to £76,211.** This is because the in-year balance is projected to exceed the annual budget by approximately £33,354.00.
- 4.3. Outlined annual commitments from April 2022:

Contract	Proposed Spend 2022/23
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach	£95,000
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local People	£85,000
Housing Cohesion Officer – Grade 6 (+laptop and phone)	£35,000
Stronger Communities Grant	£20,000
Children and Youth People Resilience Grant	£90,000
Devolved funds to Ward Alliances (£5k per WA)	£20,000
Connecting Communities Grant 2021-2024 £100,000 per annum for 2 years	£92,000
TOTAL	£437,000

- 4.4. Provided that the Area Council continues to commit funding as outlined in Appendix 1, the total spend profiled for 2022/23 is £437,500.00

5. Commissioning programme from April 2021

- 5.1. Appendix 1 lays out the proposed spend. The Area Council is asked to note the proposed spend for 2023/24 and 2024/25. Provision has been adapted to support Covid recovery.

6. Commissioning Programme from April 2022

- 6.1. An overview was provided on a number of issues discussed at the workshop held on 10th March, 2022 including:
- Support for fuel, food and the cost-of-living crisis
 - Anti-Social behaviour and the increase in nuisance caused
 - Parking enforcement
 - Careers advice / raising aspirations of 14- and 16-year-olds including information on a variety of jobs and opportunities that would not come out of regular careers advice in school
- 6.2. Due to the fact that the Welfare Review has not yet concluded it is recommended to explore opportunities to address the underspend with the following recommendations:
- Avoid reallocation of the Anti-Poverty budget until the welfare review has conclude.
 - Allow for inflation for the current contracts at the point of renewal / retender.
 - Identify a time limited project for the remaining underspend
- 6.3. A workshop took place the 6th July to explore the current inequality, focussing on employment, cost of living and health outcomes.

7. Risks

- 7.1. The proposed budget would take the Area Council approximately £33,354.00 over budget per annum for 2022/23. However taking into account the current under spend, the investment profiled in Appendix 1 would be feasible.

8. Next Steps

- 8.1. Ensure that the Area Manager is alerted to any proposed commissioning profile variations so that feasibility considerations can be made at the earliest opportunity.

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Date:
5th July 2022

Appendix 1: North Area Council Proposed expenditure April 2021-March 2024

Project / Service	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Anti- Poverty – Community Outreach <i>Retender Anti-Poverty</i> - Waiver in place Sept 2021 - Sept 2023	95,000.00	95,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
Creating a Cleaner, Greener Environment in Partnership with Local <i>People Contract Start - April 2021 (Retender Sept 2023)</i>	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
Housing and Cohesion Officer – Grade 6 (+laptop and phone)	32,500.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
Stronger Communities Grant Reduced to £20,000 in 2022/23	40,000.00	20,000.00	-	-
outh Resilience Fund (November 2020 - October 2022 - YMCA & Ad Astra)	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00	45,000.00
ocial Isolation and Cold Homes Project (+ hOurbank) 2018-2020 (+1year) £75,000 + £10,000	40,000.00	-	-	-
Connecting Communities Social Isolation Grant (£100,000 pa for 2 years)	12,500.00	92,000.00	82,500.00	100,000.00
Devolved funding to Ward Alliances (<i>where March 2019 balance is less than £10,000</i>)	20,000.00	20,000.00	-	-
The Fleets - Nature Park	10,000.00	-	-	-
Covid - Age UK	7,000.00	-	-	-
CAB Debt Advisor				
2022 - New Project or Grant - £76,000				
TOTAL	432,000.00	437,000.00	392,500.00	365,000.00

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:
18th July 2022

Agenda Item: 8

Report of the
North Area Council Manager

Summer Sports Van Funding

1.0 Purpose of Report

To make Members aware that there is an opportunity to fund a sports van in the North Area over the Summer 2022.

2.0 Recommendation

North Area Council Members consider,

2.1 The opportunity to fund a sports van in the North Area over the Summer 2022.

2.2 Discuss the risks associated with funding short term provision.

2.3 Confirm the decision to fund the sports van.

2.4 Members confirm a capped budget for lunch bags.

3.0 Background

3.1 Last summer, the Sport and Active Recreation Team commissioned a sports van delivered by Reds in the Community, using one-off funding, to provide activities for young people. This year that funding does not exist.

3.2 However Sports and Recreation colleagues will co-ordinate a programme of pop-up provision if any areas wanted to fund sessions in their area. This will only be possible if there is enough interest in order to fill up a week of provision across the borough and throughout the summer holidays.

3.3 The cost provided for a day of sports van activities in an area is £350 or £2100 for the 6 weeks. There can be some flexibility on days, venues and times but this will need to splice with provision for other areas of Barnsley.

4.0 Risks

4.1 The sports van is a limited time opportunity. Area Council funding is intended to fund opportunity that will have a lasting impact and leave a legacy withing the community.

4.2 However it can be argued that for families who find the summer holidays financially challenging, the sports van offer an inclusive recreational opportunity for children and young people during the summer 2022. These are children who may have minimal other opportunities to participate in organised, positive engagement activities during the 6 week holidays.

5.0 Decision

5.1 Area Council Members were consulted at the workshop held on the 6th of July and the feedback confirmed the desire to fund the Sports Van in the North Area during summer 2022 at a cost of £2,100 for a day a week. Members were in favour of funding the sport van.

5.2 The Area Council are requested to formally confirm this decision.

5.3 At the workshop on the 6th July Members also requested that the Area Manager explore the feasibility of providing lunch bags for the participants. Members are asked to agree a capped budget of £1,500 aimed at providing 50 lunch bags for each day of the provision.

5.4 The sports van and the lunch bags would total £3,600.

6.0 Next Steps

6.1 At the Area Councils request the Area Manager will make the necessary arrangements and book the provision. Ensuring that provision compliments the core Holiday Activities and Food programme Healthy Holidays.

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7th July 2022

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North Area Council:
18th July 2022

Agenda Item: 9

Report of the
North Area Council Manager

Devolved Ward Budget and Ward Alliance Funds

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report updates the North Area Council on financial position the Ward Alliance budget for each ward for the 2020/21 period.

2. Recommendation

- 2.2 That each Ward in the North Area Council area prioritises the efficient expenditure of the Ward Alliance Funds 2021/22, in line with the guidance on spend.**

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 As part of the decisions made by the Council's Cabinet in 2013 each Ward was allocated an annual Ward Alliance Fund of £10,000. In addition, the Area Council has devolved £10,000 to the Ward Alliances between 2014/15 and 2019/20; no additional funding was devolved in 2020/21 and a reduced amount of £5,000 was devolved in 2021/22. The £5,000 devolved funding from the Area Council has been agreed for 2022/23.

- 3.2 All funding decisions must meet with Ward Alliance approval and be allocated with in accordance with the ward Alliance Funding 2016/17 – Briefing Note. This requires half of the fund to be allocated to projects where there is match funding.

- 3.3 In considering projects for the use of the Devolved Ward Budget, Members will need to be satisfied that:
- it meets a recognised need for the Ward,
 - it is in the wider public interest (i.e. the whole community can potentially benefit),
 - it represents value for money.

4.0 2021/22 Financial Position

- 4.1 The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2021/22 Ward Alliance Fund was added to the 2021/22 allocation, to be managed as a single budget with the conditions of the ward alliance budget allocation.

- 4.2 Budget allocations for 2022/23

Ward	Base Allocation	Carried forward from 2020/21	Additional DWB (Announced 09/2020)	Total available
Darton East	£10,000	£5,863.75	£5,000	£20,863.75
Darton West	£10,000	£966.24	£5,000	£15,966.24
Old Town	£10,000	£8,664.33	£5,000	£24,871.83
St Helen's	£10,000	£6,540.47	£5,000	£22,108.27

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

4.4 Please refer to Appendix 1 for a full breakdown.

5.0 Challenges and Opportunities

5.1 All wards should take an opportunity to consult on their ward plan early during the financial year 2021/22. This will help the Ward Alliances to review the existing plans, reaffirm their ward priorities and plan projects and initiatives that will address the ward centric priorities.

5.2 Any projects requiring a long lead in time will require the involvement of the Area Team as early as possible.

5.3 Proactive promotion of the Ward Alliance Fund to local not for profit groups and organisations is highly recommended to ensure efficient expenditure over the financial year.

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Date:
30th June 2022

Appendix 1:

2022-23 Ward Funding Allocations

For 2022/23 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 for the Ward Alliance Fund and an £5,000 has been devolved from the Area Council Budget.

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

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

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.

DARTON EAST WARD ALLIANCE

For the financial year 2022-23 the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

Income / Return Grant	£0.00
Base Allocation	£10,000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	£5,000.00
Carried forward from FY 2021-22	£5,863.75

£20,863.75

Total Available Funding

	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
1	Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall 'Film Club'	£1,890.00	£0.00	£8,541.88	£18,973.75
2	Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall 'Pop-in' Club	£950.00	£1,507.00	£8,541.88	£18,023.75
3	Environmental Working Budget	£250.00	£0.00	£8,291.88	£17,773.75
4	North Gawber Colliery FC Medical / Football upgrade 2022	£1,274.79	£13,152.00	£8,291.88	£16,498.96
5	Mapplewell Platinum Jubilee Celebration	£383.04	£0.00	£7,908.84	£16,115.92
6	Darton East Community Awards 2022	£2,000.00	£0.00	£5,908.84	£14,115.92
7	Mapplewell Brunch Club	£150.00	£4,808.70	£5,908.84	£13,965.92
8	Secretary Payment Q1 - DE	£125.00	£0.00	£5,908.84	£13,840.92

DARTON WEST WARD ALLIANCE

For the financial year 2022-23 the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

Income / Return Grant	£0.00
Base Allocation	£10,000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	£5,000.00
Carried forward from FY 2021-22	£966.24

Total Available Funding £15,966.24

	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
1	Celebrating Easter & the Queen's Jubilee	£600.00	£328.80	£7,983.12	£15,366.24
2	Darton West Noticeboard Refresh	£1,700.00	£0.00	£6,283.12	£13,666.24
3	Hanging Baskets - DW	£2,000.00	£0.00	£4,283.12	£11,666.24
4	Kexborough Lunch Club	£150.00	£4,808.70	£4,283.12	£11,516.24
5	Secretary Payment Q1 – DW	£125.00	£0.00	£4,283.12	£11,391.24
6	Summer Activities	£1,000.00	£0.00	£3,283.12	£10,391.24

OLD TOWN WARD ALLIANCE

For the financial year 2022-23 the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

Income / Return Grant	£1,207.50
Base Allocation	£10,000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	£5,000.00
Carried forward from FY 2021-22	£8,664.33

Total Available Funding £24,871.83

	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
1	Gazebos and Tables	£2,111.54	£137.00	£12,435.92	£22,760.29
2	Hanging Baskets Old Town	£2,100.00	£0.00	£10,335.92	£20,660.29
3	St Paul's Afterschool Club	£720.00	£4,110.00	£10,335.92	£19,940.29
4	The 'Completion' Project (Rose Garden)	£468.73	£0.00	£9,867.19	£19,471.56

ST HELEN'S WARD ALLIANCE

For the financial year 2022-23 the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

Income / Return Grant	£567.80
Base Allocation	£10,000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	£5,000.00
Carried forward from FY 2021-22	£6,540.47

Total Available Funding	£22,108.27
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	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
1	New Bin installation at Smithies Rec	£300.00	£0.00	£10,754.14	£21,808.27
2	Jubilee Event Working budget	£1,500.00	£0.00	£9,254.14	£20,308.27
3	Hanging Baskets	£1,800.00	£0.00	£7,454.14	£18,508.27
4	St Helen's Summer Gala working budget	£1,500.00	£493.20	£7,454.14	£17,008.27
5	Personal Safety Items	£1,000.00	£0.00	£6,454.14	£16,008.27
6	Secretary Payment Q1 - StH	£125.00	£0.00	£6,454.14	£15,883.27

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 18th July 2022**

Agenda Item: 10

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance – Operational Updates

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during May and June 2022.

Appendices:

Darton East Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix One
Darton West Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Two
Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Three
St Helens Alliance Meeting:	Appendix Four

The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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30th June 2022

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance
Tuesday 12th April – 6 PM
Meeting at Mapplewell and Staincross village hall.

Present:

Cllr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Helen Altun – Minutes
Gerard Morrall- Local Business Man
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
Janine Williams – Local resident
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
David Lockwood – Local Business Man

1. Apologies:

Cllr Harry Spence -Darton East Ward Councillor
Matthew Crisp - Darton East Ward Councillor
Caroline Hague – Village Hall Assistant Manager
David Hilton – Green space
David Oates - Local Business Man

2. Declarations of Interest – None.

3. Minutes of previous meeting – Approved.

4. Matters Arising – None

5. Financial Update –New financial year. £10,000 allocated. £18723.75 total budget available.

6. Applications for Funding – None.

Notice board audit –

Woolley colliery notice board - proposing a new notice board £750.00 plus vat. £120 plus vat for installation.

A member said it doesn't really need a new noticeboard it just needs a new seal and a new board inside. It needs a refurb rather than replacing.

Mapplewell Park for new polycarbonate it would be £120 plus £95 installation. A member suggested it could do with moving in the park as it is not in the best place in the park.

Member's agreed that Mapplewell Park noticeboard needed updating and moving and Woolley Colliery noticeboard needed refurbishing.

It was suggested that two member's who help with the Greenspace group might be able to help with the noticeboards. A member agreed to speak to Carl Snowden from Greenspace and to speak to Russ to see if he is happy for the noticeboard in Mapplewell park to be moved.

7. Ward Action Plan

Children/Young People.

A spring disco is planned for 22/04/22.

Activities in the park again during summer.

A careers day for young people to be put together and held at the village hall if possible.

Cinema club to run throughout the summer holidays.

People with disabilities/isolated or in later life.

The Village hall has lots of activities on during the week.

Pop in club is on every Friday 2pm-4pm at Mapplewell Village Hall.

Ears and voice of the community.

The Facebook page and website are ongoing.

Nick requires access for the Facebook page. Rebecca to allow access.

Health and wellbeing.

Another winter warmer event organised for 18/10/22 10am – 3pm.

Environment

Spring baskets are going up with a good interest from sponsors.

More daffodils to be planted in Woolley Colliery.

Regular litter picks are ongoing.

To reduce dog fouling.

Litter bin strategy – delayed by covid. We should have the ability as a council ward to request bigger bins.

Other Events

Bunting workshops will be taking place soon to decorate bunting for the village for the Queen's jubilee.

Afternoon/Evening event to be held at the village hall for the Queens's jubilee.

Darton History Group are working on three boards. One of them is to go up on station Road outside the BT building.

- 8. Twiggs** – Anyone can email Twiggs with any area's that need improving. At the Greenspace meeting it was agreed the working relationship between them and Twiggs was not as good as it could be and needed to be more joined up. Twiggs do seem to be doing more events in Darton East. Twiggs profile page on facebook needs to be shared more. Twiggs can be invited to come to a Ward Alliance meeting.

9. AOB

Please promote the bunting workshops in the area. Darton primary and Wellgate have agreed to decorate some.

Anti poverty- Dial and citizens advice are coming back to Mapplewell Village hall to run more workshops.

Young people's project grant – aimed at students at Darton Academy and some older students at primary schools. Presentation requested.

Some storage is required for Maple bear and other equipment used for the children's activities. A member said that Greenspace have a container, but they were not sure what space was available in it. It would be ideal to have a container in the park. Permission will be required from the parks department. Steve will look into a container.

Children – A business contact Sarah Hendray had been in touch with a member regarding a safeguarding consultancy. The community child protection pledge 2022. Please act if you suspect a child is getting abused. An event could be put on at the village hall regarding this.

A member explained that Councillor Harry Spence was standing down in the May elections. He will have stood for 16 years. He has been an active councillor for the local area. He will continue to work on the community planter outside of the co-op but will not be continuing to look after the planter outside the Eastfield arms. Thank you to Harry for being a councillor in the area for 16 years.

Meeting closed. Next meeting will be on the 10/05/2022.

Darton East Ward Alliance
Tuesday 10th May – 6 PM
Meeting at Mapplewell and Staincross village hall.

Present:

Cllr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Dickie Denton – Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Batty - North Area Team
Gerard Morrall- Local Business Man
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
David Lockwood – Local Business Man

1. Apologies:

Caroline Hague – Village Hall Assistant Manager
David Hilton – Green space
Helen Altun – Secretary
Janine Williams – Local resident
Cllr Mat Crisp - Darton East Ward Councillor

Meeting was opened with Cllr Hunt being proposed and seconded as Chair for the next 12 months.

2. Declarations of Interest – None.

3. Minutes of previous meeting – Approved.

Two amendments from the minutes:
Under AOB – Business contact Sarah Henry not Hendry
WA Plan – cinema club not referred to as cinema/film club, referred to as an activity day.

4. Matters Arising – None

5. Financial Update – £18,723.75 total budget available.

6. Applications for Funding –

North Gawber Colliery Football Club – approved £1274.79
Mapplewell Platinum Jubilee Celebration – approved £383.04
Hanging Baskets Working Budget – approved £1,000

7. Ward Action Plan

Children/Young People:

Cinema Club amended to Activity Club

People with disabilities/isolated or in later life.

No changes

Ears and voice of the community

No changes

Health and wellbeing.

No changes

Environment

Sponsorship for hanging baskets has finished for the summer.

Other Events

Community Celebration Event sub group meeting arranged

8. Twiggs –

A member commented that they would like to get them involved with the Mapplewell Village Hall project working alongside Groundworks.

A member commented that Twiggs had been publicising more events in Darton East, good to see.

It was reported that there are lots of events planned for over the next two weeks. These include: George Street, Fosters Bakery footpath, Braithwaite Street ginnel and Sack up Lane footpath (The Ram Jam footpath).

Areas suggested:

Woolley Colliery Village - tidy up near noticeboard and the grassed area near Top Row.

9. AOB

A member advised that the Furty Furlong was happening Saturday 14th May at Mapplewell Meadows. It was suggested that these could be made a regular event and added to the Ward Alliance Action Plan.

A member asked about the Ward Alliance storage container which is currently at Mapplewell Meadows and the possibility of it being moved to Mapplewell Park.

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday 25th May 2022

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair) Cllr Trevor Cave, John Ryan, Annabelle Watson, Ann Carroll, Christina Carroll, Shelly Oates, Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Cllr Sharon Howard, Tom West, Ann Plant, Dominic McCall.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Visitors: Safer Neighbourhood Service Representatives
Tom Kitching, Liam Clarke.

1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies given.

2 The Minutes of the meeting 26th April 2022 were reviewed and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

Rebecca to action Summer Hanging Baskets and update.

Rebecca to keep Cllrs informed of any developments at Uplands Park.

Cllrs to involve Amber Coulton (Parks) re: Development of Uplands Park.

Ann Carroll to work with Cllrs on future Uplands Park project and update as required.

Cllr Trevor Cave to meet with Rosie Adams re: overall planning projects across Ward Parks.

Cllr Alice Cave and Cllr Sharon Howard to meet with Gawber business to look at litter bin issues.

Cllr Trevor Cave to look at litter bin issues across the Ward.

Cllrs A Cave, T Cave, S Howard, Rebecca and Richard to have site visit to Barugh Green Recreational Ground to look at Notice Board situation. (15th June at 11.30 am)

Cllrs A Cave, Sharon Howard and Rebecca to attend next Ordinary meeting at Redbrook/Wilthorpe Community Centre to assist with any guidance required.

Annabelle to send email to Safer Services re: both litter and dog fouling on grounds of BBIC at Redbrook.

Cllr Trevor Cave to email photographs of Darton Academy Students recent awards to members.

Cllr Trevor Cave to contact Antony Devonport re: any surplus benches.

Shelly to investigate missing fence panels on adjacent pathway at memorial community garden.

Christina to clarify of any tree planting by Voice for Darton Group, where and funding stream.

3 Ward Action Plan

Cllr Trevor Cave presented an updated Ward Action Plan, this was discussed by members and any additions made.

4a WAF Budget

This was presented by Rebecca

Remaining Budget

£13,166.24

4b WAF Applications

Kexbrough Brunch Club. Agreed.

Summer Hanging Basket Provision. Agreed

5 Kexbrough Recreational Ground Environmental Plan

Cllr Trevor Cave and Richard updated members of their meeting with Amber Coulton (Parks) this will be a future Agenda item (July meeting).

6 Darton Parks General Issues

Cllr Trevor Cave updated group of any issues and progress being made.

7 A.O.B.

Cllr Trevor Cave presented document Plant a Tree for the Jubilee for members information.

Safer Neighbourhood Services updated members of their Role and Responsibilities across the Ward.

Cllr Alice Cave (Chair) would like to thank Safer Neighbourhood Services for their informed presentation.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 15th June 2022, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

Darton West Ward Alliance

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday 15th June 2022

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Trevor Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, John Ryan, Shelly Oates, Ann Carroll, Dominic McCall, Christina Carroll, Tom West. Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Annabelle Watson.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Visitors: Susan Carman.

1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies given.

2 The Minutes of the meeting 25th May 2022 were reviewed and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising

Rebecca to contact Ann Plant for written confirmation of her resignation.

Rebecca to update members of Uplands Park Consultation and inform Cllrs and Ann Carroll.

Rebecca to monitor progress made with Barugh Green Notice Board alterations.

Rebecca to invite Amber Coulton (Parks) to the July meeting.

Cllr Trevor Cave and Dominic to look at litter bins situation across the Ward.

Cllr Trevor Cave to contact Antony Devonport re: any surplus benches.

Cllr Trevor Cave to contact Paul Beaumont re: Darton Park progress and any other issues.

Cllrs Alice Cave and Cllr Sharon Howard to attend the next Ordinary Meeting at Redbrook/Wilthorpe Community Centre and report any findings.

Cllr Sharon Howard to contact Michelle Lowe at Norse re: future litter pick at Barugh Green.

Shelly to meet with friends of the Memorial Garden at Kexbrough

Shelly to look at improved dog fouling signs for the Memorial Garden at Kexbrough.

Shelly to investigate fencing issues at the Memorial Garden at Kexbrough.

Shelly to update progress on Barnsley in Bloom Project at the Memorial Garden.

Richard to contact Gawber Primary School re: any planned Christmas events at Gawber and update members.

3 Ward Action Plan

Cllr Trevor Cave presented an updated Ward Action Plan, this was discussed by members and any additions made.

4a WAF Budget

This was presented by Rebecca

Remaining Budget

£11,016,24

4b WAF Applications

None

4c Working Budget of £1000 was approved for children's Summer Events across the Ward.

5 Darton West Ward Parks General Update

Nothing further to report at this stage.

6 Christmas Events across the Ward.

This was discussed and will feature as an Agenda item next meeting.

7 A.O.B.

Shelly was invited by Cllrs to become a member of the Darton West Ward Stars Awards Sub Group. (Agreed).

Christina to contact Shelly with contact names available re: Fete's.

Cllr Alice Cave (Chair) would like to thank Susan Carman for her presentation and update regarding the Memorial Garden at Kexbrough.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday, 19th July 2022. 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor

Notes of 10th May 2022 at the Town Hall.

In Attendance

CLlr Pickering (Ch), Cllr Jo Newing (Sec), Lee Swift, Bill Gaunt, John Love

Apologies.

S. Lowe, Cllr Phil Lofts (V. Chair), C. Stirk

Previous Meeting Notes - Accepted.

Matters Arising.

1. Hanging Baskets, LS outlined the Roads/Streets that would be appropriate. Discussed publicity, agreed to drop off leaflets to local businesses and put on social media.

Funding Bids

1. Hanging Baskets – the bid for putting up 26 baskets and moving 22 brackets was submitted. A total of £1,950 has been identified. All approved.

Upcoming Projects/Events

1. Jubilee Bunting – schools have received a lot of bunting and are currently decorating it. The North Area Team will be collecting it in the next couple of weeks and getting people to sew it together. The bunting will then be hung in the community for the Jubilee Weekend
2. Brettas Park – the event is coming together and is totally run by volunteers. Some of the bunting will be sent to that area to help decorate it.
3. A.O.B.
 - a. New members, Cllr Pickering knows of a number of people who are interested, forms to be sent out.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 14th June at 7pm Reception Rooms, Town Hall

Appendix Four:



St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting
Thursday 7th April 2022, 4pm, New Lodge Community Centre

Present : Cllr Tattersall (Chair), Cllr Platts, Lee Swift, John Hallows, Tony Lowe, Freda Stenton, Neil Wright, Madge Busby

Apologies : Cllr Leech, Michelle Cooper, Rebecca Leech, Kath Bostwick

Welcome and Introductions: Everyone was thanked for their attendance.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes were passed as a true record by the members.

Madge has now got the keys to the TARA office. She said she's not been willing to apply for Ward Alliance Funding to start up the Cook and Eat sessions until she had them and is settled in. Madge said she will contact Lee when she is ready to apply.

Funding Applications:

There were no applications for this meeting. There are however a number of bids expected to be coming in over the next couple of months, including:

- Crime prevention equipment for NHW
- Cook & Eat bid
- Resolve women & children's wellbeing group bid
- St Helens Gala bid
- St Helens Jubilee Party bid

Events:

Great British Spring Clean:

The spring clean-up has been arranged for Friday 8th April at 9.30am, at the fishing pond car park. The idea is to clean up the area along the path that leads to Ollerton Rd including the stream, so it's advised to bring wellies along. There will be wardens coming, as well as members of the fishing club.

Cllr Tattersall said there are some concerns as a group called Pogy Pickers are intending to come to the same area on Mon 11th April to clean the same area. Cllr Tattersall has told them

it will be already cleaned up and advised they would be better to look at a date in June or the future.

Save a Shoe:

Also as part of the spring clean, The Area Team are working with Twiggs to put on an event for children to decorate their old wellies and plant them up. The event for St Helens will take place on 22nd April, 10am-12 noon at Community Shop.

Jubilee Event:

The sub-group looking at this needs to meet asap. Lee agreed to arrange.

The current situation is that the theme of the event would be a traditional British seaside. The original plan was to include getting a large sand pit installed for the day. Lee has made enquiries with BMBC to find the best way of doing this. They said using sandbags as retaining walls would work, but the practicalities of all this would mean that we would need between four and six tons of sand, which is impractical as we haven't got the people or the means to move it. Freda said she has contacts with a construction. She agreed to ask if they could do this.

St Helens Gala:

The sub-group met last Thursday and all the attractions are provisionally booked including karate demonstrations, football (penalty shootout), and possibly putting people in stocks and using sponges.

There is a suggestion that the local dog groomers on Lindhurst Rd do a dog show. They are happy to do this, but are suggesting that they need to charge £6 per dog for chipping as opposed to offering it free. After a discussion, the members suggested that the group approach the groomers near the Davey Lamp café and the pet store near pound stretchers to see if they have a better offer. If not, then it's fine to go with these.

Rebecca is currently pulling together all the costings for this and a bid will then be submitted.

Ward Plan: The changes to the plan outlined from the previous meeting have been updated. Other projects that are worth noting include promotion of events like the walking group in the area as well as the cook and eat sessions once they're up and running again.

Treasurers Report: Lee reported that this year's funding has been allocated, putting the funds to a total of £19,013.21 as of 7th April 2022.

Forthcoming Projects and Bids:

Hanging Baskets:

The spring baskets are now up and in place. The sponsored baskets are still ongoing and being drawn together.

Spring Bulbs:

The spring bulbs (3,000 snowdrops) have been delivered. 2,000 of these bulbs are going into schools with Ad Astra as part of their work, or being used at the centre. The final 1,000 bulbs

will be used with Twigg to help the environmental group being set up at Laithes Primary School.

Any other business:

Berneslai Homes link with Resolve:

Madge said she has a contact for a young person, working with Berneslai Homes that would like to set up a support group for young people who are experiencing mental health difficulties and share similar situations to them. She said it would be good to put them in touch with Resolve, once they've put their bid in

Get Fit With Vik:

We have received an email from Get Fit with Vik to say that she intends to leave the equipment she recently purchased at St Helens Church. This is because she is about to start a Doctorate, so she cannot spare the time to do the sessions anymore. Members felt that as there may be other groups that could benefit from this, they should have the opportunity to receive some of that equipment because it doesn't belong to the church. It was agreed to ask Vik for a list of equipment and explain to her the opportunity to pass some on to the Caterpillar Club, New Lodge Community Centre and others.

Bunting workshops:

The bunting workshops for the Jubilee have taken place for St Helens Church, but there will be another one at Community Shop on Fri 22nd April, 1pm-3pm. If any group would like to create some triangles, then get in touch with Lee.

NHW sessions:

John said that he will be dispensing crime and community safety advice as well as devices at Community Shop on 27th April, 11am-1pm.

New Lodge Community Centre:

The new tables are here and they look really good. Unfortunately, the centre is also receiving a lot of anti-social behaviour from the local young people, with them throwing large bricks onto the roof, or climbing onto it. Cllr Platts agreed to speak to community safety service about this and see what could be done.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Meeting closed at 17.30pm

The next meeting is on Thursday 19th May 2022 at 4pm, New Lodge Community Centre.



St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting
Thursday 19th May 2022, 4pm, New Lodge Community Centre

Present : Cllr Leech (Chair), Cllr Platts, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Madge Busby, John Hallows, Kath Bostwick, Tony Lowe, Freda Stenton, Neil Wright, Ruth Gammon.

Apologies : Cllr Tattersall, Michelle Cooper.

Welcome and Introductions: Everyone was thanked for their attendance. Ruth was given a warm welcome back to the Ward Alliance.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes were passed as a true record by the members.

Funding Applications:

Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch - this funding will be used to purchase a number of security items. The bid is for £1,000. John Hallows gave a report on the bid and explained that the security items would include items that targets the spiking of drinks. The bid was discussed between the members and the full amount was agreed upon.

St Helens Jubilee Event Working Budget - this bid is for £1,500 and is to help organise a Jubilee Event in the St Helens Ward on Friday 3rd June. It will help pay for the DJ, picnic items, face painter, etc. Kath Bostwick explained that it would be a small event with a singer, a raffle for food hamper and a packed lunch would be provided for the children. The event was discussed between the members and the full amount was agreed.

Hanging basket - this bid is for £1,800 and is to be used to supplement the sponsored hanging baskets by purchasing 26 baskets and 5 plaques. Lee explained that the sponsored baskets were well advertised but because of the cost he hadn't received much interest from businesses. He reported only 6 baskets being sponsored. It was discussed amongst the members and the full amount was agreed.

St Helens Summer Gala working budget - After being cancelled for 2 years due to the pandemic this bid is to be used to host the annual Gala in the St Helens Ward. The money will be used to hire rides, toilets, face painter, some of the attractions, advertising, etc. There will be lots of different stalls attending, including Ad Astra, Barnsley Hospice, Age UK, dental health, etc. There will also be lots of activities for the whole family to enjoy, board games, birds of prey, penalty shootout, etc. The bid was discussed by the members and the full amount was agreed upon.

New Bin Installation at Smithies Rec - this bid is for £300 and is to pay for a new vandal resistant bin to be installed at Smithies Rec. It was discussed and the full amount was agreed.

Events: Jubilee Event - a meeting will be held to finalise all plans.

Rides - Lee explained that any rides now that we use for Galas, etc have to have the correct certificates/insurance. BMBC want them to have CHAS registration. This registration is around £250. To check whether rides to be used at Jubilee event/Gala have this registration.

St Helens Gala - Unfortunately a Full Council meeting has been added to the calendar on the same day as this event so the Mayor and Councillors will not be able to attend until later in the day after the meeting has finished. As the Mayor will be unable to open the gala the members were asked for suggestions on who will officially open the Gala. It was suggested the Madge would be a fantastic candidate. This suggestion was agreed by all members.

All planning is on track for the Gala.

Ward Plan: The Ward Plan will be discussed at a future meeting.

Treasurers Report: Lee reported a total of £14,813.211 as of 19th May 2022.

Forthcoming Projects and Bids: Cllr Leech gave an update on the memorial bench that will be placed at Poundstretcher. He said that the bench is done and currently in his garage waiting to be installed. Members of The Yorkshire Regiment will help install the bench when a date is agreed upon. There will also be an opening planned once the bench is installed, Cllr Leech to put in a working budget bid to arrange this. Father Peter will also bless the bench.

Any other business: London Hearts is looking to Ward Alliances to use funding to install more defibrillators in the community. It was discussed but at present we do not have enough funding to facilitate this. It was agreed that we would look again at this in the New Year. Madge explained that she now has the keys for the TARA office and there will be a Coffee morning to celebrate the opening and the Queens jubilee on Tuesday 31st May 10 -12pm. All are invited.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Meeting closed at 17.20pm

The next meeting is on Thursday 30th June 2022 at 4pm, New Lodge Community Centre.