

MEETING:	Central Area Council
DATE:	Wednesday 24 May 2023
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 22 March 2023 (Cen.24.05.2023/2) (*Pages 3 - 6*)

Items for Discussion

- 3 Update from Sarah Davey, Community Development Officer (Cen.24.05.2023/3) (*Pages 7 - 30*)
- 4 Performance Report Q4 (Cen.24.05.2023/4) (*Pages 31 - 60*)
- 5 Procurement and Finance Update (Cen.24.05.2023/5) (*Pages 61 - 68*)

Ward Alliances

- 6 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.24.05.2023/6) (*Pages 69 - 94*)
Central – held on 22 March 2023
Dodworth – held on 28 February 2023
Kingstone – held on 19 April 2023
Stairfoot – held on 13 March and 17 April 2023
Worsbrough – held on 22 February 2023 (Environmental Working Group) and 2 March 2023
- 7 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.24.05.2023/7) (*Pages 95 - 98*)

To: Chair and Members of Central Area Council:-

Councillors K. Dyson (Chair), Bowser, Christmas, Clarke, Fielding, Lodge, O'Donoghue, Mitchell, Moyes, Murray, Ramchandani, Risebury, Shirt, C. Wray and P. Wright

Area Council Support Officers:

Steve Loach, Central Area Council Senior Management Link Officer
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities
Sarah Blunkett, Central Area Council Manager
Lisa Phelan, Central Area Council Manager
Peter Mirfin, Governance Manager

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Tuesday 16 May 2023



MEETING:	Central Area Council
DATE:	Wednesday 22 March 2023
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Reception Room - Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present

Councillors Williams (Chair), Bowser, Clarke JP, K. Dyson, P. Fielding, Gillis, Lodge, Mitchell, Moyes, Ramchandani and Shirt

33 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.

34 Creative Recovery (Cen.22.03.2023/3)

Hayley Youell from Creative Recovery was welcomed to the meeting.

Members were provided with an overview as to how it all started and an outline of the progress to date and future plans.

Members heard of the wide variety of engagements with residents in the Summer Lane and Gilroyd Areas and the aims of the Team to enable residents and community members to create events and provide activities themselves by providing them the skills to carry on.

Financial support had been received from the Central Area Council's Wellbeing Fund and an application had been submitted to the Arts Council and a grant of £30,000 had been secured in Autumn 2022.

Members noted that Creative Recovery had moved to more appropriate premises on Prospect Street on a 5 year agreement, this was a positive move and had made the Team feel more valued, seen and supported. The move had been instigated by partnership working with the long term work with the Central Area and Bernelsi Homes.

Members were informed of the timescales for the project which had an end date of 31 July 2024, and the future plans for recruiting to various posts in addition to the staff members already in place.

Moving forward members were informed that there was a desire to engage with residents and community members in the Dodworth and Worsbrough areas and that the assistance from local councillors would be welcomed in making that happen. There were also plans for the People Grower post to work in collaboration with the Stroke Recovery Service to create a Central Area group for and led by stroke survivors.

Members welcomed the work being undertaken by Creative Recovery and gave thanks to Hayley and the Team for the positive impact their work was having in the community.

NOTE that members received the information presented as the meeting was not quorate at this time.

35 Performance Management Report Q3 (Cen.22.03.2023/4)

Members of the committee drew their attention to the detailed Q3 performance report.

Members asked whether details could be provided of what work was being undertaken by Twiggs Grounds Maintenance in each ward area. They were informed that a detailed report could be requested and circulated to members detailing work carried out in each ward area.

NOTED that members received the information as the meeting was not quorate when the item was considered.

36 Procurement and Financial Update (Cen.22.03.2023/5)

The meeting became quorate during the consideration of this item.

The Area Council Manager introduced the item and provided an overview of current delivery against priorities and the current financial position.

Members were provided with an update to the 'Supporting Vulnerable People' priority new grants fund and that tranche 1 had been scored and would be provided by DIAL to cover welfare advice and that procurement would be requested to progress the commission.

Members were informed that alongside the £10,000 annual ward alliance base budget per ward, an additional £2,000 per ward had been secured to increase the resources for grass roots community engagement. In addition, £3,000 had been identified as a budget underspend across a variety of funds resulting in an annual budget of £15,000 per Ward Alliance for the 2023/24 financial year. As a result of this there would not be a requirement to devolve any of the commissioning budget to Ward Alliances at this time.

Members requested an update to the situation around hanging baskets and what the protocol would be to erect them. They were informed that a big piece of work had been undertaken by the Community Development Officers in collaboration with Street Lighting to investigate the numbers of lampposts in the wards and their suitability for brackets being fixed to hold a hanging basket. The outcome of which was due to be reported back to Area Managers in the near future in order for orders to be placed.

Members were informed that following a query around the purchasing of individual Christmas trees which had a significant cost implication for each one purchased, it was reported back that a uniform quote for the purchase of trees per ward would be circulated before Summer.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) that the overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund Projects, with associated timescales be noted;
- (ii) that the actual financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-2024 as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report, be noted;
- (iii) that the update of the Supporting Vulnerable People Fund be noted;
- (iv) that the update of the procurement of the contact to build emotional resilience and wellbeing for children aged 8-14 years (Years 4-8) be noted;
- (v) that the additional finding of £5,000 received from outside sources into Ward Alliance budgets be noted;
- (vi) that recommended Option 1: that there is no requirement to devolve additional funds from the main commissioning budget to the Ward Alliance Funds, be approved;
- (vii) that the Clean and Green Workshop to be held on 16th March to provide policy and procedural environmental updates, to reflect on progress regarding this priority to date and focus on forward planning for 2023-24 be noted.

37 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Central Area Council held on 1st February, 2023 (Cen.22.03.2023/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Central Area Council held on 1 February 2023.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Central Area Council held on 1 February 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

38 Notes of the Ward Alliances (Cen.22.03.2023/6)

The meeting received the notes of the meeting of the following Ward Alliances:-

Central – held on 25 January 2023

Dodworth – held on 17 January 2023

Kingstone – held on 11 January and 22 February 2023

Stairfoot – held on 9 January and 20 February 2023

Worsbrough – held on 19 January 2023

RESOLVED that the notes of the Ward Alliances be received.

39 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Cen.22.03.2023/7)

The report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds was received.

RESOLVED that the report on the use of Ward Alliance Funds be noted.

40 Thanks to Retiring Members

The Chair noted that this would be the last meeting of the Area Council attended by a number of retiring members. He placed on record his thanks for their dedication, contribution and hard work provided to the Area Council.

The sentiment was echoed by all Members present.

RESOLVED that the Area Council extends to all retiring members their best wishes for the future.

Chair

2022 -2023

STEPPING STONES- ONE STEP CLOSER



ABOUT STEPPING STONES

Stepping Stones is made up of several projects which were set up as pandemic restrictions started to lift. A community consultation across the borough revealed that many people were anxious about getting back into society and yet felt socially isolated and this had created issues around mental health and wellbeing.

The projects were intended to gently encourage people to start to get out and about more, to meet new friends, reduce anxiety and build confidence.

The projects are:

- Stepping Stones Micro-Volunteering
- Coffee, Cake and Confidence
- Coffee, Cake and Community
- One Step Closer support

STEPPING STONES MICRO-VOLUNTEERING

Stepping Stones Micro-volunteering project works with, or on behalf of, various community groups in the Central Area. These include:

- Friends of Locke Park (Kingstone Ward)
- Barnsley Museums Worsbrough Mill and Park (Worsbrough Ward)
- Lavender Court (Stairfoot Ward)
- Harborough Hills Allotment (Central Ward)
- Hope in the Community (Kingstone Ward)
- Incredible Edible (Dodworth Ward)
- Barnsley Carers Service ,DIAL, BIADS and more

Activities include:

- Litter picking
- Gardening
- Putting up equipment such as garden furniture
- Christmas decorations for a supported living project
- Writing Christmas cards to residents of a supported living project
- Cleaning toys for a parent and toddler group
- Leafleting for various community projects

Outcomes

- Increased confidence in participants
- New friendships between participants
- New skills developed
- Community groups feel supported

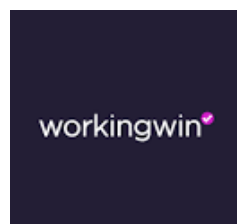
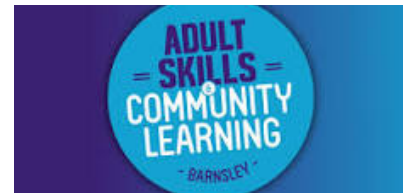


COFFEE, CAKE AND CONFIDENCE

Coffee, Cake and Confidence is a 5 week programme set up to develop confidence for adults aged 18+. The programme explores the nature of confidence, how to act more confidently, how to change failure into success, how thoughts affect our confidence and much more.

Participants enjoy friendship over coffee and cakes and some of these friendships have continued outside the group.

The project works closely with other agencies to help remove barriers. These have included Adult and Community Learning, Social Prescribing, Oakwell Training, and Working Win.



COFFEE, CAKE AND COMMUNITY

Coffee, Cake and Community was set up in partnership with Worsbrough Library who wanted to encourage people to come into the library to participate in new activities.

Volunteers from Stepping Stones and Coffee, Cake and Confidence have been supported to run this social and activity group.

Activities include: arts and crafts, quizzes, bingo, storytelling and much more!



Volunteering outputs 2022-2023



22
Adult
Volunteers



775
Total
Volunteering
Hours



£10,617
Cashable
Value of
Volunteering

ONE STEP CLOSER

Stepping Stones projects work very closely with One Step Closer, a project which sits within the Central Area Team and Employability Team.

The project worker from One Step Closer supports participants in our programmes to progress, as needed, into work, training, education or anything else.



SUPPORTING OTHER PROJECTS

Part of the role of the Community Development Officer who runs Stepping Stones is to support groups who work with marginalised or vulnerable people.

As part of this, the CDO supports organisations in a variety of ways. These include:

- Being part of Steering groups, for example, Creative Recovery, MIND, Refugee Council, Chilypep etc
- Attending meetings concerning vulnerable groups, for example, Migrants Network Meeting
- Networking with organisations across the Central Area which work with vulnerable groups and participating in events
- Supporting groups in exploring sustainability, envisioning and funding
- Highlighting and celebrating the work of community groups through Community Highlights (see example below)
- Sharing information about projects through the Central Area Calendar, Job Centre windows and notice boards and through networks
- Supporting new workers in voluntary sector organisations by introducing them to similar groups and networks



Community Highlights!

Worsbrough Community Pantry

Worsbrough Community Pantry was set up in 2020 with the intention of helping people before they reach crisis point. Not a food bank, the pantry offers food at an affordable price. For £3 a visit, anyone living in the Worsbrough Ward who is suffering financial hardship can apply to be a member of the Pantry and can take away goods to the value of £15 including fresh, frozen, refrigerated and store cupboard favourites!

The Pantry is based in Worsbrough Community Church on High Street.

Currently, 35 families are supported on a regular basis!

PHOTOS



QUOTES

Pantry User, Kaeti M: " It is a really friendly and nice place to come and have a chat with other users and the volunteers. I am always made to feel welcomed and listened to. It's great value for money and helps my money go further each week."

Trustees- Tracey, Linda and Colin: " We are really pleased to be able to reach out to the community in which we are based and offer support to those who need it the most. As well as offering access to affordable food, there is also opportunity for users to volunteer and develop their skills and confidence. It's great to see the journey from pantry user to volunteer".

For more info, please contact Michelle Toone, Community Development Officer: michelletoone@barnsley.gov.uk

Central Area Council
Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot, Worsbrough

Stepping Stones

Micro-volunteering
opportunities for those who
need some support into
volunteering

Gardening, litter picking,
landscaping, Christmas
decorating, allotment
projects, leafleting, and much
more!

Coffee and cake!



Gardening at Locke Park

Central
Area Team

Incredible Edible Herb Allotments





Putting up tables at Lavender Court

Central
Area Team



Litter Picking at Worsborough Country Park

Central
Area Team

Harvest Mice Nest Hunting at Worsbrough Mill

Central
Area Team





Christmas decorating at Lavender Court

Central
Area Team



Leafleting for Making Space

Central
Area Team



Cleaning children's toys for parent and toddler group

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Harborough Hills Allotment Project

Volunteering Outputs 2022-2023

22 volunteers
775 volunteering hours
£10,617 cashable value of volunteering

And many more opportunities too!

Thank you!

To all of our volunteers for making such a difference in our communities

To the community groups who have provided us with such great volunteering opportunities

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Central Area Council

Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot, Worsbrough

Performance Management Report

Quarter Four: January - March 2023

Central Area Council - Priorities, Principles and links to Corporate Outcomes 2022 - 2023



Reduction in loneliness and isolation in adults & older people



Improvement in the emotional resilience & wellbeing of children and young people



Creating a cleaner & greener environment in partnership with local people



Supporting Vulnerable People

Ensuring the following principles are promoted and embedded in all that we do:

Community cohesion and integration

Social value

Healthy and active lifestyles

Contributing to the following Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:

Barnsley - the place of possibilities

Healthy Barnsley

People are safe and feel safe

People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible

We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough

Learning Barnsley

People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships

Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment

People have access to early help and support

Growing Barnsley

Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities

People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture

People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes

Sustainable Barnsley

People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.

Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy


Fossil fuels are being replaced by affordable and sustainable energy and people are able to enjoy more cycling and walking

Enabling Barnsley

We are a modern, inclusive, efficient, productive and high-performing council

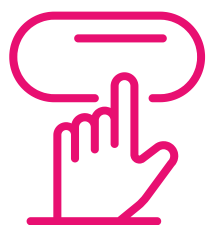
Contractual Overview for 2022-2023

Providers appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Central Area Council.

Service	Priority	Provider	Contract Value (this year)	Contract Dates	Grant / Commission
Advice Drop In			£30,900.00	July 2019 - June 2021 (extended to March '23)	Central Wellbeing Fund
My Community, My Life			£39,936.76	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Thriving Communities			£39,432.57	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Reds Connects			£14,601.48	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Unity Project			£140,330.00	1 April 2020 - 31 March 2023	Central Area Council Commissioned
Detached Youth Work			£9,7000.50	1 July 2022 - 30 June 2024	Youth Work Fund
Street Smart			£39,000.00	1 July 2022 - 30 June 2024	Youth Work Fund
Clean and Green			£110,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Central Area Council Commissioned
Targeted Household Fly - tipping Service			£35,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Service Level Agreement - CAC Commissioned
Private Rented Housing Support Service			£35,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Service Level Agreement - CAC Commissioned
Welfare Rights and Legal Advice Service			£30,000.00	January 2021 extended to March 2023	Financial Resilience Grant Fund
Uplift Project			£7,500.00	1 October 2022 - 3 September 2024	Central Wellbeing Fund

OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

Contract meetings were held for all Central Area Council commissioned services and grant contract providers this quarter. This report is a summary of delivery including key figures and some case studies from Quarter Four 2022-23.



Full reports and data from all providers are available from the area team. The "request" icon signifies more detail on case studies is available.

At the end of Q4 2022-2023, various contracts and grant agreements ended in their previous format. One-year-

extensions are now in place for the Social Isolation Challenge Fund Grant agreements, a new contract is in place for Building emotional resilience in children and young people and a new central wellbeing fund was launched to support vulnerable people.

Furthermore, this report details additional activities funded by CAC during the 2022-2023 fiscal year, specifically, the **Youth work training program.**

Central Area providers' contributions to some Stronger Communities' Key Performance Indicators are highlighted below



277
Adult Volunteers



2996
Total Volunteering Hours



27
Community Groups Supported



£11,173
Additional funding e.g. donations, matched funding etc.



£41,049
Cashable Value of Volunteering



710
Adults supported to improve their emotional health & wellbeing

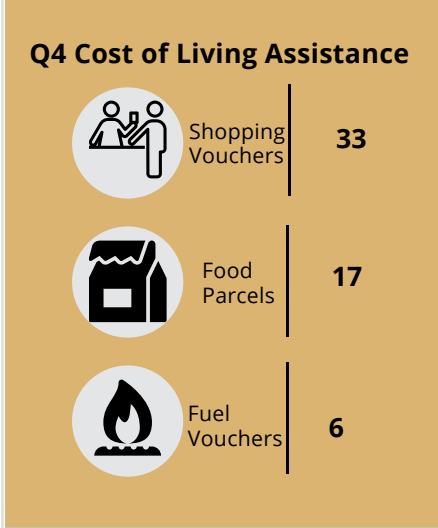


CITIZENS ADVICE BARNSLEY CENTRAL AREA OUTREACH

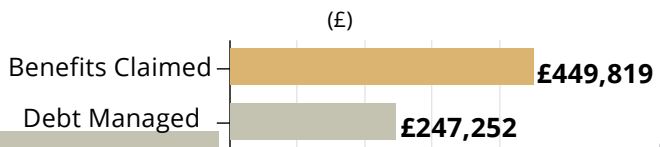
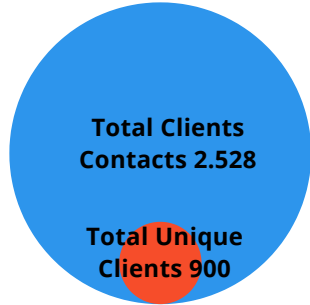
END OF SERVICE REPORT

FINANCIAL RESILIENCE GRANT FUND

The Central Area Outreach service started on 1st December 2020, providing advice and support for the residents who live within the Central Area wards of Kingstone, Dodworth, Central, Worsbrough and Stairfoot. During this period, advice was provided via telephone and digital means due to the COVID pandemic until Face to Face advice was able to start this Quarter 4 of 2022-2023.

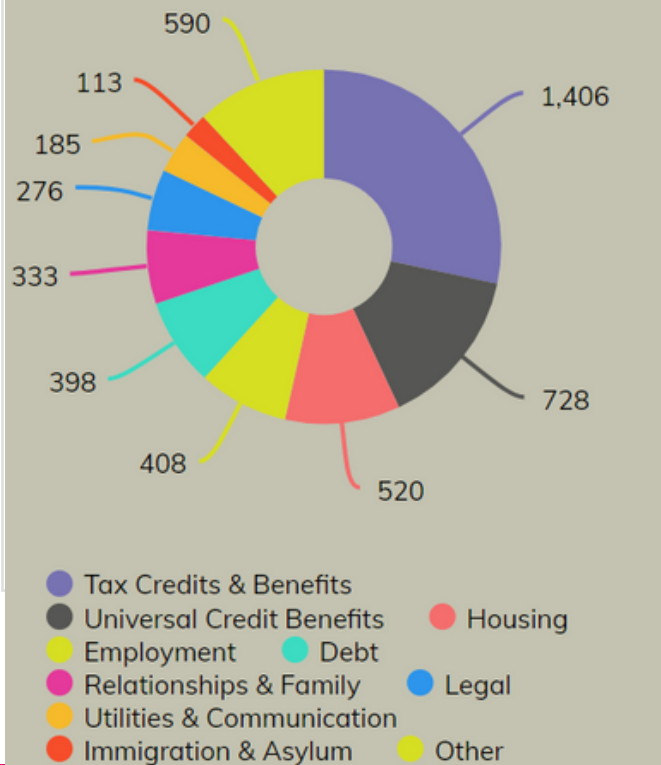


Clients since December 2020



The drop-in service operated at Wellington House, on a Monday and Wednesday morning 9.30 am - 12.30 pm and saw advisors assist with a total of 557 client contacts, manage £18,618 of debt and claim £52,449 in benefits. The rise in cost of living has resulted in higher client contacts across all wards this quarter, some of whom were assisted with vouchers and food parcels.

Main issues handled this quarter



By Ward	Jan-Mar 2023	Oct-Dec 2022
Central	178	111
Dodworth	47	36
Kingstone	172	45
Stairfoot	97	71
Worsbrough	63	42



CASE STUDY

CITIZENS ADVICE BARNELSEY

"I am just worried that we are going to be blamed!" Billy* explained to the adviser at Citizens Advice Barnsley. Billy* and Rima* were really worried about their rented property. They had been without central heating for over a month, and there was still no sign of it being repaired. They liked their privately rented property, overall - but the current lack of central heating and reliable hot water was a problem. And now there were signs of damp, probably due in part to the lack of heating... Billy's worry was that a clause in their tenancy agreement said that they were responsible for heating the house adequately to avoid damp - but how could they, if the boiler was broken?

The adviser first outlined to Billy and Rima the responsibilities of a landlord: the landlord is responsible for most major repairs to the home and it has to be fit for human habitation - and that includes it being much too cold. She explained that the landlord must complete repairs in a "reasonable" amount of time. She also explained, however, that they should not consider withholding rent, as this could give the landlord cause for eviction.

The adviser explained that Shelter has years of experience in dealing with complex housing issues, and arranged to send them weblinks to the Shelter site, which both outlined a landlord's legal responsibilities and advice about collating evidence to support any complaint.

The adviser went on to advise Rima and Billy that, if the landlord would not carry out the repairs in a timely manner, then they could contact the letting agents. They would, in all probability, have a formal complaints procedure with a timeline, but otherwise they could contact the manager. If that still failed to achieve the desired result, they could escalate their complaint to an independent complaints' body or to the council - ultimately, it could even be referred to the ombudsman. The adviser ensured that their discussion was fully backed up by email, so that they had all of the information readily available.

Billy and Rima left content that they now knew clearly how to proceed with resolving their housing problem.





CREATIVE RECOVERY UPLIFT PROJECT

CENTRAL WELLBEING FUND



The Uplift project "Growing Creativity" launched on October 1 2022. The project mobilisation has started in earnest and includes recruitment (Artist Developer, People Grower, Project Support) , conversations with the Arts Council evaluator and area team as well as linking with all local stakeholders.

Following the first volunteer group meeting on the Summer Lane Estate in March, the team received feedback that prompted an increase in marketing and promotion of creative recovery in and around the estate, as well as on social media. The team is also planning a series of drop-in events in Quarter 2 and inviting residents to attend.

The Uplift team is currently in the planning and development phase for community-led work in Dodworth and Gilroyd. Meetings with Dodworth Library, Gilroyd Club, Berneslai Homes, among others, have been held. Similarly, research on current provision/activities and development of delivery is underway in Worsbrough.



12

Volunteers Hours

6

New Volunteers

£164.40

Cashable Value of
Volunteering

13

Professional partners
& Local Businesses
collaborated with

2

Groups Created

DIAL ADVICE SERVICE

CENTRAL WELLBEING FUND



£799,698

Unclaimed Benefits Generated since July 2022

£34.50

Generated for the local economy for every £1 invested by CAC

178

Residents attended advice sessions this quarter (pie chart)

92%

Reported reduction in anxiety & improved wellbeing

87%

Reported feeling more confident & having an improved outlook

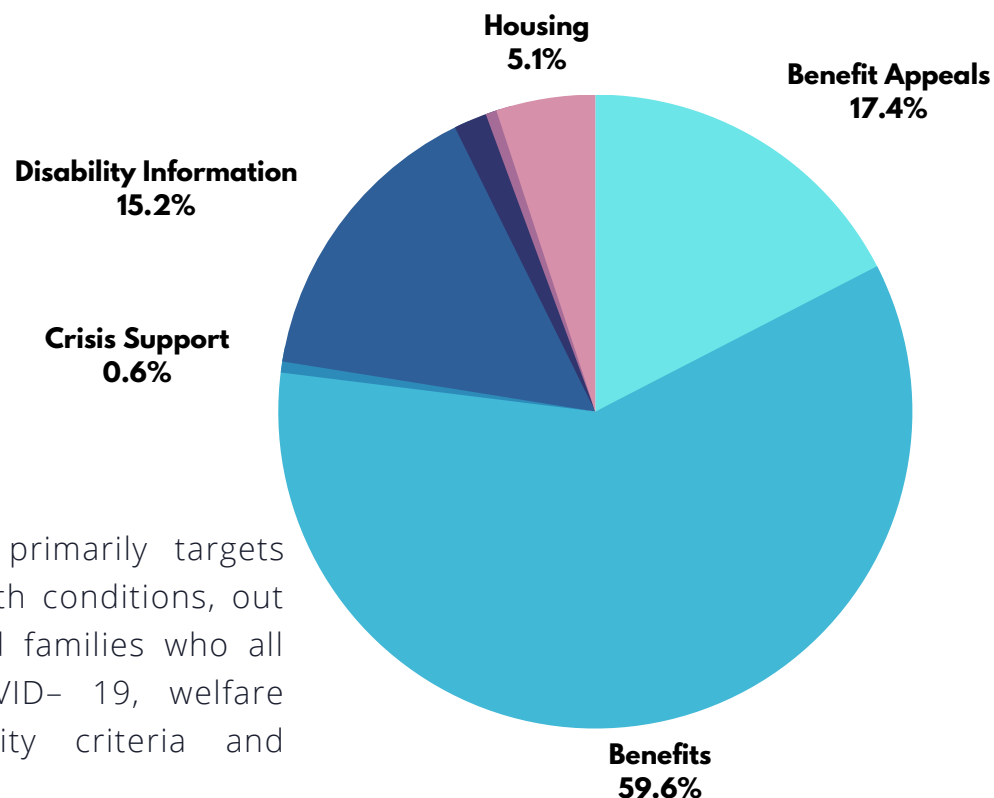
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Volunteer Hours

The DIAL drop in service primarily targets residents with long term health conditions, out of work residents, carers and families who all have been affected by COVID- 19, welfare benefit changes to eligibility criteria and processes.

By Ward	Jan-Mar 2023	Oct-Dec 2022
Central	124	88
Dodworth	109	54
Kingstone	146	77
Stairfoot	84	79
Worsbrough	133	118

The number of clients in the area has risen this quarter, with a notable surge in Dodworth and Kingstone. Benefits checks, pension credit inquiries and food bank access were amongst the most sort after services. Residents also benefited from the Pants to Poverty project (*not funded by Central Area*)





CASE STUDY

DIAL BARNSELY

Before DIAL

Mr B is a 87 year old man who has Arthritis in all his joints. He has very poor mobility and had a few falls in the last year. His wife was helping him with care needs; helping him shower and dress, and his son was now helping with shopping. He contacted DIAL to ask if he may qualify for a blue badge so that, when his son took him to hospital appointments, he would be able to park closer to the entrance.

Advice provided by DIAL

We saw Mr B at our outreach at Elm Court to help him complete the blue badge application online. Whilst he was at the appointment our adviser advised him that he may qualify for Attendance Allowance and rang DWP to send a form for him to complete.

A few weeks later Mr B saw DIAL again at Elm Court to help him complete the Attendance Allowance form.

After DIAL

Mr B was awarded a blue badge. He was also awarded the higher rate of Attendance Allowance, increasing his income by £92.40 a week.

Mr B said "I thought I may qualify for a blue badge, and this has been a great help. I had heard of Attendance Allowance but I assumed that my private pension would mean I did not qualify. I am delighted with the advice and help I got from DIAL."

Acknowledged Outcome

- Increased Income
- Less Stress
- More Confidence
- Improved Health and Well Being





REDS CONNECT

SOCIAL ISOLATION CHALLENGE FUND



48

Football / Walking Football Attendees per session



52

Exercise Class Attendees per session



17

Walking Group Attendees per session



23

Sporting Memories Attendees per session



60

Volunteering Hours across activities this quarter



Reds Connect plays a vital role in addressing social isolation and loneliness by creating opportunities for locals to engage and connect. The initiative strives to foster new relationships and encourage locals to lead an active lifestyle. Its success is evident in the steady stream of referrals from the Social Prescribing team and Health and Wellbeing Coaches. Reds Connect also collaborates with Berneslai Homes, BIADS and the Game Changer programme to achieve its objectives.



This quarter saw a friendly match against Wakefield Walking Football at Oakwell. The session was very well attended with over 20 participants from our session. These games allow participants to enjoy being part of a team again and forge new friendships.



Regular attendees of the Walking Group and Exercise Sessions have been taking on increased responsibility during the sessions e.g. starting their own warm ups and stretches before exercise sessions and maintaining contact with each other outside the walking sessions.



REDS CONNECT

SOCIAL ISOLATION CHALLENGE FUND

At Sporting Memories participants over 50 years old gather to reminisce about sports, engage in light exercise, share souvenirs and memorabilia, and enjoy refreshments. Brain stimulation activities such as word games, puzzles, and strategic games are also incorporated into the sessions.



“ I enjoy the regular meet up with the dementia sufferers and their carers. It’s a great setting which helps evoke memories and stimulates conversation. I really enjoy volunteering for these sessions, helping out and setting quizzes and its really rewarding to see positive reactions from everyone, we all have a great time and look forward to our weekly session”



AGE UK

MY COMMUNITY, MY LIFE PROJECT

SOCIAL ISOLATION CHALLENGE FUND



The first element of this service addresses individual social isolation through 1:1 intervention with the Social Inclusion Team. Service users also received Information and Advice from the I&A Officer

1092

Volunteering Hours

£18,487.56

Cashable value of those volunteering hours

74

Socially isolated older people on personalised plans

1840

Attendances at group activities this quarter

By Ward	1:1 Intervention	I&A
Central	20	5
Dodworth	12	8
Kingstone	13	6
Stairfoot	18	11
Worsbrough	11	6
TOTAL	74	36

The second element is the development of new group activities and support for existing groups. The Lightbox social group launched this quarter

There are engaging weekly group activities in all wards across the central area. In Worsbrough, Coffee & Conversation and Maltas Court; in Stairfoot, Lavender Court, Kates Sandwich Bar and Friday Coffee Club; in Kingstone, Shaw Lane Bowls Group; in Dodworth (Young at Hearts) and in Central, Coffee & Companions.

The Community allotment is ready for people to attend and maintain a plot. There are now 2 regular volunteers maintaining the site and an SIO will be running a weekly group from there alongside the designated plots.





AGE UK

MY COMMUNITY, MY LIFE PROJECT

SOCIAL ISOLATION CHALLENGE FUND

Coffee & Companions



Lavender Court



Friday Coffee Club



Shaw Lane Bowls



Kate Sandwich Bar





CASE STUDIES

AGE UK BARNSELY

Service User Case Study

Summary

Mr F had his medication delivered to him from our HHFH service, after a 3 week spell in hospital. As a follow up from our office team he was asked if he would like to have any more input from Age UK services. As he had voluntarily given up driving in Dec 22, he asked about what services there might be to help him and his wife get out and about. He was referred to BOPPA, who have since been in contact with him and he is looking forward to seeing what they can offer.

When the social inclusion officer visited, she discussed what activities and services Age UK had to offer. They still have a fairly good social circle, however he was interested in knowing about local groups in the area in case they decided to try something new. Like he told me, it's always interesting to find out what is actually available in the local area.

Outcomes

- Age UK Barnsley have offered support regarding local groups in the area.
- Advice will be given from I&A service around driving licence
- BOPPA service will be in touch when Mr F is able to join them following his surgery
- Mr F has signed up to Dial a Ride

I& A Case Study

The client is 89, lives alone and suffers from Arthritis in his right knee and hip and has epilepsy. He has had a knee replacement 9 years ago but this is now causing him pain. The doctors are reluctant to replace his hip and are giving him injections, although they are not working and he is still in constant pain.

The SIO completed the Attendance allowance form with the client and his Son present and advised that in my opinion he should get at least the lower rate Attendance Allowance of £61.85 a week.

The client rang to confirm that he has received higher rate AA of £92.40 a week and is very grateful for our help as he wouldn't have been able to complete himself even with his Son's help.





R B MIND

THRIVING COMMUNITIES

SOCIAL ISOLATION CHALLENGE FUND

 **Rotherham and Barnsley**

16

New Referrals into project

87

Volunteers Hours

51

One-to-One Sessions Delivered

74

Group attendance

£2590

Added Value (incl. cash and resource donations)

41

Socially isolated people supported

The goal of the Thriving Communities Project is to foster community initiatives throughout the central area to facilitate connection, collaboration, and support among diverse, marginalised, and isolated communities. Their focus is on working with individuals who are hard to reach and who identify as feeling lonely or isolated.

Group Attendance Update

The Ladies group continues to meet every week in the community at the Worsbrough and Kendray Family Centre. Feedback from the mens group and previous attendees showed a general consensus that if they managed to get to group that they enjoyed it and that it was helpful. However, many said that during the winter months that they found it increasingly difficult to leave the house and the weather had affected their ability to attend.

There is an extended group provision offering a weekly online support group to address the needs of those who find it difficult to leave the house has been well received. MIND continue to offer a weekly online support group (Each Tuesday 1.30pm) and are slowly increasing the numbers attending.

Chill and Chat at Worsbrough Dale Pavilion and the Eco Gym community initiative at the Recovery College will resume in February when the weather is milder.

The Isolation Workshop was delivered to volunteers with information that helps them understand loneliness and isolation

Partnership working

R&B Mind are continue to work in Partnership with The Recovery College, Oakwell Training, Working Win, Endorphins, Social Prescribers and Family Centres. They continue to promote the service through the Central Area Calendar.



CASE STUDY

Rotherham & Barnsley MIND

Aims/Objectives: Following the completion of counselling Sharon wanted ongoing support and how they would like to make a step forward that has a positive impact on the anxiety.

What did "MIND" do? 1-1 support for three sessions via telephone.

What was the context / background? Following a separation and then divorce and the changes and difficulties that presented, the client found COVID helped them to isolate, which the client feels they do when things get difficult. At the time I began to work with them they had finished nine sessions of counselling and wanted support to help with their anxiety. Sharon had limited support from the core team previously but no other support from other agencies.

How was it organised and who was involved? R B Mind rang the client for three sessions to offer a listening ear and a chance to explore different options to help with their anxiety.

What resources did you need? Telephone

Has it been evaluated? How successful has it been?

The client's mood changed over the three sessions and by the third session the client had started involving themselves with Creative Recovery where they joined a writing workshop. They had found this both insightful and uplifting and at the time support ended the client had a positive outlook on life.

Future Plans

Sharon had plans to join the ladies' group at the Barnsley office on Wednesday mornings and was happy knowing she could contact us for further support should it be required.

Key Learning Points

The client wanted to find ways forward which helped them engage with the support. The client was clear about their own needs which helped their own exploration. Offering listening support with empathy during the 1-2-1 calls allowed the client to explore options and take control of the direction they wanted to go in.





TWIGGS CLEAN & GREEN

CAC COMMISSIONED SERVICE

TWIGGS
Grounds Maintenance LTD

32

New volunteers engaged

218

Volunteers engaged

11

Interventions with established groups

525

Volunteer hours undertaken

63

Provider led social action interventions/added value

1

New/Emerging community groups supported

74

Volunteering opportunities taken up



Twiggs Grounds Maintenance are commissioned by CAC to deliver a Clean and Green Service in partnership with local residents, community groups and businesses, working both proactively and reactively across the area. The table is the number of activities by Ward this quarter

Activities By Ward This Quarter	
Central	28
Dodworth	27
Kingstone	28
Stairfoot	16
Worsbrough	24



CASE STUDIES

TWIGGS



Twiggs produce case studies for each ward. The full reports are available from the area team.

WORSBROUGH WARD: Highstone Lane

The team supported a group of volunteers with strimming down the long grass and brambles to all them easier access to buried litter. 34 sacks of waste were collected



STAIRFOOT WARD: Collaborative event with Stairfoot Ward Alliance, Tesco and the central area team

The team carried out maintenance and reinstatement activities on the entrance to the TPT across from Tesco on Wombwell Lane. To begin, they cleared the pavement of any moss, weeds, and silt that were becoming a slip hazard. Additionally, they trimmed down the Buddleia to knee-height to allow for better summer growth. Working their way along the entrance edges, they pruned back any branches that were obstructing the walkway. And finally ensured that the entrance was neat and tidy by picking up any remaining litter.



KINGSTONE WARD: Tree Planting/Hedge Creation - In Partnership with BMBC Tree Sector Specialist at Shaw Lane Sports Club

80 tree saplings were planted to create a strip of hedging atop the small banking/slope at the edge perimeter of the football field.



DODWORTH WARD: Keresforth Primary School - Bulb Planting

Teaching new skills and techniques to pupils from Keresforth Primary School they planted 300 bulbs around trees to add some colour and vibrancy to the area.



CENTRAL WARD: Litter picking on Mottram Street

Volunteers joined forces to carry out necessary reinstatement work on the backings of Mottram Street, due to multiple reports of slips and near-miss incidents.





BMBC SLA:

PRIVATE RENTAL HOUSING SUPPORT SERVICE (HCO) TARGETTED HOUSEHOLD FLYTIPPING SERVICE (CSO)

CAC COMMISSIONED SERVICE



The Housing and Cohesion Officer, HCO, advises and supports tenants living in privately rented properties on a range of issues such as debt issues and waste management.

HCO occasionally encounters properties and therefore individuals with complex needs and in unique situations that need additional support.



The Community Safety Officer, CSO, handles jobs including side waste, waste in alleyways and fly-tipping/duty of care jobs. The service also gives advice to landlords, letting agents and tenants/residents. Proactive patrols sometimes recover evidence that links fly tipping to a property therefore a CPW can be issued



462
 Proactive "Pin on the map" jobs

87
 Side waste investigations

172
 Fly tipping and duty of care cases dealt with

52
 Written warning letters issued to individuals

268
 Visual inspections taken place (Properties)

4
 Visual inspections taken place (Streets)

10
 Different households contacted/ visited where problem identified.

10
 Vulnerable households identified

1
 Formal notices to private landlords



YMCA UNITY PROJECT

CAC COMMISSIONED SERVICE



YMCA UNITY PROJECT

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

7

Holiday Provision
Sessions Delivered

102

Term Time Sessions
Delivered

1341

Total attendances

3

Peer Support Sessions

63

New Attendees this
quarter

1044

Volunteering Hours

YMCA Barnsley offers a youth work program, catering specifically to children and young adults aged 8-14 years residing in the Central Area. The program aims to enhance emotional resilience by equipping participants with essential skills and tools to foster positive emotional health, wellbeing, and support. Ultimately, this program prepares individuals for life's transitions.

Highlights from this quarter include:

- Twilight and evening youth work sessions at YMCA Barnsley, Kendray and Worsbrough Family Centre and Dodworth St Johns Church
- Primary after school programmes in The Forest Academy, Queens Road, Ward Green, Keresforth, & Joseph Lock Primary schools.
- Secondary School (Horizon Community College) ACE (Arts, Crafts & Enterprise) After School Club and Barnsley Academy, After School Club.
- YMCA England & Wales Youth Services Campaigns Engagement
- February Half Term provision
- Youth Mental Health First Aid Awareness Training
- Coproduction – consultation & awareness around CAMHS pathway
- Household Support Grant Packs Social Action

The project continues to offer a flexible model of delivery that is adapted in response to any changes in Government and National Youth Agency restrictions and guidelines. The participation within the sessions has increased and most after-school and youth clubs are operating at capacity and have waiting lists.

Themed & issue-based projects include Health & wellbeing sessions / Understanding emotions & self-awareness work (Primary); Self-esteem, confidence and aspirations sessions (secondary); 1-1 support around mental health and emotional resilience where required; Sleep support programmes and more



CASE STUDIES

YMCA UNITY PROJECT

*Excerpt from a Case study on a young person (*Bailey) supported by YMCA this quarter*

Impact of work with the individual:

After months of working with Bailey and committing to allowing his voice to be heard, his trust in the staff running the session has improved massively. As such, Bailey began engaging with our holiday provision, even though this meant practicing his confidence in settings that were unknown. Because of the level of work that was done with Bailey, he was able to fit into these sessions and make even more friends. His ability to find where he belongs within groups has improved, and through the mentoring relationship he has built with a number of our staff members now, Bailey is engaging with activities that would otherwise have been too intimidating for him.

Bailey's mum supports him to attend these sessions, and in conversation with our youth workers she is vocal with her praise for Bailey's development. At a recent Laser tag event, which was well attended, Bailey made a number of new friends despite being in an unknown environment with a lot of other young people.





YMCA DETACHED YOUTH WORK

YOUTH WORK FUND

YMCA
10

**Term Time Sessions
Delivered**

62

Attendances

87

**Youth Work
Opportunities**

4

New attendees

54

Volunteering Hours

YMCA Barnsley's efforts extend beyond the Unity Project, with a detached youth program aimed at developing social and life skills and emotional resilience in young people aged 13 years and above in Dodworth and Gilroyd.

The team has maintained a weekly presence in and around the community, with ongoing work in the central area. Recently, a group of enthusiastic young volunteers organised a community litter pick, creating flyers, distributing them throughout the neighbourhood and working with local business owners to display posters advertising the event. The initiative was a success, drawing in young people who were previously unfamiliar with the program, some of whom are now regular attendees at the weekly sessions. The group were also instrumental in expanding a YMCA Grant Application for the Household Support Grant to also include 'well-being packs' for elderly and younger members of their community, which was successful.





CASE STUDIES

YMCA Detached Youth Work

Summary of a Case study on a young person (*Burt) supported by YMCA this quarter

Burt: A Promising Young Talent

Our team has had the pleasure of working alongside Burt intermittently for about two years. Despite his various talents, Burt can sometimes be forgetful and requires reminders. He's a supportive friend, and a great source of information on topics that interest him. However, Burt has difficulty accepting compliments and praise, so we're careful to avoid over-praising him.

Burt can be quite hard on himself, particularly when it comes to artistic endeavours. He is his own worst critic, and often expresses self-deprecating thoughts. While he participates in all activities, arts and crafts are not his strong suit. However, we encourage him to enjoy the creative process, regardless of the end result.

In one-on-one conversations, Burt has shared his aspirations for the future. He has a clear vision and is confident in his ideas. In group activities, he is a natural leader, offering helpful insights and guidance. Recently, we discovered that Burt had been watching art tutorials in his spare time. He found that the step-by-step approach suited his learning style and he was able to improve his pencil sketching through this method.

Burt led an art activity and applied what he had learned from the tutorials. He broke down the steps in a way that was easy for the group to follow, while still making it enjoyable. He was also mindful of a peer who faced learning challenges and ensured that the activity was inclusive. During the evaluation of the activity, he reflected on his learning and development.

While Burt may not be the next Picasso or Lowry, he has a lot of potential to be a great teacher or youth worker. If he continues to have access to opportunities to develop his strengths and is given the freedom to explore his interests, we are confident that he will achieve great things.





THE YOUTH ASSOCIATION STREETSMART

YOUTH WORK FUND

THE YOUTH ASSOCIATION
 growing yorkshire's future

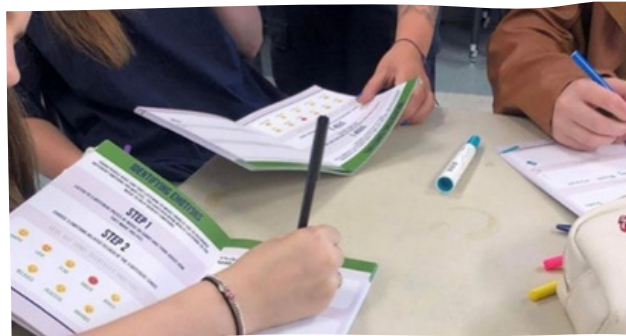
StreetSmart aims to enhance skills, attitudes, and prospects through street-based training and certification. The project is centered around providing workshops at the street level, along with supplementary sports, social action, and other initiatives. Youth workers who are well-versed in the specific StreetSmart topics deliver the program, which caters to the needs of young people across various wards.

23

Different young people attended 3+ sessions

15

Young people participated in mental health workshops



Chilypep's Mental Health First Aid Kit

33

Young people taking part in StreetSafe sessions



Future Man Programme at Barnsley College

55

Sessions delivered



Mental Health Workshop

211

Young people engaged

During this quarter, both young people and community members were encouraged to participate in a consultation to identify their needs and highlight emerging issues in the area and the types of activities and workshops they would enjoy and benefit from. Based on the responses, the primary concerns in the central area are **mental health and drug use**. The most sought-after activities are **sports and life skills** workshops.

Although there were fewer young people on the streets, this enabled the staff team to deliver more intensive work with certain groups and engage more young people in StreetSmart sessions in the library at the Lightbox.



CASE STUDIES

The Youth Association

Our team of youth workers originally met Young Person 'A' at the end of 2021 in the Stairfoot ward. Due to 'A's' consistent engagement in anti-social behavior and use of illegal substances, he was well known to local neighborhood policing teams and was banned from many local spaces and community initiatives. 'A' was initially skeptical of working with our team, but over time and consistent presence in the area, he gradually let his guard down and was open with our staff team about his involvement with anti-social behavior.

Our staff team completed an array of focused sessions with 'A', predominately focusing on substance misuse and harm reduction methods, the dangers of arson, firework safety, risk and consequence, and the potential long-term impact of anti-social behavior and the effect it could have on his future goals and aspirations. 'A's' street presence dropped dramatically near the end of 2022, as he aimed to decrease his involvement in anti-social behavior and had secured employment.

However, at the start of this year (2023) tensions between 'A' and a community member continued to rise as a result of 'A' frequenting a local initiative that he had previously been banned from, but his social group use as a meeting point. As a result of this, the community member then used social media to threaten this young person and shared 'A's' mothers address, encouraging others on social media to target this young person and his home and commit violent crimes against them. This then caused 'A' to feel unsafe, which led to him leaving his job and reverting back to anti-social behavior in order to feel protected due to power in numbers. Since then, youth workers worked with 'A' to encourage him to return to work and disengage from anti-social behavior. The social media post from the community member has been removed, and after discussion between 'A' and youth workers, 'A' has returned to his job.





YOUTH WORK TRAINING PROGRAM

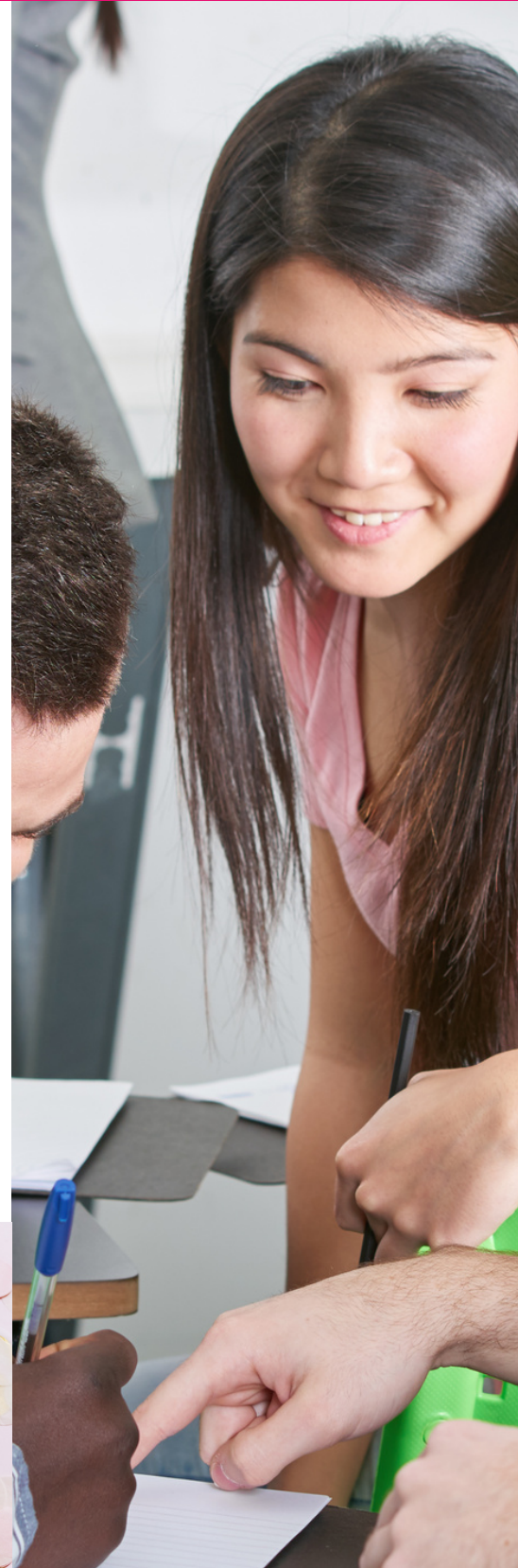
COHORT 1: CAC FUNDED

In response to a decline in service within the voluntary support sector in Barnsley, a volunteer support program was launched in the Central Area in 2022. The initiative was designed in collaboration with the central area council, YMCA, Central Area Community Development Officers, and The Youth Association.

A model was developed that allows for the delivery of a Level 2 Youth Work training package in a way that is accessible and appropriate for those out of work and/or inactive. The accredited youth work training package blends one-to-one support for learners with group-based training peer support and "deep dives".

The training was first delivered in Kendray at St Andrews Church in Kendray. Which was an accessible venue in Barnsley for the volunteers, with sessions held at fortnightly intervals. The Level 2 qualification contained 4 x units and was delivered over a 6-month period, with an extra month to allow for assessment, feedback, resubmissions, and moderation

70% of learners in Cohort 1 completed the Level 2 training. Further to this pilot, providers will continue to use this model to support learners borough wide with Cohort 2 already underway



COMMISSIONS

Unity Project
YMCA

Targeted
Household Fly
Tipping Service

Private Rented
Housing
Support

Twiggs Clean
and Green

COMMISSIONS		Unity Project YMCA	Targeted Household Fly Tipping Service	Private Rented Housing Support	Twiggs Clean and Green
Healthy Barnsley	People are safe and feel safe	✓	✓	✓	✓
	People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible	✓	✓	✓	✓
	We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough	✓	✓	✓	
Growing Barnsley	Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities				✓
	People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture	✓			✓
	People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes		✓	✓	
Learning Barnsley	People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships	✓			✓
	Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment	✓			✓
	People have access to early help and support	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sustainable Barnsley	People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy				✓
	Fossil fuels are being replaced by affordable and sustainable energy and people are able to enjoy more cycling and walking				


**Our Council Plan
2021 -2024
GRANTS**

DIAL Youth Association StreetSmart AGE UK REDS in the COMMUNITY Citizens Advice Barnsley MIND YMCA Detached Youth Work

	DIAL	Youth Association StreetSmart	AGE UK	REDS in the COMMUNITY	Citizens Advice Barnsley	MIND	YMCA Detached Youth Work
Healthy Barnsley	People are safe and feel safe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Growing Barnsley	Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities						
	People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture		✓				✓
	People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Learning Barnsley	People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships		✓		✓		✓
	Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment		✓		✓		✓
	People have access to early help and support	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sustainable Barnsley	People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.	✓	✓		✓		✓
	Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy						
	Fossil fuels are being replaced by affordable and sustainable energy and people are able to enjoy more cycling and walking						

Contractual Overview for 2023-2024

Providers appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Central Area Council.

Service	Priority	Provider	Contract Value (this year)	Contract Dates	Grant / Commission
Advice Drop In			£29,597.00	1 April 2023 - 31 March 2025	2023 Central Wellbeing Fund
My Community, My Life			£40,000.00	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023 Extended to 31 March 2024	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Thriving Communities			£41,800.00	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023 Extended to 31 March 2024	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Reds Connects			£15,500.00	1 April 2021 - 31 March 2023 Extended to 31 March 2024	Social Isolation Challenge Fund
Unity Project			£139,876.00	1 April 2023 - 31 March 2025	Central Area Council Commissioned
Detached Youth Work			£12,934.00	1 July 2022 - 30 June 2024	Youth Work Fund
Street Smart			£52,000.00	1 July 2022 - 30 June 2024	Youth Work Fund
Clean and Green			£110,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Central Area Council Commissioned
Targeted Household Fly - tipping Service			£35,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Service Level Agreement - CAC Commissioned
Private Rented Housing Support Service			£35,000.00	1 April 2022 - 31 March 2025	Service Level Agreement - CAC Commissioned
Uplift Project			£15,000.00	1 October 2022 - 3 September 2024	Central Wellbeing Fund

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Central Area Council Procurement and Financial Update Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an up-to-date overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and provides an overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded projects, with associated timescales.
- 1.2 The report outlines the financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected financial position to 2023-24. Please note financial projections assume that the base income budget remains the same and that existing services are maintained.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Members note the overview of Central Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Well-being Fund projects, with associated timescales.
- 2.2 Members note the actual financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.
- 2.3 Members note that there will be a Supporting Vulnerable People and Social Isolation workshop for Members to explore recent project reviews and research. This will result in options and recommendations to be presented at a future Area Council meeting.
- 2.4 Members note that a Clean and Green Workshop took place on the 16th March. A further workshop to cover flytipping and housing enforcement will take place in the summer when our new Housing Officer is in place. A further workshop will take place with Twiggs in the Autumn to assess progress.

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

3. Overview of Contracts and timescales

3.1 The table below outlines all the Central Area Council contracts, Service Level Agreements (SLA's) and grants **currently** being delivered, together with values, timescales and recent actions **agreed**

Priority	Service/ Fund	Provider	Value	From	To	Type
Social Isolation	Social Isolation Challenge Fund My Community, My Life	Age UK Barnsley	£79,187 £40,000	01/04/2021 01/04/2023	31/03/2023 31/04/2024	Grant Agreement
	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Thriving Communities	Rotherham and Barnsley Mind	£79,165.17 £41,800	01/04/2021 01/04/2023	31/03/2023 31/04/2024	Grant Agreement
	Social Isolation Challenge Fund Reds Connect Project	Reds in the Community	£30,252.96 £15,500	01/04/2021 01/04/2023	31/03/2023 31/04/2024	Grant Agreement
Children & Young People	CAC Commission Building emotional resilience & wellbeing in children & young people School Year 6 to Year 9	Barnsley YMCA	Year 1 £139,876 Year 2 £139,867	01/04/2023 01/04/2024	31/03/2024 31/03/2025	Contract
	2022 Youth Fund Street Smart	The Youth Association (TYA)	Year 1 £52,000 Year 2 £52,000	01/07/2022 01/07/2023	30/06/2023 30/06/2024	Grant Agreement
	2022 Youth Fund Detached Youth work	YMCA	Year 1 £12,934 Year 2 £12,934	01/07/2022 01/07/2023	30/06/2023 30/06/2024	Grant Agreement
Clean & Green	CAC Commission Creating a cleaner and greener environment in partnership with local people	Twiggs Grounds Maintenance	Year 1 £110,000 Year 2 £110,000 Year 3 £110,000	01/04/2022 01/04/2023 01/04/2024	31/03/2023 31/03/2024 31/03/2025	Contract
	CAC Commission Targeted Household Fly Tipping Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 £35,000 Year 2 £35,000 Year 3 £35,000	01/04/2022 01/04/2023 01/04/2024	31/03/2023 31/03/2024 31/03/2025	SLA
	CAC Commission Private Rented Housing Support Service	BMBC Service Level Agreement	Year 1 £35,000 Year 2 £35,000 Year 3 £35,000	31/03/2023 31/03/2024 31/03/2025	31/03/2023 31/03/2024 31/03/2025	SLA
Vulnerable People	Uplift project <i>Funding agreed as match funding with Arts Council</i>	Creative Recovery	Year 1 £15,000 Year 2 £15,000	01/10/2022	30/09/2024	Grant Agreement
	Central Wellbeing	DIAL Barnsley	Year 1 £29,597	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	Grant Agreement

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Fund Tranche 1 Advice Drop-In		Year 2 £29,597	01/04/2024	31/03/2025	
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4. Contract & Grant Financial Decisions

Supporting Vulnerable People - Update

- 4.1 At the last Area Council meeting Members were updated on the outcome and now allocation of tranche 1 to DIAL to cover welfare advice services.
- 4.2 The panel agreed that applications were not sufficient to allocate to tranche 2 at this time. The panel recommended that this funding should be reviewed along with the Social Isolation priority. The Area Council Manager will arrange a Members' workshop to explore recent project reviews and research with members.

5. Clean and Green Priority

- 5.1 A workshop took place for Members on the 16th of March to provide policy and procedural environmental updates. This workshop also reflected on progress regarding this priority to date and focused on forward planning for 2023-24. It was agreed that a further workshop will be held in 6 months time to assess progress.
- 5.2 Members also requested a further workshop regarding flytipping and housing enforcement to take place in June/ July when our new Housing Officer is in post.

6. Financial Position

- 6.1 Based on updated information relating to existing CAC contracts, SLA's and Grant Agreements, Appendix 1 provides a revised position statement on CAC funding.

The 2022-23 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 6.2 A finance overview with future projected expenditure for the period 2022 up to 2024 is attached for information featured in Appendix 2. This has been updated as at year-end and reconciled with Appendix 1 for accuracy.

Interventions being considered at today's meeting and other "informally agreed" services are shown in **amber**, with future potential proposals shown in **red**. There are no items for consideration at this meeting.

The 2022 to 2024 budget projections remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

The assumption is that the baseline budget remains the same year-on-year and this may be subject to change

Appendices:

- Appendix 1: Finance Report – Actual income and expenditure
Appendix 2: CAC Budget Forecast

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CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING BUDGET FINANCIAL ANALYSIS - 2023/24

Contract Name	Delivery Body	Start Date	Length of Contract	Total Cost of Contract	2023/24	
					Profile	Actual
Base Expenditure	Baseline Budget	n/a	n/a	n/a	£500,000.00	
C/F From Previous Year	C/F from the previous year	n/a	n/a	n/a	£153,336.36	
Additional Income from Grants	Internal & External Funding	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Additional Income from FPN's etc.	Fixed Penalties etc.	n/a				
TOTAL INCOME					£653,336.36	£0.00
Emotional Resilience - C&YP	YMCA (The Unity Project)	Apr-20	3 years	411,763.00	£139,878.00	£11,656.50
Clean & Green service	Twiggs	Apr-19	1+1+1	285,000.00	£110,000.00	£9,166.66
Private Rented New tenancy support	BMBC - Community Safety (SLA)	Nov-19	1+1	65,000.00	£35,000.00	£35,000.00
Proactive flytipping SLA (Targeted Householed Fly Tipping)	BMBC SLA	Nov-19	1+1	64,000.00	£35,000.00	£35,000.00
Central Wellbeing Fund	Creative Recovery (Grant)	Jul-19	(Extended delivery to	15,000.00	£15,000.00	£3,750.00
NEW Central Wellbeing Fund 2023-2025 Tranche 2	TBC	TBC	TBC	70,806.00	£35,403.00	
NEW Central Wellbeing Fund 2023-2025	DIAL (Grant)	Apr-23	2 years	59,194.00	£29,597.00	£7,399.25
Youth Work Fund New Grant 2022	Youth Association	Jul-22	Jun-24	104,000.00	£52,000.00	£13,000.00
Youth Work Fund New Grant 2022	YMCA	Jul-22	Jun-24	25,868.00	£12,934.00	£3,233.50
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Age UK Barnsley	Apr-21	2 years + 1	121,186.68	£40,000.00	£10,000.00
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Reds in the Community	Apr-21	2 years + 1	45,752.96	£15,500.00	£3,875.00
Social Isolation Challenge Fund (GRANT)	Rotherham and Barnsley Mind	Apr-21	2 years + 1	120,665.17	£41,800.00	£10,450.00
Devolved to Ward Alliances						
Year-End reconcillation						
Expenditure Incurred in Year					£562,112.00	£142,530.91
Balance at year end to carry forward					£91,224.36	£510,805.45

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Central Area Council - Budget Option 2023-2025

Income	Priority	2023/2024	2024/2025
Central Area Council Allocation	£	500,000.00	£ 500,000.00
CENTRAL AREA COUNCIL BUDGET PROPOSALS 2022-2025			
Carried forward from previous year	£	153,336.36	£ 91,230.86
Other Funding Applications TBC			
Total Available Spend:	£	653,336.36	£ 591,230.86

Expenditure - Service / Provider		2023/2024			2024/2025		
		Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal
Clean & Green	C&G	£ 110,000.00			£ 110,000.00		
Targetted Fly tipping and Waste Collection Education	C&G	£ 35,000.00			£ 35,000.00		
Emotional Resilience Contract - YMCA	CYP	-			-		
Youth work fund - YMCA & Youth Ass.	CYP				-		
Voluntary Youth Support (<i>for consideration CAC Feb 22</i>)	CYP	-			-		
Youth Work Fund (<i>agreed CAC Feb 22</i>) YMCA & Youth Association	CYP	£ 64,934.00			£ 16,098.00	£ 50,000.00	
NEW CYP Emotional Resilience YMCA	CYP	£ 139,871.50			£ 139,871.50		
Social Isolation Challenge Fund	SI	£ 97,300.00					£ 100,000.00
Central Well Being Fund - Dial	SVP	-					
CAB Service	SVP	-					
Creative Recovery	SVP	£ 15,000.00			£ 7,500.00		
NEW Supporting Vulnerable People Fund	SVP	£ 65,000.00			£ 65,000.00		
Private Rented Tenancy Support	SVP + C&G	£ 35,000.00			£ 35,000.00		
Central Well Being Fund - Hope House	SVP + CYP	-					
Devolved to WA	Ward Allince	-					
<i>year-end reconcilliation</i>							
Totals:		£ 562,105.50	£ -	£ -	£ 408,469.50	£ 50,000.00	£ 100,000.00
total anticipated contract spend:		£		562,105.50	£		558,469.50
In Year Balance		£		91,230.86	£		32,761.36

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CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Central Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Wednesday 22 March 2023
Location:	Barnsley Town Hall

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Janine Moyes Doreen Cureton (DC) Jenny Hulme (JH) Linda Wheelhouse (LW) Paul Bedford (PB) Dawn Grayton (BMBC Central Ward CDO) (DG) Rachael Pearson (Youth Partnership)	Cllr Summer Risebury Jeremy Osahon

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
All welcomed to the meeting.		JM
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
As detailed above		JM
3. Minutes From Previous Meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
The notes from the meeting dated Wednesday 22 February 2023 were accepted as a true record		WA
4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
Linda Wheelhouse		
5. Presentation from Youth Partnership	Action/Decision	Action lead

	<p>Presentation from Rachael Pearson from Youth Partnership.</p> <p>Rachael left the meeting at this point.</p>	<p>To invite Rachael to future projects that include young people. rachael.pearson@youth-association.org</p>	
	7. Budget	Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>WAF Budget = £11,669.00 Small Sparks = £225.10</p>	<p>WAF form to increase Small Sparks to £500.00</p>	DG
8.	Projects and Updates	Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Hanging Baskets</p> <p>Great British Spring Clean</p> <p>Potential Projects moving forward</p> <p>Development Plan</p>	<p>An update was provided. A decision was made to stop advertising for Burton Road (7 columns) and remove them from the audit list. Ward Alliance to pay for hanging baskets on Doncaster Road upto a maximum of 10.</p> <p>DG provided an update of the Central Area Teams big litter pick.</p> <p>Ward Alliance Members asked to consider project ideas for the upcoming year.</p> <p>Facebook page will hopefully be set up by end of April</p> <p>Consider ways to promote the Alliance</p>	DG

9. WAF's Applications		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Barnsley Carer's Garden - Carer's Garden regeneration project	Agreed	WA
	Harborough Hill Community Group (Small Sparks)	Agreed	WA
	Central Ward Alliance	Agreed	WA
10. Upcoming dates/events		Action/Decision	Action lead
	None		
11. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Central Area Celebration	Discussed and agreed in principle to contribute £1000	WA

Next meeting date: Wednesday 26 April 2023 starting 5.45pm at Barnsley Town Hall.

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DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Tuesday 28th February 2023 @ 6pm
Location:	Collins Close, Dodworth

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Peter Fielding (Chair) Councillor Will Fielding Councillor Chris Wray Dawn Grayton – Community Development Officer (DG) Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK) – (Notes) Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH) Shirley Musgrave – Higham Resident Amanda Littlewood - Dodworth Resident	Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident Helen Totty – Higham Resident Vicky Dickinson – Dodworth Business Owner

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
Councillor Peter Fielding welcomed everyone to the meeting with no introductions necessary.		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
As detailed on page 1.		
3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
There were no matters arising and the minutes of the meeting held 17 th January 2023, were agreed as a true record.		
4. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
As members of the Miners Welfare Committee, Councillor Peter Fielding and Councillor Chris Wray both declared a pecuniary interest in the Ward Alliance Funding Application received from the Dodworth Miners Welfare.		
5. Budgets	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>The latest Dodworth Ward Alliance Budget situation was outlined as below:-</p> <p>Unallocated Ward Alliance Balance: £5,138.65</p> <p>Small Sparks: £372.91</p> <p>DG reported that £16,234.60 had been spent in total this financial year. DG stated the final invoice was still awaited in respect of putting up and taking down Christmas light motifs; the original order was for 14 motifs when there were only 11 in total. Any difference in money will be put back into the ward alliance budget allocation.</p>		

	<p>At the start of the new financial year, the Ward Alliance will receive a new allocation of £10,000.</p> <p>It was also reported that pending a vote, it had been proposed by Central Area Council, to allocate a further £3,000 per Ward Alliance.</p> <p>Also, there is a potential for a further £2,000 per Ward Alliance from BMBC's Public Health Department. This money if awarded, would be ring fenced and have a criteria on what it can be spent on within the Ward.</p>		
<p>6. Ward Alliance Applications</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>	
	<p><u>Hanging Baskets – Brackets</u></p> <p>An application from the Ward Alliance was presented for the purchase of hanging basket brackets at a cost of £1001.00</p> <p>DG reported that the hanging basket scheme is currently paused across the entire Borough as a safety audit is being carried out on the street lighting columns. DG stated she would provide an update about this matter once the assessment work had concluded.</p> <p>The application was approved for the full amount. Any brackets no longer needing to be purchased or if the scheme did not go ahead following the safety audit, then the funds will be added back into the Ward Alliance Budget.</p> <p><u>Dodworth Miners Welfare – Kings Coronation Event</u></p> <p>An application was received from the Dodworth Miners Welfare requesting the amount of £700 to hold a Kings Coronation Event. The event would invite families including children and our elderly residents to a Coronation Party and would include refreshments and a special commemorative</p>		

	<p>coronation gift. There will also be entertainment during the event.</p> <p>LCK stated she was agreement with the application, however, was concerned if approval of this application would then affect any future applications from the Welfare, in particular the Summer Gala that is normally held. DG confirmed that all applications will be considered on its own merits.</p> <p>Following a discussion Ward Alliance Members agreed to fund this application in full.</p>		
<p>7. Ward Alliance Projects</p>		<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
	<p><u>Christmas Update – Living Christmas Trees</u></p> <p>DG reported that the only location within the Ward which has been given permission to plant a living Christmas tree, is on the green space area on Saville Road, Gilroyd.</p> <p>The preferred locations at both Penny Pie Park and Higham have not given approval by the Highways Department.</p> <p>After further discussion, it was agreed DG would contact Highways again to discuss their concerns as to why the Penny Pie Park preferred location near the electric supply was not possible.</p>	<p>DG</p>	
<p>8. Any Other Business</p>		<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
	<p><u>Priorities</u></p> <p>DG referred to the Priorities Document which was circulated with the agenda and other papers. DG asked if Ward Alliance Members could take the time away from the meeting to look at the document and make any comments/changes. These would then be ready to report and share with the rest of the Ward Alliance soon.</p> <p><u>Sharing Email Addresses</u></p>		

<p>DG raised the matter of Ward Alliance members sharing/known each other's email contact details. DG stated that if members were happy to do this, it may help when discussing certain issues and subsequently help keep meetings to a timelier manner. DG stated she would email all members asking for a reply stating whether they were happy to share their email details or not.</p> <p><u>Safety Issue Fairway Roundabout – Overgrown Shrubbery/vegetation</u></p> <p>AL reported her concerns about the ability to cross the road safely near the Fairway Pub/Restaurant. AL stated that due to overgrown shrubbery/vegetation on the Koyo Roundabout, made it difficult to see oncoming vehicles when crossing adjacent to the Fairway.</p> <p>Councillor Peter Fielding stated he would pass these concerns onto the relevant highways department for investigation.</p> <p>The meeting closed.</p>	<p>DG</p>	
<p>9. Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting will be held Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 6.00 pm.</p> <p><u>Date of Future Meetings</u></p> <p>Tuesday 30th May 2023</p> <p>Tuesday 11th July 2023</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd August 2023</p> <p>Tuesday 3rd October 2023</p> <p>Tuesday 14th November 2023</p> <p>Tuesday 6th February 2024</p> <p>Tuesday 19th March 2024</p>		

KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Kingstone Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	19th April 2023
Location:	Worsbrough Common Community Centre

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Cllr Williams (Chair), Craig Aubrey (CDO), Steve Bullock, Rowan Briscoe, Florentine Booth-King, Racheal Pearson (Guest: Youth Association)	Cllr Ramchandani, Cllr Mitchell, Liam Fitzgerald, Vera Mawby, Peter Robertshaw, Peter Roberts, Kelly Quinney

3. Declarations of pecuniary & nonpecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
5. Youth Association update	Action/Decision	Action lead
Youth association have been working with young people across Kingstone. Working across the Ward in Locke Park, Worsbrough Common and Longcar Lane. They have been working with 11 – 19yrs old, approaching groups of young people, interacting and using informal education. Currently working with young woman and looking at female empowerment.	Support and regularly communicate	RP/ALL
6. Budget	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward Alliance Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget available: £18,824.23 • Environmental budget: £2,000 • Events budget: £192 • Small Sparks: £970 <p>New allocation of funding has been drawn down, with £10k as normal and £5k from funding sourced by the Central Area Team</p>		
7. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worsbrough & District Flower Club: Presented a WAF to support free demonstrations and social event to draw in new members and to support movement towards a festival. The ward alliance felt it was a good application and project, and were happy to support it. 	Agreed and needs to be processed	CA
8. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental project: A press release has been written and passed through to comms to go on to the chronicle. Once in the chronicle then it will be passed out through social media too to support a group to look at green projects in Kingstone. Great British Spring Clean: the Kingstone Ward Alliance joined Worsbrough, Central and Stairfoot Ward Alliances, and Worsbrough tidy group for a large event on 25th March. Around 60 volunteers participated, with 450kg of waste collected on the day. A big thanks to all volunteers, Twiggs and Neighbourhood Services team. Summer Projects: The KWA has supported friends of Locke Park Project to have a number of Brass Bands in the Locke Park over the summer and would like to follow that suit of supporting other projects. We are expecting a number of other applications from groups we have been working with. We will look at contacting and supporting other groups too with projects. Projects 2023: The Kingstone Ward Alliance have plans for Christmas following the success of last years projects, but will look to spread it across more areas. We will also continue with the Artwork and Hanging Baskets. 	<p>Get information out to right mediums</p> <p>Contact community groups and offer support across their projects with funding and volunteers</p> <p>Keep on agenda for future</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>9. Ongoing Projects</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artwork: The project briefed to Youth Association. 36 telecoms boxes have been identified and need to be agreed with the appropriate companies. A press release is needed and people will be invited to enter the competition. It was discussed that Youth Association will be invited to enter and supported as needed. Hanging Baskets: Lamppost Audit has taken place and a number of lampposts are unsuitable. We will be identifying more suitable lampposts and re looking at placements of hanging baskets. 	<p>Complete press release and confirm permissions.</p> <p>Send brief out to all partners</p> <p>Complete check for the suitable lampposts</p>	<p>CA/KW</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA</p>
<p>10. Any Other Business:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ELSH have to leave their premises due to complications for their lease provider. This will mean they leave on May 1st and need a new premise for their food bank and teaching, looking at short term and long-term options to try and keep themselves ticking over. KW discussed processes he has supported with to try and extend how long they can stay in current premise until end of the academic year at least. 	<p>Support FBK if she requests across next few difficult weeks</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>11. Date and time of next and future meetings:</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17th May 2023 5.45pm – 7.15pm 		

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Stairfoot Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	13th March 2023 10am – 11.30am
Location:	St Andrew's Church

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Cllr Dyson (Chair), Craig Aubrey (CDO), Dave Winnard, Cynthia Cunningham, Roy Marsden	Cllr Gillis, Cllr Shirt, Fiona Kouble, Gav Frost, Roy Marsden, Bri Swaine, Cath Winder, Rob Stendall, Sian Pearson, Lisa Hammond

3. Declarations of pecuniary & nonpecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main budget: £4,689.76 • Environmental budget: £1,582.10 • Events: £2,000 • Small Sparks Fund: £1,350 • Next year the ward alliance will be receiving £13k into their budget. £10k as the normal allocation and £3k additional from additional funding 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body Cams – The ward alliance discussed the Body Cams project to ensure the safety of young people and the crossing patrol at Ardsley. It was agreed that these should be purchased to be used as soon as the Patrol are in place. £420 was agreed to fund the two cameras. • Easter Eggs – for Easter the Ward Alliance would like to purchase Easter Eggs to support the local groups Kendray Together and Friends of Stairfoot to offer free easter eggs at their local events. More will be purchase to support an offer in Ardsley. It was agreed that 300 would be purchased at the maximum cost of £1.50 • Polytunnel Ardsley Allotment Association – The group would like to purchase a new polytunnel for their community allotment. This would allow the community as a whole to use it, including members with a disability. They would like £850 for this. This was discussed and agreed to be a good project. 	<p>Progress to purchase, and support integration</p> <p>Purchase and distribute to community groups</p> <p>Progress payment and support the funding</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>CA</p> <p>CA</p>

7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swanee Projects – Tree planting to take place on the Swanee this week led by Parks team and Yorkshire wildlife trust. Volunteers will be supporting the project, including some from Ward Alliance. April 21st and 28th will see “Up the Swanee!” taking place at St Andrews looking at the history of Kendray, the details will be shared when marketing is out. All have developed from the work we did at clearing Swanee. Great British Spring Clean – Twiggs will be leading a large number events across the period, and we are invited to these rather than creating our own. We will be doing a big event with Central, Worsbrough and Kingstone on March 25th we will be starting at Kendray Central Park and Finishing at the Bluebell Bank. Easter Projects – Friends of Stairfoot are holding an event on April 13th at Stairfoot Park, this is a crafts session and an easter egg hunt with free Easter eggs for those that participate. Kendray Together will be hosting an event in Kendray too, but information wasn’t present at the meeting. Look at a ‘soft’ event in Ardsley to support families with eggs Summer Projects – this wasn’t discussed due to number of people missing from meeting. Safer Neighbourhood day: Game Changer will be hosting a Football Fest to build relationships with young people and families of those at the risk of anti-social behaviour. One will take place near Sives on April 5th. 	<p>Pass information around and invite WA members when events are live</p> <p>WA members to join litter pick if they are available on 25th March</p> <p>Groups to support an action plan for events</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>All</p> <p>CW/LH/CA/KD</p>
8. Ongoing Projects	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hanging Baskets: Waiting for the Lamppost audit to come back, before it can be progressed Aldham Group Development: No further information to discuss Coronation Funds: Artwork has gone out to encourage bids 	<p>Chase up audit information</p>	<p>CA</p>
9. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion	Action/Decision	Action lead
10. Any Other Business:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was discussed that the Central Area Team would be doing a celebration for the 10-year celebration and feedback was welcome to how this should go. It will be brought to agenda at the next event Johnny’s gym has opened in Stairfoot and the WA would look to support and work with them if possible Work will be taking place on the TPT over the next few weeks around Stairfoot. 	<p>Ideas and feedback from the previous celebrations</p>	<p>All</p>
11. Date and time of next and future meetings:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 17th 10am – 11.30am St Andrew’s 		

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Stairfoot Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	17th April 2023 10am – 11.30am
Location:	St Andrew's Church

1. Attendees	2. Apologies
Cllr Gillis (Chair), Cllr Dyson, Craig Aubrey (CDO), Dave Winnard, Cynthia Cunningham, Roy Marsden, Rob Stendall, Sian Pearson, Cath Winder	Cllr Shirt, Fiona Kouble, Gav Frost, Bri Swaine, Lisa Hammond

3. Declarations of pecuniary & nonpecuniary interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
None		
4. Notes and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The TPT is now open after being closed for works 		
5. Budget		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main budget: £19,724.10 Environmental budget: £1,475.85 Events: £1,532 Small Sparks Fund: £1,200 The Ward Alliance discussed the amalgamation of the three working budgets to a single budget but decided all were happy and comfortable with how things work now. 		
6. Ward Alliance Fund Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Polytunnel update – Ardsley Allotment Group have been working up opening their bank account and we have received the details for this to now process the payment. Ardsley Bowling Club – it was discussed that Ardsley will be putting a bid in at the next ward alliance to support purchase of T-shirts for the club members. 	<p>Continue to work with group until processed</p> <p>Bid to be written for next meeting</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>RM</p>
7. Ward Alliance Priorities and Action Plan	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up the Swanee! Project starts on 21st April at St Andrews with 2nd date taking place on 28th The project is looking at building up the history of Kendray and the Swanee. There will be poetry, music, art and at the 1st event oral history. All ward alliance members are invited to come and take part if they wish and they are asked to support by spreading information about the event. Great British Spring Clean: the Stairfoot Ward Alliance join Worsbrough, Central and Kingstone Ward Alliances, and Worsbrough tidy group for a large event on 25th March. Around 60 volunteers participated, with 450kg of waste collected on the day. A big thanks to 	<p>Invite others to the invite</p>	<p>All</p>

<p>all volunteers, including St Andrew's for their support, Twiggs and Neighbourhood Services team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Projects: The ward alliance supported 3 events with 240 easter eggs in total. Kendray Together held a large event in Kendray Central Park, handing out 258 eggs (120 from WA) and having loads of fun activities. Caring for Kendray held an event handing out eggs too and Johnny's Gym supported getting a number of eggs out into the community. Summer Projects: Kendray Together will be holding a summer event, but planning will begin after coronation event. Discussions of an event in Ardsley Park looking to restart Ardsley Gala. This would be hosted by Angel Voices as a musical event, building aspects around this. 10-year celebration: Discussed whether the Ward Alliance would be willing to support using funds for a celebration event across the central area to celebrate 10 years of the ward alliance. It was agreed that it is a sensitive matter to spend money on celebration events, but it will be considered if it is requested 	Pulls plans together for events	CA/CW
8. Ongoing Projects	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hanging Baskets: Lamppost Audit has comeback, and we are now looking at new lampposts to replace the small number deemed unsafe. Aldham Group Development: No further information to discuss Coronation Funds: No interest from the public so far in events funding. Kendray together are looking at doing a picnic in the park for coronation. 	<p>Progress and order</p> <p>Progress plans to start after next WA</p>	<p>CA</p> <p>CA</p>
9. Any Future Agenda Items / issues for discussion	Action/Decision	Action lead
10. Any Other Business:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ward alliance agreed they would like thank Cllr Gillis for his support over the last 4 years, and before when he was a community member. 		
11. Date and time of next and future meetings:	Action/Decision	Action lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 15th 10am – 11.30am St Andrew's 		

Ward Alliance Meeting



Date & Time:	Thursday , 2nd March 2023 @ 5.30 pm
Location:	Worsbrough Library

1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees			
Chairperson:	Cllr John Clarke (JC)		
CDO:	Michelle Toone (MT)		
Secretary:	N/A		
Committee Members:	Cllr Jake Lodge (JL), Cllr Roy Bowser (RB), Tracy Hamby (TH), Allison Johnson (AJ), Mireille Eastwood (ME), Alan Littlewood (AL) Liz Barton (LB) Sherry Holling (SH)		
	Councillor Clarke welcomed new community representatives Liz Barton and Sherry Holling to the meeting. A round of introductions followed.		
Guest:	N/A		
2. Apologies for Absence			
None received.			
3. Ward Alliance Ground Rules			
For the benefit of new members and as a refresher to existing members MT went through the ground rules for meetings including the code of conduct. MT also covered Pre Election period guidelines			
4. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest			
No applications to consider			
5. Notes of Last Meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Agreed as a true and accurate record.	All	MT
6. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Monitoring JL has made arrangements to meet with Worsbrough Dale Bowling Club on Tuesday 7 th March to take the photograph with the giant cheque	JL to let MT know time of meeting. MT to provide cheque and take photograph	JL/MT
	A61 Banking JC sent an email to NS following the last meeting. As yet no response	JC to continue to follow up	JC
	Worsbrough Dale Park Pavilion MT has followed up with volunteers several times and reiterated the urgent need to complete the process of updating signatories on the account	MT to send final reminder to group	MT / Pavilion management committee
	10 Year Celebration Event	N/A	N/A

	RB stated the event was well organised. The Market Atrium element and the Town Hall event knitted together nicely. Both events were well attended and warmly received.		
	<p>Warm Spaces</p> <p>MT informed the group the Meet & Eat Club at Worsbrough Dale Park was continuing to grow with more people attending on a weekly basis. The session is well supported by volunteers from the Pavilion Management Committee, and Men in Sheds/ She Shed groups.</p> <p>ME stated the session at the Central Family Centre (FC) was working well. Attendance is good. Given the success of the sessions the FC are going to continue them after the Easter Half Term. This will be funded through FC core budget. It was suggested the name could be changed to Warm Wednesdays</p>	MT/ ME to continue to provide updates and feedback.	ME/MT
7. Ward Alliance Budget 2022/2023		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Total allocation for 2022/2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Fund = £5,635.33 • Engagement Fund = £ 1,951.85 	N/A	MT
8. WAF Applications/ Potential spend		Action/ Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Replacement Noticeboard – Park Road</p> <p>The notice board on Park Road opposite the Asda has been significantly damaged and required repair.</p> <p>MT has a received a quote from the original supplier of the notice board to replace the top half in its entirety as the board is beyond repair.</p> <p>JC requested another quote be sought to compare prices</p> <p>JC suggested that Men in Sheds might be an option. MT advised the notice board needed replacing like for like – i.e. metal.</p> <p>MT suggested Men in Sheds could potentially make a wall mounted notice board for the outer wall of Dale Park Pavilion instead.</p>	<p>MT to contact Taylor Made signs for a quote.</p> <p>MT to ask Men in Sheds for a quote</p>	MT
b.	<p>Telecoms Box – Art Project</p> <p>ME & MT met with Barnsley Academy (BA) they are keen to be involved in the project.</p> <p>MT to write project brief and contact local artist.</p> <p>Funds will needed to pay for the artist time and the installation of the artwork.</p>	Agreement in principle to approve £1500 for stage 1 of the project	MT
9. WAF Monitoring			
a.	<p>Stitches Group</p> <p>MT circulated the Monitoring /7 Evaluation form that Mireille had completed with the group.</p> <p>ME visited the group at their weekly class. As part of the visit ME chatted with volunteers and participants.</p> <p>Feedback was positive. The group has had a positive</p>	MT to use monitoring and Evaluation form to inform end of year performance report.	MT

	<p>impact on Mental Health and Wellbeing as well as helping participants to develop new skills and knowledge.</p> <p>Funds were used to buy basic kits for all members so that the cost of materials isn't a barrier to participation.</p> <p>JC informed the group that the Mayor has also been to see the stitches group and she had been very impressed with the offer.</p> <p>All felt the money had been well spent</p>		
10. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>JC provided an update on the last AC meeting.</p> <p>Community Development Officers from the Central Area Team had presented key projects that had been delivered or funded with Ward Alliance Funding.</p> <p>MT presented on the Community Pantry, Bottles for Benches and Worsbrough Local History Day.</p> <p>The presentations were well received and it was good to share best practice and project ideas</p>	JC to continue to provide updates	JC
11. Cost of Living Crisis			
	<p>It was agreed services and resources would be targeted at specific locations/ audiences.</p> <p>The following locations were suggested</p> <p>Worsbrough Library Coffee and Conversation Group Community Pantry Maltas Court Ward Green Baptist Church</p>	MT to start liaising with groups and coordinating with service providers	MT
12. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Worsbrough Local History Day 09/2023</p> <p>The History Days will coincide with the national Heritage Open days. The group have identified Friday 15th and Saturday 16th September.</p> <p>No further updates since last meeting</p>	MT to continue to facilitate working group meetings. WA members welcome to join the meetings.	MT/ planning committee
b.	<p>Telecoms Boxes Project</p> <p>Discussed under item 8</p>	MT to continue to develop project	MT
c.	<p>Environmental Working Group</p> <p>MT circulated the notes of the last meeting. The meeting was attended by guests Susan and David Harrison. They updated the meeting of the newly awarded SSSI status and some of the work that has been carried out to secure the site from illegal bikes and quads. They also provided contact details for the organisation that is managing the site</p>	MT to continue to facilitate meetings and share meeting notes	MT/ EWG
13. Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus			
a.	<p>Performance Review</p> <p>MT to produce performance review for April meeting. The review will highlight projects delivered by the WA, proportion of spend against each area priority and the impact the funding has had on the community and local groups.</p>	MT to bring report to April meeting	MT
b.	Action Plan/ Forward Planning	Deferred	ALL

	For further discussion at next meeting		
14. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Pantry Refurbishment</p> <p>Dates have been agreed for refurbishment. This will take place between the normal weekly pantry sessions. TH sought approval to repurpose some of the funds to purchase a new laminate flooring in place of the vinyl wall murals.</p> <p>The walls would need to be stripped of the wall paper prior to the installation of the vinyl – this might cause significant damage to the walls.</p>	<p>TH / MT coordinating refurb</p> <p>MT to share volunteering details with WA</p>	TH/MT
b.	<p>Great British Spring Clean Event</p> <p>MT informed the group a date has been set for the GBSC annual event.</p> <p>The event will revert back to previous years and be a joint effort with Central, Kingstone and Stairfoot Ward.</p> <p>There would be multiple starting points and routes. The event would finish at Bluebell Bank Park.</p>	MT to send further details/ poster when finalised.	MT/ EWG
c.	<p>Game Changer</p> <p>MT reminded the group about the Game Changer programme and what the initiative was about. AL daughter is a Community Champion for the project and has been working with various groups and venues across the area to start up new sporting activities and youth Clubs. There are a further 3 community champions working across the Game Changer Patch which covers Worsbrough Ward, Worsbrough Common and Kendray.</p>	N/A	N/A
d.	<p>Creative Recovery</p> <p>Creative Recovery are a commission provider for Central Area Council. They work to reduce loneliness and isolation. They have previously delivered projects in Kingstone and Stairfoot and are now looking at delivering a project in Worsbrough. MT has met with Hayley and Lorna to discuss possible areas of partnership working</p>	MT/ JC to provide updates at meeting as and when the project develops	MT/JC
e.	<p>Secretary Vacancy</p> <p>JC asked if anyone was able to start taking the notes following Andrea Greaves resignation to contact MT</p>	MT to continue to take the notes until a new secretary is appointed	N/A
f.	<p>Central Area Council Celebration and Awards Evening – 10 year celebration</p> <p>MT informed the group that the Area Team would be organising a celebration event in recognition of the 10 Year anniversary of the current area arrangements. MT asked members what they liked about previous Celebrations evenings and anything they would do differently.</p> <p>General consensus was a celebration event without the Awards ceremony.</p> <p>Other suggestions included using the Civic. Asking local businesses to sponsor the event/ awards. And using Locke Park for an informal gathering with music in the bandstand</p>	<p>WA agreed to contribute £1000 towards the event.</p> <p>MT to provide updates at meetings</p>	MT

g.	<p>Section 106 Monies</p> <p>JC informed the group about 106 money, were it comes from and what it can be used for. JC asked MT about available monies and recent spend.</p> <p>MT advised to contact Laura Sharman 106 Officer for</p>	JC to contact Laura Sharman for an update	
11. Dates and times of future meetings		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>The Ward Alliance agreed to continue to the six weekly schedule and to conduct the meetings in person. There will be additional meetings in between with various working groups.</p> <p>All meetings are Thursdays, 5.30pm at Worsbrough Library:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13th April • 25th May • 6th July • 17th August • 5th October • 16th November • 14th December – SOCIAL 		AG

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Environmental Working group for Worsbrough Ward Alliance



Date & Time:	Wednesday 22nd February 5.30pm
Location:	Worsbrough Library

1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees			
Chair Person:		Kath Evans (KE)	
CDO:		Michelle Toone (MT)	
Attendees		Esther Parnham (EP) Cllr Lodge (JL) Mireille Eastwood (ME) Gordon Smith (GS) Liz Barton (LB)	
Guest:		Susan Harrison (SH) David Harrison (DH) John Partridge – Community Safety Officer (JP)	
2. Apologies for absence			
Cllr Clarke (JC) Cllr Roy Bowser (RB) Adam Roberts – TWIGGS			
3. Notes of the last meeting		Action/ Decision	Action Lead
The notes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.		N/A	MT
4. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Cameras at Lewden Group reported finding catering sized Nitrous Oxide cannisters in this area. WTG are recording the number of cannisters found as part of their stats	JP asked the group to report the finds via pin on the map MT shared the Safer Neighbourhoods Team email again safer@barnsley.gov.uk This can be used to report suspected criminal activity.	N/A
	Mill Academy banking A61 No updates available	JL to follow up with Neighbourhood Services (NS)/ Matthew Holdroyd (MH)	JL
	Bins The bin at Worsbrough Village will be repainted in the early summer when the weather is warmer and drier. JL has	JL & MT explained the process for requesting new bins. New requests	MT

	<p>requested an ID number for the bin so it can be reported on the online system if overflowing etc.</p> <p>SH & DH requested a bin be installed at the pull in point at Worsbrough Village.</p>	<p>must meet set criteria within a new framework. Elected Members agree as a collective the location and installation of new bins in the Ward. MT to follow up with NS for an update on outstanding bins</p>	
	<p>Mill Academy School Litter Pick KE facilitated a litter pick with the new school council. The session went well. The group collected 9 bags in total.</p> <p>A new volunteer has been identified following the session.</p>	<p>KE to continue to support the school to organize termly litter picks</p>	KE
5. Upcoming Workdays		Action/ Decision	Lead
	<p>The next planned workdays for Worsbrough Tidy Group (WTG) are as follows: Thursday 2nd March – Highstone Lane.</p> <p>Thursday 23rd March – 551 Event</p>	<p>MT confirmed the event on 2nd would be a joint event with Kingstone WA volunteers.</p> <p>MT confirmed the format for the event on 23rd March would replicate the 551 event done in previous years. See AOB for more information</p>	KE/ MT
6. TWIGGS upcoming workdays		Action/ Decision	Lead
	<p>It was noted volunteer activities were on offer every Thursday throughout January and February.</p> <p>SH suggested that the events could be promoted on the Keep Barnsley Tidy Facebook page and the Ward Alliance Facebook page.</p> <p>The dates are shared with WTG members via email and the WhatsApp group.</p>	<p>Twiggs to continue to share updates with group.</p>	Twiggs
7. Hanging Basket & Christmas Tree update		Action/ Decision	Lead
	<p>95 Baskets available to sponsor summer 2023. EP reported that 90% of sponsors are returning from previous years. There are 16 baskets remaining that are available for sponsorship, and these will be offered on a First come first served basis to those on the waiting list.</p>	<p>EP to send MT list of lampost numbers</p>	EP
6. Action Plan/ Priorities for next 6 months			
	<p>Telecom boxes</p> <p>MT & ME provided an update on the project. Barnsley Academy (BA) have confirmed their participation in the</p>	<p>MT & ME to continue to develop the project alongside the BA and the selected artist</p>	ME/MT

	project. A project spec has been developed and sent to local artists.		
	<p>James Street/ Pantry Hill</p> <p>JP provided an update on work he has already carried out in this area. There are a couple of addresses that he has supported to address issues with contaminated and missing bins.</p> <p>In preparation for a joint Action Day JP would send letters to residents on James Street, Pantry Well and Green Street. As part of the Action Day JP and team would conduct a bin survey to access if there are any missing bins and engage with NS to collect large fly tipping and side waste. Volunteers can support with litter picking, de-weeding and clearing gutters.</p> <p>JL stated that a number of residents had already expressed an interest and were keen to support a clean up day.</p>	It was agreed the event would take place on 15th June MT & JP to invite relevant partners including NS, Twiggs, and Berneslai Homes (BH)	JP / MT
	<p>WISH Stones</p> <p>SH was able to share her knowledge and contacts for the site. The site is now owned by the Howarth Estates . It has recently been award SSI status and works are already underway to make the site more secure and stop the illegal off-road bikes and quads. New fencing has been erected where it has previously been removed. The site is managed by Fisher German and the contact is Florence Gilman (FG).</p>	SH shared FG email address with MT. MT to make contact and explore avenues of partnership working moving forward	MT
9. AOB			
	<p>Overspent Funds</p> <p>KE updated MT on WTG insurance and funding. The group need more funds to renew the insurance. They have a small overspend on current funds for the existing insurance</p>	MT to support KE to submit WAF application for further funding	KE / MT
	<p>551 Event</p> <p>This event will replicate previous years. There will be starting points in Central, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsbrough Wards. Worsbrough will have 2 starting points – Bankend and Ward Green.</p> <p>The end destination will be Bluebell Bank Park. Breakfast sandwiches and refreshments will be served.</p> <p>Routes to be decided.</p>	JL to invite the Mayor of Barnsley and Barnsley Chronicle WTG to propose routes for Ward Green start point MT to decide routes for Bankend.	MT
	<p>Litter & Environmental Crime Strategy Group – Update</p> <p>KE & EP attended the latest meeting. The main focus was around businesses and their cooperate and social responsibility. The group also looked at enforcement strategy.</p>	KE & EP to continue to update group and feedback any suggestions to the Strategy group.	KE/EP

	<p>4 Year Stats</p> <p>KE circulated a document with the number of bags collected on a year basis from 2019. The number has increased year on year with figures for 2022 doubling from 2019.</p> <p>KE & EP think this is due to an increase in the number of volunteers out litter picking and reporting stats to WTG and the area covered widening.</p>	<p>EP to continue to collect and collate figures</p>	<p>EP / KE</p>
	<p>Leaf Clearance</p> <p>Leaves need clearing from Lobwood, Brockfield Close/ John Street area.</p> <p>JL stated this area was BH responsibility and they have a contract with NS to maintain the area</p>	<p>JL to follow up with BH</p>	<p>JL</p>
<p>12. Date & time of next meetings</p>			
	<p>Meetings held Wednesday, 5.30pm at Worsbrough Library</p> <p>19th April</p> <p>24th May</p> <p>5th July</p>		

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Central Area Council Meeting

DATE: 24 May 2023

Report of Central Area Council Manager

Officer Contact: Lisa Phelan & Sarah Blunkett

Tel. No: 01226 775707

Submission Date: 12 May 2023

1. Purpose of Report

This report seeks to inform Members about agreed spend to date from the Ward Alliance Funds within the Central area for 2023-2024. This forms the report for the financial year and remaining allocations carried forward from the financial period 2023-2023.

2. Recommendation

That the Central Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes spend to date for the Wards of Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsbrough.

3. Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to the Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

Following the Council's decision to withdraw Devolved Ward Budget funding from 1st April 2016, the use of Ward Alliance Funding and the associated allocation of monies to Ward Alliances across the borough has also been reviewed and amended.

- 3.2 In considering projects for the use of Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4. Commitments to Date

- 4.1 A breakdown of the approved CAC spend for the 2023-2024 financial year, is attached at Appendix 1.
- 4.2 Ward Alliances continue to review priorities and updating action plans to ensure the timely expenditure of all Ward Alliance funds.

Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview

2023-2024 Ward Funding Allocations

For 2023-24 each Ward had an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

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

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

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

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2022-23 Ward Alliance Fund has been combined and added to the 2023-24 allocation, managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

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

CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2023-24 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£14,669.00 Carried forward from 2022-23
 £10,000.00 Base allocation 2023-24
£24,669.00 Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Underspend/ Funds returned
Central Small Sparks Budget top up	£360.00	
Total Remaining	£24,309.00	

DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2023-24 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£ 8,312.66 Carried forward from 2022-23
 £10,000.00 Base allocation 2023-24
£18,312.66 Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Underspend/ Funds returned
Wharnccliffe Craft Group Electronic Equipment	£350.00	
Total Remaining	£17,962.66	

KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2023-24 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£ 8,824.23 Carried forward from 2022-23
 £10,000.00 Base allocation 2023-24
£18,824.23 Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Underspend/ Funds returned
Total Remaining	£18,824.23	

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2023-24 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£ 9,724.10 Carried forward from 2022-23
£10,000.00 Base allocation 2023-24
£19,724.10 Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Underspend/ Funds returned
Total Remaining	£19,724.10	

WORSBROUGH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2023-24 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£ 8,745.33 Carried forward from 2022-23
£10,000.00 Base allocation 2023-24
£18,745.33 Total available funding

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Underspend/ Funds returned
Art History Project Intergenerational Telecoms Box	£1,500.00	
Community Notice Board Replacement	£895.00	
Worsbrough Bank End Primary School Enterprise Challenge	£995.00	
Total Remaining	£15,355.33	