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| MEETING: | Dearne Area Council |
| DATE: | Monday 4 September 2023 |
| TIME: | 2.00 pm |
| VENUE: | Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library |

AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 17 July 2023 (Dac.04.09.2023/2) *(Pages 3 - 8)*

Item for Information

- 3 Cultural Strategy Update - Liane Holdsworth (Dac.04.09.2023/3) *(Pages 9 - 32)*
- 4 Youth Work Update - Verbal Report Angie Kelly
- 5 Dearne Area Council Finance Update (Dac.04.09.2023/5) *(Pages 33 - 36)*

Performance

- 6 Quarter 1 Performance Report (Dac.04.09.2023/6) *(Pages 37 - 52)*

Item for Decision

- 7 Future Environmental Service (Dac.04.09.2023/7) *(Pages 53 - 56)*

Ward Alliances

- 8 Notes from the Dearne Ward Alliances (Dac.04.09.2023/8) *(Pages 57 - 64)*
Dearne South Ward Alliance 25 July 2023
Dearne North Ward Alliance 1 August 2023
- 9 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.04.09.2023/9) *(Pages 65 - 70)*

To: Chair and Members of Dearne Area Council:-

Councillors Coates (Chair), Bellamy, Bowler, Cain, Moore and Morrell

Area Council Support Officers:

Laura Hammerton, Dearne Area Council Senior Management Link Officer
Claire Dawson, Dearne Area Council Manager
Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities
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Thursday 24 August 2023



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| TIME: | 2.00 pm |
| VENUE: | Meeting Room, Goldthorpe Library |

MINUTES

Present Councillors Coates (Chair), Bellamy, Bowler, Cain and Morrell

10 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

11 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of Dearne Area Council held on 22nd May 2023 (Dac.17.07.2023/2)

The meeting received the minutes from the previous meeting of Dearne Area Council.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Dearne Area Council meeting held on the 22nd May, 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

12 Dearne Electronic Community Village, Rory Garforth - Verbal Update

Rory Garforth, Dearne Electronic Village Ltd, was welcomed to the meeting.

Members were updated on the Assisted Employment Project. Between April and June, there had been 29 new learners accessing support with a total of around 45 learners accessing the service over four days a week. It was noted that currently there were no sessions on Wednesday at the moment but this would change shortly. Funding had also been obtained from the Coalfields Community Investment Programme.

The Job Centre had referred the 29 new learners, 27 of whom accessed the service face to face and 2 accessed it virtually. It was also understood that further learners were likely to be referred from the DWP.

The majority of those who accessed the service were from Goldthorpe, Thurnscoe and Bolton on Dearne although other people from further away had been referred to other services as they did not live in the Dearne Area Council area.

There was a wide variety of learners from different backgrounds. Some had recently left school or were at college and were wanting help with their CV's or were wanting assistance to set themselves up on job sites. Other learners were in their 70's who were accessing the service in order to try and obtain employment because of the cost pressures due to the financial crisis and the cost of living rises. This had been rather surprising.

All learners who joined received an initial assessment on IT, Maths and English and following that an individual learning plan was put in place and qualifications were now awarded via Pearson Qualifications rather than OCR as had been the case in the past.

It was reported that since April, 21 learners had passed the IT qualification, and more were expected in the near future. Further information was provided about the guided learning hours provided for each individual student. Learners were encouraged to undertake more than the minimum 2 hours per week so that they could do an element of Job Search. The restrictions associated with Universal Credit in terms of hours assistance provided were also adhered to.

Members heard how 7 learners had gone on to find employment in a variety of industries. Arising out of this, reference was made to the fact that the DWP were pushing people into jobs they did not want or were inappropriate and this was concerning.

It was reported that 2 volunteers were currently working on a 1-1 basis with some learners although it was disappointing to learn that 'good' volunteers were often lost as they obtained employment.

The only remaining issue related to the rent, an issue that had been ongoing for some time. The Area Council Manager reported that this matter had now been escalated and it was hoped that this matter would finally be addressed in the near future. Arising out of this discussion, reference was made to the vermin infestation of the building that had now been sorted.

Reference was also made to the current position with regard to Trustees and it was noted that 2 additional Trustees had recently been appointed

In relation to funding, it was noted that the project was now at the end of the first quarter of the second year and thanks were extended to both the Council and the Area Council for their continued support. Information was also provided about applications made to other funding pots and to other funding opportunities that might be available. Rory stated that he would investigate these opportunities further.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation and update and that Rory be thanked for all his hard work.

13 Housing and Cohesion Officer, Kev Frisby - Verbal Update

Kev Frisby, Housing and Cohesion Officer joined remotely and was welcomed to the meeting.

He outlined the work in which he had been involved over the last quarter. He had spent a great deal of time working in Elizabeth Street in Goldthorpe. Eleven Notices had been issued and of the 31 houses, there were currently 12 vacant and a number were for sale. He had undertaken a visit last Thursday with Paul Brannan (Head of Safer Barnsley) together with representatives of the NHS and with Councillors. It was hoped that improvements would be made shortly as an indication had been received that some of the houses were to be bought.

He had also spent time in Thurnscoe and Bolton on Dearne but Goldthorpe had taken most of his time. He was continuing to work with schools and with safeguarding leads who were undertaking Early Needs Assessments as required. He was also hoping that as a result of this work, landlord issues could be identified and dealt with. This work would continue once schools re-opened in September. If anyone had any issues or concerns in this respect, they should raise them with him direct.

He had tried to undertake work within Family Centres, but this had not been successful largely because parents just wished to drop their children off and pick them up as quickly as possible. It may be appropriate, therefore, to look at alternative times for undertaking such work.

Questions were raised about the plans for Frederick Street. Arising out of this Kev stated that he had received a complaint but not been aware of how bad things had become. He was dealing with a backlog of work and had delivered a letter to tenants and to owner occupiers. This afternoon he was to write to the owners of the tenanted properties asking them to contact their tenants. He also reported that 5 gardens had been in a shocking state and the tenants/owners had been given 14 days to have the necessary works undertaken to tidy them up.

Members were then given a brief update of the additional money obtained and the uses to which this was put. Kev reported that he had £3,000 which, at his discretion, he could use for vulnerable families for various issues and particularly in relation to hygiene concerns. He was looking to develop this work further, but money had to be used sparingly.

Arising out of the discussion, reference was made to the work of the Renaissance Centre, to Key Worker referrals and to the way in which duplication of referrals could be avoided, It was noted that many people who were out of work as well as some who were in work were struggling at the moment because of the cost of living crisis.

Kev also reported that, for personal reasons, from 1st January, 2024 he would only be working four days per week. The Area Council Manager was currently discussing the future funding arrangements.

RESOLVED that thanks be given for the presentation and update and that Kev be thanked for all his hard work.

14 Dearne Area Council Finance Update (Dac.17.07.2023/5)

The Area Council Manager submitted a report providing an update regarding the Area Council's financial position.

The report outlined the spend for 2022/23, the committed spend for 2023/24 and for 2024/25 together with information about the Dearne Development Fund and a detailed financial breakdown was included within an Appendix to the report.

It was noted that in total the Area Council had £62,929.91 to carry over into this financial year.

The Area Council Manager reminded Member that in relation to expenditure for 2024/25, there was currently no provision at the moment for environmental and young people's initiatives and that a workshop to discuss these issues was planned for Monday 24th March, 2023 in Westgate Plaza Barnsley

RESOVED that the Financial update and the impact on future budgets be noted.

15 Notes from the Dearne Ward Alliances (Dac.17.07.2023/6)

The meeting received the notes from the Dearne North Ward Alliance held on 2nd May and 20th June, 2023 and Dearne South Ward Alliance held on 6th June, 2023.

Members then received a brief update from the respective Chair's of the main items discussed and the activities promoted:

(a) Dearne North

- New councillors had been welcomed to their first meeting
- Applications for support had been limited to a maximum of £1,000 and to one application per year in order to ensure an equitable spread of resources. Four applications for funding had been approved. Organisations that were wanting more than £1,000 were also given advice about seeking funding from alternative sources
- Updates had been provided on the services that B:friend were commissioned to run
- A new secretary had been appointed to the Ward Alliance

(b) Dearne South

- Two applications for funding had been approved
- The treasurer had given an update of the financial position to date
- An update was provided of the summer activities being promoted
- An update had been provided in respect of the various groups
- There had been a discussion about possible future programmes/activities

RESOLVED that notes from the respective Ward Alliances and the updates now provided be received.

16 Report on the Use of Ward Alliance Funds (Dac.17.07.2023/7)

The Area Council Manager submitted a report on the spend to date (excluding the spend from the most recent Ward Alliance Meetings) from the Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne North and South Area.

It was noted that with the Dearne Ward there was a starting balance for 2023/24 of £12,270.17 which included an underspend of £2,270.17 from 2022/23. Eight projects had been funded at a cost of £7,365.99 leaving a balance of £4,904.18. Within Dearne South there had been a starting balance for 2023/24 of £16,031.04 which included an underspend of £6,031.04 from 2022/23. Four projects had been funded at a cost of £5,946.07 leaving a balance of £10,084.97.

It was noted that further projects had been funded since the report had been prepared and an update would be provided at the next meeting.

Arising out of the discussion, the Area Council Manager reported that the Environmental Survey was due to close shortly and any Members wishing to submit their views should do so as soon as possible. She would send the link to the survey out again for ease of reference. The results of the survey would be fed into the Workshop meeting scheduled for the 24th July, 2023.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Ward Alliance Fund Report, excluding the expenditure from the most recent Ward Alliance Meetings, detailing the expenditure for the Dearne North and South Wards together with the funding available for the remainder of the 2023/24 financial year be noted; and
- (ii) That Members be requested to complete and return the Environmental Survey as a matter of urgency.

Chair

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BARNSLEY'S CULTURAL STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

Briefing

Area Council

August 2023

Culture and the arts in Barnsley: Our Strengths

- **Very strong Council museum/events offer**
- **Range of wider strengths e.g. music (Barnsley Youth Choir), performing arts (Barnsley Civic), interactive arts (Invisible Flock)**
- **National funders focusing on Barnsley**
- **Arts Council England Priority Place**
- **Also some gaps: Studio space, performance space, freelancers for example**
- **Limited understanding of grassroots activity**
- **Currently no strategic framework**



Challenges Faced By Our Communities

- **Low levels of engagement & participation in community life in certain areas**
- **Some isolated and disenfranchised communities feeling ‘left behind’ by economic growth and the pandemic**
- **Significant wellbeing and mental health inequalities and lower life expectancy exacerbated by the impacts of COVID**
- **Barriers to accessing employment which need understanding and alleviating**
- **Challenges particularly acute in Principal Towns**
- **Significant deprivation challenges and a worsening gap in incomes and livelihoods, further emphasised by Cost of Living Crisis**



What does this mean for culture in Barnsley?

- **Play a crucial role in delivering Barnsley 2030**
- **Focus on enriching our communities from within**
- **Democratic, co-created, Community-led**
- **It must help reduce inequality and improve life-chances**
- **Genuinely Borough wide**
- **Innovative engagement approaches**
- **Asset-based model**



Barnsley's Cultural Strategy

- **Culture for Everyone**
- **Must be rooted in the needs and expectations of local people**
- **Make every effort to represent all the Borough and be truly diverse**
- **Build on existing successful Area structures**
- **Working with teams across BMBC**
- **Additional engagement with key community groups**
- **Process as important as final product**
- **Focusing on wider challenges...health & wellbeing, tackling poverty, skills & employability, social & cultural capital**



Timetable for Barnsley's Cultural Strategy Development

| Phase | August - Oct 23 | Oct – November 23 | Nov – Feb 24 | Feb - March 23 |
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| Phase 1 : Research and development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Project Governance ➤ Creative Engagement workshops with Area Councils and Ward Alliances ➤ Stakeholder Engagement ➤ Sector mapping ➤ Sector Engagement | | | | |
| Phase 2: Review and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review by Project Board Gaps identified for further engagement ➤ Report produced | | | | |
| Phase 3 – Further Engagement with communities and stakeholders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Further Stakeholder Engagement ➤ Creative Community Engagement | | | | |
| Phase 4 – Strategy Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Priorities identified ➤ Strategic directions identified ➤ Workshop stakeholders and Cllrs ➤ Strategy online and published | | | | |

Barnsley's Cultural Strategy progress

- **Cultural Strategy development paper agreed by Cabinet late spring;**
- **Phase 1 starting now: Engage key stakeholders, Barnsley 2030 Boards etc;**
- **Creative engagement across Borough**
- **Sector mapping almost complete;**
- **Setting up Steering group;**
- **KEY - Briefings with Area Councils and then engagement with Ward Alliances;**



Area Councils and Ward Alliances

- **Provide initial briefings to all Area Councils to ensure they are aware;**
- **Set up in depth sessions, one for each Area, inviting members, and all ward alliances representatives;**
- **The sessions will be half day each and be facilitated by a creative organisation;**
- **One additional session to cover who cannot attend their original session**



Purpose of Ward Alliance Events

To gain an understanding of

- What cultural activity is taking place in the locality;
- Who is participating:
- What is important to members of Ward Alliances:
- What role can culture and creativity play in improving the locality?

This information will then be used to shape future development of the cultural strategy.



Any Questions or comments



BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT OF: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF GROWTH & SUSTAINABILITY

TITLE: A CULTURAL STRATEGY FOR BARNSLEY

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| REPORT TO: | CABINET |
| Date of Meeting | 22 March 2023 |
| Cabinet Member Portfolio | Regeneration and Culture |
| Key Decision | Yes |
| Public or Private | Public |

Purpose of report

To outline the reasons why Barnsley needs a Cultural Strategy to ensure its work around participation and engagement with culture & heritage and its contribution to the visitor economy is strategically aligned to the Barnsley 2030 priorities of the borough and B2030 outcomes.

Council Plan priority

This links to the Council's and borough's vision of Barnsley as a 'place of possibilities' and our ambitions to be a 'Creative Barnsley'

Recommendations

That Cabinet:-

1. That the Council adopt the proposed approach for the development of Barnsley's Cultural Strategy.
2. Endorse the involvement process with the diverse residents and communities of Barnsley as laid out in the report.

1. INTRODUCTION

Why a cultural strategy for Barnsley?

- 1.1 We experience culture every day. It intersects across different parts of our lives in a myriad of ways. Through the food we prepare and eat. The language we speak and hear. The tables we gather around. The environment we encounter and shape. The stories we share. The art we make or come into contact with.

The faith or rituals we observe. Culture is nuanced and is constantly shifting. It has no singular source: it is not mine, it is not yours, it is ours.

- 1.2 Kathy McArdle, **Service Director for Regeneration and Culture** in Barnsley, has said “We’re huge supporters of Culture in Barnsley, we see the benefits and positive impacts on both wellbeing and the economy. There’s a real buzz around our borough as we continue to push boundaries and raise the bar when it comes to culture and heritage.” In recent years, while museums around the country have been struggling, Barnsley has been opening new museums to the public. It is not just people who live or work in Barnsley who recognise the cultural possibilities of the borough: Arts Council England has selected Barnsley as one of its 15 Priority Places in the North opening up the potential for new investment while the Cultural Development Fund recently awarded almost £4million to Barnsley to create new studios and galleries, foster cultural hubs and support creative networks across the borough.
- 1.3 In this context, Barnsley Council has an exceptional opportunity to use culture as a key driver to help deliver its Barnsley 2030 strategy. However, whilst culture is embedded into Barnsley’s future plans there is currently no distinct borough-wide strategy to illustrate how culture and creativity can contribute to a good life for everyone in the borough. Having a cultural strategy in place will open up new partnerships, both in and out of the borough, while strengthening existing ones. An effective cultural strategy will also increase investment and funding opportunities for Barnsley because the borough will be able to demonstrate its strategic commitment to culture.
- 1.4 Given the strength of Barnsley’s strategic framework (including Healthy Barnsley, Learning Barnsley, Growing Barnsley and Sustainable Barnsley) and the increased levels of support provided to the locality by Arts Council England (ACE) in the recent National Portfolio announcements the borough is well placed to facilitate the development of a cultural strategy that will not sit in its own silo but that will be an effective driver for positive change across the borough. A cultural strategy for Barnsley will create a shared vision and identity for the area which builds on its history, grows its economy, supports community led activities, improves health and wellbeing and which contributes to a good life for all Barnsley’s citizens.

What are the key questions for Barnsley’s cultural strategy to answer?

- 1.5 The cultural strategy will need to explore and understand the creative and cultural ecology of Barnsley. The process of discovering and defining Barnsley’s homegrown creativity and culture will be essential if the strategy is to successfully use its cultural assets to create social and economic impact across the borough, as well as ensuring all parts of the community can access a high quality cultural offer. While there are multiple questions for the cultural strategy to explore, three core questions are fundamental and must be at the centre of the strategy:
 - a) What is the current creative and cultural ecology of Barnsley?
 - b) What are the ways in which culture can contribute to a good and healthy life in Barnsley?
 - c) What needs to happen to make this a reality for everyone in Barnsley?

- 1.6 This proposal lays out in detail how we will engage with our residents and communities and Elected members to explore these questions in the Cultural Strategy Development process.

2. PROPOSAL

Who should explore these questions and shape the strategy?

- 2.1 In light of societal shifts that have taken place in recent years, in particular the covid pandemic and the current cost of living crisis, it is important that the development and delivery of Barnsley's cultural strategy is a democratic and inclusive process. This is not just a political and moral imperative, it is also a strategic one. In order to create a high value and high impact strategy, that will enrich and strengthen Barnsley's 2030 plan, the process of creating the cultural strategy must draw from diverse experiences of culture from across the whole borough.
- 2.2 This means that while it is important to incorporate strong input from Barnsley's existing and visible cultural organisations and practitioners, the strategy must go further. It must include input from less visible, recognised or celebrated aspects of the borough's creative and cultural ecology. This is because the strategy will be more meaningful if it encompasses the whole of Barnsley's story, not just the aspects that we are already good at telling. This means we need to engage and involve people of all ages, those from our BME communities, those who are disabled or have special needs, vulnerable people, our LGBTQI communities and people from various parts of the borough, urban and rural.
- 2.3 A democratic and inclusive approach would also be a good fit with ACE's new ten-year strategy, [Let's Create](#). Like Barnsley's overall strategy, this new ACE funding plan runs to 2030. It was developed through conversations with more than 5,000 people nationwide and marks a significant shift in funding policy for culture. *Let's Create* sets out a more inclusive and relevant model for the cultural sector; representing a move away from the provision of a cultural offer towards more collaborative and co-created ways of working. *Let's Create* is not just about putting on a show and hoping people come; it is about everyone's creativity and culture and how we can all contribute towards a more place-based and inclusive model for culture.
- 2.4 This new national policy and funding framework is relevant to consider in terms of how best to shape and develop local cultural strategies. The time is ripe for co-developing and co-creating plans in partnership with citizens. A cultural strategy that is co-created by citizens will position Barnsley at the forefront of this practice nationally. The approach would follow in the footsteps of Barnsley Council's democratic opening up of the Town Hall as a new museum for everyone to share and would align with the idea that, in Barnsley, we want everyone to have a good life.
- 2.5 The proposed project approach, the process and activities we use to develop the cultural strategy in Barnsley, are as important as the cultural strategy we end up with. If the cultural strategy development process is done well and is

really inclusive handing power to our communities, we can create new and powerful links with a wider range of our communities, empowering them and ensuring local people are at the heart of what we do across the cultural and creative sector in the future. Barnsley is very well positioned to begin this work. Barnsley MBC already has in place an innovative democratic system which enables local communities and Councillors to work together. The development phase of the cultural strategy will engage with Area Council and Ward Alliance members (local residents) as a starting point for engaging with communities, members and partners across the Borough. Area Councils and Ward Alliances will help identify who needs to be involved and how we can best engage them. Once the existing structures have been tapped into, we will then deliver targeted and creative engagement will be undertaken with parts of the local community that have been identified as requiring further consultation or being underrepresented within these existing structures.

2.6 Below we have mapped out the timeline for the Strategy Development process.

Arts Council England are supportive of the process but have also advised that it may end up being delivered across a shorter timeframe to concentrate and focus the engagement work. This timeline will therefore have some built-in flexibility to enable it to respond to the themes and ideas coming through the engagement process. The timeline might also change if some of the phases are delivered in parallel.

2.7 **Phase One – Development and research (c.10 - 12 weeks)**

When considering a democratic approach to the development of a cultural strategy, it is good practice for the first step to be a period of development and research; exploring options and engaging in dialogue with stakeholders. This process will be led by Barnsley MBC, working with local creative practitioners. The creative practitioners will lead the engagement and consultative aspects of this phase and will be appointed early in Phase 1.

There will be four key areas of work, these are described below

One: Project Governance

A project Board will be put into place to oversee the development of the cultural strategy. The board will consist of representatives of the cultural sector in the Borough, relevant Council officers, key funders, members of the Youth Council and the community and voluntary sector.

The Project Board will ensure that Senior officers and members with Barnsley MBC are kept briefed on progress, and it will also take a lead in ensuring there is an effective communication plan in place.

Key aspects of the communications and engagement plan here in Barnsley would include:

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| Stakeholder communications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing a regular and updated narrative about the process which illustrates its legitimacy • shared online space for keeping records of meetings, tracking the development of ideas |
| Cultural sector communications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a regular news bulletin for cultural sector organisations and practitioners to encourage feedback and dialogue • An invitation for the sector to submit ideas or evidence for the strategy |

Two: Creative Engagement with Members, Area Councils and Ward Alliances

This is a crucial aspect of the development of the strategy. An introductory workshop will be held with Members and key partners (such as Arts Council England) to help shape the engagement process and the areas of focus.

The appointed creative practitioners, working with the Council's Communities team, will engage with all the Area Councils and a representative sample of the Ward Alliances, as well as other key representative fora associated with BMBC such as the Youth Council. The exact detail of the consultation will be shaped by the creative practitioners appointed but will focus on discussing the three broad questions outlined in the introduction.

- A) What is the current creative and cultural ecology of Barnsley?
- B) What are the ways in which culture can contribute to a good and healthy life in Barnsley?
- C) What needs to happen to make this a reality for everyone in Barnsley?

Three: Stakeholder Engagement

The engagement with stakeholders as part of Step one and future phases will be driven by the four headline themes in Barnsley 2030: Barnsley A Place of Possibilities. These are:

- Healthy Barnsley
- Learning Barnsley
- Growing Barnsley
- Sustainable Barnsley

During Step One initial conversations will take place with the Chairs and a small number of key members of each of the theme boards.

The fifth area of stakeholder engagement will be with the cultural and creative sector across Barnsley. Naturally this will include ACE funded National Portfolio Organisations (NPOs), including those organisations recently added to the portfolio and the larger organisations in the Borough such as Yorkshire Sculpture Park and the Civic, well as Fusion the Local Cultural Education Partnership (LCEP). However the consultation will focus on the many individual artists and makers that are such a crucial part of the creative ecology in the Borough.

Four: Sector Mapping

The scale and size of the existing culture and creative sector in the borough needs to be understood if the strategy is to be developed and delivered successfully.

Some progress has been made in this area recently at both a Borough and regional level. The SYMCA Cultural and Creative Industries Data research and mapping project completed earlier this year by Fifth Sector, provides a range of useful information concerning the size and scale of the sector across the region.

However further work needs to be done in phases one and two to drill down and develop a thorough understanding of what cultural activity is already going on across Barnsley. The feedback from SYMCA's parallel piece of work the Culture, Arts & Heritage Engagement Report demonstrates that the sector perceives that there is a distinct lack of knowledge at a Local Authority level, particularly about the self-employed and small businesses that make up much of the cultural and creative sector in South Yorkshire.

The Forging Elsecar Cultural Development Fund (CDF) project Principal Towns strand also includes a focus, and some available resource for sector mapping. This has been aligned with the Cultural Strategy development process to maximise the impact of the work and mapping has begun. It will consider the outputs of the SYMCA funded Bounceback programme and what that has initiated in the Borough - <https://www.barnsley-museums.com/projects/supporting-artists-the-covid-bounce-back-programme>

2.8 Phase two – Review and identification of next steps (c. 4-6 weeks)

Once the results of Phase One have been gathered, a review process will take place led by the Project Board. A summary note outlining the key findings from the initial work will be produced for key stakeholders. This note will consider the work undertaken with Area councils and Ward Alliances, identifying the key themes emerging, and will also identify the preferred way forward for the development of the Cultural Strategy.

There will be a particular focus on assessing whether Phase One has been able to engage with a representative sample of Barnsley's communities and identify any gaps for further engagement.

When agreement is reached on the further work required, we will then move onto Phase Three.

2.9 Phase three: Further Engagement with Communities and Stakeholders (c10 – 12 weeks)

Whilst the exact content of Phase three will only be decided once Phases One and Two have been undertaken, it is likely that further conversations with key stakeholders will be required, as well as targeted engagement with key parts of the community. Therefore, the phase will include at least the two areas of work

outlined below which again will be facilitated and delivered by cultural organisations and creative practitioners.

One: Further Stakeholder Engagement

The engagement with stakeholders as part of Phase Three will again be driven by the four headline themes in Barnsley 2030: Barnsley A Place of Possibilities. These are:

- Healthy Barnsley
- Learning Barnsley
- Growing Barnsley
- Sustainable Barnsley

During Phase Three Focus groups will be held for each of the Barnsley 2030, the Focus Groups will be facilitated by local cultural organisations and creative practitioners. themes, we will ensure a broad representation of key voluntary and community groups and organisations.

The fifth area of stakeholder engagement will be with the cultural and creative sector across Barnsley. We will consult widely with the cultural sector throughout the development of the strategy and actively use creative practitioners to support and help deliver the citizens led approach.

Two: Creative Community Engagement

This phase of the work will take place after the workshops with Area Councils and Ward Alliances. From their input, a gap analysis will be undertaken to assess which parts of the Borough's community needs further engagement. This analysis will look at several factors including:

- Age
- Geography
- Background
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Socio-economic status

Once priorities for further engagement have been identified, local cultural and creative practitioners will be commissioned to seek out, approach and work with relevant parts of the community to gather their ideas of culture and where it should sit in their lives.

The particular engagement approach will be explored and agreed during Phase 3 and will be influenced by the nature of the community group we are looking to engage with, and the creative practitioner involved. However, it will be important to ensure that the process is suitably in depth and iterative. It is vital that groups, community members and creative practitioners with different kinds of perspective and lived experience feed into the conversations about Barnsley's cultural strategy. A 'Creative Barnsley' is a diverse Barnsley and the

rich fabric of our creative communities will underpin the future cultural life of the borough

This phase will also include further conversations with Project Board and key partners to test the themes emerging from the wider community engagement.

2.10 Phase Four – Strategy Development

Once Phase 3 has been completed and broad and deep wider community and stakeholder engagement has been progressed, the findings of that work will be gathered together in a creative report. The emerging priorities identified in the summary note produced in Phase two will be reviewed.

The Project Board will work together to draft a short and focussed strategy based on the feedback and contributions received from the discussions with Area Councils, Ward Alliances, local communities and stakeholders.

Prior to finalising the outline strategy, a session between key participants in the strategy development process, key funders, creative organisations and relevant Councillors will be held to explore and discuss the report. This meeting will also cover the final composition of the cultural strategy and agreeing follow-up actions.

Suitable resources will be allocation for a small print run of the finalised strategy so that it can be distributed to key stakeholders.

2.11 Timetable for Barnsley’s Cultural Strategy Development

A suggested timetable for the delivery of the above steps is outlined below.

| | Apr- July 23 | July – August 23 | Sept – November 23 | November - December 23 |
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| Phase 1 – research and development | | | | |
| Phase 2 – Review and identification of next steps | | | | |
| Phase 3 – Further Engagement with communities and stakeholders | | | | |
| Phase 4 – strategy development | | | | |

This will be subject to change with the potential for some phases to overlap, but illustrates the direction of travel.

2.12 Potential priorities for the Cultural Strategy

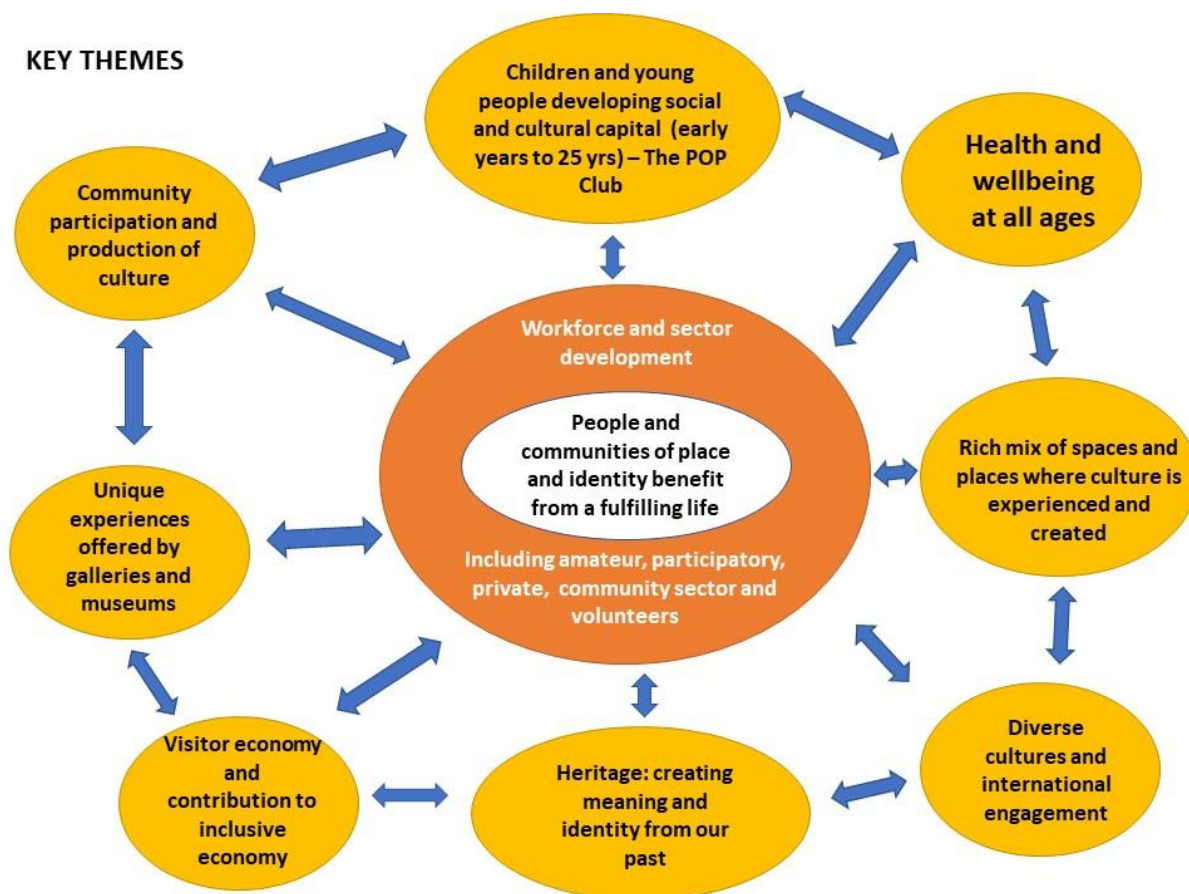
Whilst the priorities and ambitions for Barnsley’s cultural strategy will be shaped

by the engagement with the borough's communities, cultural sector and other partners, the current understanding of the sector, previous research and conversations have indicated that some or all of the following areas may well be represented as the research progresses:

- Community participation and production of culture
- Children and young people developing social and cultural capital
- Tackling health inequalities and improving health and wellbeing outcomes
- Developing and using a rich mix of spaces and places where culture is experienced and created
- Embracing diverse cultures and international engagement
- Heritage: creating meaning and identity from our past
- Visitor economy and its contribution to inclusive economy
- Creating unique experiences offered by galleries, museums and engagement with culture in our outdoor and public spaces

When a creative ecology is working successfully these themes interact together to ensure people and communities of place and identity benefit from a fulfilling life. The diagram on the next page illustrates how this could happen.

KEY THEMES



2.13 What would Barnsley's Cultural sector's role be?

It is essential that people and organisations which will be set to gain from the existence of a dynamic cultural strategy are involved in its development. This includes people and organisations who already count themselves as part of Barnsley's cultural ecology. This could include cultural organisations and venues, creative practitioners, artists and creative businesses, faith groups, privately run organisations, e.g. dance schools, youth services, local charities, voluntary sector, health care organisations, sports and other relevant interest groups, schools and colleges.

Cultural organisations and creative practitioners will be front and centre of the development of the strategy. They will lead the consultation and engagement process in all phases of the strategy development.

As well as encouraging the participation of specific individuals and organisations from the sector in Barnsley, there are also project collaborations and work streams that need to connect with the cultural strategy development process. These include:

- SYMCA's Culture, Arts & Heritage Engagement Report
- Barnsley MBC Community Listening work
- Barnsley MBC Principal Towns work
- The development of a Borough Creativity and Wellbeing plan

- South Yorkshire Integrated Care Strategy

The Barnsley Connects network development strand of the Cultural Development Fund project currently being delivered in the Borough is a timely opportunity to broaden the reach of the development of the cultural strategy. Barnsley Connects is planned as an impactful programme of activities, connections and exchange, through face-to-face interaction and digital engagement. The first phase, which will draw on the skills and energy of emerging creative practitioners and place-leaders and is described below, is planned to run during the same period as the cultural strategy development, so this work will be closely aligned to help the development of the strategy. Key strands of the work include:

- Identify existing creative activity taking place and spaces
- ‘Storying Barnsley’: creative place-based story-telling workshops, facilitated by University of Sheffield
- Conversations with businesses, community leaders & voluntary sector organisations engaged in cultural activity to understand barriers and the role culture plays in their work
- Map existing creative industries businesses at a Borough level.
- Bring together practitioners, creative industries businesses & place-leader locally to nurture an informal borough-wide Creative Barnsley Network

We will ensure close connection with the Barnsley Connects creative network to add value to each other’s work and closely coordinate our research to ensure best value from both programmes.

3 IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

3.1 Financial and Risk

3.1.1 Costs for the development of Barnsley’s Cultural Strategy

The costs for developing the cultural strategy depend very much on the level of engagement with local communities. An initial budget has been developed based on a model that assumes engagement with all Area Councils and a selection of Ward Alliances in Phase one, as well as other key networks such as Barnsley’s Youth Council. It also assumes up to four in depth pieces of engagement in phase three. This would provide sufficient resource for a robust community led development process and gives an overall cost to the strategy development process of in the region of £50k.

| Phase | Cost |
|--|------|
| Phase One – Development and research | £15k |
| Phase two – Review and identification of next steps | £5k |
| Phase three – Further Engagement with Communities and Stakeholders | £20k |

| Phase | Cost |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Phase 4 – Strategy Development | £5k |
| Total cost | £50k |

3.1.2 Arts Council England has already committed £10K towards this process, with a matched contribution coming from the Culture team’s own resources. ACE have also indicated that they would be comfortable with the additional resource required coming from the Cultural Development Fund resources already secured.

3.1.3 ACE have also indicated that the development of a Cultural Strategy would be a requirement for a future bid to the Place Partnership Funding pot. Together we have identified that this would be a positive funding programme to bid to in order to progress some of the work involved in delivering the Cultural Strategy. We see this as a key element of our ‘Priority Place’ work with ACE.

3.1.4 Cabinet are asked to approve the BMBC £10K contribution to the Cultural Strategy Development process and the use of £30K CDF funds for this purpose

3.2 Legal

3.2.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

3.3 Equality

3.3.1 The principles of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion will be at the heart of the Cultural Strategy Development process. A Full Equality Impact Assessment would be completed in advance of any public consultation and before the final Strategy is produced to ensure the Strategy genuinely engages diverse communities and populations, is equitable and inclusive and recognises the value of diversity as a creative force in the cultural life of the borough

3.4 Sustainability

3.4.1 The zero carbon Decision-making wheel will be completed once the consultation on the strategy has been concluded

3.5 Employee

3.5.1 There are no employee implications associated with this work

3.6 Communications

3.6.1 A comprehensive communications strategy and plan will be developed to support the wide and deep engagement that will contribute to and shape the cultural strategy with the Comms lead in Culture and Visitor Economy, working collaboratively with all Comms officers working across the Council and with Comms partners across the borough.

3.6.2 Digital engagement, which was a key feature of the work of our CVE team, will also feature heavily.

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 Consultation has taken place with Growth and Sustainability DMT, SMT Executive members, Cabinet spokesperson for Regeneration and Culture and Cabinet spokesperson for Transport and Environment. We have also consulted our Partners Arts Council England on the development process as they would be a key partner in supporting the strategy development process.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 The option of not to develop a Cultural strategy was considered but this has been identified as a significant strategic gap for Barnsley by Arts Council England through our work as a priority place. It is therefore essential we get this in place as it will enable us to have a more strategic relationship with our residents, communities and funders

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Our Culture and Visitor Economy work has been hugely successful in the last ten years and seen extraordinary growth and achievements in that period. In order to build on this, it is essential to develop a more strategic framework for the work of the service, moving from a more citizen and community led model, which focusses on the Council having a key role in supporting workforce development and sector development as well as offering a high-quality museums, heritage and archive service.

7. GLOSSARY

Not required

8. LIST OF APPENDICES

Not applicable

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

10. REPORT SIGN OFF

| | |
|--|---|
| Financial consultation & sign off | Senior Financial Services officer consulted and date <i>Steve Loach, 16 Feb 2023</i> |
| Legal consultation & sign off | Legal Services officer consulted and date <i>Sukdave Ghuman, 16 Feb 2023</i> |

Report Author: Jon Finch
Post: Head of Culture and Visitor Economy
Date: 10 March 2023

BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL

4th September 2023

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Finance

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to update members regarding the Dearne Area Councils financial position.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members note the current financial position and the impact on future budgets.

3.0 Area Council Financial update

3.1 2023/24 committed spend

With the carry forward from 2022/23 of £29,072.50 and the base budget of £200,000 the Area Council have already allocated £191, 631 of the commissioning budget. This will pay for Employment and Skills, Housing officer, Environmental service, Social Connectivity and the Neighbourhood Engagement officer post for two months, leaving £37,441.50 in the commissioning budget to spend on priorities in this financial year.

3.2 2024/25 committed spend

During the financial year 2024/25 spend as been committed to the Employment and Skills contract, Social Connectivity and Housing Officer. The committed spend is already at £95,967.

3.3 Dearne Development Fund

In the last financial year the funds supported four projects that met the Area Councils priorities, Citizens Advice, DIAL, TADS and a contribution towards Goldthorpe Development Groups bounce into summer event and the older persons get together. In July 2022 the Area Council agreed a further £30,000 to be put into the fund and Dial and Goldthorpe Development group were successful in their application to run for a further year and also a contribution to the Bounce into summer event, leaving £19,988.41 in the Dearne Development Fund.

Therefore in total the Dearne Area Council have £57,429.91 to carry over into the this financial year.

See Appendix one for financial breakdown

4.0 **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Financial update

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Claire Dawson

Dearne Area Council Manager

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Date: 4th September 2023

Appendix One: Financial Update

| Area Council Spend | 2021/22 | 2022/23 | 2023/24 | 2024/25 | 2025/26 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|---------|
| Base allocation | £200,000 | £200,000 | £200,000 | | |
| Carry forward | £8,783.34 | £56,980 | £29,072.50 | | |
| Total allocation for year | £208,783.34 | £256,980.34 | £229,072.50 | | |
| Employment and skills April-end of March | -£33,000 | -£34,000 | -£34,000 | -£34,000 | |
| Housing and Cohesion Officer Jan -end of March | -£8,441 | -£33,186 | -£33,277 | -£33,967 | |
| Dearne Clean & Tidy April-end of March | -£85,000 | -£85,000 | -£90,000 | | |
| Dearne Development Fund | -£30,000 | £30,000 | | | |
| Social Connectivity July-end of June | -£27,000 | -£28,000 | -£28,000 | -£28,000 | |
| NEO post | | -£17,721.84 | -£6,354 | | |
| Total spend (actual) | £183,441 | £227,907.84 | £191,631 | £95,967 | |
| Practical support grant | +£31,638 | | | | |
| Overall allocation remaining | £56,980.34 | £29,072.50 | £37,441.50 | | |

Dearne Development Fund

| 2022/23 Organisation | Duration of funds | Amount | Total allocation remaining |
|---|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| Approved at the Area Council 24 th May 2021 | | £30,000 | £35,378.41 |
| DIAL | Jan 2022-Dec 2022 | £10,235 | £25,143.41 |
| CAB | October 2021- October 2022 | £8,140 | £17,003.41 |
| Goldthorpe Development group BITS | August 2022 | £3,000 | £14,003.41 |
| TADS | June 2022 | £2,027 | £11,976.41 |
| Goldthorpe Development group older persons event | July 2022-23 | £6,000 | £5,976.41 |
| Approved at the Area Council 12 th July 2022 | | £30,000 | £35,976.41 |
| DIAL | Jan 2023-Dec 2023 | £10,488 | £25,488.41 |
| GDG | July2023-June 2024 | £5,500 | £19,988.41 |

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April to June
2023

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Dearne Area Council Performance Report



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Dearne Area Council
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Area Council Priorities

Health and Wellbeing
Young People
Local Economy
Skills for Work
Our Environment

Barnsley 2030 priorities

Sustainable Growing Healthy Learning

The providers listed have been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the Dearne Area Council.

| Provider | Service | Contract Value/length | Contract end date | Priority | 2030 |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------|------|
| Twiggs | Environmental, Volunteering and Education Service | £90,000 | Funded until end of March 2024 | | |
| B:friend | Social Connectivity | £28,000 per annum | Funded until end of July 2025 | | |
| Dearne Electronic Community Village | Employability | £34,000 per annum | Funded until end of March 2025 | | |
| BMBC | Private Sector Housing and Cohesion Officer | £33,227 per annum | Funded until end of March 2025 | | |

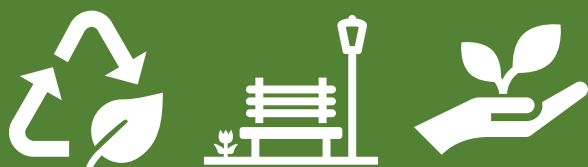
Commissions

TWIGGS
Grounds Maintenance LTD



While the figures have dipped slightly compared to the last quarter and this time last year this is likely due to the Great British Spring clean happening in March 2023. The colder spring also delayed plant and weed growth resulting in less clearing activities. As always, the work not only had a positive impact on the local environment, but the volunteering opportunities had further effects on social and community interaction meaning a constructive impact on physical and mental health, helping to address public health priorities.

Twiggs



258 volunteers worked with on events

92 new volunteers

639 volunteer hours at Twiggs events

362 rubbish bags filled

99 areas targeted in proactive and reactive work

4 fly tipping cases reported

Mansion Park Bolton upon Dearne



Over a two month period support was given to volunteers to improve the park by clearing litter and reinstate the footpath, addressing issues such as overgrown grass and moss. The efforts have made a big difference to the park, making it a cleaner, safer, and more accessible space for everyone to enjoy. A core group of four dedicated volunteers were supported and 11 purple sacks of litter were removed.



It has been a busy time for the social clubs in Bolton and Thurnscoe. As well as the weekly meeting there has been a party to celebrate the Kings Coronation and a Barge trip on the canal funded by a Barnsley Better Bonds. The befriending pairs also continue to flourish. The newly established Social Prescribers and other organisation continue to refer into the groups and befriending support. Volunteer recruitment continues to be a priority with 5 new volunteers who have received their DBS application back and are now paired. A partnership with Thurnscoe Little Theatre has started, there were plans this quarter for an event with them but this was postponed as the stage is being lowered to make it safer and more accessible. There will also be a joint funding bid with the Thurnscoe Little Theatre to cover the cost of the event, including free tickets for the wider public.

b:friend



187 isolating older neighbours supported

452 hours of 1:1 befriender interactions

65 hours of staff visits/calls

90 volunteers

7 new volunteers

52 hours of group social activities



June



June joined the club in early 2022 after struggling with the lifting of lock-down and the loss of her son. June found it very hard to socialise in larger groups after so much time spent alone and indoors. To begin with June attended infrequently and was very quiet. With encouragement from other members of the club June began to attend more regularly and her confidence grew. June is now a regular attender and actively participates in all sessions. June has also encouraged a friend of hers, who is also recently bereaved, to join the club as she finds it so beneficial. June says "I really missed it last week with it being a bank holiday, I've been right looking forward to this morning! It does me the world of good this group" Pictured on the left with new friend Sheila.



The ICT and Employability Support sessions are over three days a week in classroom learning but 2 people are learning remotely due to health issues. On top of the ITC skills English and Maths assessments are offered to gauge their skills any that are struggling are referred to Barnsley Council's Adult Skills and Community Learning courses at Goldthorpe library . Due to the close nature of learning additional help with PIP/Council tax/Housing advice is provided and referral made to other services for example DIAL Barnsley. There continues to be a large number of people aged 65+ looking to return to work wanting help with CVs and application. A common theme is they are struggling with the cost of living. There has also been an increase in those of school leaver age who need help with CV and job search help.

DECV



29 people learning

21 learner achieving qualifications

6 learners into employment

21 learners into further training

Raymond



Raymond came to his first session in March 2023, he had been made redundant and had spent three months looking for work with no success. His CV was very generic and didn't fully describe his skills or employment history. The lack of progress was having an impact on his mental health and he did not have the required computer skills to improve his chances.

Ray worked hard to improve those skills and did not miss a single session in three months. Soon he was feeling a lot more confident and volunteer Josh began working with him on job searches and applications all while improving his ITC skills.

By June he had successfully secured a full time position in a local company and was over the moon. He said: "Thanks Rory and Josh for all the help, chats and cups of tea! Can't wait to start work."



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Private Sector Housing and Cohesion Officer

Fly tipping across the Dearne remains an issue it is particularly bad in Goldthorpe in a few locations. Steps have been taken to remove these and address the issues including requesting 30 new bins for properties. The vast majority of work is proactive, as such, dealing with fly tipping and waste in gardens which become an issue in the spring with badly overgrowing gardens. The cost of living crisis continues to be a major issue across the area making life difficult for the vulnerable community within the Dearne contacts have been made with the safeguarding leads of the local primary schools to make identifying and collaboration easier. Another issue which may become more serious is the increase in interest rates is starting to make landlord

more reluctant to invest in their properties. Work with partners continues to build in terms of referrals, complementary works and attending/holding drop in events for residents.

Housing Enforcement



153 reports made

26 properties improved

35 contacts with household waste on premises

135 fly tipping reported

42 houses supported to responsibly recycle or dispose waste

6 vulnerable homes identified

Waste on Premises



Overgrown Gardens



Dearne Development Fund



DIAL reduced the financial exclusion of residents and work towards lowering anxiety. During the last quarter, they concentrated on telephone appointments for form completion and advice along with continuing the face to face outreach sessions which recommenced in the summer. 104 people received comprehensive telephone advice 75 received face to face advice. Since start of project each £1 spent has returned £24.08 into the Dearne.

DIAL

Barnsley

75 enquires made this quarter

95 people reported reduced anxiety as a result of using the service this quarter

£65,635 benefits claims supported this quarter

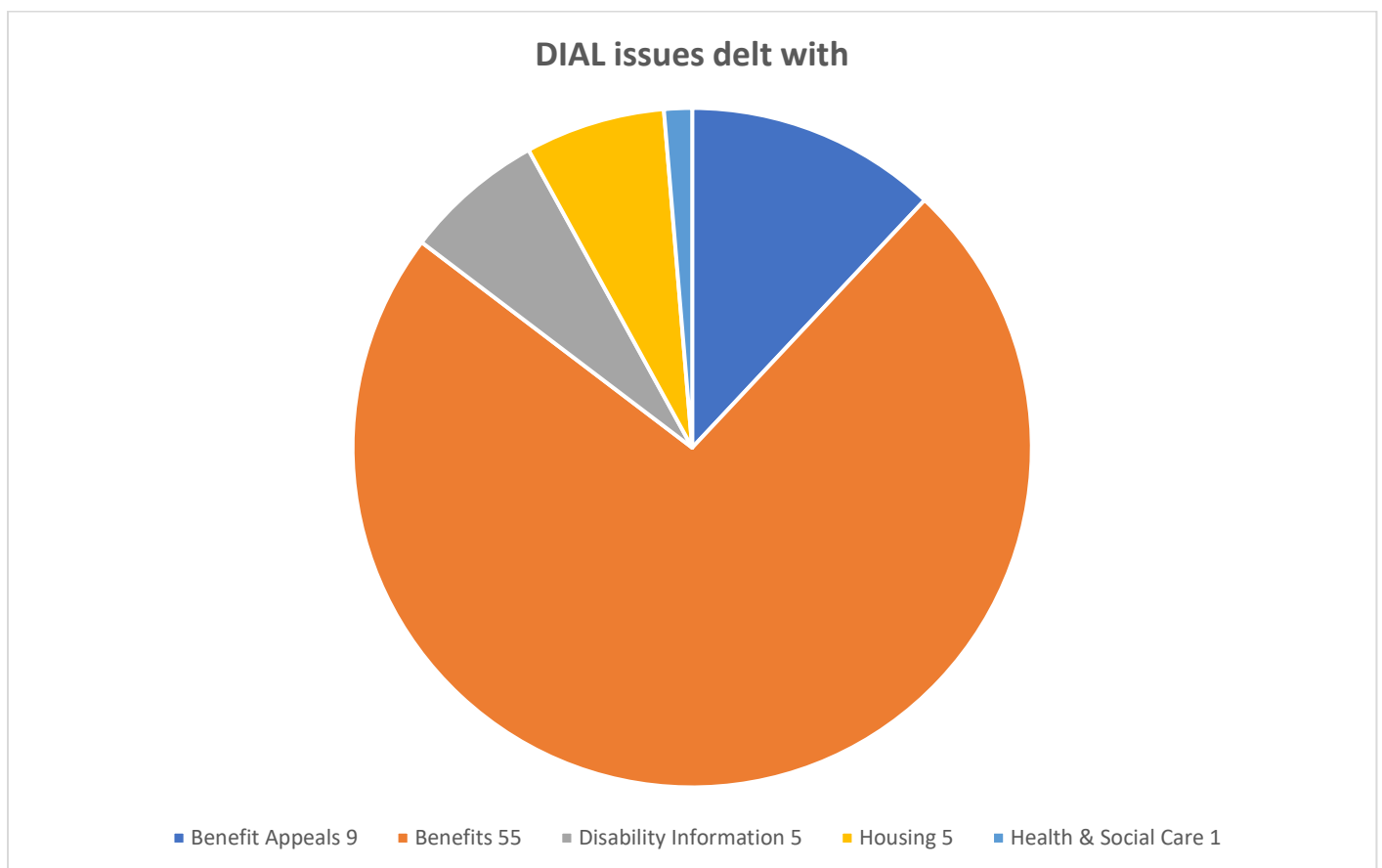


Supporting



Case study

Miss C is 55 years old with long standing mental health issues, she lives with her wife who also has poor mental health. She has been claiming benefits for a number of years including Housing benefit. Miss C received a call from Barnsley Council explaining that as her wife reached state pension age the year before her housing benefit should stop and a claim for Universal Credit started. Also, she would need to repay the housing benefit that had been incorrectly awarded. Miss C explained this at the outreach session and she was helped to further explain her situation. The result was Housing Benefit was reinstated and there was no need to make a claim for Universal Credit which would have reduced weekly income Miss C said: "I am very glad I went to see DIAL. I did not understand what the council was telling me and was just going to accept it."



Goldthorpe Development Group

The Older Generation Get Together events provide a monthly afternoon event with food and entertainment. This is a volunteer led event but often partners such as Age UK Barnsley, South Yorkshire Police will attend to pass on useful information.

Older Generation Get Together

281 people attending

40 volunteers assisting (across 3 events)



Supporting



Case study

There have been very successful sessions during this quarter with few unused spaces. Even the April event (close to Easter) which is usually quiet was busy. The May event was a VE Day celebration which was full with 100 guest attending. The room was transformed with bunting, flags and other props the guests and volunteers dressed in wartime fashion giving the event a real special feeling. There were issues with the entertainment at the April and June sessions with a last minute cancellation at one and a poor performance at the other but on the whole the guests enjoyed their afternoons and the volunteers all worked hard to make the events feel special.



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Dearne Celebration Event

June 2023





Dearne Celebration Event

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Barnsley – the place of possibilities.

Healthy Barnsley

- Our diverse communities are welcoming, supportive, and resilient.
- Everybody can enjoy life in good physical and mental health.

Enabling Barnsley

- Our underlying priority to ensure that our council is modern, inclusive, efficient, productive and high performing

Ward & Area Council Priorities

- **Health & Wellbeing**
Celebrating the community volunteers and workers
- **Strengthening the Community**
Using community assets
- **Information & Support**
People connecting and coming together

Background

This year marks a decade since we launched our area arrangements to support communities, including Area Councils, Ward Alliances, and Area Teams.

In 2013, the Area Councils and Ward Alliances were formed to bring decisions about allocating funding closer to the local communities they serve. Dearne North and Dearne South Ward Alliances set their own priorities and work with the community representatives to direct funding to the voluntary sector.

Dearne Area Council

Dearne North, Dearne South

The Area Teams support their communities to utilise their strengths, skills and resources so groups can achieve more and the people in Dearne North and Dearne South can have their voices heard.

For our 10-year celebrations, we decided to celebrate the volunteers, businesses, and everyone who helped make the Dearne a better place to live and work. We wanted to showcase some of the excellent work that's taken place over the past decade, and boy, did we have some fantastic work!

Issue

People very rarely praise themselves for the work they have achieved, and the volunteers are the same. We did not want awards or venues elsewhere. We wanted local establishment, local entertainment and just a feel-good factor of a night.

What was done

The Area Team held an evening to celebrate in a local working men's club with **£1,000** funded through the Ward Alliances to help pay for the room decorations, balloons, artist, DJ, and buffet.

Cllr Cain, our local Councillor in Dearne North and Cabinet Spokesperson for Communities, was invited as a guest speaker and gave a warm welcome and really highlight the good work that had been achieved in the Dearne and recognition to all that is participated in this

Those who attended also enjoyed a Dearne related logo and general knowledge quiz, hot and cold buffet, DJ and live entertainment from Soul and Motown singer Steve Real

We also bought a memory book to which our lovely volunteers, elected members, businesses, school reps, internal & external partners could sign as a recognition of the work for the past 10 years. They have all created and inputted to collaboratively make the Dearne a better brighter, smarter and feel-good factor village for people to live, work and visit, the book is a brilliant read with some real positive thankyou and quotes. Something to cherish for many years to come.

Dearne Celebration Event

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10 Year



Dearne Celebration Event

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Reflections/Learning

On reflection, a different day of the week would have been better, as a mid-week event might have put people off through working or plans the next day.

The buffet was over-ordered so we could cater to less next time.

Music was a little loud, and some did ask that the volume be turned down as they could not speak to other people that they would have liked to, so next time, only have 1 hour for music at the end. Everybody liked doing the quiz, it seems like people are very competitive in the Dearne.

What was the role of the Area Team within this project?

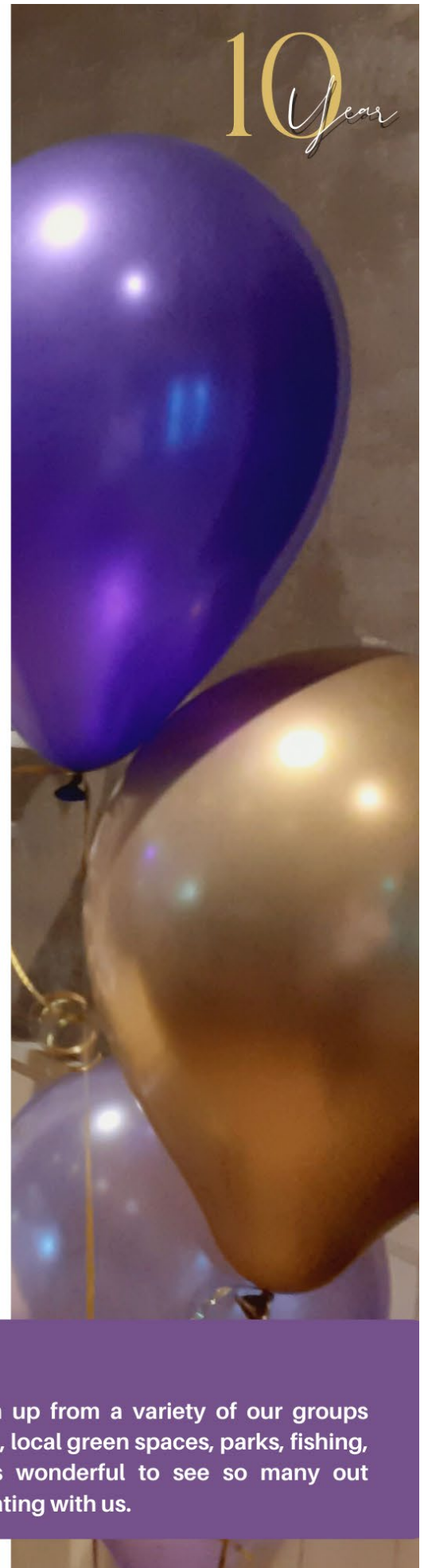
The team facilitated the event, from the CDO planning and designing the badges and certificates given to the attendees to creating the quiz and sourcing prizes. They also ensured the venue looked amazing. Alongside the Project Officer, they also set up payment for the artists.

We would also like to thank the Club, who provided the buffet and cleaned up after the event.

All Officers attended the celebration in a non-work capacity but still made sure everyone was happy and enjoyed themselves.

Did the project promote new ways of working e.g. with the Council, community or any agencies? How did it do this?

Working alongside the People Strategy 2022-2025, we know our members of staff in the Dearne Area Team are our greatest asset in the Dearne (we are told this several times by the community itself). The special relationship we hold passes on to the local volunteers & even their families who again are a huge asset. Enabling and empowering them to be positive and create leaders in their roles in the community makes such a difference. Building on relationships with them over the 10 years is extra special - so celebrating their achievements and recognising what they do will have a massive impact on them carrying on in the community, adding to the legacy of the Ward Alliance and Area Councils in years to come and hopefully passing down to their next generations.



The result (Outputs, Outcomes, Impact)



80

Attendees

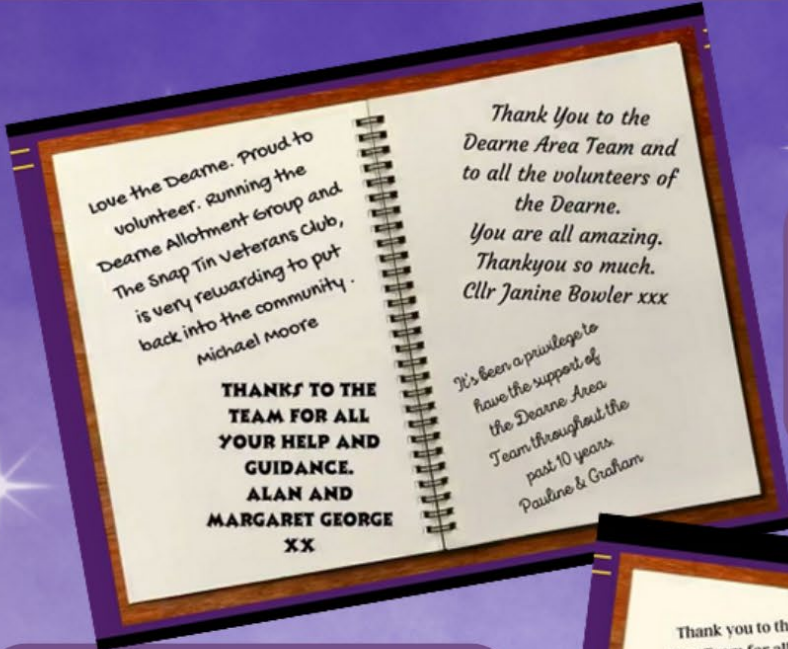
We had around 80 people turn up from a variety of our groups including social isolation, events, local green spaces, parks, fishing, sports, and many more it was wonderful to see so many out enjoying themselves and celebrating with us.

Dearne Celebration Event

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We have many more thankyous but heres just a snip from the memory book...

Most of the attendees complimented us on the night and also the days following – with the local Primary School adding they were thrilled to be invited and take time away from their normal settings and meet the local community groups they haven't met before. Some were praising the team, the councillors, and especially each other it was brilliant to see everyone just mingling and getting satisfaction and overall celebrating themselves and others all in once setting.

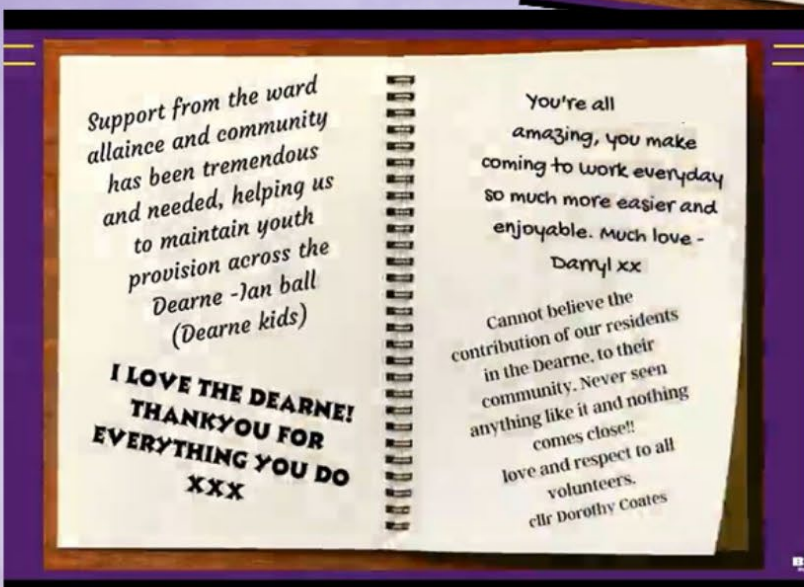


“ What a celebration – well done you lot
Joh Hayes
 Goldthorpe Development Group ”

“ Thank you so much for inviting me - haven't let my hair down in such a long time but loved this event
Michael Wellburn
 Member of the Local Allotment Group ”



“ Thanks so much Dearne Team for setting this up and making us feel special and part of the wider community its wonderful
Sue Miller & Nicola Lawrence
 Hill School in Thurnscoe ”



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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 4th September 2023

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Environmental Priority

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide the current position regarding the Dearne Area council environmental commission, funding, and contract timescales.
- 1.2 To provide information regarding recent member briefings discussing the future direction.
- 1.3 To provide several options for the Dearne Area Council to consider.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members receive the background information set out in 3.0.
- 2.2 That members confirm their preferred option set out in 4.0.
- 2.3 That members agree funding aligned to the environmental priority.
- 2.4 That members agree the timescales with regards to the agreed option.
- 2.5 That members agree to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Public Health and Communities regarding the procurement of the preferred option that is agreed at the Area Council.

3.0 Back ground

- 3.1 DAC identified the Environment as a priority from its' inception in 2013.
- 3.2 The priority has been met through a variety of methods including: working along side environmental groups and support to environmental projects via the Ward Alliance.
- 3.1 In order to meet the environmental priority the Dearne Area Council have undertaken several competitive procurements exercises since 2015. Twiggs Ground Maintenance LTD have been operating in the area since 2015.
- 3.2 At the start of this contract in 2015 the budget aligned to the environmental priority was £75,000 per annum and in this financial year the service costs to the Area Council is £90,000, albeit with reduced capacity. The service now operates over 3 days and not 4.
- 3.3 In January 2021 members agreed to do a contract variation until the end of March 2022. The pandemic saw limited volunteers and groups and businesses operating, therefore those outputs were taken off the services targets. Elected members stated that as well as working with groups the team needed to also undertake a schedule of works directed by elected members.
- 3.4 A further extension was advised to take the contract to the end of March 2024.
- 3.5 Over the last twelve months several meetings have taken place with the area

manager, elected members procurement and the current service provider. A Service specification was developed as part of this process.

4.0 **Options**

It is clear that there is definite need from within the community for professional support to deliver on environmental projects. Although volunteers need to be central to the delivery on this priority, but members have also stated the need to have a service that can also be reactive and Target hotspot areas.

4.2 Members are asked to consider the below options previously discussed at a members briefing on the 24th of July.

| Type of service /support | Costings | Operational remit | Observations |
|--|-----------|--|---|
| (A) Commission based on the last service specification that was developed. | Up to 90K | 50/50 split working with volunteers and reactive work | May not get anyone to tender for the service. Based on the last twelve months more work on the specification will need to be done. The current 3 days is not enough to keep on top of the area. |
| (B) Buying in services from neighbourhood services | TBC | 50/50 split working with volunteers and reactive work | Need to understand the core offer. |
| (C) Community grant | TBC | Working with local groups | Some of the environmental groups are currently not operating. Groups would apply based on their area of interest and it would not be equal across wards. |
| (D) Recruit an environmental project officer (sits within the area team) | £45k | Work directly with groups and have a schedule of litter picking activities | Would have cover over 5 days of the week. May have problems recruiting on a short-term basis. |
| (E) Professional environment delivery service (Landscape /garden maintenance company) | £40k | To work reactively informed by members. | Could use local businesses. May not have infrastructure for reporting purposes so may need initial help from the area team. Unsure how much time this amount would buy from a private business. |

5.0 **Cost implications**

5.1 The Dearne Area Council have allocated £90,000 in the 2023/24 financial year. Because of other commitments and commissions this amount is the maximum that can be aligned to the environmental priority.

6.0 **Timescales**

6.1 The current contract finishes at the end of March 2024. Therefore, if members want continuation of a service a decision needs to be made at this area Council in order to progress.

6.2 Depending on the preferred option will depend on how long the area Council Agrees funding for.

6.3 If a full procurement exercise is undertaken, in order to appeal to more providers this could be done on a 1+1+1 basis.

6.4 All other options could be initially confirmed for 12 months and reviewed prior to the end of the first year.

7.0 **Next Steps**

The Dearne Area Council manager will progress with the preferred option with an update to be presented at the next Area Council

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BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Report of Dearne Area
Council Manager**

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report appraises the Dearne Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance action plans and meeting the ward priorities.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Dearne Ward Alliance for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward, and Neighbourhood levels (Cab.21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab.13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance

4.1 Dearne North Ward Alliance was held on 1st August 2023 at the Rainbow Centre in Thurnscoe all apologies were received with a warm welcome and round of introductions given for Tracey Hughes from Healthwatch who came and gave an update of their work in Dearne North and how the Ward Alliance and community groups and their families and individuals who attend them can help provide the relevant health opinions on the services on offer in the Dearne area.

Ward Alliance finance – 3 applications were submitted with recommendations for all to be approved.

The Community Development Officer highlighted project planning for Autumn/Winter needed to be sooner rather than later with no comments on future due to capacity and events already happening. This was referred until January 2024 to look at projects for the next financial year. It was agreed to see what provisions are out there that we could assist with or give financial help towards.

Group updates too place highlighting all the brilliant work that has been going off through the Summer holidays and Autumn in Dearne North.

Next meeting previous dates have been amended due to 2 elected members no longer available.

- 4.2** Dearne South Ward Alliance had two meetings in which the first one took place on **Tuesday 25th July 2023 at Heathercourt flats in Bolton on Dearne.**

Ward Alliance funding – 5 applications were submitted and discussed with all 5 been recommended for approval.

The treasurer gave an up-to-date report on the working funds balances and projects against the committed spend.

Projects were discussed around summer provision and activities in Bolton on Dearne – the outdoor cinema is planned for August 30th 12pm – 5pm, they all agreed that this summer is the most we have ever seen in Bolton on Dearne and thanked the Area Team for all their hard work.

Group updates were given by each of the Ward Alliance members representing their work in the Dearne South.

- 4.3** The reporting into the Dearne Area Council for information, of the Ward Alliance, is in line with the approved Council protocols. Notes are for information only.

Appendix One: Dearne South ward Alliance meeting notes
Appendix two: Dearne North ward Alliance meeting notes

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Dearne South Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES – by Secretary Donna Gregory

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|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Meeting Title: | Dearne South Ward Alliance |
| Date & Time: | 25th July 2023 9.30am - 11.30am |

| Attendees | Apologies |
|---|---|
| CLlr Janine Bowler Cllr (Chair) Alan George - treasurer Marie Sinclair (CDO) Cllr Abi Moore Donna Gregory - secretary Pat Hubery local – local resident Michael Bunting - G.D.G & embankment Alison Sykes - Salvation Army Dennis Hogg - local resident | Cllr Dorothy Coates Michael Moore Julie Medlam Carole Hoyland Tracey from Healthwatch |

1. Welcome, introductions and start of meeting.

2. Apologies as stated above.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising -

MB stated the bounce into summer event is now £4 pounds than the £5 stated in the last meeting & stated that the receipts for the embankment was found in another book AG made his apologies for this.

Actions - MS- said that the cameras for ST Andrew's Square were restricted in height for where they could put them.

plus, Lenny had replied to MS and said that the fishing was free during the 6 weeks holidays = lots of families are enjoying their time around the pond and more children are engaging in the sport.

4. Finances -

Applications submitted -

- Railway Embankment Group – application for purchase of 200 pumpkins (split with Dearne North) discussed the application - APPROVED.

AG- asked about sustainability due to the ward alliance first started out to help groups but they had to be sustainable. As some groups come back year on year.

AS- explained that the ones who don't receive funding from any other sources are limited as they're run as a non-profit so don't bring in any money.

DG- talked about the possibility of funding toilets for the non-profit group events.

AS- talked about limiting the amounts of times groups can approach the ward alliance for funding.

Alison talked about fruit and vegetables for the event.

- Churches Together : Christmas Narnia experience – WA discussed the application - APPROVED.
- Dearne Art's Festival – entertainment & equipment - WA discussed the event planned - APPROVED.
- Hanging baskets - one basket on High Street, Goldthorpe – one basket St Andrews Square

Dearne South Ward Alliance – working funds AG -

Treasurers Report

WA - Library fund£18.33
BBB - Healthy holiday£1195.01
BBB - Mental Health and wellbeing.....£275.54
WA CSF - Environmental..... £1000.00
WA CSF - Community projects.....£780.00
WA CSF - Youth1000.00
WA CSF - Community support..... £48.00
WA Menopause – completed balance now £0.00.

AG gave a detailed report of the working funds, cash in hand and the funds for above and where money had been taken out to cover the summer holidays.

MS said that the IKIC centre had missed the deadline for a project they had and needed it approving for food for the children for the days they had the centre open. They needed £250 to cover the events for food which was approved as they were running this week.

MB asked if the youth club was open to all - MS sad the youth provision was open to 12 to 19 yrs. olds open Tuesdays and Thursdays.

AG asked if he was able to buy extra defib pads in case some are used. As they only have a life span of 2 years. This was approved and he can get some as and when needed so the defib is always stocked. Everyone thanked AG for his detailed report.

4, Summer Holiday Provisions(sheet already emailed) MS read through some of the Bolton on Dearne activities which is full for 2023 and lots of things to do this summer - help needed for the boxing sessions for breakfast/refreshments 31st July/16th Aug/31st Aug 10am -12pm, PH & AG said they'd hel

5. Update on 'Pictures on the pitch' outdoor cinema at Bulldogs rugby club.

MS said that they had had the presentation with the cheque at the Rugby Club an thanked all who came. One quote has been received for the cinema which was too much £7k so went online to track others for availability. DC had helped find another cinema company with a quote between 2k and 2.5k depending on what we wanted for 2 films to be shown. MS to organise and meet with relevant parties involved. MS to design poster, fliers and get the poll onto FB for ideas of which films.

The ward agreed to fund the event of 2k and the rest to come from the community fund if needed. The Bull dogs will be providing food for people to purchase as it helps them fund raise for the club. Due to covid they've not been able to fund raise and have been shut for nearly 2 years. Date end August is suitable for volunteers.

JB thanked MS for the work she has put into this event behind the scenes as it's a great project for Bolton upon Dearne.

6. Group updates

Salvation army

AS salvation army- issues with language barrier with some clients.

She has a translator to help.

The food bank has harvested its first lot of potatoes, they're planning a shutdown week.

Road been closed is causing lots of issues, people are nearly getting run over.

JB explained the problems with the road closed.

MB asked questions.

JB explained the council are having with the road closed.

AG explained about prefabs.

MB said that the bollards had been smashed.

Embankment group update

MB explained that he had set up an embankment cashing app a bit like Geo cashing but using what three words for clues to open up hidden items when on the embankment. It's an app that allows the user to find hidden items. MB was very good at explaining how it worked and hoped the public would like it. The 3-word clue is craft work, exploring bugs and flowers.

Snaptin community hub

AG said that nothing had changed from the last report he did the scarecrow window competition for Halloween and the christmas event was all that was coming up.

Christmas in the square 3rd Dec 2023

MS asked the members if they would like to hold an event on the square as BODVAG would no longer be running this – all agreed. MS to set up event plans after summer provision, she will book Santa & his elf – the groups added they would like a Grotto, stalls inside and outside, xmas trees, MS going to make a sub team.

A.O.B

As the meeting ended the following will be added to the next meeting -

- Raised beds in the square & their upkeep.
- Twiggs to be invited for update & issues.
- Healthwatch to be re-invited.
- Xmas tree in square

Date and time of next meeting Tuesday 19th September 2023, Heathercourt flats, 9.30am till 11.30am

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Dearne Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

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|----------------|---|
| Meeting Title: | Dearne North Ward Alliance |
| Date & Time: | Tuesday 1 st August 2023 – 2pm-3.30pm (Rainbow Centre, Houghton Road, Thurnscoe) |

| Attendees | Apologies |
|--|--|
| Cllr Wendy Cain – Elected member Cllr Sue Bellamy – Elected Member Cllr Martin Morrell – Elected Member Glennis Lingard – local resident Charlotte Williams – Station House Community Association – (Treasurer) Peter Shields – Dearne Memorial Group Marie Sinclair – Community Development Officer – Dearne Area Team Gillian Totty – Berneslai Homes Derek Bramham – Big Local Thurnscoe Tracey Hughes - Healthwatch | Pauline Phillips – Thurnscoe Park volunteer Jackie Kenning – Salvation Army |

1. Welcomes & introductions:

Cllr Cain welcomed everyone to the meeting with a round of introductions for Tracey Hughes from Healthwatch

Tracey gave a brief outline of her role within Healthwatch and the work she does in Dearne North around adult safeguarding as a commissioned service and peoples champion on local health & social care matters, she outlined her main role is around helping local people are heard and their voice on their experiences on GP services, Pharmacies, opticians and hospitals is fed back to the NHS and relevant departments alike. Tracey explained that if you've recently visited your doctor, or local hospital, or used any health and care services in Barnsley then she wants to hear from them and their experiences

She also stated that they are completely independent and impartial and make sure people know that anything they say is confidential. Their service is free, simple to use and can make a real difference to people in Barnsley and beyond – Q & A and leaflets were handed out to anyone who would like to be part of Healthwatch and the work she does.

2. Notes from previous meeting & any matters arising - NONE

3. Finance

WC - Dearne North Ward Alliance current balance **£4,904.14** after 8 previous applications been approved for 2023/24
Applications submitted –

- Goldthorpe Embankment Group £312.50 split application with Dearne South WA (request for 200 pumpkins to be given out to children attending the fayre) – all agreed and in favour.
- 6 Hanging baskets in Goldthorpe £240.00 (as all the spaces were taken in Thurnscoe the plaques were all installed in Dearne North Goldthorpe costing £60.00 per basket – 6 baskets it total) – all agreed & in favour.
- Secretary payment of £500.00 for the 12 months will be split partial paying the secretary £125.00 per Qtr.

In the absence of a treasurer Marie Sinclair the Community Development Officer will keep updating the spreadsheet, consulting with Charlotte, Jackie, and Pauline (who currently oversee the online banking app and can make payments through debits online) MS happy to report at each meeting the up-to-date balances.

MS – Balance in working funds July 2023 - £4215.23

- Healthy Holidays - £413.32
- Thurnscoe Activity Funds - £620.00
- Environmental projects - £448.00
- Community support with projects - £1500.00
- Menopause Support - £499.16
- Defib -£500.00(BLT £235.02 / WA £264.90)
- Bank charges/room hire charges/Misc. - £348.99

4. Group updates

Thurnscoe Flower Park: Barnsley in Bloom results will be given in September but a\ll looking positive, Pauline stated she is so pleased with the hard work and dedication that the volunteers have managed with all their own personal health matters and couldn't thank them enough for their help. The Hedgehogs have now had hoglets and using the boxes and food she lays out every night. PS stated they would be looking at putting on events once they have the capacity, she asked if the Area Team would be able to help with this in 2024 or anything in the Autumn. MS to meet with the park volunteers to discuss some fundraising ideas.

Berneslai Homes: GT – Update from the management restructure and what this means for Thurnscoe and Dearne North as a whole. A community play bus would be going round to engage in the children and their families in the summer holidays, GT unsure of the dates it will be in the Dearne, for one of the times, but dates and times will be shared on social media. BH Community Engagement Team are also having a “Back to basics” and having a van and touring the borough speaking to people about our services and how to be involved with BH. Our tour van will be at Bolton on Dearne at Heather Court on 22nd August.

Big Local Thurnscoe: - DB gave an update on the plaza - Derek read out all future events taking place over the next few months & handed out the newsletter with all events planned during summer and winter on. The Legacy meeting will give more updates to what's happening. The Flex on the Hex is planned for September with many already signed up. BLT have paid for this company to run the project on the Plaza. The Battle of Britain will be held in St Helens Church Hall all invited.

Dearne Memorial Group – PS gave an update on the financial fraud situation and is trying to keep busy with what he can do but struggling to cope with the demands due to the issues its caused – he's plodding along best he can online with the families needing help but may need some support at some point.

Station House – CW Over the summer holidays there are 12 sessions of Healthy Holidays activities. Due to the restrictions of the government funding (only free school meals children eligible) additional funding has been found to enable ALL children to attend.

There has been some antisocial behaviour in the play area overnight – SYP have been informed and it appears t be part of a larger issue in the village.

£20K grant form Postcode Lottery has been awarded to Station House, this will back fill much of the additional cost of living impact on the organisation (e.g. where household energy bills are starting to reduce business tariffs remain the same)

5. AOB – NONE

6. Dates & Time of next meeting – TBC due to previous meetings Cllr Bellamy & Cllr Morrell no longer available.

**BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Dearne North and South Ward Alliance Fund Spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report seeks to inform Members about spend to date from Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne North and South Area.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives the Dearne North and South Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes any spend to date for the Dearne North and South Ward.

3.0 Introduction

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

3.2 In considering projects for the use of the 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.

4.0 Spend to date

4.1 The **Dearne North Ward Alliance** starting balance for the 2023/24 financial year was £12,270.17 this includes the underspend of £2,270.17 from the 2022/23 budget. To date they have provided funds to 11 projects at a cost of £8,088.49 leaving a balance of **£4181.68**

The **Dearne South Ward Alliance** starting balance for the 2023/24 financial year was £16,031.04 this includes the underspend of £6,031.04 from the 2022/23 budget. To date they have provided funds to 9 projects at a cost of £9,468.57 leaving a balance of **£6,562.47**

5.0 Appendix

Appendix One: Breakdown of Dearne North and South Ward Alliance Spend

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2022/23 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

Dearne North Ward Alliance budget

For the 2023/2024 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000 base allocation + CF £2,270.17 from 2022/23 **£12,270.17 total available funding**

| <u>App no.</u> | <u>Project</u> | <u>Project end date</u> | <u>Allocation</u> | <u>Allocation remaining</u> |
|----------------|---|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 001 | Bulky Rubbish referral scheme (split £3000 with Dearne South) | March 2024 | £1500.00 | £10,770.17 |
| 002 | Ward Alliance & Volunteer Celebration event | August 2023 | £500.00 | £10,270.17 |
| 003 | Community Support funds – enable projects/initiatives in Dearne North | March 2024 | £1500.00 | £8770.17 |
| 004 | Station House Community Association – replacement patio doors | June 2023 | £1000.00 (financially match funded with external funding) | £7,770.17 |
| 005 | Thurnscoe Library (activities with young children & adults) | March 2024 | £365.99 | £7,404.18 |
| 006 | Thurnscoe Angling Club | March 2024 | £687.00 | £6717.18 |
| 007 | Thurnscoe Tap | August 2023 | £553.00 | £6164.18 |
| 008 | Goldthorpe Pentecostal Church (potential match funding with Dearne South WA) | March 2024 | £260.00 | £5904.18 |
| 008 | Little Theatre (St Helens Church Hall) summer theatre & arts performance provisions | Oct 2023 | £1000.00 | £4904.18 |
| 009 | Goldthorpe Railway Embankment Group (Autumn Fayre) | Dec 2023 | £312.50 | £4591.68 |
| 010 | Hanging Basket sponsorship for DNWA | March 2024 | £240.00 | £4351.68 |
| 011 | Secretary Payment (paid in QTR instalments) | March 2024 | £500.00 | £3851.68 |
| **2 | Adjustment to monies unspent at Celebration event | March 2024 | +£330.00 | £4181.68 |

Total spend = £8,088.49

Volunteer match funded = £7,493.50

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2023/24 WARD FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

Dearne South Ward Alliance budget

For the 2023/2024 financial year the Ward Alliance has the following available budget.

£10,000 base allocation + CF £6031.04 from 2022/23 **£16,031.04** total available funding

| <u>App no.</u> | <u>Project</u> | <u>Project end date</u> | <u>Allocation</u> | <u>Allocation remaining</u> |
|----------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 001 | Bulky Rubbish referral scheme | March 2023 | £1500.00 | £14,531.04 |
| 002 | Celebration event for the WA & local volunteers | August 2023 | £500.00 | £14,031.04 |
| 003 | St Andrews Community Centre – security cameras & CCTV | December 2023 | £1946.07 | £12,084.97 |
| 004 | Brickponds Angling Club – summer holiday family fishing | March 2024 | £2000.00 | £10,084.97 |
| 005 | Dearne Arts Festival - event | Dec 2024 | £660.00 | £9424.97 |
| 006 | Churches Together – GPCC Xmas Narnia experience | March 2024 | £260.00 | £9164.97 |
| 007 | Goldthorpe Railway Embankment Group (Autumn Fayre) | Dec 2023 | £312.50 | £8852.47 |
| 008 | 'Pictures on the Pitch' outdoor cinema with Dearne Valley Bulldogs | March 2024 | £2500.00 | £6352.47 |
| 009 | Hanging Basket sponsorships | March 2024 | £120.00 | £6232.47 |
| **2 | Adjustment to monies unspent at Celebration event | March 2024 | +330.00 | £6562.47 |

Total spend = £9,468.57

Volunteer match funded = £7676.10

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