

<b>MEETING:</b>	North East Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 21 September 2023
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 2, Barnsley Town Hall

## AGENDA

- 1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

### Minutes

- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of North East Area Council held on 20 July 2023 (Neac.21.9.23/2) *(Pages 3 - 10)*

### Items for Information

- 3 Safer Neighbourhoods Presentation - Alan Heppenstall (Neac.21.9.23/3)
- 4 Area Link Officer Update - Jon Finch and Cultural Strategy Presentation - Jon Finch and Coby Walsh (Neac.21.9.23/4) *(Pages 11 - 34)*
- 5 Quarter 1 (April to June 2023) Performance Report (Neac.21.9.23/5) *(Pages 35 - 50)*

### Item for Decision

- 6 Procurement and Financial Update Report (Neac.21.9.23/6) *(Pages 51 - 62)*

### Ward Alliances

- 7 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.21.9.23/7) *(Pages 63 - 84)*  
Cudworth – held on 17 July 2023  
Monk Bretton – held on 30 June 2023 and 11 August 2023  
North East – held on 20 June 2023 and 26 July 2023  
Royston – held on 3 July 2023
- 8 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Neac.21.9.23/8) *(Pages 85 - 94)*
- 9 Any other Business - 10 Year Celebration (Neac.21.09.23/9) *(Verbal Report)*

To: Chair and Members of North East Area Council:-

Councillors Hayward (Chair), Booker, Cherryholme, Ennis OBE, Green, Houghton CBE, Makinson, McCarthy, Peace, Richardson, Sheard and Webster

Area Council Support Officers:

Jon Finch, North East Area Council Senior Management Link Officer

Lisa Phelan, Central Area Council Manager

Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities

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Wednesday 13 September 2023



<b>MEETING:</b>	North East Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 20 July 2023
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

## MINUTES

**Present** Councillors Hayward (Chair), Booker, Cherryholme, Green, Houghton CBE, Makinson, Peace, Richardson, Sheard and Webster

### 10 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Peace declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 3 'Inclusive Offer Work presentation' as an employee of the Department for Work and Pensions.

### 11 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of North East Area Council held on 25 May 2023 (Neac.20.7.23/2)

The meeting considered the minutes from the previous meeting of the North East Area Council held on 25 May 2023.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North East Area Council held on 25 May 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 12 Inclusive Offer Work Presentation - Neil Wilkinson (Neac.20.7.23/3)

Neil Wilkinson, Post 16 Provision and Partnership Manager, Barnsley MBC, was welcomed to the meeting and provided Members with a presentation which gave an overview of the Council's Inclusive Offer scheme.

Members heard that the Council works with various local partners, charities and services (such as Jobcentre Plus, NHS, Berneslai Homes, GXO and others) to create bespoke experience of work and employment opportunities for young people who need extra support to benefit from work.

The Inclusive Offer scheme supports people:

- Who have experience of being in care
- With Special Education Needs and/or disabilities (SEND)
- Aged 16 to 24 who are not in education, employment or training
- Who have experience of the Youth Justice Service
- Aged 16-19 and studying a T-Level with an education and training provider

Members were pleased to note that over 100 young people with multiple barriers to employment had been supported into either paid employment or an apprenticeship over the last 2 years.

In the ensuing discussion, particular reference was made to the following points:

- It was important for the Council to be supporting and advocating T- Levels due to the opportunities that they can create for young people who are of higher ability and motivated to pursue a particular type of career.
- T-Levels would replace many BTEC Level 3 qualifications by 2024 and this may drive young people into employment rather than into education. The Council was in the process of developing a Strategy to develop as many pathways as possible to support young people in education and training in order to reach their full potential.
- The suitability of Apprenticeship Schemes for young people who were not academic was discussed.
- Help and support was available from the Council to assist young people aged 14-16 with SEND onto the Direct Entry Scheme to college.
- From September 2023, the Government would no longer fund a national traineeships programme.
- During the last academic year (2022/23) the Inclusive Offer Team had worked in partnership with the local NHS to support ten internships over a 9-month work placement for those young people with an Education, Health and Care Plan. Positive feedback had been received from the NHS.
- The NHS was currently undertaking work to remove barriers around job qualifications criteria to make jobs more accessible to young people who do not have formal qualifications.

**RESOLVED** that Neil Wilkinson be thanked for his presentation.

### **13 Quarter 1 (April to June 2023) Performance Report (Neac.20.7.23/4)**

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, introduced the item making Members aware that there would be a delay prior to the Area Council receiving the Quarter 1 Performance Report.

It was noted that the Area Council Manager was starting to receive monitoring and evaluation information for the period covering April to June 2023, for inclusion in the report. Assurances were provided that monitoring meetings had been scheduled with project providers.

It was acknowledged that the Quarter 1 Performance Report would be submitted to the Area Council at their meeting in September.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

### **14 Matrix Team around the Community meetings - Link Officer Feedback (Neac.20.7.23/5)**

Jon Finch, Head of Culture and Visitor Economy, Barnsley MBC, provided Members with an update on the Council's recent awards success and an update on the Team around the Community meetings.

Members were informed that Barnsley Council had been awarded Council of the Year for 2023 by the Local Government Chronicle (LGC) and The Municipal Journal (MJ).

Members were reminded and encouraged to attend the Members Market Place event which would be held this evening at Barnsley Town Hall. Colleagues from across Council services would be presenting the great work that they undertake.

Members heard that two Team around the Community meetings had been held with just over 20 attendees and partners in attendance. Updates had been provided at the meetings from a range of partners. The next Team around the Community meeting would be held on 7 September.

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, reported that a Community Listening Survey had been developed by the Team around the Community and had been published on social media to obtain the views of local residents on community issues. The results from the survey would be used to help shape delivery for the future.

Members noted that a Funding Surgery had been arranged by South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau to inform groups in the North East how they could apply for grants from EDF Energy's Park Spring Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund. The Funding Surgery had been very well attended.

**RESOLVED** that the verbal update be noted.

## **15 Procurement and Financial Update (Neac.20.7.23/6)**

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, submitted a report providing Members with an up-to-date overview of the Area Council's current priorities. It provided an overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded Projects together with the associated timescales.

The report also outlined the financial position to date for 2022-23 and gave details of the projected financial position to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report.

Members were informed that the Youth Development Fund (YDF) Funding Panel had met on 11 May 2023 to consider and review three applications which had been received. The Panel had also reviewed the budget in detail and had agreed that they would support 75% of the three projects costs if match funding could be found for the remaining 25%. Ward Alliances had been asked to fund the 25% in the first instance.

It was noted that the North East Ward Alliance had not agreed to fund 25% of Exodus Youth Clubs in Brierley or at the Grimethorpe Activity Zone. This would now be considered at the next YDF Funding Panel on 8 August 2023, with a further report presented at the September meeting.

Members noted that Recommendation 1 from the YDF Funding Panel was that the Cudworth Ward Alliance had agreed to fund 25% of Exodus Youth Clubs costs. The Area Council was recommended to commit 75% of total costs totalling £10,512 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025.

Members considered and agreed to support the recommendation.

Members' attention was then drawn to the Health and Wellbeing Fund. The report indicated that, historically, the North East Area Council had a fund available to fund projects to address health and wellbeing under the Healthy Lifestyles priority based on identified need. At the Area Council meeting on 30 March 2023, Members agreed a recommendation to commit a financial envelope of £30,000 per year for two years to progress this priority.

The Area Council Manager had been asked to develop aims and objectives for the fund based on a combination of business intelligence, professional partnerships and community listening and requested for this to be progressed by the Area Manager, through the development of a Panel made up of Area Council Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for the procurement of these grants to the Executive Director.

Further to the Members' Priority Setting and Business Intelligence Workshops held on 23 May and 6 June 2023, the Area Council Manager was currently working on a partnership proposal to address specific prevalence around addictive behaviours.

It was recommended that the Area Council support recommendation 2, which was to identify a Panel at today's meeting to be made up of NEAC Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director.

Members considered and agreed to support the recommended option. It was agreed that the Panel's membership would consist of Councillors Sheard, Webster, Booker and Cherryholme.

## **RESOLVED**

- i) That the North East Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded Projects, with associated timescales, be noted.
- ii) That the actual financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report be noted.
- iii) That recommendation 1 from the Youth Development Funding Panel: Cudworth Ward Alliance agreed to fund 25% of Exodus Cudworth Youth Clubs' costs, as per 4.3.1 of the report and that the Area Council commits £10,512 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025 be approved.
- iv) That the update to the Health and Wellbeing Fund be noted and recommendation 2: that the Area Council identifies a Panel at today's meeting made up of NEAC Elected Members consisting of Councillors Sheard, Webster, Booker and Cherryholme, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director be agreed.

## **16 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.20.7.23/7)**

The meeting received notes from the Cudworth, Monk Bretton and Royston Ward Alliances: Cudworth – 17 April 2023 and 22 May 2023, Monk Bretton – 19 May 2023, North East - 1 February 2023, 18 May 2023, 20 June 2023, Royston – 22 May 2023.

The following updates were noted:-

*Cudworth* – Carlton Marsh Nature Reserve had been awarded its first-ever Green Flag Award. Councillor Hayward paid tribute to the fantastic work undertaken by the volunteers of Carlton Marsh Wildlife Group.

A meeting would be held on the evening of 20 July 2023 to determine if Tea in the Park scheduled for 22 July 2023 would go-ahead due to thunderstorms forecast for 22 July.

The Ward Alliance had not entered this year's Yorkshire in Bloom competition but were currently preparing to enter next year's competition.

It was acknowledged that there had been problems with this year's hanging baskets, which had now been rectified ready for next year.

The Ward Alliance had hosted its monthly Coffee Morning on Saturday 15 July 2023 at the Exodus Centre in Cudworth.

The Ward Alliance was currently making plans to hold a Sloppy Slippers event and an Autumn fair.

*Monk Bretton* – The Ward Alliance had not entered this year's Yorkshire in Bloom competition but were making plans to enter next year's competition.

The Ward Alliance would be supporting the Friends of Monk Bretton Park's 'Brass on the Grass' event taking place on Sunday 13 August 2023.

*North East* – Four new Members had now joined the North East Ward Alliance. During in October, the Ward Alliance would be hosting a meeting at Shafton Outwood Academy and would be inviting its pupils to observe the meeting. At this meeting, a place would be offered for a young person to become a member of the Ward Alliance.

A number of events were scheduled towards the end of Summer 2023, including an outdoor cinema event. Historically, the Ward Alliance had not organised a large number of events. However, this year, it would be the largest number the Ward Alliance had supported. All events were free of charge and accessible to all children.

On 12 August 2023, the first-ever Pride event would be hosted at the Welfare Hall in Great Houghton. Work had taken place with the organisers of Barnsley Pride to ensure that the Great Houghton Pride event would be a great success.

RampUp and Reds in the Community Sports Van would be travelling around the local parks and open spaces to deliver free bike and scooter sessions and multi-sports activities for children and young people during the summer school holidays.

*Royston* – The Royston Gala had been held on Saturday 1 July 2023. The Gala had been well-attended, with almost £500 raised from the Ward Alliance’s tombola stall and from other fees. The funds would now be used by the Green Spaces Group at Royston Park.

Councillor Makinson expressed her thanks to the Royston Ward Alliance volunteers, Christie McFarlane and to Green Team Barnsley for all their help and assistance at the Gala.

The Ward Alliance had entered this year’s Yorkshire in Bloom competition in two categories – ‘It’s your Neighbourhood’ (for the blooms and planters in the village) and ‘Open Green Spaces’ (for Royston Canal). The Yorkshire in Bloom Judge had visited Royston village on 18 July.

The Ward Alliance was currently planning the next Green Spaces meeting and were grateful to Royston Co-op for the receipt of funds.

The Friends of Royston Group had arranged activities at Manor Court Community Centre including Ta Chi sessions and Age UK’s Men in Sheds project. Work was taking place with Berneslai Homes to install a disabled toilet and to improve access around Manor Court Community Centre for mobility scooters.

In partnership with Barnsley Premier Leisure, the Ward Alliance had part funded three sessions (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) of free-swimming places per week at Royston Leisure Centre throughout the summer holidays for the first nine children who attend.

A RampUp session would be held at Royston Park during the summer holidays.

Free fishing permits for use at Royston Canal would be available during the summer holidays with volunteers available to help children learn how to fish.

The Ward Alliance would be focusing its attention on Royston Park in the near future, with planning currently taking place around a day of action to address areas requiring attention in the park.

The Ward Alliance had received an update at its last meeting on the Stop Smoking initiative.

The Area Council highlighted that smoking and alcohol misuse was higher in the North East area than in any other area of Barnsley. Members asked what support was available for young people to encourage them to stop vaping. Lisa Phelan agreed to investigate.

The Area Council Manager reported that work was taking place to develop a training programme for all Ward Alliances. The aim was to train multiple people on food hygiene, first aid, health and safety and safeguarding. Discussions were also taking place with Northern College to offer a volunteer passport.

**RESOLVED** that the notes from the Ward Alliances be received.



**17 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds  
(Neac.20.7.23/8)**

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, submitted a report which outlined the agreed spend to date from the 2023/24 Ward Alliance Fund budget within the North East Area. The appendices attached to the report outlined the spend for each Ward Alliance together with the remaining allocations carried forward from the 2022/23 financial year.

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

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# BARNLSLEY



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## BARNLSLEY'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
<b>Phase 1 : Research and development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Project Governance</li> <li>➤ Creative Engagement workshops with Area Councils and Ward Alliances</li> <li>➤ Stakeholder Engagement</li> <li>➤ Sector mapping</li> <li>➤ Sector Engagement</li> </ul>				
<b>Phase 2: Review and next steps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Review by Project Board</li> <li>➤ Gaps identified for further engagement</li> <li>➤ Report produced</li> </ul>				
<b>Phase 3 – Further Engagement with communities and stakeholders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Further Stakeholder Engagement</li> <li>➤ Creative Community Engagement</li> </ul>				
<b>Phase 4 – Strategy Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Priorities identified</li> <li>➤ Strategic directions identified</li> <li>➤ Workshop stakeholders and Cllrs</li> <li>➤ Strategy online and published</li> </ul>				



# 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



## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT OF: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF GROWTH & SUSTAINABILITY

TITLE: A CULTURAL STRATEGY FOR BARNSELY

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:



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

## **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
<b>Phase 1 – research and development</b>				
<b>Phase 2 – Review and identification of next steps</b>				
<b>Phase 3 – Further Engagement with communities and stakeholders</b>				
<b>Phase 4 – strategy development</b>				

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

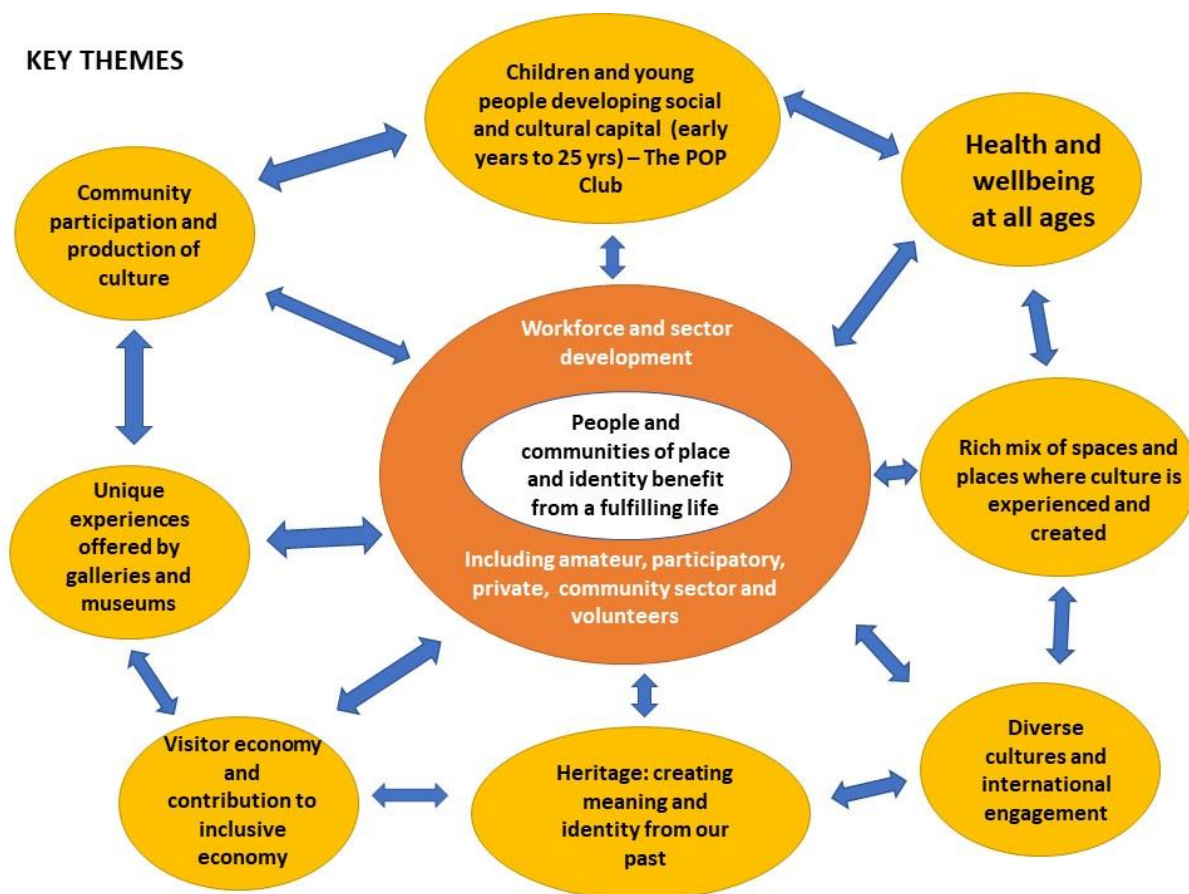
Whilst the priorities and ambitions for Barnsley’s cultural strategy will be shaped

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

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Phase 4 – Strategy Development	£5k
<b>Total cost</b>	<b>£50k</b>

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**

<b>Financial consultation &amp; sign off</b>	Senior Financial Services officer consulted and date  <i>Steve Loach, 16 Feb 2023</i>
<b>Legal consultation &amp; sign off</b>	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**

# Project Performance Report

Q1 - 2023/24 (Apr-June 2023)



Monk Bretton Priory - Courtesy of Judith Myers

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Ings Country Park

# North East Area Council Priorities



Love Where you Live



Thriving and Vibrant Economy



Healthy Lifestyles



Children and Young people

Contributing to the following Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:

## Barnsley - the place of possibilities

### Healthy Barnsley

People are safe and feel safe

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

We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough

### Learning Barnsley

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

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

People have access to early help and support

### Growing Barnsley

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

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

People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes

### Sustainable Barnsley

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

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

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

### Enabling Barnsley

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



**BARNSLEY**  
Metropolitan Borough Council

COMMISSIONS

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Dementia

Private Sector  
Housing Officer

Stop Smoking  
Adviser























Targetted  
Youth work

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CAB and  
DIAL

Healthy Barnsley	People are safe and feel safe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Growing Barnsley	Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities	✓				
	People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture					✓
	People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes		✓	✓		✓
Learning Barnsley	People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships	✓	✓			✓
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Sustainable Barnsley	People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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# Contractual Overview

Table 1 below shows the Providers that have now been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the North East Area Council.

Service	Priorities	Provider	Contract Value (per year)	Start Date	Updates	
Older People Page 05	 Healthy Lifestyles		£40,000 1 year (+1 year)	1st July 2022	+1 year extension started July 2023	
Environmental Traineeship Page 07	 Love Where you Live	 Children & Young People	 £222,988 2 years (+1 year)	1st April 2022	+1 year extension started April 2023 and ends 31st March 2024	
Stop Smoking Advisor Page 08	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People	 £28,215 1 year (+1 year)	1st April 2021	Public Health -1st April 2022	
Private Sector Housing Officer Page 09	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Love Where you Live	 Children & Young People	 £37,750 12 month contract	19th October 2020	
Targeted Youth Support Page 11	 Love Where you Live	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People	 £45,000 1 year (+1 Year)	1st April 2023	Year 1 + 1Year: to 30th March 2025
Youth Development Grant Page 12	 Love Where you Live	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People	   £35,000 various suppliers	Various Providers  1+1 year reviews	Various Providers 1 +1 year review New YDF Scheme from April 2023 (or before depending on dates of individual contracts)



There are **two** Social Inclusion Officers (SIO) involved in the North East who have been supported by a Senior SIO and the Projects Manager.

All volunteers and staff remain committed to promoting dementia awareness across all of Age UK Barnsley projects, groups and events and have completed the relevant training. The staff continually work hard to ensure a safe and inclusive environment for all.

The **One to One Support** has had **23** new referrals and are currently supporting a total of **46** Service Users.

Age UK Barnsley's **Advice and Guidance** Service has helped **36 people** this quarter of which **16 were new clients**. The majority of these enquiries have been with regards to benefits advice by phone and in person.

**One client received a total benefit gain of £12,287.60 for the year.**

Per annum  
**£40,000**  
100% spend

### Social Isolation and Dementia Project

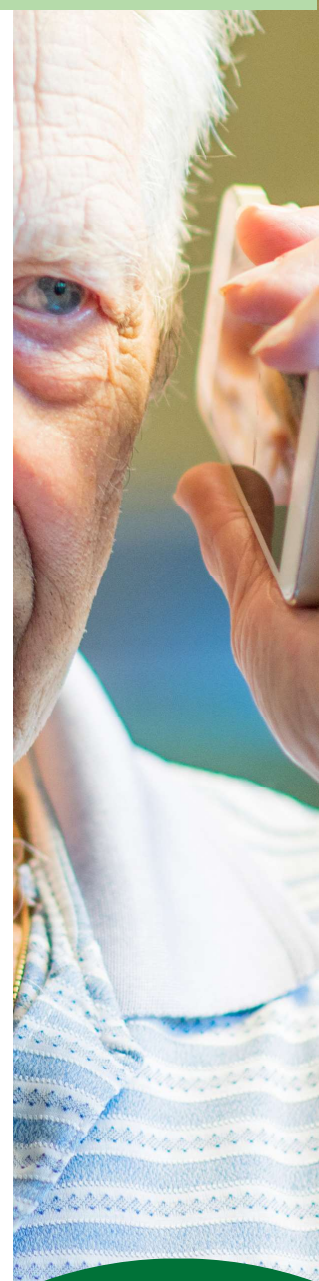
**NB: Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG)**  
*Now included in new SI&D Commission.*

### Regular Activities and Events:

- Chatty Café - with on average 40 people
- Little Bit of Everything Groups - Shafton and Brierley
- Bowling Club - Dorothy Hymans & Carlton Park
- Digital Project - 3 new individuals
- Social Media - 7 Facebook posts in the NE

### Q1 Highlights and Events:

- King's Coronation Party
- Dementia Awareness Week
- x3 More Money in your Pocket events
- Scam Awareness Talks



<b>THE NUMBERS</b>	One-to-One Working with:	<b>46</b>	
	Number of 1:1 New Referrals	FEMALE <b>12</b>	MALE <b>11</b>
	Number of people IAG service has helped	FEMALE <b>25</b>	MALE <b>11</b>
	Number of active/regular Volunteers	<b>13</b>	
	Social Value (Hours / Amount)	<b>298</b>	<b>£5,045.14</b>
	Number of Safeguarding Referrals	<b>NONE</b>	

*"You don't realise just how much you have done for me"*

*"I was so scared that I wouldn't have enough food to last me, but you came in sorted me out, I really appreciate it"*

*Service Users*

*"I'm not just helping out at the group, I have made some good friends"*

*Volunteer*

### Referrals to:

- Assisted Shopping Service
- Equipment and Adaptations
- Digital Champions
- Berneslai Homes
- Food Bank
- Dial a Ride
- Lifeline





Health Lifestyles

# Older People

Performance Indicator

Social Isolation and Dementia Project  
Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG)

## Q1 Highlights and Events



### Chatty Café - King's Coronation Party



The Service Users enjoyed taking part in a Kings Coronation party also took part in an Easter Bonnet competition. For Dementia Awareness Week, pictures of Cudworth past were placed around the room for them to reminisce. They have also had visits from Age UK Barnsley's Information and Advice service and Crossroads to talk about Scam Awareness.

*"Thank you for taking the time to listen to me"*

*"I love feeling that I'm giving something back to the community"*

*"Helping out has made me feel better as well"*

### Carlton Bowling

There are 2 bowling clubs in the North East, one at Dorothy Hyman and at Carlton Park. These are supported and advertised by the SIO and BOPPA. They both continue to be well attended and the Carlton Group reports they have gained a member as a result.



### Brierley - A little bit of Everything

This is a new group for this quarter which is still in its infancy. It regularly has at least 8 attendees who enjoy coming together for a chat. This group in particular likes to play different games such as Beetle, Dominoes, Jenja and often enjoy a board game.





Improving the environment



Young People

# Environmental Traineeship

Performance Indicator



Per annum  
**£222,988**  
100% spend

BCB environment teams improve the North East environment by working on scheduled litter picking areas, emptying bins and reacting to specific environment needs. They also prepare ground for volunteer events using specialist machinery and work alongside volunteers on events.

As well as collecting Purple Bags, the teams collect black bags of rubbish daily from **40 bins**. This quarter they cleared **3 Hot Spot Areas** as responsive jobs in the area.

**Barnsley Community Build's Traineeship** program operates from Moorland's College in Barnsley, providing employment and training in the construction industry and a successful apprenticeship scheme working with pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds from the borough. There have been a mixture of successes with the scheme as many of the young people need varying levels of support due to family circumstances. BCB offer support and guidance and encourage ways to move onto access College as well.

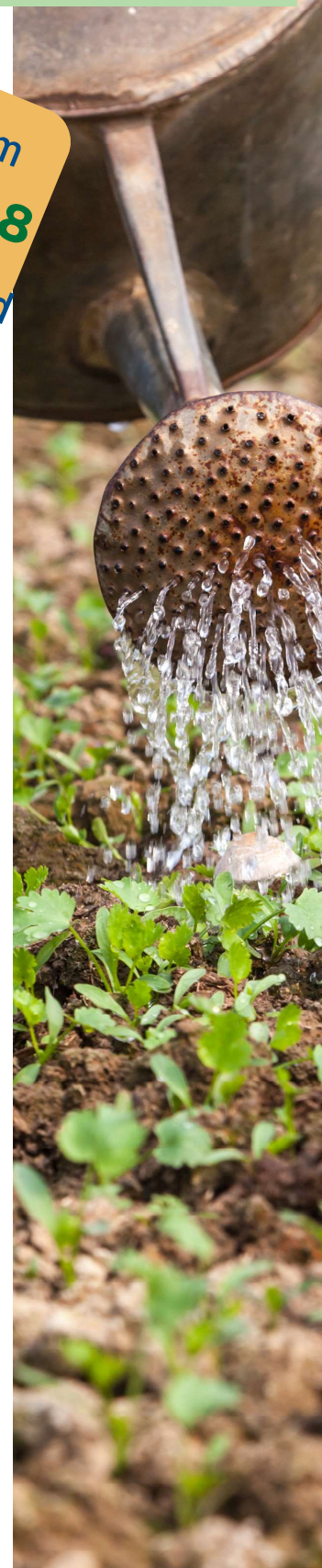


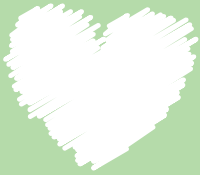
***"One young person's confidence and work ethic has improved and now he is a positive member of the workforce".***



**Environmental support and training**

	Achieved this quarter
Number of full time employees	<b>6</b>
Number of traineeships started, created and supported	<b>12</b>
Number of people supported, who are from disadvantaged backgrounds	<b>2</b>
Number of learners from the NE Postcode area	<b>3</b>
Amount of Green Waste removed (Tonne)	<b>2</b>
Number of purple bags collected	<b>94</b>
Number of volunteer Events supported	<b>11</b>
Number of black bags collected	<b>2608</b>





# Healthy Lifestyles

Performance Indicator

Health Lifestyles



### The Aim of the initiative:

The aim of the initiative is to help and support people to stop smoking through accessing an outreach service near to where they live. Smoking cessation is key to reducing the number of preventable deaths in England due to smoking.

Sarah continues to promote the service across the North East, attending the area team meetings and ward alliance meetings, networking with other services. She works with GPs and links with Health and wellbeing coaches.

### Pulmonary Rehab sessions:

Sarah has renewed visits to the pulmonary rehab session at the Dorothy Hyman centre and has set up a referral pathway with them. The service used to attend the information session, so this is something that they are picking back up with the respiratory services.

Per annum  
**£30,000**  
100% spend



## South West Yorkshire Partnership

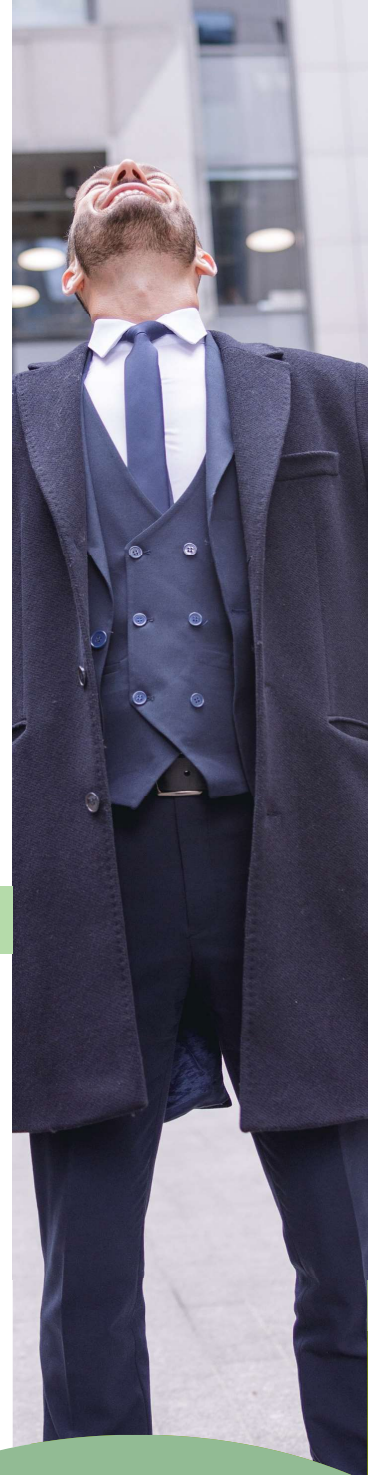
### Smoking Statistics in the North East Area of Barnsley

Annual - 'ASH' data 2019

Number of smokers in the North East Area	<b>7877</b>
Societal Costs - North East Area £s <small>Including Health Care, House Fires, Social Care, Productivity</small>	<b>£10.1m</b>
Personal Costs to Smokers in the North East <small>Including the purchase of cigarettes and tobacco products</small>	<b>£1.7m</b>
Smoking related littering (Tonnes)	<b>3.4</b>

### Schools Work:

She is currently working with Carlton School where she facilitated an information session looking at smoking and vaping and has plans with the youth project co-ordinator to support on a weekly drop in sessions for pupils, targeting Lundwood, Grimethorpe, Royston and Cudworth.



## Q1 March to May 22-23

Stop Smoking Results	Quarterly Target	Actual
To treat 4% of the smokers in the North East	<b>120</b>	<b>98</b>
To get 55% to quit at 4 weeks	<b>55%</b>	<b>TBC%</b>
To get 45% to quit at 12 weeks	<b>45%</b>	<b>TBC</b>



The North East Stop Smoking Advisor is Sarah Sverdloff

Just over 1:5 adults in the North East Area of Barnsley smoke.





Improving the environment



Healthy Lifestyles

# Private Sector Housing Officer

## Private Housing Enforcement Officer - Chris Platts - Safer Neighbourhood Services

Per annum  
**£37,750**  
100% spend



Cases in the North East -  
between 1st April and 30th June  
2023

**56** Opened

**41** Closed

NB: Cases 'Closed' can be from previous quarters

**31** Currently open

This quarter has been a busy time for waste in gardens. This included bags of household waste, mattresses, beds, household furniture, tyres, plastics and white goods.

Some required further action either by way of a letter or community protection notice and a further 16 that were dealt with at the time of my proactive visit by the resident of the property concerned.

Cases were mostly dealt with promptly but some took longer to clear due to the occupiers simply not being able to afford to have the waste removed. In some cases the residents teamed up to share the cost of removal.

Some good results have been achieved following notices served last quarter.

Properties were brought up to standard with the fitting of new electrical installations, bannisters, boilers being serviced, smoke and carbon monoxide alarms replaced, damp and mould treated and new kitchens fitted.

	Annual Target	Achieved this quarter	To Date four quarters
Number of proactive initial property contacts	<b>200</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>394</b>
Number of properties with waste on premises		<b>57</b>	<b>169</b>
Number of properties improved because of service intervention	<b>16</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>64</b>
Number of requests to landlords (both formal and informal)	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>
Number of individuals signposted to other services and agencies	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>
Number of fly-tipping cases	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>20</b>
Number of property inspections	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>21</b>

### Referrals to other services and partners were:

- Citizens Advice Bureau** - 3 people referred for mainly financial issues/help
- Council Tax and Benefits** - 4 people referred regarding council tax and housing benefit entitlements
- Smoking Cessation** - 5 people
- Step Change** - 3 people



# Improving the Environment

Performance Indicator

Per annum  
**£1,000**  
68% spend



## Responsible Dog Owner Initiative

**£680 spent**



The North East Team purchased 500 Doggy Poop Bags to give out at organised events, to individuals and other service providers in the North East Area. We also have printed Poop bags which are given to litter pickers.

These are very popular items with members of the public so the intention is to encourage more to use them.



Number of Doggy Poop Bag Holders Distributed in the North East (to July 2023)

Distribution to date

**480**

% of target

**96%**

# Health & Wellbeing Young People

## Period Poverty

Per annum  
**£1,000**  
**£659.70** spent



We're almost there!



The North East Area Team has worked with Ad Astra and The Community Link worker in Asda Barnsley to ensure that children and young people in local schools are able to attend in confidence.

Ad Astra has organised and is already distributing the items to those who are in Outwood Carlton and Outwood Shafton and some primary schools.



# Youth Development - Targeted



Health & Wellbeing



Young People

## Performance Management Report April 2022 - March 2023

### The Youth Association

The North East Area Council agreed to commission a targeted Youth Programme for two years from April 2023. The Youth Association successfully bid for the contract and have already completed one quarter of youth work in our area. They call this StreetSmart.



#### What is StreetSmart?

StreetSmart is an initiative that provides wrap-around support for young people at street level – a setting where parents, schools and most other services have little reach. The programme aims to grow resilience and empowerment among young people, underpinned by improved mental wellbeing and broadened aspirations.



StreetSmart is firmly rooted in the traditions of detached youth work and has two parallel strands:

#### StreetSafe Sessions

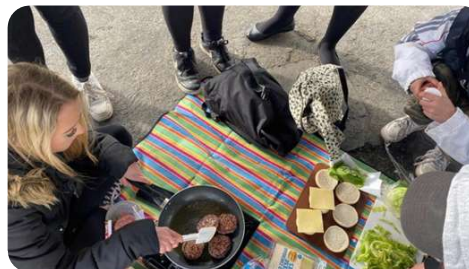
A programme of interactive street-based workshops that promote positive attitudes and safe behaviours

#### StreetVoice Sessions

Youth empowerment sessions that develops multiple street forums for young people to voice issues of local concern, influence local decision making and deliver small-scale social action projects.

*The long-term aim of our work in Barnsley is to establish a growth in resilience and empowerment among young people, underpinned by improved mental health and broadened aspirations.*

Young people taking part in outdoor cooking StreetSmart session



	Yearly Target	Quarter 1 2023-24
Number of Young People Engaged (YP)	<b>420</b>	<b>174</b>
Total Number of Sessions	<b>N/A</b>	<b>47</b>
Young people regularly engaged (3+ sessions)	<b>92</b>	<b>63</b>
YP participating in mental wellbeing workshops	<b>60</b>	<b>0</b>
YP participating in StreetSafe workshops (crime awareness etc)	<b>90</b>	<b>32</b>
YP participating in sports / physical activity sessions	<b>100</b>	<b>68</b>
YP taking a lead - co-produce project with youth workers	<b>30</b>	<b>18</b>
YP reporting sense of achievement, pride or similar	<b>30</b>	<b>3</b>

Young men working with Ehize



# Youth Development Grant



## Performance Management Report April 2022 - March 2023

### Overview

The North East Area Council funds a mixture of projects that support the health, wellbeing and emotional resilience of Children and Young People.

Projects have various start and finish dates and the information below gives members a flavour of some of the projects who have submitted monitoring and delivered projects within this period.

Grant management meetings have now taken place with many of the projects, and all are meeting their outcomes and there are no concerns to report.



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Healthy Lifestyles Young People

## Services in the North East Area

### Ad Astra - Academic Term 3 - 2022-23

April to July 2023

#### 1:1 Support Carlton Academy

£6680.00 p/a - 100% spend

One-to-one sessions with **9 young people** throughout the term **45 individual sessions**

These sessions are part of a project following on from our Listening Support work – these are One to One sessions with individual young people. Communication between the school and Ad Astra remains good. A new cohort of young people is agreed at the start of the term. There were 2 referrals to school safeguarding.

**Issue:**

There were closures due to school strikes.

#### Group Listening Carlton Academy

£6000.00 p/a - 100% spend

**3 Groups of 8-10 pupils**  
**36 Group Sessions**  
**123 Visits to Sessions**  
**29 Individuals supported**

These sessions were delivered to empower young people to openly discuss their actions / emotions and what impact these have on their daily lives.

**Issues:**

Three bank holidays and school strikes alongside exam room allocations has meant that conducting the groups was difficult.

#### Group Listening Shafton Academy

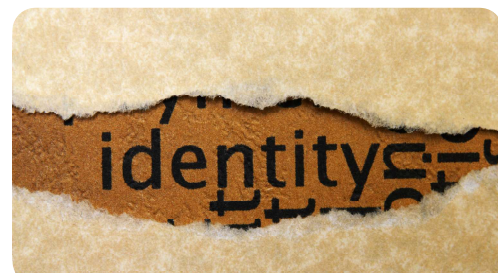
£6000.00 p/a - 100% spend

**3 Groups of 6-10 pupils**  
**34 Group Sessions**  
**320 Visits to Sessions**  
**66 individuals supported**

There have been no issues this term the numbers have increased substantially with some sessions we have had almost 20 young people in the session

**Issues:**

School strikes and exams disrupted delivery



#### Key Issues/Topics for Discussion

- Relationships - personal and professional
- Support in school
- Drugs and alcohol and the law
- Anti-social behaviour in and out of school
- Family estrangement - step-parents, roles, space
- MISPEERS - running away and building trust
- Compulsive and destructive behaviours
- Anxiety, how it manifests and coping mechanisms
- Family Dynamics, rules, space and conflicts
- Knife crime - rumour and myths
- Legal age limits
- School grades
- Underage sex and keeping safe
- Anger and how to manage it
- Cultural differences, diversity
- Vaping and addictions
- Bullying and its impacts
- Self-harming
- Respect is a two-way thing



# Youth Development Grant

## Performance Management Report April 2022 - March 2023



Health &  
Wellbeing



Young  
People

### Services in the North East Area

The Exodus Project clubs contain a mix of dance, drama, crafts, music, sports and games. There is an educational element to our programmes.

Our programmes and the groups covered topics like:

- Influence of Drugs (Youth group)
- Safeguarding (in partnership with BMBC's Safeguarding week)
- Individuality
- Ambition
- Imagination
- Stranger Danger
- The Environment
- On-line safety
- Consumerism



### The Exodus Project - Cudworth Q4 Report for March - May 2023

**£6,546 per year - 100% spend to date**

A total of 268 Volunteer Hours were logged in this period. These were for the 10 people who help make the Day Camp, the Kidz club and the Rock Solid Clubs a success.

#### Cudworth

11 Kids Clubs

11 Youth Clubs

1 Day Camps

x 28 Aged 7-10

x 7 Aged 11-14



**Weekend and Day  
Camps take place at  
Jenny's Field**



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North East Area Council Meeting:  
21<sup>st</sup> September 2023

Report of North East Area Council Manager:  
Lisa Phelan

## North East Area Council Procurement and Financial Update Report

### 1. Purpose of Report

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

### 2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Members note the overview of NEAC current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant fund projects, with associated timescales.
- 2.2 Members note the actual financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.
- 2.3 **Recommended Option 1** from the Youth Development Fund (YDF) Funding Panel: The recommendation is that the Area Council fund the Exodus Project Youth Club at Brierly at a cost of £10,512 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025.
- 2.4 **Recommended Option 3** from the YDF Funding Panel: The recommendation is that the Area Council fund Grimethorpe Activity Zone for their Youth Club at Grimethorpe at a cost of £8,456.25 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025.
- 2.5 **Recommended Option 5** from the YDF Funding Panel: The recommendation is that the Area Council fund Ad Astra for Group Support Sessions at Carlton and Shafton secondary schools at a cost of £7,000 for the academic year 2023-24 starting 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024.
- 2.6 **Recommended Option 7** from the YDF Funding Panel: do not fund Ad Astra one-to-one support sessions at Carlton secondary school.

- 2.7 **Recommended Option 8** that Members procure Clean and Green Contract/s at a cost of £200,000 per year commencing on 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2027 for 3 years on a 1-year plus 1-year plus 1-year contract basis (subject to annual review). It is recommended that Members select two Members from the NEAC to sit on the procurement panel. It is recommended that Members agree to delegate responsibility to the Executive Director to agree to the procurement of these contracts.

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### 3. Overview of Current Contracts and timescales

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

Commissioning Table to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024					
Service	Provider	Cost	Date From	Date To	Type
<b>Love Where you Live</b>					
Devolved to Ward Alliances	Ward Alliances	£40,000	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	Funds Transfer
Neighbourhood Engagement Officer	BMBC	£6,000	01/04/2022	31/05/2023	Cost of Salary
Cudworth Darfield Road Community Centre	Darfield Road CC	£4,820	01/04/2022	One Off	Offset income received
Responsible Dog Owner Project	NEAC Project	£4,000 (£1k Per Year)	01/04/2019	31/03/2023	Purchasing
Private Sector Housing Officer	BMBC Safer Communities	£37,750	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	SLA
<b>Thriving &amp; Vibrant Economy</b>					
Traineeships: Environmental Services	Barnsley Community Build	£222,988.33	01/04/2021	31/03/2024	Contract
<b>Young People</b>					
Outreach Youth Work	The Youth Association	£39,747.00	01/04/2023	31/03/2025	Grant
CYP Small Grants Programme	Various Providers	£41,889.00 Budget	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	Youth Development Grants
Sanitary Supplies	Partnership Project	£1,000.00	01/04/2023	31/03/2024	Purchasing
<b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>					
Social Isolation & Dementia	Age UK Barnsley	£44,995	01/07/2022	31/06/23	Grant
Social Isolation & Dementia	Age UK Barnsley	£39,998	01/07/2023	31/06/24	Grant
Devolved to Ward Alliances (Ringfenced for Advice & Guidance Projects)	Ward Based	£12,000	01/04/2023	31/04/24	Funds Transfer
Health & Wellbeing Fund	TBC	£30,000	TBC	TBC	TBC

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### 4 Contract & Grant Financial Decisions

#### CYP Small Grants Fund Update

4.1 The grants panel met on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to consider applications to the Youth Development Fund. Four applications were reviewed at the meeting as follows:

	Provider	Project	From	To	Total Cost
4.3.1	The Exodus Project	Brierley Youth Clubs	01/06/23	31/03/25	£10,512
<b>Recommended Option 1 from YDF Panel: Fund this application</b>					
Option 2: Do not fund this application					
4.3.2	Grimethorpe Activity Zone	Youth Clubs	01/06/23	31/03/25	£8,456.25
<b>Recommended Option 3 from YDF Panel: Fund this application</b>					
Option 4: Do not fund this application					
4.3.3	Ad Astra – Group Sessions at Carlton and Shafton Academies	Group Support Session	01/09/2023	31/08/2024	£7,000
<b>Recommended Option 5 from YDF Panel: Fund this application</b>					
Option 6: Do not fund this application					
4.3.4	Ad Atra – 1-1 sessions at Carlton Academy	1-1 Sessions	01/09/2023	31/08/2024	£6,680
<b>Recommended Option 7 from YDF Panel: Do not fund this application</b>					

- 4.2 The panel reviewed the budget in detail against the applications received.
- 4.3 Members are asked to note that both Shafton and Carlton academies have contributed £3k per school match funding toward Ad Astra group sessions for this academic year.
- 4.4 Members are asked to note that The Exodus Project Brierly and GAZ youth groups funding forms 75% of the total ask and the organisations will fundraise themselves for the remaining costs or look at efficiencies if needed.
- 4.5 The decision was made by the panel not to fund the 1-1 sessions at Carlton School. The 1-1 sessions were put on post covid to support demand needs due to social distancing rules and the impacts of Covid.  
 Since this time, social distancing restrictions have been lifted and alternative 1-1 support through Kooth (funded by the Council). The CAMHS waiting list has also significantly improved.  
 The school was not willing to match fund the 1-1 support and was made aware of the risk to the service.
- 4.6 The Youth Development Fund small grants funding panel will set a date to consider future applications and a further report will be brought to the Area Council.

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### 5 **Clean, Green & Tidy Update**

- 5.1 The current North East Environmental Team contract expires on 31 March 2024 therefore a series of workshops have been held with members to review this priority and to prepare, design and construct the new commission. The new service specification will be based on operational need from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.
- 5.2 The Workshops included the review and consideration of a local environmental questionnaire targeting community groups and volunteers and the findings have informed the aims and objectives set.
- 5.3 The Workshops also included a full review of the total available NEAC budget and spending allocations against each NEAC priority.
- 5.4 The *current* financial envelope per year for the clean and green contract is £222,988. It is noted that salaries and other costs have increased since this was originally awarded however, there are savings to be made due to the removal of traineeships from the contract as well as the fact that Neighbourhood Services will include a new schedule of works across the NEAC Area from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.
- 5.5 Based on conversations with the current provider (BCB), Bernesai Homes, Barnsley College and the Council's Work & Skills Team, the NEAC are assured that training and development opportunities with wrap-around support are available outside the scope of this contract. This includes support for young people with multiple barriers to employment into either paid employment or apprenticeships.
- 5.6 Neighbourhood Services have provided the NEAC with a comprehensive daily, weekly and monthly schedule of planned works to be deployed across specific NEAC locations that will be actioned within their existing capacity at no cost to the NEAC, (as per their Core Offer).
- 5.7 The aims and objectives of the new specification will be to:
  - 5.7.1 Provide a high visibility litter picking and general cleanliness schedule to identified areas, (to be agreed with Ward Alliances to form Clean and Green Ward Agreements).
  - 5.7.2 To improve the physical appearance of the North East Council Area in partnership with local residents and/or local community groups, organisations and businesses.
  - 5.7.3 Contribute to maintaining a clean, safe, well-presented and welcoming physical environment through the delivery of reactive and proactive work (to be agreed with Ward Alliances in Clean and Green Ward Agreements).
  - 5.7.4 Inspire and lead local people and encourage sustainability through engagement with volunteers, residents, local community groups and organisations, including those from BME communities and those who are "hard to reach".
  - 5.7.5 Encourage and support community responsibility/stewardship schemes for green areas/ shrub beds/planters etc.
  - 5.7.6 Support existing groups with regular hands-on support and specialist advice, supporting them to become independent and self-sufficient
  - 5.7.7 Reduce the amount of littering, and dog fouling in the area through embedding education and building community confidence in all delivery.
  - 5.7.8 Complement existing provision provided by BMBC Neighbourhood Services.

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5.7.9 Liaise with other key agencies as part of the Clean and Green Partnership Group

5.8 **Background:** Love Where You Love was identified as a North East Area Council priority in 2013, and a number of North East Area Council environmental services have been procured and delivered since then. However, Love Where You Live was re-affirmed as a priority in 2023. This area of concern has also been highlighted by local residents across the 4 wards in a community listening exercise that took place in the summer of 2021 and is supported by the 4 Ward Alliances in the area, who have also re-affirmed the Environment as a priority for local consideration.

5.9 The Council's Neighbourhood Service provides a service across the Borough that includes litter picking, fly-tipping removal, weed killing, grass cutting, hedge cutting, shrub bed maintenance, and arboriculture work. However, there are limitations in what can be provided locally.

5.10 A North East Area environmental service has been delivered by the current Provider since 2014 with positive results. This work has included: support provided to environmental groups; support to sustained volunteers; and support of added value projects. The contract was flexed during Covid lockdowns and the current contractor provided support to Neighbourhood Service at this time.

5.11 The new service to be procured by the North East Area Council should therefore complement the Council's Neighbourhood's Service, build on the achievements of the current Provider and proactively engage the local community in taking ownership of areas of green space and/or keeping their neighbourhoods clean and tidy.

5.12 A key purpose of the North East Area Council is to grow community capacity and Social Return on Investment through commissioning local services and encouraging Volunteering. The importance of Social Value has been highlighted as part of each North East Area Council procurement, and all organisations should effectively demonstrate how they will create local jobs, use local supply chains, ensure local spending, support and encourage existing Volunteers, and create and support new Volunteering and work experience opportunities, and support and encourage new and established voluntary and community groups.

5.13 The contract will support, complement and encourage Volunteering opportunities and the potential for greater community participation and development will be supported through Active Citizenship initiatives.

5.14 It is therefore recommended that members allocate an indicative spend of £200,000 per year to the Clean & Green contract with contracts to be awarded for 3 years commencing on 1 April 2024 (on a 1-year plus 1-year plus 1-year) to allow for longer-term planning and sustainability.

5.15 **Recommended Option 8:** It is recommended that the Area Council approve an indicative budget of £200k per annum for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027 to buy Clean, Green and tidy Services on a 1-year plus 1-year plus 1-year contract basis (total of three years).



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It is also recommended that the Area Council identify a minimum of two elected members at this meeting to form a panel alongside the Area Manager and Head of Service, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director.

Option 9: Do not agree to fund a Clean, Green & Tidy contract on the recommended basis from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

### **6. Financial Position**

- 6.1 Based on updated information relating to existing NEAC contracts, SLA's and Grant Agreements, Appendix 1 provides a revised position statement on NEAC funding. It shows revised year-end figures that have been reconciled with strategic finance and **actual** income and expenditure for 2023-24.

The 2023-24 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed upon as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 6.2 A finance overview with future projected expenditure for the period 2023 up to 2025 is attached as Appendix 2. This has been updated as at year-end and reconciled with Appendix 1 for accuracy.

Interventions being considered at today's meeting and other "informally agreed" services are shown in **amber**, with any future potential proposals shown in **red**.

The 2023 to 2024 budget projections remain indicative projections and maybe subject to changes agreed upon as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

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

### **Appendices:**

Appendix 1: Finance Report – Actual income and expenditure

Appendix 2: NEAC Financial Forecast

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**NORTH EAST AREA COUNCIL - COMMISSIONING BUDGET FINANCIAL ANALYSIS - 2014/15 TO 2021/22**

Contract Name	Delivery Body	Start Date	Length of Contract	Total Cost of Contract	Commissioning Budget 2023/24		Commissioning Budget 2024/25	
					Profile	Spend	Profile	Spend
<b>Base Expenditure</b>					£400,000.00		£400,000.00	
<b>Additional Income</b>								
<b>Base Expenditure plus underspend from previous year</b>					<b>£603,725.17</b>		<b>£797,443.15</b>	
<b>Base expenditure C/F from previous year</b>					£203,725.17		£397,443.15	
NEW Youth Development - Detached Youth	The Youth Association	01-Apr-23	24 months	£45,000.00	£39,747.00	£19,874.00	£39,747.00	
NEW Youth Development - Small	Several	01-Apr-23	24 months	£35,000.00	£41,889.00		£40,253.00	
Private Sector Housing Officer	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety		10 months	£73,000.00	£37,750.00	£15,729.17	£40,000.00	
NEET Team Phase 2	BCB	1st June 2016	+1+1+1	£441,920.00	£222,988.33	£111,494.15		
Devolved Grant to Ward Alliances	Ward Alliances			£160,000.00	£40,000.00	£40,000.00		
Devolved Grant to Ward Alliance Advice & Guidance	DIAL and CAB	01/04/2023	12 months	£12,000.00	£12,000.00	£12,000.00		
Extension to smoking cessation project		May-19		£30,000.00				
Smoking Cessation publicity	promotional materials							
Responsible Dog Owner Project	Purchasing			£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£525.00		
Neighbourhood Engagement Officer	Louise Hunt	Agreed 27/01/2022	24 months	£60,000.00	£6,000.00	£6,000.00		
Social Isolation and Dementia	Age UK				£39,995.86			
Sanitary Supplies	Ad Astra and TBC				£1,000.00	£659.70		
Health and Wellbeing Grant 2023-25	various suppliers	Apr-23	24 months	£60,000.00	£30,000.00		£30,000.00	
Cudworth Darfield Road Grant	Darfield Rd				£1,555.00			
<b>Total for that year</b>					<b>£473,925.19</b>	<b>£206,282.02</b>	<b>£150,000.00</b>	
<b>in year balance</b>					<b>£129,799.98</b>			
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>				<b>£2,194,466.00</b>		<b>£397,443.15</b>	<b>£400,000.00</b>	

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North East Area Council Forecast - Appendix 2

KEY: **Black** = Committed spend **Amber** = under consideration: **Red** = Future proposal to project spend

Income	Priority	2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/26
North East Area Council Allocation		£ 400,000.00	£ 400,000.00	£ 400,000.00
Other Funding				
Brought forward from previous year		£ 186,784.19	£ 112,857.82	£ 68,860.48
<b>Total Available Spend:</b>		<b>£ 586,784.19</b>	<b>£ 512,857.82</b>	<b>£ 468,860.48</b>

Expenditure - Service / Provider		2023/2024			2024/25			2025/26		
		Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal
Youth Development Small Grants	Young People	£ 41,889.00			£ 40,253.00					£ 40,000.00
Youth Development Detached Youth Work	Young People	£ 39,747.00			£ 39,747.00					£ 40,000.00
Private Sector Housing Officer	Love Where You Live	£ 37,750.00			£ 40,000.00			-		£ 40,000.00
NEET Team Phase 2	Thriving & Vibrant Economy	£ 222,988.00			-			-		
Devolved to Ward Alliances	Love Where You Live	£ 40,000.00				£ 40,000.00				£ 40,000.00
Devolved to Ward Alliances - Ringfenced for Info & Advice Services	Love Where You Live	£ 12,000.00					£ 12,000.00			£ 12,000.00
Responsible Dog Owner Project	Love Where You Live	£ 1,000.00					£ 1,000.00			£ 1,000.00
Neighbourhood Engagement Officer (NEO)	Love Where You Live	£ 6,000.00								
Older People Social Isolation (Age UK to 30/06/24)	Healthy Lifestyles	£ 39,997.37			£ 9,999.34		£ 29,998.00			£ 40,000.00
Field Road External Grant	N/A	£ 1,555.00								
Health & Wellbeing Fund	Healthy Lifestyles	£ 30,000.00			£ 30,000.00					£ 30,000.00
Environmental/Clean, Green & Tidy	Thriving & Vibrant Economy						£ 200,000.00			£ 200,000.00
Sanitary Supplies		£ 1,000.00					£ 1,000.00			
<b>Totals:</b>		£ 473,926.37	£ -	£ -	£ 159,999.34	£ 40,000.00	£ 243,998.00	£ -	£ -	£ 443,000.00
Total anticipated contract spend:		£ 473,926.37			£ 443,997.34			£ 443,000.00		
Balance C/F				<b>£ 112,857.82</b>			<b>£ 68,860.48</b>			<b>£ 25,860.48</b>

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# Ward Alliance Meeting

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Monday 17th July 2023 10.30 am
<b>Location:</b>	Bow Street, Cudworth

1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees			
<b>Chairperson:</b>	Cllr Joe Hayward (JH)		
<b>CDO:</b>	Joanne Smith (JS)		
<b>Secretary:</b>	Pam Kershaw (PK)		
<b>Committee Members:</b>	Cllr Anita Cherryholme (AC) Joan Jones (JJ) Lesley Wilson (LW) Florence Whittlestone (FW) Stuart Sosnowski (SS) Christine Eccles (CE) Jordon Bunney (JBU)		
<b>Guest:</b>	Lisa Phelan – Central Area Council Manager, in post since November, to build up a new team, and plan for both Summer and Christmas activities. Lisa explained the priorities for the area, and in understanding the current needs and responding appropriately. In particular, Youth provision, that includes Youth workers assessing needs by talking to the youth, on the streets and in the parks.		
2. Apologies for absence			
Cllr S Houghton (SH) Tina Heaton (TH) Jenny Baker (JB)			
3. Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests			
None			
4. Notes of the previous Meeting			
A true and accurate record.			
5. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	CAB – A breakdown of the work currently funded until 31 <sup>st</sup> October. A comparison of the work available by DIAL, and a combination of both CAB and DIAL. Exodus – A date and time has to be arranged for WA Members to visit the Exodus site at Jenny Fields, and see some of the work undertaken by Exodus.		
6. Finance Update.			
	Current General Budget – £19,756.35 Engagement Fund – £1644.06 Christmas Light up Preparation – A discussion on the Christmas events for 2023, including erecting and taking down of the Christmas lights, musical arrangements (Band or Quartet) to accompany singing of carols and		(JS)

	<p>refreshments for the Event. It was agreed to fund the Christmas Light up Preparation for £4,500</p> <p>It was agreed to extend the WA Coffee Morning Event at the Exodus Centre, on the third Saturday of each month, which has grown in popularity over the weeks.</p> <p>(LP) presented an overview of the Finances and how it could be spent over the coming year, to include provision for the Environment, Youth Provision, Social Isolation, Cost of Living and Community Empowerment.</p> <p>(AC) Asked if a bench could be provided for the people on Darfield Road at any of the bus stops and had herself approached SY Mayoral Authority for funding and had no response.</p> <p>(JH) After a visit by (JS) and (JH) to the Park, and after a discussion with the youth in the Park, an extra Litter Bin is required at a cost of £1990 over the next five years to include maintenance.</p> <p>(JBU) stated the youths volunteer in the Park, and keeping it clean, and the litter bin is and essential.</p>		
<b>7. WAF Applications</b>			
	<p><b>Cudworth Library</b></p> <p>A WAF for a range of classes in the library, including Flower Arranging.</p> <p>A discussion followed on the charges for the Flower Arranging Classes.</p> <p>(AC) declared a Pecuniary Interest – her sister has a business in the village.</p> <p>It was decided that more information was needed to process this WAF and (JS) will follow up.</p> <p><b>Crystal Lights Majorettes.</b></p> <p>It was decided that the Application needed much more information, and it was unclear if the area was West Green or Ward Green. (JS) will follow up with further investigation into the application.</p>		
<b>8. Upcoming Activities/Areas of focus</b>			
	<p><b>W A 10 year Celebrations</b></p> <p>There are between 150 -180 volunteers, and each area has been asked to arrange the Celebration Event, taking place on Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup>. The venue has yet to be confirmed, with a budget of £1800 allocated for food and decorations and entertainment. The Event is part of the thank all Volunteers for the work over the past 10 years.</p> <p><b>Brass on the Grass</b></p> <p>Barnsley Met Brass Band had been booked to play on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September in the Pocket Park.</p> <p>Another date may be possible in August if Bands are available.</p> <p>(JBU) Planters in Pocket Park need repairing/replacing.</p>		



	<p>(JH) Tubs may be available in Locke Park, if so I will arrange for them to be moved to the Park and planted up.  (JH) Asked if planning and preparation could start now so the Village could be entered in the Barnsley in Bloom Contest next year. The Community Gardens have indicated they will be happy to contribute next year when they have a proper water system. (JH &amp; JS)</p> <p><b>Community Integration Project</b>  From September to December JS and D will be involved in Classroom based activities and involve them in the WA and how it works, in both Cudworth and Grimethorpe, giving children more confidence and the ability to be more involved in the Community.</p> <p><b>Coffee Morning Café</b>  To arrange a Table Top Sale at £5.00 per table.</p> <p><b>Autumn/Christmas Fayres</b>  Discussion on Sloppy Slippers Event to be held at Fayres. (LP) said that there was extra Funding for ‘Engagement Projects and had a list of providers.</p> <p><b>WA Rebranding</b>  (JS) A free professionally designed Logo is available and 2 options to decide on will be shown at the next meeting.</p>		
<b>9. AOB</b>			
	<p><b>(JBU)</b> Is it possible for more flower beds in the park?  <b>(JH)</b> There is the cost involved. The Peace Garden walls are overgrown and need shaping, I will have to check the cost .  <b>(CE)</b> After visiting (LW) Group, the COOP is always looking for local Groups when they wish to fund raise.  <b>(LW)</b> At a recent Coffee Morning, and a health problem incident, highlights the need to have a Health Care Person available.  <b>(LP)</b> Training provision is to be made available for First Aid, Food and Hygiene and De Fib Training.  <b>(LP)</b> Carlton Marsh has to be congratulated on being granted Green Flag Status which is very good for the area.  <b>(JJ)</b> None  <b>(SS)</b> None  <b>(FW)</b> None  <b>(AC)</b> None  <b>(PK)</b> None  <b>(JS)</b> On behalf of the WA Members a birthday card and flowers were presented to WA member Florence Whittlestone on the celebration of her 90th Birthday.  <b>(JH)</b> Thanked all Members for attending the Meeting.</p>		
	<p><b>Next Meeting Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2023 10.30 am</b>  <b>Bow Street Offices, Cudworth.99</b></p>		
	<p><b>Coffee Morning dates:</b>  19<sup>th</sup> August 1t 10.00 am</p>		



## Monk Bretton Ward Alliance

**June 30<sup>th</sup>. 2023 @ Burton Grange Community Centre**

**In attendance:**

Cllr Steve Green. Cllr Ken Richardson, Cllr Margaret Sheard, Sue Fox, Gavin Doxey, Tom Sheard, Father Darren Percival, Father Blair Redford, Christie McFarlane,.

The Chair welcomed Father Darren Percival to his first meeting.

1	<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Actions</b>
	Gemma Conway, Victoria Agnew	
2	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b>	
	MS – Friends of Monk Bretton Park	
3	<b>Notes of the previous meeting:</b>	
	Agreed as correct record	
4	<b>Project Feedback:</b>	
	Medieval Mayhem – update next meeting. Sports van was only available for 2 days, 6 sessions – Carlton Park, Silverdale & Lundwood. Active Travel – summer activities around the Borough – Monk Bretton & Lundwood across the holidays. Lundfest – Held at school, children well behaved, congratulations to the school for event.	£700
5	<b>Ward Alliance Fund – applications received:</b>	£250
	Friends of Monk Bretton Park – agreed 50% contribution . (MS left the room)	
6	<b>Funding &amp; Finance:</b>	
	Spreadsheets circulated and discussed	
7	<b>Additional Items:</b>	
	Promotional Materials – sample layouts circulated, 2 pullups, 1 banner. New photos require.	
8	<b>AOB:</b>	
	Lundwood Parish Fayre 22 July 11-4 Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> . Church event. Remembrance meeting reqd. Marching flag pole requires changing. Brass on the grass – 13 August. Carlton Gala – 5 August	
9	<b>Date of Future meetings</b>	
	Next meeting will be held at Silverdale Community Centre, August 11 <sup>th</sup> . @ 9:30	

Meeting closed by SG at 11am

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**Friday 11 August @ Silverdale Community Centre.**

**In attendance:**

Cllr Steve Green. Cllr Ken Richardson, Cllr Margaret Sheard, Sue Fox, Gemma Conway, Gavin Doxey, Tom Sheard, Victoria Agnew, Father Blair Redford, Christie McFarlane.

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Father Darren Percival	<b>Actions</b>
2	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None	
3	<b>Notes of the previous meeting:</b> Moved as a correct record.	
4	<b>Project Feedback:</b> Carlton Gala was cancelled due to weather. Brass on the Grass is to be decided next week depending on the weather forecast. Sports van event taken place as planned. Monk Bretton Priory Sounds of Summer event had to be held in Priory Campus due to the poor weather conditions. Father Blair reported the Lundwood Summer Fayre was well attended and a huge success at	
5	<b>Ward Alliance Fund – applications received:</b> Redfearn’s Junior Football Team New Grounds Maintenance Equipment - <b>Agreed</b>	£1500
6	<b>Funding &amp; Finance:</b> Spreadsheets circulated and discussed.	
7	<b>Additional Items:</b> <b>10-Year Celebration Event:</b> Request for £500 from WA’s to help cover costs - <b>Agreed</b> It was also requested that up to 40 volunteers be invited from the Monk Bretton Ward and transport will be available to support access.	£500
8	<b>AOB:</b> Carlton Xmas event – Dec.4th, 4 pm Lundwood Xmas event – 30 Nov. 3:30 pm Remembrance Sunday Monk Bretton – need for sub-committee to meet. It was reported that the flag had been repaired. Jumble sale, Lundwood Sept. 8 <sup>th</sup> . It was requested that the British Legion, Lundwood Branch flag remain in the Church. It reported that this flag had been laid up in the church – <b>it was agreed that it should remain in the church.</b>	
9	<b>Date of Future meeting</b>  The next meeting will be held at Burton Grange Community Centre, on September 22 <sup>nd</sup> @ 9:30	

Meeting closed by SG at 10:30

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# North East Ward Alliance - Minutes

June 2023

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MEETING NOTES		
<b>Meeting Title:</b>	North East Ward Alliance	
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 (10am-12pm)	
<b>Location:</b>	Welfare Hall, Great Houghton	
<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Ashley Peace	
<b>Minutes:</b>	Darryl Hand (CDO)	
<b>Attendee's:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>	
Cllr Ashely Peace, Claire Dawson, Gill Holland, Ann Skelton, Linda Knight, Elsie Smith, Sarah Sverdloff, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Alan Hanson, Brenda Doyle, Paul Archer	Revd.Christine Moorey Cllr Ruth Booker Linda Knight Pete Makinson Father Tom	
<b>Discussion Points:</b>	<b>Action / Decision:</b>	<b>Who By:</b>
<p><b>1. Welcome and introductions</b></p> <p>Members gave introductions and welcomed Darryl Hand as the new NE Community Development Officer and new ward alliance members.</p> <p><b>2. Apologies</b></p> <p>Apologies from Reverend Christine Moorey, Cllr Ruth Booker, Linda Knight, Pete Makinson, Father Tom</p> <p><b>3. Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests</b></p> <p>Ann Skelton and Elsie Smith declared an interest into the Grimethorpe Gala WAF application</p> <p>Darryl Hand (CDO) declared an interest in the Good to be Me festival WAF application.</p> <p><b>4. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising</b></p> <p>To propose prospective venues to DIAL</p> <p>To update expenditure sheet</p> <p>To advertise for and recruit new secretary for NE Ward Alliance</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>4.1 To get a schedule off DIAL</p>	<p>AP / CD</p> <p>DH / CD</p> <p>DH</p> <p>DH</p>

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<p>4.1 AS raised the question about suitability of Acorn Centre for DIAL</p> <p>4.2 Discussion had about current 106 monies for Brierley and Grimethorpe. Further meetings booked with both resident's groups to discuss and pursue further.</p> <p>Minutes approved by members.</p>	<p>about venues/ dates and times</p> <p>4.2 To get a quarterly report from 106 about monies available.</p>	<p>DH</p>
<p><b>5. Secretary Role – Gill Holland</b></p> <p>5.1 Gill introduced herself as the prospective new secretary for the NE Ward Alliance. Gave an update to the group about her previous experience and interests in the area. Members voted and Gill welcomed as the new secretary for the ward alliance.</p>	<p>5.1 Gill to have WA member and secretary induction</p>	<p>DH</p>
<p><b>6. Stop Smoking Advisor – Sarah Sverdloff</b></p> <p>6.1 Sarah from the NHS stop smoking service attended and gave update about her role in the NE and the surgeries she run. Sarah's clinics include Cudworth Health Centre on Mondays (9am-4.30pm), Grimethorpe Centre on Thursdays (9am-12pm), Royston Library on Thursdays (1pm-4.30pm) and Lundwood Family Centre on Fridays (9am-12.30pm)</p> <p>6.2 DH asked if she had capacity to attend local galas to promote service. Sarah can and has some booked in.</p>	<p>6.1 Email Sarah for prevalence rates and other stats for NE</p> <p>6.2 Send Sarah a list of local galas for the NE</p>	<p>DH</p> <p>DH</p>
<p><b>7. Finance</b></p> <p>7.1 CD provided updated on current expenditure to include details of approved applications from previous meeting and working fund budget.</p> <p>Core Funding: Total Spent £12,728.49 remaining £11,357.06</p> <p>Working Funds: Total Spent £2,783.95 remaining £1,241.05</p> <p>7.2 Members agreed to take the ringfenced monies from working fund for the summer van provision, from their core budget instead.</p>	<p>7.2 update expenditure sheet and inform finance</p>	<p>DH</p>
<p><b>8. WAF's</b></p> <p><b>8.1 Jolly Good Communities – Grimethorpe Gala:</b></p>		



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<p>approved in full for £645.80</p> <p>8.2 <b>Betty's little Acorns:</b> Refused the application on the grounds of sustainability. Group suggested CDO to do some work with the group about strengthening their applications and understanding WA/ 2030 priorities.</p> <p>8.3 <b>Great Houghton Welfare Committee – Good to be ME:</b> approved in full for £882.83</p> <p><b>9. AOB</b></p> <p>9.1 Purple Bag Collection Points – DH asked the group to identify areas for volunteers to be able to collect purple bags from and bring to next meeting</p> <p>9.2 Logo / Branding – DH asked the group if they wanted to design their own WA logo or wait for the re-branding across the service. Group agreed to wait for the rebrand of area council and area teams in the PH and community's directorate.</p> <p>9.3 Community Listening Survey – DH shared posters with QR code for community listening survey and encouraged group to display locally.</p> <p>9.4 Summer Provision – discussion had on the ramp it up sessions and the summer van sessions booked across the NE for the Summer.</p> <p>9.5 WA Bank Account – the members agreed they were going to set up its own bank account to be able to apply for external funding.</p> <p>9.6 Young Persons Survey – CD shared the outcomes of the young person's survey.</p>	<p>8.2 Work with group on sustainable options, external funding and understanding priorities.</p> <p>9.1 identify areas for purple bag collection points.</p> <p>9.4 share booked dates for ramp it up / sports van</p> <p>9.6 Share the results of the YP survey</p>	<p>DH</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>DH</p> <p>CD/DH</p>
<p><b>Minutes Approved By:</b></p>		
<p><b>Date:</b></p>		

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MEETING NOTES		
<b>Meeting Title:</b>	North East Ward Alliance	
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 (6pm – 8pm)	
<b>Location:</b>	Shafton Parish Council Building	
<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Ashley Peace	
<b>Minutes:</b>	Gill Holland (Secretary)	
<b>Attendee's:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>	
Paul Archer, Cllr Ruth Booker, Claire Dawson, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Darryl Hand (CDO), Deborah Hanson, Gill Holland, Linda Knight, Rev Christine Moorey, Cllr Ashley Peace, Deborah Pearson, Ann Skelton, Elsie Smith, Nadine Handley	Rev Tom Bates-Bourne Brenda Doyle Alan Hanson Peter Makinson	
<b>Discussion Points:</b>	<b>Action / Decision:</b>	<b>Who By:</b>
<p><b>1. Welcome and introductions</b></p> <p>Members gave introductions and welcomed the new Ward Alliance members Deborah Hanson and Deborah Pearson from Great Houghton.</p> <p><b>2. Apologies</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Rev Tom Bates-Bourne, Brenda Doyle, Alan Hanson and Peter Makinson.</p> <p><b>3. Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests</b></p> <p>Elsie Smith declared an interest in the New Options - Open Space Ward Alliance Fund application.</p> <p><b>4. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising</b></p> <p>To get a schedule from DIAL about venues/dates and times – complete. <b>UPDATE: Important to note that members of the public need to make an appointment to access the service.</b></p>		

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<p>6.1 Email Sarah (Smoking Advisor) for prevalence rates and other stats. <b>UPDATE This data will be sent to the Area Council initially and then eventually fed through to the Ward Alliance.</b></p> <p>8.2 Work with group on sustainable options, external funding and understanding priorities. <b>UPDATE: Darryl has met with Betty's Little Acorns group members and given support in relation to looking at strengthening their application, discussing sustainable options and the importance of relating funding applications to the 2030 priorities.</b></p> <p>Members requested that DH should review the funding given to the Craft group and give an update at the next meeting.</p> <p>The Minutes were approved by members.</p> <p><b>5. The Youth Association</b></p> <p>5.1 Nadine Handley from The Youth Association attended the meeting to describe the detached youth work programme 'StreetSmart' which is being delivered across all North East Wards. Nadine explained that the main focus of their street-based work is aimed at the most disengaged 13–19-year-olds and is delivered in parks, outside shops and street corners. More information about their work can be found on the website <a href="#">The Youth Association</a></p> <p>5.2 Nadine explained that The Youth Association also provide a package of support which includes a level 2 and level 3 qualification in Youth Work.</p> <p>5.3 If Members have further questions about the scope of work of The Youth Association or the qualifications offered, please contact:</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:Nadine.handley@youth-association.org">Nadine.handley@youth-association.org</a>          Mobile Phone: 077794 37889          Office Phone: 01924 333400</p>	<p>4.1 DH to review the Craft Group funding.</p>	<p>DH</p>
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<p><b>6. Finance</b></p> <p>6.1 The statement of expenditure was updated by the CDO and circulated with the agenda. It was noted: Core Funding: Total Spent £16,132.12 remaining £8953.43 Working Funds: Total Spent £1958.95 remaining £2066.05</p> <p>6.2 It was highlighted that we are still waiting for the final costings for the Summer Sports Van /Reds in the Community.</p> <p>6.3 It was agreed at the previous meeting that a bank account for the Ward Alliance would be set up. Ashley Peace, Ann Skelton and Deborah Hanson volunteered to be signatories for the account.</p>		
<p><b>7. WAF's</b></p> <p>7.1 <b>New Options Warm Space</b> Funding was approved for £1000 - 50% of the amount initially requested. Members recognised the valuable social isolation work done by the group and requested that the DH offers support in looking at other options for sustainability and capacity building.</p>	<p>6.3 AP to open the WA Bank Account.</p> <p>7.1 DH to offer support to the New Options Warm Space Group.</p>	<p>AP</p> <p>DH</p>
<p><b>8. AOB</b></p> <p>8.1 <b>10-year Celebration</b></p> <p>The CDO advised that there will be 10-year celebration event on the evening of the 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (6.30pm – 10.30pm) for all of the North East Area to celebrate with key volunteers, partners, elected members and commissioned services from across all the different wards. This will be held at the West Green Club, Monk Bretton, S71 2PD. Each of the villages within the North East Ward Alliance is asked to propose volunteers to invite to the event. There are 15 places available for volunteers from the North East Ward.</p> <p>Additionally, each of the four Ward Alliances has been asked to donate £500 to help fund the event and it was agreed that this should be taken from the Working Fund.</p>	<p>8.1 All members to send in names to <a href="mailto:DarrylHand@barnsley.gov.uk">DarrylHand@barnsley.gov.uk</a> of volunteers to be invited to the event by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August.</p>	<p>All</p>

<p><b>8.2 Purple Bag Collection points</b></p> <p>The following locations were proposed as centres for purple bag pick up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sainsbury Shafton – Already agreed in principle:</li> <li>• New Options Grimethorpe</li> <li>• Brierley Shop</li> <li>• Morrisons in Great Houghton</li> </ul> <p>DH requested that members encourage volunteers to use the form (link below) to detail the number of purple bags collected which will support more accurate reporting.</p> <p><a href="#">Purple Bag Reporting</a></p> <p><b>8.3 Brierley Vacancy Ward Alliance – Young Person</b></p> <p>It was agreed that the Brierley Ward Alliance vacancy should be offered to a couple of young people and that the agenda for the quarterly WA meetings which are held at Outwood Academy Shafton should include an opportunity for the youth representatives to give an update on what has been happening in the youth volunteer programme.</p> <p><b>8.4 Christmas Events</b></p> <p>It was recognised that initial work and planning needs to begin for this year’s Christmas events. It was suggested that this would be a valuable opportunity for co-production with the youth cohort.</p> <p><b>8.5 Outdoor Cinema</b></p> <p>It was agreed, dependent on the availability of venue and cinema company, that Shafton will host the first outdoor cinema event and £3000 was agreed from Core Funding to cover the finances for the project.</p> <p><b>8.6 Ward Alliance Rebranding Update</b></p> <p>Claire Dawson advised that the new Area Council branding is nearly ready and the CDO will bring examples of the rebranding to the next Ward Alliance meeting for members to review and decide if they would like to use it.</p>	<p>8.2 DH to send out the link for purple bag reporting.</p> <p>8.4 AP to send a list of Christmas events for the area to DH.</p> <p>8.5 DH to check the availability of the venue and cinema company.</p>	<p>DH</p> <p>AP</p> <p>DH</p>
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## 8.7 Appreciation

The Chair and Ward Alliance Members expressed their thanks and appreciation to Claire Dawson for her valuable work and contribution to the North East Ward Alliance over the past several months.

**Date & Time of Next meeting**  
**Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 10am – 12pm in Grimethorpe.**  
**Venue to be confirmed.**

**Minutes Approved By:**

**Date:**

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**Royston Ward Alliance**  
6pm Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023  
The Grove, Station Road, Royston

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Pauline McCarthy (Chair)
	Councillor Dave Webster
	Father Craig Tomlinson
	Kevin Copley
	John Craig
	John Clare
	Gemma Conway
	Bill Newman
	John Openshaw (Secretary)
<b>In Attendance</b>	Christie McFarlane (Community Development Officer)
	Faye Dolan (Youth Association)

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Councillor Caroline Makinson	
	Graham Kyte	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Introductions</b>	
2.1	Introductions	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Youth Association</b>	
3.1	<p>Faye Dolan gave a brief update on the Youth Association and the services delivered in Royston. The organisation has been delivering detached youth work in Royston since April 2023. The Organisation are also delivering Self Defence classes at Manor Court Youth Centre.</p> <p>Also available through the Youth Association is Youth Work training to level 2 and 3 for over 18's, this is via both face-to-face and online sessions. This is offered to groups working with young people in Royston. The group are from September also delivering sessions in Carlton College a one-stop shop for all the services offered to young people.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Faye for her update.</p> <p>There were a number of questions and reports about where young people are congregating in Royston, in the Community Orchard, along the Canal and Royston Green.</p> <p>Sessions are held in Royston and Carlton Parks on Tuesday evenings for 2 hours per session. It was agreed to try and engage with young people at the sites identified.</p>	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Declarations of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest</b>	
4.1	11.2 Father Craig Tomlinson declared a non-pecuniary interest in the application by the Knit and Natter Group.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Notes of Previous Meeting</b>	
5.1	Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting held on Monday the 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2023 were a true record,	<b>All</b>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Matters Arising from the notes</b>	

6.1	<b>Road Traffic Accidents at Midland Road</b> , members asked about the location of the memorial bricks in the damaged wall. No update was available.	<b>CM</b>
6.2	<b>Canal Sluice</b> , It was reported that Councillor Makinson is progressing the issue with an officer identified and agreement for exploratory works to be undertaken.	<b>CMc</b>
6.3	<b>Achievement Awards</b> , it was confirmed that the event in 2024 should take place at the same time of year again in the Town Hall.	<b>GC</b>
6.4	<b>Jet Washing at the Wells</b> . A number of concerns were raised at the cost and if the area required cleaning every year. It was agreed that a decision on cleaning and obtaining quotes for the work would be made much earlier possibly in Autumn prior to the summer In Bloom judging.	<b>All</b>
6.5	<b>Meadow Crescent Funding Application</b> . The group thanked the WA for the allocation of £300.00 and the Royston & Carlton Community Partnership for the donation of a Bingo Machine.	<b>CMc</b>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Ward Alliance Action Plan</b>	
7.1	Members previously agreed a number of projects Achievement Awards, In Bloom, Hanging Baskets and Summer Holiday Provision, all are being progressed. Members questioned if the Ward Alliance should set some <b>Strategic Objectives</b> , Reinstatement of Royston Railway Station and Obtaining Green Flag status for Royston Park. This received support.	<b>All</b>
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Community Updates</b>	
8.1	<b>Gala 2024</b> booked for the 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 a number of stalls have already confirmed attendance. The 2023 event was enjoyed by many including the Mayor and Mayoress. Members gave a thank you to Manor Bakeries for their donation of cakes for the Tombola Stall which was a great success. There were a number of negatives on the day, footfall was lower than in previous years. The major issue was the lack of facilities and use of toilets in the pavilion. It was reported that Cllr Makinson was progressing with the access issues <b>Former High School Site</b> concerns were raised at the condition of benches on the site, with questionable installation issues with the memorial bench and damaged benches. <b>The Memorial Tree</b> which is damaged. <b>Condition of footpaths</b> through the site. Elected members agreed to address the issues raised. <b>In Bloom</b> , volunteers have been contacted about summer planting, other works to be undertaken are, the Wells, Pocket park, some High Street planters, Royston Lane beds, round beds in Royston Park and planter outside Parkside School. <b>Canal</b> , the unusually hot weather over the last few weeks has had a devastation effect on fish in the canal where over 1000 fish have been lost due to the lack of oxygen within the water. A proposal was put forward for the installation of an Aerator to address the issue in hot weather, It was agreed to seek costs of equipment required.	

	In September plans are in place to reduce the number of fish within the canal. Work along the canal has continued and the area NEET team have undertaken a number of tasks, for which the group were grateful.	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Area Council Update</b>	
9.1	A Ramp Up Session is proposed for Royston Park, funded by Public Health on the 31 <sup>st</sup> of August focused on school-aged children. The North East Area Council are launching an electronic newsletter members were encouraged to sign up to receive it.	<b>CMc</b>
<b>10.0</b>	<b>Ward Alliance Finance</b>	
10.1	An updated report was distributed to members.	<b>CMc</b>
<b>11.0</b>	<b>Ward Alliance Applications</b>	
11.1	<b>Jolly Good Communities, Rabbit Ings Gala</b> , Request for £645.80, members questioned the cost of some of the items listed in the application and a similar application was reported to be made to Wakefield's Community Development fund. Members agreed to recommend an allocation of £250.00 to cover the first aid needed for the event to take place.	<b>All</b>
11.2	<b>Knit &amp; Natter Group</b> , to purchase craft materials for the group that supports a number of charities with knitted blankets, jumpers etc. A request for £150.00. Members recommended an allocation of £250.00.	<b>All</b>
<b>12.0</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
12.1	Father Craig extended an invitation to members to join him the Church and the School on the 11 <sup>th</sup> July, The Bishop of Wakefield is coming to visit St John's school and church. The event will begin at school at 1.30 pm. There will be a parade from the school to church with some children playing instruments and others waving banners and flags etc. Parents are also invited to attend. This will be followed by a joyful service of celebration in church which will be led by the Bishop of Wakefield.	<b>All</b>
<b>13.0</b>	<b>Date of next meetings</b>	
13.1	<b>Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023</b> , 6 pm at the Grove, Station Road, Royston	
	<b>The meeting closed at 8:15pm</b>	

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## BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North East Area Council Meeting

Date: 21/09/2023

Report of North East Area Council Manager

Officer Contact: Lisa Phelan

Tel No: 07741168798/01226 775707

Date: 30/08/ 2023

### 1.0 Purpose of Report

This report seeks to inform Members about agreed spend to date from the Ward Alliance Funds within the North East area for 2023-2024. This forms the report for the financial year and remaining allocations carried forward from the financial period 2022-23.

### 2.0 Recommendation

That the North East Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes spend to date for the Wards of Cudworth, Monk Bretton, North East and Royston.

### 3.0 Introduction

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

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

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

### 4.0 Commitments to Date

4.1 A breakdown of the approved NEAC spend for the 2023-24 financial year, is attached at Appendix 1.

4.2 Ward Alliances are currently reviewing priorities and updating action plans to ensure the timely expenditure of all Ward Alliance funds.

## 2023-24 North East Ward Funding Allocations

For 2023-24 each Ward will have an allocation of £10,000 for the Ward Alliance Fund and an £10,000 has been devolved from the Area Council Budget.

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

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

Area Councils have the option to allocate up to £20,000 from the Area Council budget to each of their Ward Alliances. This is discretionary to each Area Council.

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

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

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## Cudworth Ward Alliance

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

Base Allocation	10000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	10000.00
Public Health Engagement	2000.00
Information Advice and Guidance	3000.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23	1943.73

**Total Available Funding** **26943.73**

REF Line from WA Master Spend Spreadsheet 1 = NECWAF/23-24/1	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
<i>Number</i>	<i>Name of project and where</i>	<i>Amount WA agreed</i>		13471.87	26943.73
1	Engagement Fund (R/B)	2000.00	0.00	11471.87	24943.73
2	46th Brownies and Guides - Containers	410.00	0.00	11061.87	24533.73
3	Valley Community Centre - garden	660.00	0.00	10401.87	23873.73
4	Deacons - Union Jack Plants (WA £266)	182.50	0.00	10219.37	23691.23
5	Elite&BBW - Litter Picking Equipment	655.74	0.00	9563.63	23035.49
6	Robert Street Allotments	498.46	0.00	9065.17	22537.03
7	Exodus-CUD-23-24- WA Contribution	1592.00	0.00	7473.17	20945.03
8	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	6973.17	20445.03
9	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	6535.21	20007.07
10	Reds - Sports Van contribution	650.00	0.00	5885.21	19357.07
11	Library Activities - Cudworth	410.69	0.00	5474.52	18946.38
12	Christmas Events and Lights	6000.00	0.00	-525.48	12946.38
13			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
14			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
15			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
16			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
17			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
18			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
19			0.00	-525.48	12946.38
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## 2023-24 Ward Funding Allocations

### Monk Bretton Ward Alliance

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

Base Allocation	10000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	10000.00
Public Health Engagement	2000.00
Information Advice and Guidance	3000.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23	1274.62
Carried forward from FY 2022-23	403.60

**Total Available Funding** **26678.22**

REF Line from WA Master Spend Spreadsheet 1 = NEMBWAF/23-24/1	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
<i>Number</i>	<i>Name of project and where</i>	<i>Amount WA agreed</i>			
				13339.11	26678.22
1	Working Fund (top up by £1k) - RB	1000.00	0.00	12339.11	25678.22
2	Christmas Events	3000.00	0.00	9339.11	22678.22
3	MB Remembrance 2023	500.00	0.00	8839.11	22178.22
4	Hanging Baskets 2023 - x45	2584.00	0.00	6255.11	19594.22
5	Achievement Awards (RB)	1500.00	0.00	4755.11	18094.22
6	CAB - IAG	4077.00	0.00	678.11	14017.22
7	Medieval Mayhem - MB Priory	1200.00	0.00	-521.89	12817.22
8	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	-959.85	12379.26
9	Reds - Sports Van contribution	650.00	0.00	-1609.85	11729.26
10	Friends of MB Park	250.00	0.00	-1859.85	11479.26
11	Refearns FC - Ground Maintenance/Equ	1500.00	0.00	-3359.85	9979.26
12	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
13			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
14			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
15			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
16			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
17			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
18			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26
19			0.00	-3859.85	9479.26

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## 2023-24 Ward Funding Allocations

### North East Area Ward Alliance

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

Base Allocation	10000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	10000.00
Public Health Engagement	2000.00
Information Advice and Guidance	3000.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent running budgets	25.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent WAFs	1745.55

**Total Available Funding** **26770.55**

REF Line from WA Master Spend Spreadsheet 1 = NENEWAF/23-24/1	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
Number	Name of project and where	Amount WA agreed			
				13385.28	26770.55
1	Working Fund/Engagement Fund (RB)	4000.00	0.00	9385.28	22770.55
2	Christmas Events (EarMarked)	3000.00	0.00	6385.28	19770.55
3	BrRes Group Summer fete - King's Coron	1491.00	0.00	4894.28	18279.55
4	Dial Barnsley	4820.00	0.00	74.27	13459.55
5	GH Village Hall - Good to be Me	882.83	0.00	-808.56	12576.72
6	JollyGC-GR Gala	645.80	0.00	-1454.36	11930.92
7	Pins and Needles	1099.00	0.00	-2553.36	10831.92
8	New Options - Warm Space (50%)	1000.00	0.00	-3553.36	9831.92
9	M Media - Outdoor Cinema	2000.00	0.00	-5553.36	7831.92
10	Rescue One - Medical Cover - Outdoor C	280.00	0.00	-5833.36	7551.92
11	Reds - Sports Van contribution	650.00	0.00	-6483.36	6901.92
12	GRG -Grafiti Project at Love Life Sports G	1317.50	0.00	-7800.86	5584.42
13	Pins and Needles - grant return 22-23	-340.00	0.00	-7460.86	5924.42
14	GRG -Graffiti Project-grant return-TBC	-388.55	0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
15			0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
16			0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
17			0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
18			0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
19			0.00	-7072.31	6312.97
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## 2023-24 Ward Funding Allocations

### Royston Ward Alliance

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

Base Allocation	10000.00
Devolved from Area Council (discretionary)	10000.00
Public Health Engagement	2000.00
Information Advice and Guidance	3000.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent running budgets	1617.08
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent WAFs	152.28

**Total Available Funding** **26769.36**

REF Line from WA Master Spend Spreadsheet 1 = NERWAF/23-24/1	Project Details	Allocation	Match Funding (£) Element of allocation	Non-Match Funding (£) Allocation remaining	Allocation (£) Remaining 'Total Available Funding'
<i>Number</i>	<i>Name of project and where</i>	<i>Amount WA agreed</i>		13384.68	26769.36
1	Hanging Baskets - x33	2145.00	0.00	11239.68	24624.36
2	AAP top up by £2k R/B	2000.00	0.00	9239.68	22624.36
3	Secretary Q1-Q2	250.00	0.00	8989.68	22374.36
4	Secretary Q3-Q4	250.00	0.00	8739.68	22124.36
5	Working Fund (top up by £1k)R/B	1000.00	0.00	7739.68	21124.36
6	Christmas Motif Installation	2160.00	0.00	5579.68	18964.36
7	Christmas Tree and Events (R/B)	1500.00	0.00	4079.68	17464.36
8	Achievement Awards (R/B)	1000.00	0.00	3079.68	16464.36
9	Royston Gala (R/B)	1000.00	0.00	2079.68	15464.36
10	Bingo - Meadow Cres	300.00	0.00	1779.68	15164.36
11	Bench @ lynwood drive	1500.00	0.00	279.68	13664.36
12	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	-158.28	13226.40
13	DIAL	4820.00	0.00	-4978.28	8406.40
14	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	-5478.28	7906.40
15	Jolly Good Communities - Rabbit Ings	250.00	0.00	-5728.28	7656.40
16	Royston St John - Knit and Natter	250.00	0.00	-5978.28	7406.40
17			0.00	-5978.28	7406.40
18			0.00	-5978.28	7406.40
19			0.00	-5978.28	7406.40
20			0.00	-5978.28	7406.40
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