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<b>MEETING:</b>	North East Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 25 January 2024
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Meeting Room 1 - 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 23 November 2023 (Neac.25.01.24/2) (*Pages 3 - 8*)

### Items for Information

- 3 Age UK Update (Neac.25.01.24/3) (*Verbal Report*)
- 4 Jon Finch, Area Council Link Officer Feedback (Neac.25.01.24/4) (*Verbal Report*)
- 5 Procurement and Financial Update Report (Neac.25.01.24/5) (*Pages 9 - 16*)

### Ward Alliances

- 6 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.25.01.24/6) (*Pages 17 - 38*)  
Cudworth – held on 20 November 2023  
Monk Bretton – held on 3 November 2023  
North East – held on 14 November 2023  
Royston – held on 6 November 2023 and 18 December 2023
- 7 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Neac.25.01.24/7) (*Pages 39 - 44*)

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  
Cath Bedford, Public Health Principal - Communities

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<b>MEETING:</b>	North East Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 23 November 2023
<b>TIME:</b>	2.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Reception Room - Barnsley Town Hall

## MINUTES

### Present

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

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

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

### 28 Minutes of the Previous Meeting of North East Area Council held on 21 September 2023 (Neac.23.11.23/2)

The meeting considered the minutes from the previous meeting of the North East Area Council held on 21 September 2023.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North East Area Council held on 21 September 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 29 Safer Neighbourhoods Presentation - Alan Heppenstall (Neac.23.11.23/3)

Alan Heppenstall, Team Leader, Safer Neighbourhoods, Barnsley MBC, provided Members with a verbal update on the services provided by the Safer Neighbourhoods Team to address antisocial behaviour issues in the North East area.

Members noted the following key points:

- There had been a change in the Team's management structure with Paul Stelling now responsible for leading the Team.
- The Team now had the flexibility, with the support of partners, to deal with low level anti-social behaviour issues informally, have robust conversations and offer advice to individuals.
- The Empty Homes Team were interested in receiving information from Members with regards to any empty properties within the North East Area they may be aware of. The aim was to bring empty properties back into use, due to there being considerable pressure for affordable homes in the area.
- Members were asked to make the Team aware of any properties within their areas which were overgrown and may be empty, as these properties often attracted individuals to commit low level anti-social behaviour.
- The Housing and Community Safety Team did undertake work with rogue landlords when damp and mould issues had not been addressed by them.
- Working in partnership with the Fire Service, the Team were aware that there were 110 (4%) hoarded and self-neglect properties in the borough. Individuals living in

these conditions often had mental health issues and other vulnerabilities. There were currently 4,000 people at risk in the borough due to hoarding and self-neglect increasing the risk of a fire occurring. Assurances were provided that the Team did work alongside partners and did visit properties reported to them in order to offer help and advice.

- Private rented properties were the biggest target for cannabis grows in Barnsley. The Team were working with partners and landlords as part of the Cannabis Grow Aware Scheme, which promotes property checks between 8 and 10 weeks to stop cannabis grows in the private rented sector.

A discussion arose in relation to preventing the fly-tipping of waste in the borough. It was noted that there was a duty of care placed on individuals to make sure that the person or company removing their waste was authorised to do so, if not, they could be prosecuted. Members noted that communications had been issued and were available to prevent the fly-tipping of waste.

Members raised concerns that reports of anti-social behaviour involving off-road bikers had increased significantly. In response, it was confirmed that the Team were working in partnership with the Police to tackle this issue. When reports were received, the Team did visit addresses and have robust conversations with individuals. When several reports were received regarding the same individual, the Team did have the power to seize their vehicle.

On behalf of the Area Council, the Chair thanked Alan Heppenstall for his update and requested that he attends future meetings on a regular basis to keep Members informed of the work taking place in their wards.

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

### **30 Jon Finch, Area Council Link Officer Feedback (Neac.23.11.23/4)**

Jon Finch, Area Council Link Officer, provided Members with a verbal update on the proceedings from the recently held, first virtual Team around the Community meeting.

It was noted that one of the key areas of work for the Team around the Community was in relation to working with children and young people and food. Two Sub-Groups had been established to work on these two key areas of focus. At the recent Team around the Community meeting, it had been agreed that the two Sub-Groups would now join the main Group.

At the meeting, wider updates had been provided in relation to the 10 Year Celebration event, an update from South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau and updates from community and voluntary groups. A discussion had also taken place on the Pride of Place Grants. A meeting would take place in December to agree the applications which would receive Pride of Place Grants. It had also been agreed that there would be a mix of both physical and online future Team around the Community meetings.

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

### **31 Quarter 2 (July to September 2023) Performance Report (Neac.23.11.23/5)**

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, submitted the North East Area Council Project Performance Report, which gave an oversight and update on the delivery of the commissioned projects for Quarter 2 - 2023/24 (July to September 2023).

The report outlined, amongst other things, how the projects within the Area Council area were meeting the Council's Corporate Priorities and the 2030 Ambitions. It also gave details of how projects were being delivered together with performance data against targets where appropriate.

Members' attention was drawn to the following key highlights:

- There had been over 100 participants at Age UK's regular activities and events held in the North East area.
- The North East's Stop Smoking Advisor had facilitated a pilot information session looking at smoking and vaping at Outwood Shafton Academy in collaboration with the Youth Association.
- The Private Sector Housing Enforcement Officer had achieved 92 proactive initial property contacts during Quarter 2.
- There had been a total of 188 riders who had taken part in Ramp Up sessions during the Summer.
- There had been a total of 92 participants over the Summer taking part in activities run by Reds in the Community.

**RESOLVED** that the Project Performance Report for Quarter 2 – 2023/24 (July to September 2023) be noted.

## **32 Procurement and Financial Update Report (Neac.23.11.23/6)**

Lisa Phelan, Area Council Manager, introduced 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 Healthy Lifestyles Panel had met on 11 September 2023 to explore a Healthy Lifestyles project proposal. The Panel had agreed that the project was feasible and meets the North East Area Council's 'Healthy Lifestyles' priority. The Panel were encouraged that significant match funding had been sourced and were pleased to note that there would still be funding remaining in the Healthy Lifestyles budget to pursue other small project ideas in the future.

Appendix A to the report provided Members with further details on a proposal to fund a North East Drugs and Alcohol Advisor, together with details on the match funding that had been purposed to support this project totalling £30,000 for the 2-year period.

In response to Members questions, the Area Council Manager provided assurances that the funding would allow for a dedicated Drugs and Alcohol Advisor to be based

within the core team at Barnsley Recovery Steps. The Advisor would visit community locations based on local intelligence and the needs of each area.

Members considered and agreed to support recommended Option 1 to fund a North East Area Drugs and Alcohol Advisor via Barnsley Recovery Steps for a 24-month period, likely to start from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026, at a total cost of £41,000.

## **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 Option 1: to fund a North East Area Drugs and Alcohol Advisor via Barnsley Recovery Steps for a 24-month period, likely to start from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026, at a total cost of £41,000 be approved.

### **33 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.23.11.23/7)**

The meeting received notes from the Cudworth, Monk Bretton, North East and Royston Ward Alliances held throughout September and October 2023. The following updates were noted:-

*Cudworth* – The Christmas lights switch on would take place on Friday 1 December 2023. Due to the expense of the Christmas lights at £159.14 per light, it was noted that this may be reviewed for Christmas 2024.

The repair of Elmer the Elephant had now been undertaken following damage and vandalism in its former home of St John's Gardens. Elmer was now situated in the library grounds and would be locked-off behind gates during the evening to prevent damage.

An Outreach Worker had recently been undertaking work with children in Cudworth Park to assist with litter picking etc. It had been agreed that the boulders in the park would be removed when work commenced on the demolition of the bungalow in Cudworth Park.

Three mosaics had been installed in Cudworth village highlighting notable parts of its local culture. The collection of mosaics depicts Cudworth's Canadian twin-town, its historic linen industry and native Sir Michael Parkinson.

*Monk Bretton* – The Remembrance Sunday Parade held on Sunday 12 November 2023 had been very well attended. The Parade had commenced at the Methodist Church to the War Memorial Remembrance Garden, followed by a Special Service of Remembrance at St Paul's Church in Monk Bretton.

The Ward Alliance had received two funding applications. One from Carlton Bowling Club and the second from the Dementia Club.

The Christmas light switch on at St Mary's Magdalene Church, Lundwood would take place on Tuesday 28 November 2023.

The Monk Bretton Christmas light switch on would take place on Monday 4 December 2023.

The Christmas light switch on at St John the Evangelist Church, Carlton would take place on Monday 4 December 2023.

A Christmas Market would be held at Monk Bretton Priory on Saturday 9 December 2023.

*North East* – The October Ward Alliance meeting had been held at Shafton Outwood Academy. Five students and a member of staff had joined the meeting as part of their learning about the Ward Alliance and its role and responsibilities within the community.

The Ward Alliance had discussed possible Christmas events and had agreed to fund a Winter Warmth event.

The Ward Alliance's October half term provision had been very well attended.

At the November Ward Alliance meeting, Members had received a presentation from the University of the Third Age (U3A) to discuss the work of the U3A.

*Royston* – The Ward Alliance had been very busy preparing for Christmas events in the community, including the preparation of Christmas lights for the installation on lampposts in the village.

Three Remembrance Services had been held in Royston on 11, 12 and 13 November 2023, which had all been very well attended.

Students at Carlton Academy were currently making baubles for the Christmas trees at Carlton and Royston.

A Christmas light switch on would be held on 5 December 2023 at St John the Baptist Church, Royston. All four local primary schools had been invited to join the event and had been asked to select hymns they wish to sing. A Christmas tree light switch on at the Wells was also scheduled.

The Ward Alliance had received an 'Outstanding' Award for its entry in the Yorkshire in Bloom competition 'It's Your Neighbourhood' category. Royston Canal Club had been awarded 'Platinum' for its entry in the 'Open Green Spaces' category of the competition.

A meeting had recently taken place with the Land Trust to discuss improving facilities at Rabbit Ings and the possible use of Principal Towns funding.

The Ward Alliance had been working in partnership with the volunteers at Royston Friends Association to help set up a Good Food Pantry. The Good Food Pantry, located at Manor Court Community Centre had been officially opened on 20 October 2023 to make it easier for local people to access quality food regardless of their budget.

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

**34 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Neac.23.11.23/8)**

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.

**35 Reflection on 10 Year Celebration (Neac.23.11.23/9)**

Councillor Hayward referred to the 10 Year Celebration event which had been held on Thursday 16 November 2023 at West Green Working Men's Club in Monk Bretton. He requested Members to provide their feedback.

All Members considered it to have been a fantastic evening, which had provided an excellent opportunity for the Area Council to celebrate and thank community groups and volunteers for all the good work they have undertaken in the last 10 years, and continue to undertake in the North East Area.

On behalf of the Area Council, Councillor Hayward wished to thank the Area Council Manager and her Team for all their hard work in arranging the event. He also expressed thanks to Councillor Peace for undertaking the role of event compere and quiz master, to Councillor Webster for organising transport and to Councillor Richardson for photographing the event.

Members agreed that a letter of thanks be sent on behalf of the Area Council to all the staff at West Green Club to thank them for all their hard work and helping to arrange the event.

The Area Council Manager thanked Members for their excellent feedback and reported that the overall budget for the event had been underspent. It was noted that funds would be returned to each Ward Alliance shortly.

**RESOLVED** that Members noted the update.

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Chair



**North East Area Council Meeting:  
25 January 2024**

**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.

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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 IAG)	Ward Based	£12,000	01/04/2023	31/04/24	Funds Transfer
Health & Wellbeing Fund	Recovery Steps	£41,000 for 2-years	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	SLA – match funding of £30k
Health & Wellbeing Fund	TBC	£9,000	TBC	TBC	TBC

**4 Contract & Grant Financial Decisions**

4.1 There are no recommendations at this meeting.

**5. Financial Position**

5.1 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.

5.2 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>£670,606.52</b>	
<b>Base expenditure C/F from previous year</b>					£203,725.17		£270,606.52	
NEW Youth Development - Detached Youth	The Youth Association	01-Apr-23	24 months	£45,000.00	£39,747.00	£29,811.00	£39,747.00	
NEW Youth Development - Small	Several	01-Apr-23	24 months	£35,000.00	£41,889.00	£12,565.67	£40,253.00	
Private Sector Housing Officer	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety		10 months	£73,000.00	£37,750.00	£25,166.64	£40,000.00	
NEET Team Phase 2	BCB	1st June 2016	+1+1+1	£441,920.00	£222,988.33	£178,390.64		
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	£28,000.00	£10,000.00	
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>£333,118.65</b>	<b>£160,000.00</b>	
<b>in year balance</b>					<b>£129,799.98</b>			
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>				<b>£2,194,466.00</b>		<b>£270,606.52</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			£ 11,000.00	£ 19,000.00				£ 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	£ -	£ -	£ 140,999.34	£ 59,000.00	£ 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 20th November 2023 at 10.30 am
<b>Location:</b>	Bow Street, Cudworth

<b>1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees</b>			
<b>Chairperson:</b>	Cllr Joe Hayward (JH)		
<b>CDO:</b>	Joanne Smith (JS)		
<b>Secretary:</b>	Pam Kershaw (PK)		
<b>Committee Members:</b>	Joan Jones (JJ) Florence Whittlestone (FW) Stuart Sosnowski (SS) Christine Eccles (CE) Jordon Bunney (JBU) Chris Newton (CN)		
<b>2. Apologies for absence</b>			
Cllr S Houghton (SH) Jenny Baker (JB) Cllr A Cherryholme (AC)			
<b>3. Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests</b>			
None			
<b>4. Notes of the previous Meeting</b>			
<b>Academic Achievement Awards</b>			
The categories have yet to be decided, the Town Hall, catering for the Event and the Mayor to be provisionally booked for 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024.			
<b>Christmas Lights Switch on Event – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023</b>			
The three Schools, Cherrydale, Churchfields and Birkwood have confirmed their attendance to sing Carols (A Craft Table and Selection Boxes have been arranged for pupils) with a visit from Santa.			
Refreshments will be available for all attending the Event.			
Exodus have offered to help at the Event.			
Collection Boxes will be available for anyone wishing to donate to the Event.			
<b>Bank Account</b>			
Stuart Sosnowski, Christine Eccles, and Pam Kershaw volunteered to be the three signatures required to open an account for any monies donated to WA Events.			
<b>5. Matters arising</b>		<b>Action/Decision</b>	<b>Action lead</b>
<p><b>Friends of Cudworth Park Volunteering Event.</b> Volunteers are needed for the next clean up in the Park on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 10.30 am.</p> <p><b>Youth Association Bulb Planting</b> Daffodils have been planted by the Youth Volunteers with the help of Sidcup Nursery. (JBU) said more planting was planned and would require more top soil to plant winter pansy. Planning for planting in 2024 for the Barnsley in Bloom begins in the New Year.</p>			

	<p>Robert Street Community Gardens require a tap in the compound.</p> <p><b>Coffee Morning</b> The final Coffee Morning of the year will be held on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 10.00 am – 12.00 pm.</p> <p><b>Sloppy Slippers</b> This will take place at the next Coffee Morning 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 10.00 am. The slippers will be available for Cudworth Residents only, funded by WA.</p> <p><b>Hanging Baskets</b> There are currently 31 Baskets available. It was agreed by Members not to increase the numbers, and to restrict businesses to 2-3 Baskets. A new contractor, Flourish will be used in 2024.</p>		
<b>6. Finance Update.</b>			
	<p>Current General Budget £7,537.16 Engagement Fund – £1,515.41 Christmas Fund £6.000 The £159.14 connection fee for the Christmas lights by BMBC, was challenged by Members, who were informed it had to be done by BMBC.</p>		<b>(JS)</b>
<b>7. WAF Applications</b>			
	<p><b>BCB</b> – For storage of Christmas Motifs to be stored safely at Moorlands, Dodworth Road - £400 All WAF Members agreed to fund.</p> <p><b>Barnsley &amp; District Wireless Association (Ernest Bailey)</b> A discussion ensued, and it was decided that additional information was required and this WAF would be deferred until the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Age UK</b> All Members agreed to fund from the WAF Engagement Fund.</p>		
<b>9. AOB</b>			
	<p>(JH) A Plaque to commemorate the work and dedication Fr David Nicholson to the community in Cudworth and beyond is to be ordered and then arranged to to be placed in the Church Hall at St John’s Church.</p> <p>(CN) Could a plaque also be ordered and placed at (Darfield Road Community Centre) in memory of the hard work and dedication of Janet Robinson, former WA Member and Secretary.</p> <p>(FW) Could plaques be ordered and fitted on the seating outside the Coop for Roland Murgatroyd and Bill Hinds.</p> <p>(CE) to ask Coop Manager if this is possible.</p>		

	<p><b>Date of Next WA Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 10.30 am</b></p> <p><b>Coffee Morning date:</b> <b>20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 10.00 am</b></p>		
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## Monk Bretton Ward Alliance

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2023 @ Burton Grange Community Centre.**

**In attendance:**

Cllr Steve Green. Cllr Ken Richardson, Sue Fox, Gemma Conway, Gavin Doxey, Father Darren Percival, Victoria Agnew, Christie McFarlane.

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Father Blair Redford, Tom Sheard, Cllr Margaret Sheard	<b>Actions</b>
2	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None	
3	<b>Notes of the previous meeting:</b> September meeting as cancelled, August minutes agreed.	
4	<b>Project Feedback:</b> October ½ term Burton Grange events, trail of paid events – 3 sold out, .Lundwood / Cudworth support group closed, final report presented.	
5	<b>Ward Alliance Fund – applications received:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BIADS Dementia Café – <b>Agreed</b></li> <li>• Carlton Bowling Club - <b>Agreed</b></li> </ul>	£2160 £1080
6	<b>Funding &amp; Finance:</b> Spreadsheet circulated and discussed	
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Additional Items:</b></li> <li>• 10 Year Celebration – 39 attendees confirmed</li> <li>• Smithies Defib – New Location? – need to contact Cabinet Member</li> <li>• Carlton Village Meeting Update – Carlton Outwood Academy – report from the Head and update around the village.</li> <li>• Storm Babet – Flooding in Lundwood – Thanks to Sue for opening the centre.</li> <li>• New Ward Alliance Pop-Up Banner - Accepted</li> <li>• Remembrance – details in place</li> <li>• Christmas – trees on order, lights ready.</li> <li>• Notice Board at Silverdale, Monk Bretton – screen broken, repairs from working fund</li> <li>• Hanging Baskets – may need to change some location due to lamppost survey.</li> </ul>	
8	<b>AOB:</b> Christmas events: Lundwood – 28 November St Pauls – 1 December Carlton – 4 December Priory Xmas Fayre – 9 December Littleworth School – wants get involved in the community. Monk Bretton Priory – bidding for UNESCO status.	
9	<b>Date of Future meetings</b>  Next meeting will be held at Silverdale Community Centre, December 15 <sup>th</sup> .	

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MEETING NOTES		
<b>Meeting Title:</b>	North East Ward Alliance	
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Tuesday, 14 November 2023 (10am – 12pm)	
<b>Location:</b>	Welfare Hall, Great Houghton	
<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Ashley Peace	
<b>Minutes:</b>	Gill Holland (Secretary)	
<b>Attendee's:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>	
Paul Archer, Cllr Ruth Booker, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Darryl Hand (CDO), Allan Hampson, Gill Holland, Peter Makinson, Cllr Ashley Peace, Deborah Pearson, Anne Skelton, Elsie Smith	Deborah Hanson Linda Knight Rev Christine Moorey Brenda Doyle	
<b>Guests</b>		
Lynn Maloney – Invited to speak about the work of U3A.		
<b>Discussion Points:</b>	<b>Action / Decision:</b>	<b>Who By:</b>
<p><b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>Members introduced themselves and the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed Lynn Maloney from U3A.</p> <p><b>2. Apologies</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Deborah Hanson, Linda Knight, Rev Christine Moorey and Brenda Doyle</p> <p><b>3. U3A, Lynn Maloney</b></p> <p>Lynn introduced the work of U3A and explained that the organisation was established nationally 42 years ago and in Barnsley 27 years ago. There are currently approximately 1300 members in Barnsley and the U3A groups work alongside Barnsley Age UK and Barnsley Council. In some</p>		

cases, U3A plan their own events but also take part in events arranged by other organisations.

Lynn advised that U3A are a charity and charge an annual membership fee of £12, plus an initial £5 administration fee. All the committee members and group leaders are volunteers. A donation of £1.50 is made by each member attending any indoor group for venue hire and some sports groups have an additional charge for venue hire. The Buzz is a quarterly magazine issued to Barnsley U3A members and is included in the membership fee. [Autumn Buzz 2023](#)

The Penistone U3A was cited as a particularly successful group and there is a desire to have increased representation in the North East area so there is a focus to advertise the work of U3A here. There is also a emphasis locally and nationally to gain younger members who are able to take over the leadership of some of the existing groups and establish new groups as well as a focus to have a more diverse demographic across the organisation as a whole.

Lynn shared that there are 125 activity groups in Barnsley [Home | Barnsley U3A](#) all run by volunteers, and include gardening, music, crafts, drama and literature groups. Whilst there is some element of learning in the groups, the organisation is trying to get away from the word university and one of the more important emphases is for members to have the opportunity to make friends and socialise with others from their local community.

U3A has also been involved with the project led by BOPPAA (Barnsley Older People Physical Activity Alliance) to help map all the activity groups throughout the borough in order to increase the provision of physical activity programmes across Barnsley [Boppaa Activities](#).

Cllr Peace thanked Lynn for the presentation and the work of U3A was commended for their grassroots approach.

**4. Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests**

Peter Makinson and Cllr Ruth Booker declared an interest in the Ward Alliance Funding Application submitted by Shafton Parish Council.

**5. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising**



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4.1 DH to contact the Grimethorpe District Band for discussion about future funding and the possibility of resubmitting the WAF.

**UPDATE:** The CDO advised that there has been no further contact from the band despite requests for more information. It was agreed that this WAF will be rejected and taken off the list for consideration.

6.1 PM to look at sourcing items for the packs from companies in the community.

**UPDATE:** Ongoing

6.2 DH to cost the price of slippers and oodles

**UPDATE:** The students from Outwood Academy, Shafton are currently working on this as part of their organisation of Christmas events.

**Hanging Baskets UPDATE:** The tender process has been completed and a provider has been awarded the contract. More information to follow.

**Ward Alliance Bank Account – UPDATE**

The necessary paperwork has been submitted and we are now awaiting confirmation from the bank that the account is set up.

**6. WAFS**

**Shafton Parish Council – Shaftonbury Music Festival**

Appreciation was expressed with regards to the work of Shafton Parish Council in supporting groups and events in the community. Discussion was given to the funding request particularly in light of the Parish Council’s ability to raise a Parish Precept, current fund levels, the intent to donate any monies raised to charities, the question of the event’s sustainability and timing of the funding submission.

**Decision:** It was agreed that the funding request is rejected with the suggestion that it is resubmitted for consideration in the new financial year. It was also agreed that at a maximum the Ward Alliance would match fund the donation from Shafton Parish Council of £550.

**St Michael’s & All Angels Church Great Houghton – Christmas Events**

There was discussion regarding the need to be mindful of being inclusive of all faiths and religious groups in the events we plan in our communities.

It was agreed that in this case that the gift of a children’s book telling the story of the first Christmas is appropriate.

**Decision:** Agreed funding in its entirety.

**NEWA Christmas Events 2023**

The CDO explained that this application has been submitted to account for the agreed monies of £3000 which have been ringfenced for Christmas events earlier in the year. The request also reflects the additional £1000 agreed at the last Ward Alliance Meeting.

**Decision:** Agreed that the application is funded in its entirety.

**Great Houghton Methodist Church – Warm Space**

The CDO advised that the Methodist Church has been successful in obtaining funding from Welcoming Space and Pride of Place in addition to having funds left from a previous request.

**Decision:** Agreed that the application is rejected since the request will be fulfilled by other funding streams.

**AGE UK – Christmas Dinner – Email Funding Request**

The CDO advised that he has had email contact from Barnsley Age UK requesting £50 from the North East Ward Alliance to help towards the cost of a Christmas two-course meal for 200 people, to be held on 13 December in the centre of Barnsley. Each Ward Alliance is being approached with the same request.

The value for money was discussed as the event will only benefit a few members of the North East area and it was also noted that Age UK do receive funding centrally. Historically members of our communities face various challenges in attending events in the centre of Barnsley so the uptake may be limited.

**Decision:** Agreed that the email funding request is rejected at this point until there is more information available. UPDATE: It was later agreed to give £50 from the Working Funding for this event as further information was provided.

**7. Finance**

7.1 The statement of expenditure was updated by the CDO and circulated with the agenda.

**Core Funding:** Total Spent £21,488.57 remaining £4370.98.

It was highlighted that the financial statement reflects a payment from Shafton Parish Council of £774.00 which is a repayment from 2021 for the Walking Maps Project.

Grassroots Academy expenditure has increased from £580 to £690 which reflects a payment for four inside venues necessary due to the bad weather. This had already been included as a contingency in the original WAF submission.

**Working Fund:** Total Spent £3,000.95 remaining £1,024.05.

The change reflects the cost of ten keys which have been purchased for the noticeboards across the Ward Alliance.

**8. AOB**

**8.1 Young People’s Suggestions – Shafton Academy**

The CDO commended the work of the students from Shafton Academy for organising the Christmas events. There have been some challenges with receiving emails, but all the posters and advertising for the events have been completed.

Cllr Peace advised that he has requested an opportunity for the group of students from Shafton Academy to visit the Town Hall and meet the Mayor of Barnsley to be thanked for their work. Members will be invited to attend the event.

**8.2 DIAL Update for the North East Ward**

We have received interim monitoring information from DIAL for the months of August and September 2023. There have been 18 people from the North East Ward who have made DIAL appointments. The breakdown by location is as follows:

Location	# of Appointments
Brierley	4
Great Houghton	7
Grimethorpe	6

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### 8.3 Community Noticeboards – Keyholders

Ten keys have been purchased for the community noticeboards and the CDO has a map of where they are located. Going forward members and volunteers from the North East Ward Alliances will have responsibility for updating the noticeboards and each member will have a key in addition to the CDO and three Councillors. This enables the CDO to send through updated/new information electronically so that members can print it off and update their own noticeboards.

Noted that the noticeboards are to be used for displaying community information and not advertising local businesses.

### 8.4 Grassroots Half Term Provision Data

The half-term provision went really well despite the weather, with 57 participants attending over the four days. The average age of participants is 10 years old. Noted that the number of girls attending decreased after the first session and that work needs to be done to look at other types of half-term provision so that a variety can be offered.

Location	# of Attendees
Brierley Methodist Church	10
Great Houghton Methodist Church	20
Brierley Methodist Church	12
Great Houghton Methodist Church	15

### 8.5 Christmas Events

Noted that volunteers will be needed for the Christmas Light Switch On events. It was agreed that any monies not spent from these events will be put towards providing mince pies and chocolates.

### 8.6 Printing Ward Alliance Meeting Papers

It was agreed that Ward Alliance Members will be responsible for printing their own papers for the meeting if needed and extra paper copies will no longer be provided at the meeting in order to cut down on paper waste.

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Meeting papers will be circulated as normal seven days before the next meeting so that members can familiarise themselves with the content of the documents. If this proves a difficulty for anyone please let the CDO/secretary know.

**Date & Time of Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, 16 January 2024

10am – 12pm

**Venue:** Brierley, TBC

**Minutes Approved by:**

**Date:** 30 November 2023

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**Royston Ward Alliance**  
6pm Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
The Grove, Station Road, Royston

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Pauline McCarthy (Chair)
	Councillor Caroline Makinson
	Father Craig Tomlinson
	Graham Kyte
	Kevin Copley
	John Craig
	John Clare
	Bill Newman
	Gemma Conway
	John Openshaw (Secretary)
<b>In Attendance</b>	Christie McFarlane (Community Development Officer)

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Councillor Dave Webster	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Declarations of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest</b>	
2.1	None Declared	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Notes of Previous Meeting</b>	
3.1	Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting held on Monday the 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 were a true record,	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Matters Arising from the notes</b>	
4.1	<b>5.1, Midland Road Planters</b> , The planters have been removed by Neighbourhood Services, Berneslai Homes have agreed to rebuild the wall and Barnsley Community Build have been tasked with other works on site.	
4.2	<b>5.3 Former High School Site</b> , Cllr Makinson gave an update on a site meeting with officers. There are issue with works by Yorkshire Water, before the site is adopted. The park has been adopted by BMBC. The waste area will be landscaped by contractors and proposals are to utilise section 106 funds to install fencing.	
4.3	<b>5.3 Pocket Park</b> , following work to remove the weeds it was proposed that a regular maintenance schedule is put in place to maintain the site. It was also agreed that shrubs should be planted to reduce maintenance.	
4.4	<b>6.1 Canal</b> , the proposed fish netting has been postponed due to the cost of fish health checks. Members were given an update on grant applications for the Aerator/Pump.	
4.5	<b>6.2 In Bloom</b> , the judging went well, it has been agreed that the planter at Lynwood Drive will be repositioned at Cross Lane.	
4.6	<b>6.4 Lynwood Drive Play Area</b> , works to the swings should be completed within the next few months. Probation Service have agreed to repaint the climbing frame/slide. The installation of the seat is being progressed as is the cost of a replacement the slide and installation of the slide safety surface.	

4.7	<b>6.3 Principal Towns</b> , Note of a meeting held at Rabbit Ings on the 27 <sup>th</sup> October were distributed. The meeting discussed options to improve/replace the site facilities.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Community Updates</b>	
5.1	<b>Canal</b> there have been no issues with flooding due to the recent heavy rain. There have been an number of fly tipping incidents.	
5.2	<b>In Bloom</b> , Autumn planting letters to volunteers have been distributed with some volunteers already undertaking the work on their individual planters. We have seen some encouraging news with volunteers coming forward to help with the planting schemes.	
5.3	<b>Principal Towns</b> , Covered under matters arising.	
5.4	<b>Royston Section 106</b> , notes of the meeting held on the 19 <sup>th</sup> October were distributed.	
5.5	<b>Lynwood Drive Play Area</b> , Covered under matters arising.	
5.6	<b>Midland Road Planters/Youth Club Site</b> , Covered under matters arising.	
5.7	<b>10 Year Celebrations</b> , members were updated on the planning for the event taking place at West Green Club, Monk Bretton on the 16 <sup>th</sup> November.	
5.8	<b>Christmas Plan</b> , 4 schools have confirmed their attendance at the event in the Church. The Christmas Tree for the Wells will be delivered on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> November. It was agreed that the lights and the street motifs would be switched on, on the 1 <sup>st</sup> December. <b>Manor Court Community Centre</b> will be undertaking a Santa's grotto. <b>Meadow Crescent Community Centre</b> will also be undertaking <b>Christmas events</b> . It was proposed that the Ward Alliance allocate £100.00 to both Manor Court and Meadow Crescent to support their festive events. This was agreed.	
5.9	<b>Cutts Buildings Tree Planting</b> the Community Development Officer updated members on the proposed tree planting on the site. Members agreed that larger trees should be planted along the boundary to deter vehicle access.	
5.10	<b>Orchard/Park</b> members discussed the installation of information boards and an entrance arch. Work would be required to supply information on the trees variety's and the size and specification of the Arch. Members were informed of a Grant Scheme "Pride of Place" from the UK Property Fund the closing date is mid-November and all projects have to be completed by 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024. It was proposed that an application for works within the orchard be submitted with the Ward Alliance allocation match funding of £1,000.00, This was agreed. Other projects proposed were Small play equipment and Other play equipment within Royston Park. Applications would prepared and submitted by the Royston Green Spaces group. <b>Ash Trees</b> members have been informed that a number of Ash trees within the park are to be removed due to Ash Die Back.	



	<p><b>Orchard</b>, Members were informed that Gary Seymour had cut the grass in the Orchard a couple of times recently. Thanks were recorded.</p> <p><b>Skate Park</b>, it was reported that there are rails between the Skate Park and the MUGGA which are a trip hazard.</p> <p><b>Trees</b>, It was recommended that some trees temporarily planted in the Orchard area now require transplanting.</p> <p>Ditch around Park, it was reported that the ditch requires clearing.</p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Ward Alliance Action Finances</b>	
6.1	Finance reports were distributed and included Ward Alliance allocations to date, the Working Fund and the In Bloom Project.	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Funding Applications</b>	
7.1	<p><b>16<sup>th</sup> Barnsley (Royston) Scout Group.</b> A request for £1310.00 to update the equipment. Members recommended an allocation of £1310.00.</p>	
7.2	<p><b>Royston Bowling Club.</b> A request for £3000.00, A new Watering System, Shrub Planting and equipment. Members recommended an allocation of £2000.00.</p>	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
8.1	<b>Armistice Day</b> there will be an event on Friday the 10 <sup>th</sup> at 11am with local schools. There will also be the main armistice event on Sunday the 12 <sup>th</sup> in Church from 9:15am and at the War Memorial from 10:45am.	
8.2	<b>Carlton Community College</b> , the College have appointed an new Head Teacher and they are seeking a greater community involvement. They plan to include Civic Responsibilities within the curriculum and are wanting to be involved in the Adopt a Planter Scheme. They have also asked for a meeting with the Canal Group.	
8.3	<b>Achievement Awards</b> the event is planned for the 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2024, at Barnsley Town Hall.	
8.4	<b>Coke Works Site</b> members sought clarification of works on site, the installation of large earth bunds around the entrances. If Planning permission was sought or given for the works.	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Date of next meetings</b>	
9.1	<b>Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b> , 6pm the Grove, Station Road, Royston	
	<b>The meeting closed at 8:15pm</b>	

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**Royston Ward Alliance**  
6pm Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
The Grove, Station Road, Royston

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Pauline McCarthy (Chair)
	Kevin Copley
	John Craig
	John Clare
	Gemma Conway
	John Openshaw (Secretary)
<b>In Attendance</b>	Christie McFarlane (Community Development Officer)

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Councillor Dave Webster	
	Councillor Caroline Makinson	
	Father Craig Tomlinson	
	Graham Kyte	
	Bill Newman	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Declarations of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest</b>	
2.1	None Declared	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Notes of Previous Meeting</b>	
3.1	Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting held on Monday the 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 were a true record,	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Matters Arising from the notes</b>	
4.1	<b>Midland Road, Youth Club Site</b> , the site is awaiting, Berneslai Homes rebuilding the damaged wall.	
4.2	<b>High School Site</b> , no update available.	
4.3	<b>Achievement Awards</b> , revised date 8 <sup>th</sup> or 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2024.	
4.4	<b>Coke Works Site</b> , No planning permission sought or given on the boundary works undertaken.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Community Updates</b>	
5.1	<b>Canal</b> , members were updated on the funding application to the Freemasonry and Lieutenancies Partnership Fund who have sought the groups bank statement. The Group have recently held their AGM at the Ring O Bells. The group have recently met with teachers at Carlton Community College to discuss issues along the Canal and students behaviour. Members were given an update on issues with the "Sluice" following intervention by Cllr Makinson the issue now sits with The Capital Oversight Board at the Local Authority. The meeting were also given an overview of e mail exchanged from Spring 2022 to October 2023 on the issue and the confusion identifying the department responsible and funding available to rectify the issues identified,	
5.2	<b>In Bloom</b> , the Autumn planting allocation has a current underspend. The current works outstanding are, <b>Pocket Park</b> , to clear and prepare for spring planting. <b>Royston Lane</b> , tidy beds. <b>Planters</b> , move one from Lynwood Drive to Cross Lane. <b>Budgets</b> , finalise budget with Newstead Nurseries in mid January.	

	<p>The “In Bloom” project lead indicated that he would step down from his role at the end of 2024.</p> <p><b>Manor Bakeries</b>, it was reported that the company have recently implemented an ESVS (Employee Supported Volunteering Scheme) trial where groups of 10 employees would undertake projects within the local community.</p>	
5.3	<p><b>Principal Towns</b>, the secretary gave an update on current proposals for the facilities at Rabbit Ings Car Park/Sports Complex. Initial discussions with the local planning department on the proposals were not favourable. Further discussions are to be had with officers and the new head of planning at BMBC.</p>	
5.4	<p><b>Royston Section 106</b>, notes of the meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November were distributed.</p>	
5.5	<p><b>Parks/Play Areas Planning</b>, following on from the Section 106 meeting a meeting with Park Services was arranged for Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, meeting at Royston Park Car Park at 9:30am to discuss future plans/proposals in Parks and Play areas in and around Royston. These would include, Royston Park, Community Orchard, Lynwood Drive Play Area and other parks and Play area within our community.</p> <p>The CDO gave an update on the funding application for the Community Orchard project.</p>	
5.6	<p><b>10 Year Celebrations</b>, the CDO gave an update on the event and some of the feedback received.</p>	
5.7	<p><b>Christmas Events Review</b> the event at the <b>Church</b> was supported by 3 local schools, the CDO gave an update on the event and the feedback received.</p> <p><b>Manor Court Santa’s Grotto</b>, the event supported by the WA was a success.</p> <p><b>Knit &amp; Natter Group</b>, the CDO gave a report on the works of the group in the supply of knitted baubles for Christmas Tree and their thanks to the WA for its support.</p> <p><b>Christmas Tree</b> the date of the tree installation and lights switch on was discussed. It was agreed that in 2024 the lights switch on and tree installation would be on the same day if possible.</p>	
5.8	<p><b>Tree Planting, Midland Road</b> Date to be agreed with Park Services Officers.</p>	
5.9	<p><b>Cutts Buildings Tree Planting</b> the Community Development Officer updated members on the proposed tree planting on the site. Members agreed that larger trees should be planted along the boundary to deter vehicle access.</p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<p><b>Ward Alliance Action Finances</b></p>	
6.1	<p>Finance reports were distributed and included Ward Alliance allocations to date, the Working Fund.</p>	
<b>7.0</b>	<p><b>Funding Applications</b></p>	
7.1	<p><b>Canal Group.</b> A request for £500.00 to match funds secured from the Freemasonry and Lieutenancies Partnership Fund to purchase Aerator equipment next Summer. Members recommended an allocation of £500.00</p>	
<b>8.0</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	

8.1	<b>Memorial Benches, Royston Park</b> a proposal supported by Park Service for improvements within Royston Park for the replacement of benches with Memorial benches sponsored by local families was discussed. It was agreed that proposals should be developed and advertised to gauge reaction.	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Date of next meetings</b>	
9.1	<b>Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b> , 6pm the Grove, Station Road, Royston	
	<b>The meeting closed at 7:40pm</b>	

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## BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North East Area Council Meeting

Date: 25/01/2024

Report of North East Area Council Manager

Officer Contact: Lisa Phelan

Tel No: 07741168798/01226 775707

Date: 21/12/2023

### 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.

## 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
<b>Total Available Funding</b>	<b>26943.73</b>

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 (R/B)	6000.00	0.00	-525.48	12946.38
13	Monthly Coffee Mornings - Sept/Oct/Nov	270.00	0.00	-795.48	12676.38
14	Cudworth Environment Group - T-inPark	1500.00	0.00	-2295.49	11176.38
15	DIAL - information & advice	1205.00	0.00	-2000.49	11471.38
16	Brass on the Grass (Barns Met & Concert Ban	550.00	0.00	-2845.49	10626.38
17	Cudworth Local History Group	1500.00	0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
18			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
19			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
20			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
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24			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
25			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
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27			0.00	-4345.49	9126.38
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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
<b>Total Available Funding</b>	<b>26678.22</b>

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 (RB)	3000.00	0.00	9339.11	22678.22
3	MB Remembrance 2023 (RB)	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

# 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
<b>Total Available Funding</b>	<b>26770.55</b>

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'
<i>Number</i>	<i>Name of project and where</i>	<i>Amount WA agreed</i>		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	Grassroots Oct Half-term Provision	690.00	0.00	7762.31	5622.97
16	Additional Christmas 2023 contribution	1000.00	0.00	8762.31	4622.97
17	Walking Maps - Grant return (2021)	-774.00	0.00	7988.31	5396.97
18			0.00	7988.31	5396.97
19			0.00	7988.31	5396.97
20					5396.97
		21373.58			

## 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 (total of £1617.08 C/F in AAPlanter and Working Fund)	0.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent WAFs	152.28
<b>Total Available Funding</b>	<b>25152.28</b>

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>		12576.14	25152.28
1	Hanging Baskets - x33	2145.00		10431.14	23007.28
2	AAP top up by £2k R/B	2000.00		8431.14	21007.28
3	Secretary Q1-Q2	250.00	0.00	8181.14	20757.28
4	Secretary Q3-Q4	250.00	0.00	7931.14	20507.28
5	Working Fund (top up by £1k)R/B	1000.00	0.00	6931.14	19507.28
6	Christmas Motif Installation	2160.00		4771.14	17347.28
7	Christmas Tree and Events (R/B)	1500.00	0.00	3271.14	15847.28
8	Achievement Awards (R/B)	1000.00	0.00	2271.14	14847.28
9	Royston Gala (R/B)	1000.00	0.00	1271.14	13847.28
10	Bingo - Meadow Cres	300.00	200.00	971.14	13547.28
11	Bench @ lynwood drive	1500.00	0.00	-528.86	12047.28
12	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	-966.82	11609.32
13	DIAL	4820.00	4881.00	-5786.82	6789.32
14	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	-6286.82	6289.32
15	Jolly Good Communities - Rabbit Ings	250.00	200.00	-6536.82	6039.32
16	Royston St John - Knit and Natter	250.00	0.00	-6786.82	5789.32
17			0.00	-6786.82	5789.32
18			0.00	-6786.82	5789.32
19			0.00	-6786.82	5789.32
20			0.00	-6786.82	5789.32
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