

<b>MEETING:</b>	North East Area Council
<b>DATE:</b>	Thursday 21 March 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 25 January 2024 (Neac.21.03.24/2) (*Pages 3 - 6*)

### Items for Information

- 3 Age UK Update (Neac.21.03.24/3)
- 4 Jon Finch, Area Council Link Officer Feedback (Neac.21.03.24/4) (*Verbal Report*)
- 5 Project Performance Report Quarter 3 - 2023/24 (October to December 2023) (Neac.21.03.24/5) (*Pages 7 - 22*)

### Item for Decision

- 6 Procurement and Financial Update Report (Neac.21.03.24/6) (*Pages 23 - 34*)

### Ward Alliances

- 7 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.21.03.24/7) (*Pages 35 - 58*)  
Cudworth – (no notes available)  
Monk Bretton – held on 3 November 2023 and 15 December 2023  
North East – held on 22 January 2024 and 27 February 2024  
Royston – held on 29 January 2024
- 8 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds (Neac.21.03.24/8) (*Pages 59 - 68*)

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, North East Area Council Manager

Rachel Payling, Head of Service, Stronger Communities

Cath Bedford, Public Health Principal - Communities

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## MINUTES

**Present** Councillors Hayward (Chair), Booker, Cherryholme, Ennis OBE, Green, Makinson, Peace, Sheard and Webster

### 36 **Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

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

### 37 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting of North East Area Council held on 23 November 2023 (Neac.25.01.24/2)**

The meeting considered the minutes from the previous meeting of the North East Area Council held on 23 November 2023.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the North East Area Council held on 23 November 2023 be approved as a true and correct record.

### 38 **Age UK Update (Neac.25.01.24/3)**

Due to the absence of a presenter from Age UK, this item was abandoned.

**RESOLVED** that the item be abandoned.

### 39 **Jon Finch, Area Council Link Officer Feedback (Neac.25.01.24/4)**

Members received an update on the work of the Council and some of the recent key developments.

- Transformation work was underway, with service reviews and efficiency options being explored.
- The Council had taken 100% ownership of Oakwell Stadium.
- Market Gate Bridge had opened, with work ongoing to finalise outstanding works. The temporary bridge was to be removed.
- The Permanent Secretary at the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities had visited Barnsley to discuss investment in the area.
- The Pride in Place Grants Panel was to meet in the coming weeks to review grant applications.

- Culture Strategy work was underway with workshops planned with elected members and Ward Alliances.

#### **40 Procurement and Financial Update Report (Neac.25.01.24/5)**

The Area Council Manager updated Members on the financial position to date provided in the appendices to the report, with various monies committed without being spent at this stage. The Healthy Lifestyles Panel was to meet later in February 2024 and make recommendations to a future Area Council meeting with progress on the the Drugs and Alcohol Advisor project also coming to a future meeting. Decisions made by the panel on the Youth Development Fund would come to a future Area Council meeting as formal recommendations. The procurement of a Clean and Green contract was progressing, with Members to be updated via email once the exercise was complete.

**RESOLVED** that:-

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; and
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 the report.

#### **41 Notes of the Following Ward Alliances with Feedback from each Ward Alliance Chair (Neac.25.01.24/6)**

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

*Cudworth* – the Sloppy Slippers event had been postponed and would take place on 17 February 2024. A Brass on the Grass event was being organised, with two bands signed up and a youth band approached, a Tea in the Park event would also take place in summer. Planning was in the initial stages for a day of action at Cudworth Park to clear the paths, with support from the Community Payback team.

*Monk Bretton* – Christmas activities had taken place including light switch-ons in Lundwood and Carlton. A Remembrance Sunday event had taken place with a volunteer on board for upkeep of the Remembrance Garden. The Ward Alliance had a good working relationship with Jolly Good Communities and took part in the program of activities scheduled wherever possible.

*North East* – the last Ward Alliance meeting had seen a useful presentation from U3A and a review of the DIAL service. Work with students at Outwood Academy Shafton was going well, with quarterly visits to the school. Winter Warm events were being planned and would provide an opportunity for services and providers to attend events in the community. Activities with young people such as sport and cooking were being explored, including half-term provision and a Saturday club. Funds

available to the Ward Alliance had previously been split by village, however this was now being trialled as a combined pot of funding available to all villages in the ward.

*Royston* – the asset transfer of Carlton Pavilion was being supported by the Ward Alliance. Christmas events had been successful, with funded activities for children taking place. Royston Park was hoping to ultimately achieve Green Flag status, the community orchard was thriving however play equipment needed refreshing and there was a plan of action in place. Talks were progressing looking to improve facilities at Rabbit Ings. Volunteering opportunities were plentiful, with local employers and service providers interested in participating.

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

**42 Report on the Use of Area Council Budgets and Ward Alliance Funds  
(Neac.25.01.24/7)**

Members were advised that the finances of Ward Alliances were ever changing and therefore the figures in the report were now higher than the current position. All Ward Alliances had available funds of less than £5,000 at the time of the meeting.

**RESOLVED** that Members receive the Ward Alliance Fund Report and note spend to date for the Wards of Cudworth, Monk Bretton, North East and Royston.

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Chair

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Neac.21.03.24/5

# Project Performance Report

Q3 - 2023/24 (Oct-Dec 2023)



Rabbit Ings Frosty Morning

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# 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	Learning Barnsley	Growing Barnsley	Sustainable Barnsley
People are safe and feel safe	People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships	Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities	People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.
People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible	Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment	People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture	Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy
We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough	People have access to early help and support	People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes	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



**BARNSELY**  
Metropolitan Borough Council

**Our Council Plan  
2021 -2024**

**COMMISSIONS**

*Environmental  
Traineeship*

*Social  
Inclusion &  
Dementia*

*Private Sector  
Housing Officer*

*Stop Smoking  
Advisor*

*Detached  
Youth work*

*I, A & G -  
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



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**Growing  
Barnsley**

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



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



People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes



**Learning  
Barnsley**

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



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



People have access to early help and support



**Sustainable  
Barnsley**

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



# 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	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>		£40,000 1 year (+1 year)	1st July 2022	+1 year extension started July 2023		
Environmental Traineeship Page 07	 <b>Love Where you Live</b>	 <b>Children &amp; Young People</b>		£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	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	 <b>Children &amp; Young People</b>	 South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust			Public Health funded from -1st April 2022	
Private Sector Housing Officer Page 09	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	 <b>Love Where you Live</b>	 <b>Children &amp; Young People</b>		£37,750 SLA	19th October 2020	Extended to 31st March 2025
Detached Youth Work Page 11	 <b>Love Where you Live</b>	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	 <b>Children &amp; Young People</b>		£39,747 per year Grant.	1st April 2023	to 31st March 2025
Youth Development Grants Page 12	 <b>Love Where you Live</b>	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	 <b>Children &amp; Young People</b>	   	£35,000 per year - Youth Development Grant to various providers	From 1st April 2023	to 31st March 2025
Information and Advice Services	 <b>Healthy Lifestyles</b>	 	£12,000 Devolved to Ward Alliances	From 1st April 2023	to 31st March 2024		



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.

### One-to-Ones

The One to One Support has had 17 new referrals and are currently supporting a total of 38 Service Users.

### Advice and Guidance

Age UK Barnsley's Advice and Guidance Service has helped 22 people this quarter of which 18 were new clients. Reasons for these enquiries have been: benefits advice, Cost of Living Payments and Household Support Fund Grants.

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 40-50 people
- Norman Inn Lunch Group (12 regulars)
- Sewing Group - 5 regular attendees
- Little Bit of Everything Groups - Shafton (10 regulars) and Brierley (12 regulars)

### Q3 Highlights and Events:

- Chatty Café Trip to Harrogate Christmas Market and other Christmas events 2023.



### Quarter 3 - Oct-Dec 2023

<b>THE NUMBERS</b>	One-to-One Working with:	<b>38</b>	
	Number of 1:1 New Referrals	<b>FEMALE 23</b>	<b>MALE 15</b>
	Number of people IAG service has helped	<b>22</b>	
	Number of active/regular Volunteers	<b>18</b>	
	Social Value (Hours / Amount)	<b>325</b>	<b>£4452.50</b>
	Number of Safeguarding Referrals	<b>0</b>	

### Referrals from:

- Social Prescribers
- Health Care Professionals
- GPs
- Mental Health Team
- Stop Smoking Service
- Volunteers, neighbours and family
- Guinness Trust
- Charity workers

*"I really can't believe the difference I feel now that I have plucked up the courage to go to the coffee morning by myself! I have made so many wonderful friends!"*

*Service User*

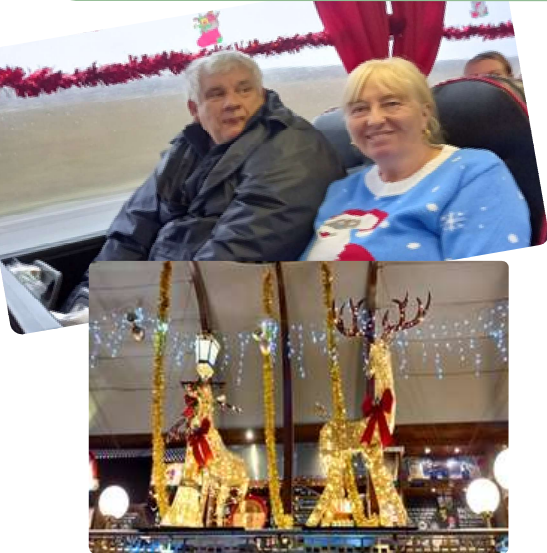


## Q3 Highlights and Events

## HARROGATE

### Chatty Café - Trip to Harrogate

One of the main highlights from this quarter was once again a trip out. The SUs from Chatty Cafe were treated to a trip to Harrogate to visit the Christmas Markets. Around 45 SUs enjoyed mince pies on the coach going and a raffle with lots of lovely prizes on the way home. The SUs all said they enjoyed the day despite the torrential rain!.



*"It was great to see the look on their faces at the group, having fun"* Volunteer

*"I am really enjoying going out to visit (name), I look forward to it every week"* Volunteer

*"thank you for a lovely day, I'm shattered but really enjoyed it"* Service User

### Chatty Cafe

The Chatty Cafe members turned out in force for their Christmas party despite the storm that was blowing outside! They all enjoyed bacon sandwiches which were ordered from the local bakery and had mince pies. The children from the local primary school came along to perform Christmas carols which really got them into the Christmas spirit



### The Norman Inn Lunch Club

The Service Users usually enjoy a 2-course meal for under £10. The group recently enjoyed a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. Alongside their usual two games of Bingo they also enjoyed a festive raffle.





Improving the environment



Young People

# Environmental Traineeship

Performance Indicator

Per annum  
**£222,988**  
100% spend

## Supporting Christmas Events

As ever, the team with BCB were actively involved in making our villages in the North East Area look bright and cheerful in the dark winter months.

They not only dressed the trees with lovely lights and erected them, but they also supported the many community events for the light 'Switch-Ons' to keep everyone safe and sound.

## Work as usual

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.

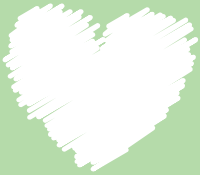


A BCB 'Grinch' helper at the Cudworth Christmas Event

	Achieved this quarter
Number of full time employees	6
Number of traineeships started, created and supported	6
Number of people supported, who are from disadvantaged backgrounds	1
Number of learners from the NE Postcode area	2
Amount of Green Waste removed (Tonne)	2
Number of purple bags collected	
Number of volunteer Events supported	11
Number of black bags collected	2900



Christmas Trees and Lights in the North East and a bit of Christmas Cheer too!



# 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.

### Schools work:

Work continues at Outwood Carlton and Shafton Academies where Sarah facilitates information sessions looking at smoking and vaping and has plans.



### New:

The service is able to now move cigarette smokers onto vapes for a set period, free of charge, with the aim to reduce dependence on cigarettes.

Per annum  
**£30,000**  
100% spend



## South West Yorkshire Partnership

Free Vape kits to help smokers to stop

### 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 £ <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>



## June to Sept 22-23

### Stop Smoking Results

Stop Smoking Results	Quarterly Target	Actual
To treat <b>6%</b> of the smokers in the North East	<b>120</b>	<b>TBC</b>
To get <b>55%</b> to quit at 4 weeks	<b>55%</b>	<b>TBC</b>
To get <b>45%</b> to quit at 12 weeks	<b>45%</b>	<b>TBC</b>



- Sarah's clinics**
- Cudworth Health Centre  
Monday 9am - 4.30pm
  - Grimethorpe Centre  
Thursday 9am - 12pm
  - Royston Library  
Thursday 1pm - 4.30pm
  - Lundwood Family Centre  
Friday 9am - 12.30pm

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 Oct and 31st Dec 2023

**78** Opened

**49** Closed

NB: Cases 'Closed' can be from previous quarters

**50** Currently open

It has been an interesting quarter, with issues including dog fouling and waste in gardens, fly tipping, side waste, flooded properties, overgrown gardens, hedge/boundary disputes, self-neglect and hoarding.

In October, letter drops regarding dog fouling and the penalties faced for failing to pick up dog faeces received positive feedback. Some people phoned up to report issues the next day and generally residents were happy that we were taking the matter seriously.

At the end of October, in areas affected by flooding I visited several residents in the days following the incident to see how they were coping following the floods and to offer help with the £350 voucher scheme, insurance viability, electric supplies and damage.

	Annual Target	Achieved this quarter	To Date - July 2023-June 2024
Number of proactive initial property contacts	<b>200</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>170</b>
Number of properties with waste on premises		<b>69</b>	<b>63</b>
Number of properties improved because of service intervention	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
Number of requests to landlords (both formal and informal)	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>
Number of individuals signposted to other services and agencies	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
Number of fly-tipping cases	<b>20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>
Number of property inspections	<b>20</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>

### Referrals to other services and partners were:

Citizens Advice Bureau -	3 people referred for mainly financial issues/help
Council Tax and Benefits -	3 people referred regarding council tax/housing benefit
Warmer Homes -	10 people
Smoking Cessation -	2 people
IAPT -	3 people for stress and anxiety
Barneslai Homes -	7 people

OCTOBER 2023  
STORM BABEL  
FLOODED AREAS  
OF LUNDWOOD



# 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.

New Dog Poop bags purchased will be biodegradable so that there will be less impact on the environment.



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 Detached Youth Work



Health & Wellbeing



Young People

## Performance Management Report

April 2023 - March 2024

### The Youth Association

Over the last few quarters Youth Workers have built and maintained strong and consistent relationships with young people and groups across the North East area. This has allowed focused work and most projects to continue and flourish during the winter period, when it is typically quieter on street-based sessions.

#### What is StreetSmart?

StreetSmart is an initiative that provides 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.

#### Key Outcomes:

Young People:

- have an understanding of crime and violence
- are empowered to be capable activists, skilled in self-organisation, problem solving and critical thinking
- become less likely to adopt attitudes that contribute towards violence against women and girls
- improve mental wellbeing and self-awareness

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.



(Left) Young People engaging with a healthy relationships workshop delivered SoundProof Box. Identifying 'red flags' such as coercive control acted out in role-play scenarios.



(Right) Young people taking part in a risk and consequence workshop

Number of Young People Engaged (YP)

**420**

Yearly Target

**44**

Total Number of Sessions

**N/A**

Quarter 3 2023-24

**29**

Young people regularly engaged (3+ sessions)

**92**

**27**

YP participating in mental wellbeing workshops

**60**

**11**

YP participating in StreetSafe workshops (crime awareness etc)

**90**

**26**

YP participating in sports / physical activity sessions

**100**

**7**

YP taking a lead - co-produce project with youth workers

**30**

**18**

YP reporting sense of achievement, pride or similar

**30**

**12**

(Below) Young people taking part in a litter pick



# Youth Development Grant

## Performance Management Report April 2023 - March 2024



Health &  
Wellbeing



Young  
People

### 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.



**GREAT  
HOUGHTON  
YOUTH  
GROUP**

# Youth Development Grant - Small

Services in the North East Area



Healthy Lifestyles Young People

## Performance Management Report

April 2023 - March 2024

### Ad Astra - Academic Term 1 - 2023-24

September - December 2023

#### Carlton & Shafton Academy - Group Listening

£7,000.00 p/a - 100% spend

- 4 Groups of 8-10 pupils
- 79 Group Sessions
- 440 Visits to Sessions
- 56 Individuals supported

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



#### Collaboration



Communication with schools is working well. The school identifies new cohorts of young people that seem to be struggling from Years 7, 8 and 9 ahead of sessions beginning.

#### Issues:

There have been no major issues this term. All the groups have been coordinated and the names delivered to us prior to each half term. Some sessions the numbers were low which may be as both schools had mock exams which took our usual room so this also caused a little disruption. Communications are ongoing with weekly reports into school after each session

**“We delivered an additional week in December in Carlton due to the mock exams”.**

#### National Safeguarding Week 20th - 24th November'23

As part of National Safeguarding Week Ad Astra provided lunchtime sessions for pupils concerned about Safeguarding issues. 230 young people attended and the feedback from these sessions was very positive.

#### Key Issues/Topics for Discussion

- Worries about being in secondary school
- What triggers emotions and Anger issues
- Parents drug use
- Positive Healthy relationships
- How to build your resilience
- Taking responsibility for actions and consequences
- No IT equipment at home for homework
- Different makeup of families
- Estranged family
- LAC – Social Care Involvement
- Gender Race and equality
- Disagreements and coping strategies
- Estranged families social care impact on families
- Personal Aspirations
- Anxiety and panic attacks
- Safeguarding issues – suicidal thoughts
- What is resilience and how do we become more resilient
- Personal Aspirations and goal setting and being realistic
- How to behave in different situations
- School interventions
- Disruptive behaviour
- Male Mental Health
- Death and bereavement in families



**GAZ run after school activity sessions on two evenings per week during term time and they have had three sessions per week during school holidays.**

Several young people volunteer to help run the sessions. Children take part in arts and crafts, games and competitions.

They receive free food at each session.

*“We help with problems such as food poverty, mental well-being, improving educational attainment and reducing the level of youth nuisance and anti-social behaviour”.*

Existing Volunteers	<b>x3</b>
New Volunteers	<b>x1</b>
Volunteer Hours	<b>131 hrs</b>

Number of clubs/camps	<b>24</b>
Number of young people in attendance	<b>387</b>
Number of <b>individual</b> young people	<b>32</b>



**Art Project - Seaside Scene**



## Exodus Project

£4,779 per year - 100% spend to date

## October - December 2023

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



**A total of 256 Volunteer Hours were logged in this period.**



These were for the 9 people who help make the Day Camp, the Kidz club and the Rock Solid Clubs a success.

The building at Jenny’s Field has undergone some renovations which will be great for children’s activities and camps in the future

**Cudworth**

- 10 Kids Clubs
- 10 Youth Clubs
- 1 Day Camps
- x 21 Aged 7-10
- x 15 Aged 11-14

**Brierley**

- 10 Kids Clubs
- 10 Youth Clubs
- x 16 Aged 7-10
- x 22 Aged 11-14

# Youth Development Grant - Small

Services in the North East Area



Healthy Lifestyles Young People

## Performance Management Report

April 2023 - March 2023

### Great Houghton Youth Group

- Great Houghton Welfare Hall / Little Theatre Thurnscoe

#### Youth Group Session Activities

12 Sessions

#### 'Reading Room Project' Over 50's Coffee Morning

12 Sessions

#### 'Reading Room Project' Over 50's 'Eat & Meet' monthly free lunch

- Arts & Crafts
- Healthy Eating Sessions
- Litter picking
- Board Games
- Personal Development
- Exercise
- Tuck Shop

The youth group sessions, activities & projects have been successful at helping our young people to gain confidence, build relationships and gain respect for others, respect for our community & respect for our senior citizens.

#### Informal Education Sessions based on:

- Healthy Eating
- Exercise
- Friendship
- Peer Pressure & Staying Safe

These raised their levels of awareness of being able to choose their friendships more appropriately and the various aspects of how to be a good friend.

Much of this work was important when problems from school were brought into the Youth Group for a short period, our young people were able to work with our staff to resolve the issues appropriately and there were no further incidents.

**"Our work on peer pressure, respect & friendships proved invaluable".**

They have worked hard and been challenged to enjoy themselves safely outside the comfort zones of home, school and in the youth group with offsite activities. In many cases these skills were not always evident when they first attended the sessions, in particular with the new intake each September but it is always a pleasure to see them develop & grow.

**GREAT HOUGHTON YOUTH GROUP**

Our young people were able to consolidate their understanding of the need to listen & follow instructions to stay safe, and they were able to resolve issues amicably with other children/young people given the opportunity, with the help of adults.



**North East Area Council Meeting:  
21 March 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.
- 2.3 Members agree the recommended Option 1: offer an extension to the Age UK Social Isolation & Dementia project via a variation to grant agreement for a further 1 year from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025 for £39,995.
- 2.4 Members note that the Healthy Lifestyle Funding panel agreed to funding for the following projects:
  - 2.4.1 Jolly Good Communities Olympics Event £2,464
  - 2.4.2 Grassroots North East Family Project Pilot £2,940
- 2.5 Members agree the Recommendation Option 4: to devolve £40,000 from the 2024-25 Area Council Commissioning budget into Ward Alliance budgets (£10,000 per Ward Alliance).

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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
2024 Clean & Green Service	TBC	£200,000	01/04/2024	31/03/2027	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



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Healthy Lifestyles Fund Alcohol & Drugs Advisor – Outreach Pilot	Humankind - Recovery Steps	£41,000 Total from NEAC	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	SLA Total 2yr Project Cost £71k, (£30k match funding received)
Healthy Lifestyles Fund Physical Activity & Healthy Eating Family Pilot	Grassroots	£2,940 Total from NEAC			Grant Total 1yr project costs £10,610 (match funding for the remainder)
Healthy Lifestyles Fund Olympics Event	Jolly Good Communities	£2,464 Total from NEAC			Grant Total Event Cost £5,864 (match funding for the remainder)
Healthy Lifestyles Fund – Budget Balance as approved by Area Council	TBC – open fund	Total Funding committed by NEAC £30,000 £30,000  £13,956	01/04/23 01/04/24  Fund balance	31/03/24 31/03/25	TBC

## 5 Contract & Grant Financial Decisions

### Healthy Lifestyles Priority

#### Age UK – Social Isolation & Dementia Initiative (North East)

- 5.1 At the Area Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022, the NEAC decided to fund a Social Isolation project which was progressed through procurement by Rachel Payling (covering for Caroline Donovan at the time).
- 5.2 The scope of the project was intended to be for 3 years and the grant application proposal from the provider covered costs for 3 years
- 5.3 The procurement event resulted in an initial grant to Age UK Barnsley for 1-year delivery from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 for £39,995 for the year.
- 5.4 At the North East Area Council meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Members noted budget projections for a financial envelope of £39,995 per year for two years to continue with a Social Isolation service to 31 July 2025.
- 5.5 After advice from the Council's legal team last year, they confirmed that the grant agreement can be varied to reflect the original intention of the project spanning three years.
- 5.6 At the Area Council Meeting on 25 May 2023, members agreed to offer an extension to the Age UK Social Isolation project via a variation to grant agreement for a further 1-years from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024 at a cost of £39,998 with a view to a further 1-year extension from 01 June 2024 to 31 July 2024.
- 5.7 Age UK Barnsley has met all milestones and outcomes and has firmly put its roots down in the North East Area. After robust grant monitoring through the duration of the existing agreement, there are no concerns and the project effectively supports older people across the whole North East Area through a combination of 1-1 befriending, group support, seasonal activities, community events and home-based activities. This is demonstrated through quarterly performance reports showing consistent needs that includes case studies and through collaboration with the Area Team. They also bring significant social value through volunteering and other complimentary projects and initiatives that are funded through other sources.
- 5.8 **Recommended Option 1: offer an extension to the Age UK Social Isolation project via a variation to grant agreement for a further 1-year from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025 at a cost of £39,998.**
- 5.9 **Option 2:** start a fresh procurement exercise to appoint a new provider to deliver the services. This option is not recommended as it would cause significant inconvenience and substantial duplication of costs for the Council. Additionally, there is no guarantee that an alternative provider can be procured.

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5.10 **Option 3:** do not extend the Age UK Barnsley Social Isolation project and allow it to expire on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

### Healthy Lifestyles Funding Panel

5.11 At the North East Area Council meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Members agreed to a recommendation to commit a financial envelope of £30,000 per year for two years to progress the Healthy Lifestyles Priority.

5.12 At the North East Area Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023, Members agreed to a recommendation to identify a funding panel made up of NEAC Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director

5.13 The Healthy Lifestyles Funding Panel met on 28 February 2024 and agreed to fund two projects, details are as follows:

5.13.1 **Jolly Good Communities – The Barnsley Games:** The Barnsley Games proposal aims to create a one-off (replicable) sporting event on Sunday 11 August 2024 at the Dorothy Hymen Sports Stadium, to celebrate the 2024 Olympics and promote community cohesion, health and well-being, and local pride.

The project is expected to achieve around 800 volunteering hours which equates to £10,800 of social return on investment.

#### Objectives

- To increase participation and engagement in sport and physical activity among Barnsley residents, especially those from across the North East Area.
- To showcase the diversity and talent of Barnsley's sports, physical activity and health sectors, and to provide opportunities for local volunteers to get involved in the Olympics.
- To enhance the image and reputation of Barnsley as a vibrant and attractive destination for visitors and investors, and to generate economic and social benefits for the local community.

#### Activities

The Barnsley Games proposal consists of three main components:

1. A one-off sports festival, with workshops, and competitions, covering a range of Olympic and Paralympic disciplines, as well as traditional and emerging sports. The programme will target schools, clubs, and community groups.
2. A comprehensive marketing and communication campaign.
3. A robust evaluation and monitoring plan.

#### Cost

The Barnsley Games will cost a total of £5,864. Funding has also been secured and/or requested from other local funders.

*The Healthy Lifestyles Panel agreed to part-fund the project £2,464*

**5.13.2 Grassroots Sports Academy – North East Ward Healthy Lifestyles**

**Families Pilot:** This pilot project outlines a comprehensive approach to improving the eating habits and physical activity levels of families in the North East Ward, especially those living in areas of deprivation and social exclusion. The project aims to address the high rates of obesity, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease among the local population, as well as the low levels of physical activity and fruit and vegetable consumption. The project will have two main components: healthy eating workshops and activity sessions. The project will target families with children aged 5-11 years, as this is a crucial period for developing healthy behaviours and preventing chronic diseases later in life. The project will run for 12 months from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31 March 2025 and will be delivered by a team of experienced staff and they will work in partnership with local schools, community centres, and sports clubs.

**Objectives**

- Increase the knowledge and skills of families regarding healthy eating and physical activity
- Increase the consumption of fruit and vegetables and reduce the intake of fat, sugar, and salt among families Increase the participation and enjoyment of physical activity among families, especially in outdoor and natural settings
- Improve the health outcomes and quality of life of families in Barnsley, especially those at risk of obesity, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease

**Activities**

The strategy for achieving these goals is based on the following principles:

- Family-based approach - The project will involve the whole family unit, as parents play a key role in influencing and supporting their children's eating and activity behaviours. The project will also foster family bonding and cohesion through shared activities and experiences.
- Community-based approach: The project will be delivered in local settings that are familiar and accessible to the families, such as community centres, and parks. The project will also encourage community involvement and ownership through engaging local stakeholders and volunteers.
- Evidence-based approach: The project will be informed by the best available evidence and practice guidelines on healthy eating and physical activity for children and families.
- Community Led: The project takes a flexible approach and ongoing community listening and consultation will inform the planning of the activities programme.

**Cost**

The Grassroots pilot will cost a total of £10,610.

Funding has also been secured from other local funders.

*The Healthy Lifestyles Panel agreed to part-fund the project £2,940*

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## Love Where You Live Priority

5.14 Ward Alliance Devolved Funding Ward Alliances continue to respond to community need through micro-commissioning at Grassroots level and carry forward amounts for all Wards demonstrate that the Alliances successfully spent their additional allocations in 2023-24 as follows:

Ward	Estimated Carry Forward Balance (to be finalised)
Cudworth	£1,875.88
Monk Bretton	£3,464.64
North East	£0.00
Royston	£979.32

5.15 **Recommended Option 4: £40,000 is devolved into Ward Alliance budgets (£10,000 per Ward Alliance) from the 2024-25 Area Council Commissioning budget.**

**Option 5:** do not devolve additional Ward Alliance funding from Area Council commissioning budget

## 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>					£27,483.89		£5,000.00	
<b>Base Expenditure plus underspend from previous year</b>					<b>£631,209.06</b>		<b>£601,321.67</b>	
<b>Base expenditure C/F from previous year</b>					£203,725.17		£196,321.67	
NEW Youth Development - Detached Youth	The Youth Association	01-Apr-23	24 months	£45,000.00	£39,747.00	£39,747.00	£39,747.00	
NEW Youth Development - Small	Several	01-Apr-23	24 months	£35,000.00	£41,889.00	£27,662.36	£40,253.00	
Private Sector Housing Officer	BMBC - Enforcement & Community Safety			£73,000.00	£37,750.00	£37,750.00	£40,000.00	
NEET Team Phase 2	BCB	1st June 2016	10 months +1+1+1	£441,920.00	£222,988.33	£222,988.33	£0.00	
Devolved Grant to Ward Alliances	Ward Alliances			£160,000.00	£40,000.00	£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		
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				£55,991.72	£46,000.00	£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 Area Team	Mar-24	24 months	£2,483.89	£1,555.00	£1,555.00		
Balance for that year					£489,921.05	£434,887.39	£200,000.00	
Carry over balance					£141,288.01			
Balance Carried Forward				£2,194,466.00		£196,321.67	£400,000.00	

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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	2023/24	2023/242	2023/243	2024/25	2024/252	2024/253	2025/26	2025/262	2025/263
North East Area Council Allocation		£ 400,000.00			£ 400,000.00			£ 400,000.00		
Durges & Alcohol Project Pilot		£ 25,000.00			£ 5,000.00					
Other Funding										
Balance B/F from previous year		£ 186,784.19			£ 132,357.82			£ 68,860.48		
<b>Total Available Spend:</b>		<b>£ 611,784.19</b>			<b>£ 537,357.82</b>			<b>£ 468,860.48</b>		
Expenditure - Service / Provider	Priority	Committed	Under consideration	Future Proposal	Committed 2	Under consideration2	Future Proposal	Committed 3	Under consideration3	Future Proposal2
Youth Development Small Grants - Balance	Children & Young People	£ 2,105.09			£ 24,941.75					£ 40,000.00
Exodus Brierley	Children & Young People	£ 6,414.25			£ 5,733.75					
Exodus Cudworth	Children & Young People	£ 5,777.42			£ 5,733.75					
Ad Astra 1-1	Children & Young People	£ 3,340.00								
Ad Astra Carlton Group	Children & Young People	£ 6,500.00								
Ad Astra Shafton Group	Children & Young People	£ 6,500.00								
Gt Houghton Youth Group	Children & Young People	£ 6,639.74								
Grimethorpe Activity Zone	Children & Young People	£ 4,612.50			£ 3,843.75					
Youth Development Detached Youth Work	Children & 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
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			£ 9,999.34	£ 30,000.00
Healthy Lifestyles Fund - Balance	Healthy Lifestyles	£ -			£ 13,606.00					£ 30,000.00
Humankind - Recovery Steps Drugs & Alcohol Outreach	Healthy Lifestyles	£ 35,500.00			£ 35,500.00					
Grassroots - NE Families Pilot	Healthy Lifestyles					£ 2,940.00				
Jolly Good Communities - Olympics Event	Healthy Lifestyles					£ 2,454.00				
Sanitary Supplies	Healthy Lifestyles	£ 1,000.00					£ 1,000.00			
NEW Environmental/Clean, Green & Tidy	Thriving & Vibrant Economy				£ 200,000.00			£ 200,000.00		
NEET Team Phase 2	Thriving & Vibrant Economy	£ 222,988.00								
Darfield Road External Grant	N/A - Custodians Only	£ 1,555.00								
<b>Total Expenditure:</b>		<b>£ 479,426.37</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 379,105.34</b>	<b>£ 75,392.00</b>	<b>£ 14,000.00</b>	<b>£ 200,000.00</b>	<b>£ 9,999.34</b>	<b>£ 233,000.00</b>
Total anticipated contract spend:		£ 479,426.37			£ 468,497.34			£ 442,999.34		
<b>Balance C/F</b>		<b>£ 132,357.82</b>			<b>£ 68,860.48</b>			<b>£ 25,861.14</b>		

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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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## Monk Bretton Ward Alliance

**15 December 2023 @ Silverdale Community Centre.**

**In attendance:**

Cllr Ken Richardson, Cllr Margaret Sheard, Sue Fox, Father Darren Percival, Tom Sheard, Christie McFarlane.

Cllr M Sheard in the Chair

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Steve Green, Gemma Conway, Gavin Doxey, Father Blair Redford.	<b>Actions</b>
2	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None	
3	<b>Notes of the previous meeting:</b> Moved as current record.	
4	<b>Project Feedback:</b> Remembrance Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monk Bretton – Stewards should have had Hi Vis</li> <li>• Possibility of collection for British Legion Poppy Appeal, need to contact BL.</li> <li>• Carlton – Well attended.</li> <li>• Lundwood – good attendance.</li> </ul> 10 year celebration – good evening, thanks to Officers. Christmas events – all trees of good quality, Monk Bretton may be moved. Formal planning meeting in March. Achievement awards – Thursday March 14 <sup>th</sup> . Town Hall. Monk Bretton Priory – Application put in.	
5	<b>Ward Alliance Fund – applications received:</b> None	
6	Funding & Finance: Spreadsheets circulated and discussed. Working Fund spending limit – to be discussed in future planning meeting.	
7	<b>Additional Items:</b> None	
8	<b>AOB:</b>  None	
9	<b>Date of Future meetings</b>  Next meeting will be held at Burton Grange Community Centre, 26-1-24	

Meeting closed by MS at 10:30

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Brierley

Great Houghton

Grimethorpe

Shafton

MEETING NOTES				
<b>Meeting Title:</b>	North East Ward Alliance			
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Monday, 22 January 2024 (11am – 1pm)			
<b>Location:</b>	Bow Street Offices, Cudworth,			
<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Ashley Peace			
<b>Minutes:</b>	Gill Holland (Secretary)			
<b>Attendee's:</b>			<b>Apologies:</b>	
Paul Archer, Cllr Ruth Booker, Brenda Doyle, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Darryl Hand (CDO), Allan Hampson, Gill Holland, Linda Knight, Cllr Ashley Peace, Deborah Pearson, Ann Skelton, Elsie Smith		Deborah Hanson, Peter Makinson, Rev Christine Moorey		
Discussion Points:			Action / Decision:	Who By:
<p><b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.</p> <p><b>2. Apologies</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Deborah Hanson, Peter Makinson and Rev Christine Moorey.</p> <p><b>3. Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests</b></p> <p>Councillor Ruth Booker and Linda Knight both expressed an interest in the Shafton Playworks and Shafton Parish Council Ward Alliance Funding Applications and left the meeting during the discussion of these items.</p> <p><b>4. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising</b></p> <p><b>4.1 Hanging Baskets – Update</b></p> <p>The tender process has been completed and KMO Ltd has been awarded the contract for the provision of hanging baskets across the Borough.</p>				

**Brierley**

**Great Houghton**

**Grimethorpe**

**Shafton**

The CDO has met with both the Grimethorpe Residents Group and Shafton Parish Council to outline the new provision in detail. Both groups have decided to remain with their current provider.

The hanging baskets project for Great Houghton will be run by the NE Ward Alliance and there has already been an encouraging uptake of sponsorship of the baskets. Brierley Residents Group are meeting at the beginning of February to discuss provision of hanging baskets. It was agreed that the Ward Alliance will also take responsibility for the project in Brierley and the CDO will publish information about sponsorship of hanging baskets on social media within the next few days as the deadline to submit orders to KMO Ltd is 19 February.

Cost of the Hanging Baskets are as follows:  
£145.00 for a basket with a plaque, £110.00 for a basket without and £55 for a new bracket.

#### **4.2 Ward Alliance Bank Account – Update**

The bank account is now set up with Nat West and will be valuable when applying for small pots of independent funding.

#### **4.3 Other Matters Arising**

##### **Sloppy Slippers**

There was a query about the Sloppy Slipper projects and the £1000 which has been ringfenced for events in the four localities. It is planned that the Sloppy Slipper projects for each village will be included in other events such as More Money in your Pocket/Winter Warmth events. The CDO has costed the slippers at £13 per pair which would mean that approximately 20 pairs of slippers would be available for exchange per village. The CDO will follow up with the company providing the slippers and provide more information at the next meeting.

##### **Ongoing involvement with Students from Outwood Academy, Shafton**

The Chair outlined that it is the intention to continue with quarterly Ward Alliance Meetings at Outwood Academy, Shafton and students will be invited to participate. The CDO advised that he continues to meet regularly with both groups of students involved in the community sessions.



**5. Ward Alliance Funding Applications**

**5.1 Playworks Shafton CIC**

The following issues were raised during discussion.

The CDO confirmed that there is no HAF provision for February half-term and if Playworks' application is rejected the project will not take place.

Queries were raised about the 30 children nominated for the nursery places and noted that it appears it will be the same children attending for the week. It was queried whether we would in essence be providing free half-term childcare for children who already attend the nursery. It was also outlined that a lot of those vulnerable children targeted will already have childcare provision in place.

Playworks are requesting a large amount of money the majority of which is going towards paying nursery workers.

Although described as benefitting children across all four villages. Historically, it is known to be difficult for many families to travel and will mainly benefit children from the Shafton area.

Due to the considerations raised above the Ward Alliance Members rejected the funding request.

**5.2 Pins & Needles, Shafton**

It was agreed that this is a good, supportive community group which supports social activity and promotes good mental health.

The following issues were raised during discussion:

The group have requested a large sum of money and they have already received £1099.99 for equipment at the beginning of the year. Noted that they returned £340 which was not spent.

There is a question of requesting funding for the purchase of equipment and nothing in the application which describes how this will contribute towards the sustainability of the group.

The application does not describe any plans for match-funding. Members felt that the equipment would be an enhancement to the group rather than a vital piece of equipment without which the group could not

<p>operate. It was also queried whether there are other ways for patterns to printed by individual members of the group.</p> <p>Due to the issues discussed above, Members agreed to reject the funding application but asked that the CDO offer his support in completing further funding requests.</p> <p><b>5.3 Bowling Green, Shafton Parish Council</b></p> <p>Noted that Shafton Parish Council have recently returned £750 for the Walking Map Project which did not take place.</p> <p>The request is for funding for some urgent ‘TLC’ for the area around the bowling green. The green itself is in pristine condition. The Community Payback Team will be involved in maintaining and sustaining the area.</p> <p>It was highlighted that Shafton residents pay annual rates to the Parish Council for the upkeep and maintenance of community assets. Funding this request would effectively mean that Shafton residents are ‘paying twice’ for the upkeep of one of their community assets. Additionally, users of the bowling green pay fees to use the facility.</p> <p>Due to the issue discussed above Members agreed to reject the funding application.</p> <p><b>5.4 NEWA Hanging Baskets</b></p> <p>Members agreed to have a NE Ward Alliance sponsored hanging basket in each of the four villages and for £600 to be ringfenced for the project.</p> <p>The CDO asked Grimethorpe and Shafton to confirm if they still have space available for a basket in their areas since their projects are run independently. Once the CDO receives confirmation from Shafton and Grimethorpe he will submit a WAF to request the funding for all four villages and add the request to the order to be submitted to KMO Ltd in February.</p> <p><b>5.5 Great Houghton – Coach Trip</b></p> <p>It was confirmed that this is a community coach trip organized annually for families in Great Houghton. The subsidy requested will enable more families to afford the trip.</p> <p>Noted that the funding request is for £750 to go towards the cost of the coach hire. There will be a ticket charge of £10 per person with places for</p>	<p>5.4 CDO to submit a WAF for the NEWA Hanging Baskets</p>	<p>DH</p>
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100 people. The extra £400 raised through ticket sales will be put towards the cost of the coach hire for next year's trip thereby promoting the sustainability of the project.

Members agreed to support the funding application for the total amount requested.

## 5.6 Grassroots Provision

The Chair explained that there is initial discussion with Grassroots about providing some regular activity sessions across all four villages starting in April for the coming year. The proposal is for activities to take place on the middle two Saturdays each month with each village having a morning or afternoon's provision. The provision will be wider in scope than sport, and Grassroots will also provide a mobile kitchen and learning about nutrition. Initial thoughts are that funding for the proposal could be taken from a combination of the Innovation Fund, Area Council Funding and Ward Alliance Funding.

The CDO has just received the proposal from Grassroots which will be outlined in detail at the next meeting during the planning discussion.

## 6. Finances

**6.1** The statement of expenditure was updated by the CDO and circulated with the agenda. It was noted:

**Core Funding:** Total Spent £21,649.03 remaining £4210.52. The only change in the finances is the payment of £288.55 towards Christmas events at St Michaels and All Angels.

**Working Fund:** Total Spent £3,212.45 remaining £812.55. The only change noted is a £100 payment to the Great Houghton Welfare Committee for their recent centenary event.

The CDO confirmed that the Statement of Expenditure reflects the underspend from the Christmas events. It was highlighted that the level of annual spend across all four villages has been fair and proportionate.

**6.2** It was queried whether it was appropriate to make the decision regarding NE Ward Alliance finances and whether Members were in agreement to continue to have a central fund for NE Ward Alliance finances rather than separate funds. Members agreed that they would like the financial arrangements to remain the same for the coming year.

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**Shafton**

**7. Christmas Events in the North East – Reflection**

The Chair expressed thanks to all those who supported the success of the Christmas events across the four villages.

It was discussed that a significant amount is given to fund these events and there is a lot of positive planning and activity on which to build for future events. It was agreed that constructive conversation about future Christmas events needs to take place with community partners so that expectations and responsibilities can be communicated and clarified.

It was also agreed that young people need to continue to have an input in the planning future events. The Chair advised that discussion and planning around Christmas activities will take place within the wider action plan review and forward planning discussions which are tabled for the Ward Alliance meetings in February and April.

**8. Review of 2023 Action Plan**

The CDO shared the Review of the Action Plan document which has already been populated with actions and progress made against the priorities for 23/24. The Chair highlighted that the review reflects a good range of activities across the four villages and that all of the priorities for 23/24 have been achieved and in many cases exceeded.

The review of this document will help in the preparation of the NE Ward Alliance Report which will be included in the annual Area Councils Performance Report. The CDO asked Ward Alliance Members to review the document and send any additions for the Actions/Progress column to [DarrylHand@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:DarrylHand@barnsley.gov.uk).

**9. Outstanding Monitoring**

Brierley Residents Group – Summer fete

The CDO updated that the monitoring information is still outstanding for this event. This will continue to be chased and the group informed that no further funding will be considered until the monitoring information is received.

**10. AOB**

**10.1 Ward Alliance Membership**

The Chair advised that we have made several attempts to recruit Ward Alliance Members from Brierley and will continue to do so. The Councillors will be writing out to current Ward Alliance Members to ask

them to confirm that they would like to continue to serve on the NE Ward Alliance.

The Chair reminded Members to confirm their attendance for Ward Alliance Meetings either by accepting/declining the meeting appointments or sending apologies. For the most part attendance is relatively good, but Members were reminded that if anyone does not attend three consecutive meeting without sending apologies then in line with Ward Alliance guidance a replacement representative will be recruited.

### 10.2 Purple Bags

The CDO updated that we are still waiting for the new bags which have the new branding and will inform Members once the bags are available.

**UPDATE:** The new purple bags are now available and have been delivered to:

- Sainsbury's - Shafton
- Morrisons - Great Houghton
- Brierley shop. - Brierley
- New Options Gym - Grimethorpe.

Volunteers can scan the QR code on the bag to request litter collection.

### 10.3 Young Peoples Visit to the Mayors Chamber

The Chair confirmed that meeting for the students from Outwood Academy, Shafton has been confirmed for Friday, 23 February. The visit will include meeting the Mayor, a tour of the Town Hall and visit to *Experience Barnsley*. The school is inviting 20 students and will provide their own transport. If any Members would like to attend this session, please let [DarrylHand@barnsley.gov](mailto:DarrylHand@barnsley.gov). know.

### 10.4 Brierley Commemorative Garden


The CDO advised that the NE Ward Alliance has taken on a Service Level Agreement for the new Commemorative Garden on Church Street in Brierley. In preparation, the CDO has had initial discussions with the Section 106 Panel and Brierley Residents Group. He has already obtained two quotes for the work and will be getting a third to take for consideration to the 106 Panel.

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<p><b>10.5 Youth Association Query</b></p> <p>Members asked if the Youth Association could provide an update on the work with the youth in the area. The CDO will get in touch with Nadine Handley and ask for an update.</p> <p><b>Date &amp; Time of Next Meeting:</b> Tuesday, 27 February 2024 10am – 12pm</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> Shafton Parish Council, Community Centre, Venue confirmed</p>	<p>10.5 The CDO to ask for an update from the Youth Association</p>	<p>DH</p>
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<p style="text-align: right;"><b>Date:</b></p>	<p>6 February 2024</p>	

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MEETING NOTES		
<b>Meeting Title:</b>	North East Ward Alliance	
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Tuesday, 27 February 2024 (10am – 12pm)	
<b>Location:</b>	Shafton Parish Council – Community Centre	
<b>Chair:</b>	Cllr Ruth Booker	
<b>Minutes:</b>	Gill Holland (Secretary)	
<b>Attendee's:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>	
Cllr Ruth Booker, Brenda Doyle, Cllr Jeff Ennis, Darryl Hand (CDO), Allan Hampson, Gill Holland, Deborah Pearson, Ann Skelton, Elsie Smith,	Paul Archer Deborah Hanson Linda Knight Peter Makinson Rev Christine Moorey Cllr Ashley Peace	
<b>Other Attendees:</b> Lisa Phelan, North East Area Team Manager BMBC, Chris Newton and Connor Everard - Grassroots Sports Academy and Faye Dolan - Youth Association		
<b>Discussion Points:</b>	<b>Action / Decision:</b>	<b>Who By:</b>
<p><b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with introductions.</p> <p><b>2. Apologies</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Paul Archer, Deborah Hanson, Linda Knight, Peter Makinson, Rev Christine Moorey and Cllr Ashley Peace</p> <p><b>3. Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests</b></p> <p>Deborah Pearson expressed an interest in the Great Houghton Village Hall Committee WAF request and left the meeting during the discussion of this item.</p>		

**4. Grassroots Sports Academy, Chris Newton & Connor Everard**

**4.1 Young People’s Consultation**

Connor Everard gave an overview of the results of the consultation with the 17 students from Outwood Academy, Shafton who attended the Mayor’s Reception on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024.

Below is a table which outlines the questions put to the students and their responses.

Question	Response	# of Students
What events have you attended?	None	9
	Christmas Fair	3
	Sports Club	4
If you had £1000 to spend in your area, what would you spend it on?	Youth Clubs	1
	Sports Clubs	4
	Support Groups	1
	Park Improvements	6
	Cleaner/Litter Picking	1
	Career Signposting	1
What activities would you like to see in your area?	Fun Fair/Circus	2
	Sports	8
	First Aid	1
	Festivals/Fairs (Game based)	1
	Warm Spaces	1
	Social Events	1
	Trampolining	1
What Areas Are Not Utilised Properly?	Green Spaces	11
What improvements would you like to see in your area?	Cleaner Areas	6
	Parks	7
	Activities	4
	Policing/Staffing	1
	Woodland Areas	1
	Support Groups	1



The demographics of the students who participated in the consultation are as follows.

**Gender:** 11 female, 5 male, 1 gender fluid.

**Location:** Shafton 5, Cudworth 5, Monk Bretton 2, Brierley 1, Ardsley 1, Lundwood 1.

Chris highlighted that the majority of the students felt that park spaces are not utilised properly, and that most of the parks in the area are unsuitable for their age group. They also expressed that some of the parks could be significantly improved by simple measures such as facilities being painted.

It was also noted from the discussion that the primary mode of advertising local events is through Facebook which does seem to reach parents and teachers effectively. However, on talking with students only one of the 17 still uses Facebook. The rest of the students favoured other social media platforms such as Tik Tok and Instagram therefore some consideration needs to be given to how we advertise community events.

Chris explained that as a result of this consultation they have been asked by the school to do some further consultation work with students.

#### 4.2 Grassroots Proposal – 12 Month Project Plan

Chris Newton highlighted the following information from the proposed project plan which was circulated before the meeting.

One of the main aims of the project is to “develop community spirit” within the four villages of the North East Ward Alliance with the main objectives of family/intergenerational participation and making new connections and friends. Grassroots will deliver one two-hour session of activities (10.00am – 12.00pm or 12.30pm – 2.30pm) in each of the four areas on the middle two Saturdays of the month. The sessions will be held in indoor and outdoor venues and include activities such as sports, arts and crafts, theatre productions and summer events. The activities will also include sessions on preparing and cooking healthy food on a budget. It is hoped that as the project progresses people from the community will suggest other activities they would like to see in their areas.

Chris outlined that in order to meet the needs of the different communities the 12-month provision will be adaptable and flexible. They will track and monitor outcomes on a monthly basis and report back to the Ward Alliance Members.

**5. Youth Association Update, Faye Dolan**

Faye outlined that the Youth Association, YA ([The Youth Association](#)) mainly focuses on detached, street-based outreach, connecting and building relationships with young people where they are - whether that is on the streets or in local parks. They also deliver targeted workshops and are currently working in Outwood Academy, Shafton with two single gender groups and completing work around gender specific issues.

Faye explained that they are also working with a group of 13–14-year-olds in Grimethorpe. They do meet and work with older teenagers, but it can take longer to establish relationships with this cohort since they are generally more reluctant to engage.

Members identified some “hot spots” in their communities where young people are congregating. Faye requested that Members continue to send information through the CDO [darrylhand@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:darrylhand@barnsley.gov.uk) and the YA workers will plan to visit the areas which have been identified.

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

**6.1 Actions from 22 January 2024**

**5.4 NEWA WAF**

CDO to submit a WAF for the NEWA Hanging Basket.

**10.5 AOB**

CDO to ask for an update from the Youth Association.

The CDO updated that both these items have been completed.

**6.2 Other matters arising:**

- **Hanging Baskets**

The CDO confirmed that the difference in price of the Hanging Baskets across the North East Ward is because Shafton and Grimethorpe are continuing to use their current providers whilst the NE Ward Alliance has taken responsibility for the hanging baskets in Great Houghton and Brierley and are using the new provider for the Borough.

- **Ward Alliance Bank Account**

This is now set up so Members can now actively look at applying for different grants as appropriate.

- **Sloppy Slippers**

The first event is next Friday, 8 March (2.00pm – 4.00pm) in the Welfare Hall in Great Houghton. The slipper exchange is one of several services planning to attend the event such as Age UK Barnsley, DIAL Barnsley, More Money in Your Pocket and Humankind – Mental Health Support.

The CDO reminded Members that each pair of slippers costs £13 and the budget for each area allows for 20 free pairs per location. The CDO has included the information about the number of free pairs available in the advertising for the event. The sloppy slippers events for the other three villages will be organised in the coming months.

- **Ongoing involvement with Students from Outwood Academy, Shafton**

The CDO stated that last week’s meeting in the town hall between the students and the Mayor was very encouraging. There was lots of great engagement and subsequently three students have submitted an application for Ward Alliance Membership. The intention is to continue to meet as a Ward Alliance with the students on a quarterly basis. The CDO has written to school staff asking that there is representation from each of the four areas.

## 7. Finances

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

**Core Funding:** Total Spent £25,859.55 remaining £0. This figure reflects the inclusion of the two potential WAFs being discussed in today’s meeting and possible ringfenced money for the Grassroots 12-month provision.

**Working Fund:** Total Spent £4,025.00 remaining £0. The only changes noted are a £40 payment to Grassroots for leading the Outwood

Academy, Shafton consultation during the Mayoral Reception and possible ringfenced money for the Grassroots 12-month provision.

**8. WAFs**

**8.1 Brierley Sewing Bees**

It was noted that this is a very professionally run group which provides an opportunity for social connection for many people in the community. The group has over 40 members from all over the North East Area and there is currently a waiting list for membership. Historically the group have not requested any funding before. The equipment the group is requesting will replace the current equipment which is in disrepair and not fit for purpose.

Members of the Ward Alliance agreed to fund the application from Brierley Sewing Bees for the full amount requested.

**8.2 Great Houghton Village Hall Committee**

The CDO outlined that the request is for an Easter activity provision on 24<sup>th</sup> March for children and families and will include free activities for children. Local businesses from the area will be invited to attend to sell their goods and promote their businesses. The committee is planning to cover the cost of the venue hire and the cost of refreshments will be covered by income generated at previous events. It was agreed that this is a great family project and that events in Great Houghton usually have good participation from children and parents.

Members of the Ward Alliance agreed to fund the application from Great Houghton Village Hall Committee for the full amount requested.

**9. Grassroots 12-month Provision**

Ward Alliance Members agreed that the Grassroots 12-month provision will be an effective outreach tool for the communities in the North East Ward. Members reached a consensus to allocate the entirety of the underspends from both the Core Budget (£1,810) and the Working Fund (£380), totalling £2,190 for the fiscal year 2023-24 to the Grassroots project.

Additionally, it was agreed to earmark £800 from the 2024-25 Ward Alliance Budget. However, if match funding from other sources proves

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unsuccessful, the Ward Alliance is open to increasing this allocation to £1,000 if deemed necessary.

**10. Action Plan & Priorities for 24/25**

The CDO commented that Ward Alliance Members need to consider what events need to be replicated during the year 24/25 and the appropriate funds need to be ringfenced from the new budget. Through discussion it was agreed to keep the same Ward Alliance priorities for the coming year and to ringfence funds for the Outdoor Cinema event and Christmas events.

**11. Outstanding Monitoring**

The CDO reported that he is continuing to support members of the Brierley Residents Group regarding monitoring and expects the outstanding information to be submitted by the end of March.

Once this information has been submitted the CDO will pull together the information for the NE Ward Alliance which will then go to make up the North East Area Council Performance Report. Thanks were expressed to the CDO for his work in supporting Brierley Residents Group with their submission and for all his hard work in collating the monitoring information for the North East Ward.

**12. AOB**

**12.1 DIAL Q3 Report**

The CDO drew Members' attention to the DIAL Q3 report circulated before the meeting. Lisa Phelan will find out when the service is due for renewal then discussion is needed about future provision for the area. It was noted that the numbers of people using the service does not necessarily accurately reflect the number of hours of work spent with each client. Lisa also mentioned that DIAL have reported that appointment slots are always filled, and they have never had an occasion when appointments have not been used.

12.1 LP to find out when the service is due for renewal and table for discussion at the appropriate Ward Alliance meeting.

LP

## 12.2 Section 106 Update

The CDO advised that the quarterly 106 update put together by Laura Sharman has been circulated before the meeting for information. The CDO gave the following updates:

- Brierley - Consultation for the commemorative garden in Brierley has been completed and this has now gone to Panel for consideration.
- Shafton - The CDO is meeting with Shafton Parish Council this afternoon to begin initial discussion about green spaces within the community and possible future projects.
- Grimethorpe – The Dell Phase II will have new play equipment installed including a zipwire and inclusive roundabout.

## 12.3 Healthwatch Hygiene Report

The CDO shared that he had enclosed this report with the meeting papers as he wants Members to consider the findings from the survey - in particular the statistic that 45% of the 139 people from the Borough who took part in the survey stated that they have had to go without essential hygiene or sanitary products. The CDO highlighted that this is a 10% increase on the previous survey. Various options on how we could support this agenda were discussed such as consulting the students from Outwood Academy Shafton and including this as part of the Grassroots provision.

**Date & Time of Next Meeting:** Tuesday, 9 April 2024  
10.00am – 12.00pm

**Venue:** New Options Gym, Grimethorpe, S72 7FN

**Minutes Approved By:**

**Date:** 6 March 2024

**Royston Ward Alliance**  
6pm Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
The Grove, Station Road, Royston

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Pauline McCarthy (Chair)
	Councillor Dave Webster
	Bill Newman
	John Craig
	John Clare
	Gemma Conway
	Graham Kyte
	John Openshaw (Secretary)
<b>In Attendance</b>	Christie McFarlane (Community Development Officer)

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Councillor Caroline Makinson	
	Father Craig Tomlinson	
	Kevin Copley	
<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 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 were a true record,	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Matters Arising from the notes</b>	
4.1	<b>5.1 Canal</b> , members were informed that the group were successful in their application to the Freemasonry and Lieutenancies Partnership Fund.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Community Updates</b>	
5.1	<b>Canal</b> , Carlton College have agreed to hold an assembly to discuss the Canal with the groups to be invited to attend. <b>Sluice</b> a report has been prepared for consideration by the Capital Oversight Board. <b>Environment Agency</b> , following recommendations for the EA to improve the summer oxygen levels within the Canal. The group have secured funds to purchase an Airator other kit required include a generator, an oxygen meter and storage. Funds already secured and funds from the Ward Alliance will allow the group to address low oxygen issues within the canal in the summer. <b>Cronk Hill Lane</b> it was reported that the surface of Cronk Hill Lane is deteriorating.	
5.2	<b>In Bloom</b> , some of the Autumn planting is still outstanding and the project has a current underspend. This will be utilised within the Spring planting and the Yorkshire in Bloom competition. <b>Volunteer Sessions</b> , future sessions would take place on the first Mondays of each month starting on Monday the 5 <sup>th</sup> February meeting at 9:30am in Royston Park. <b>Lee Lane Roundabout</b> , some weed suppression is required. <b>Manor Bakeries</b> , date for the company volunteers are to be put forward.	

5.3	<b>Principal Towns</b> , the secretary gave an update on a meeting held with the new head of planning at Rabbit Ings. The meeting was productive and it was agreed that a business plan would be put together with more detailed design.	
5.4	<b>Royston Section 106</b> , notes of the meeting held on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> January were distributed.	
5.5	<b>Lynwood Drive Play Area</b> , dates have been agreed with the Probation Service who will be painting the Climbing Frame. Lightmain have been issued with an order for a bench and to refurbish the swings.	
5.6	<b>Youth Club Site</b> , Councillor Makinson has tried without success to encourage Beneslai Homes owner of the site to reinstate the wall.	
5.7	<b>Tree Planting on Midland Road Site</b> , the project is awaiting approval for the installation of the trees from the local authorities Assets department.	
5.8	<b>Community Orchard</b> , following a site meeting on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> January an action plan was prepared by Park Services. Looking at the entrance arch into the orchard and the information boards.	
5.9	<b>Park and Play Area Master Planning</b> following a site meeting on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> January an action plan was prepared by Park Services. This included looking at play area, general park and the orchard. It looks at what works could be undertaken in short, medium and long term and who would take responsibility for each element.	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Ward Alliance Action Finances</b>	
6.1	Finance reports were distributed and included Ward Alliance allocations to date. It was reported that there is an outstanding balance of £900.00.	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Funding Applications</b>	
7.1	<b>Allocation of Balance.</b> <b>Achievement Awards</b> following the review of last year's event some adjustments to the careering were proposed. In light of these changes it was proposed to increase the budget for the event with the allocation of a further £500.00. This was recommended. <b>Orchard Information Boards.</b> It was proposed to allocate £400.00 toward the installation of information Boards to match possible grants from other sources. This was Recommended.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
8.1	<b>Hanging Baskets</b> , the contract to supply hanging baskets across Barnsley for 2024 has been out to tender. The contract has been secured by KMO Ltd. The cost of hanging baskets for 2024 are, New Basket Sponsors plus Plaque £145.00 Existing Sponsors with Plaque £110.00 Following a discussion on a number of proposals on how to support the Hanging Basket Project it was agreed to allocate a budget of £2,000.00	
8.2	<b>Gala</b> , the Ward Alliance <u>have been approached by Grimethorpe and District Band asking about performing at our next Gala.</u>	



8.3	<b>Great British Spring Clean</b> , it was reported that Carlton College and Carlton Primary have agreed to be involved in this years event.	
8.4	<b>Digital Access</b> the issue of accessing meetings via the internet was raised. It was agreed to discuss later.	
8.5	<b>DIAL</b> it was proposed that a Dial representative be invited along to the next meeting to give an update on their project. This was agreed.	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Date of next meetings</b>	
9.1	<b>Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b> , 6pm the Grove, Station Road, Royston	
	<b>The meeting closed at 7:15pm</b>	

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## BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North East Area Council Meeting

Date: 21/03/2024

Report of North East Area Council Manager

Officer Contact: Lisa Phelan

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Date: 06/03/2024

### 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
Earmarkings c/f for 'T In The Park' 22-23	1000.00
Earmarkings c/f for 'Mosaics' 22-23	950.00

**Total Available Funding** **28893.73**

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'
Number	Name of project and where	Amount WA agreed		14446.87	28893.73
1	Engagement Fund (R/B)	2000.00	0.00	12446.87	26893.73
2	46th Brownies and Guides - Containers	410.00	0.00	12036.87	26483.73
3	Valley Community Centre - garden	660.00	0.00	11376.87	25823.73
4	Deacons - Union Jack Plants (WA £266)	266.00	0.00	11110.87	25557.73
5	Elite&BBW - Litter Picking Equipment	655.74	0.00	10455.13	24901.99
6	Robert Street Allotments	498.46	0.00	9956.67	24403.53
7	Exodus-CUD-23-24- WA Contribution 25%	1592.00	0.00	8364.67	22811.53
8	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	7864.67	22311.53
9	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	7426.71	21873.57
10	Reds - Sports Van contribution	650.00	0.00	6776.71	21223.57
11	Library Activities - Cudworth	410.69	0.00	6366.02	20812.88
12	Christmas Events and Light Motifs (R/B)	6000.00	0.00	366.02	14812.88
13	Monthly Coffee Mornings - Sept/Oct/Nov	270.00	0.00	96.02	14542.88
14	Cudworth Env Group - T-in the Park (part funded)	1000.00	0.00	-903.98	13542.88
15	DIAL - information & advice (Oct-March)	1205.00	0.00	-1108.99	12337.88
16	Mosaics - E/M from previous FY - C/F	950.00	0.00	-8248.99	11387.88
17	Brass on the Grass (Barns Met & Concert Bands)	550.00	0.00	-1453.99	10837.88
18	Crystal Lights running costs (Part funded)	1000.00	0.00	-2108.99	9837.88
19	Cudworth Local History Group - Parkinson	1500.00	0.00	-2953.99	8337.88
20	Cudworth Park Bins (parks services - internal)	800.00	0.00	-7298.99	7537.88
27	Boulders for Cudworth Park - E J Lidster	550.00	0.00	-8798.99	6987.88
26	BCB Motif storage	400.00	0.00	-3353.99	6587.88
21	Chewin 'T' Cud - March publication	590.00	0.00	-3943.99	5997.88
22	Cudworth Probus Club	500.00	0.00	-4443.99	5497.88
23	Cudworth Crafters - Speaker fees	1000.00	0.00	-5443.99	4497.88
24	Cud Env Grp - Carlton Marsh - Hedge Trimmers	900.00	0.00	-6343.99	3597.88
25	Cud Env Grp - Carlton Marsh - Insurance	155.00	0.00	-6498.99	3442.88
26	Engagement Fund top-up	500.00	0.00	-7798.99	2942.88
27	Cudworth Community Workshop	567.00	0.00	-7865.99	2375.88
28	Brownies - Food Bank	500.00	0.00	-7798.99	1875.88
29	Coffee Mornings - £360 (24/25)	0.00	0.00	-8798.99	1875.88
30	Exodus-CUD £1911.25 (24/25)	0.00	0.00	-8798.99	1875.88
31			0.00	-8798.99	1875.88
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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 - Working Fund Balance*	1274.62
Carried forward from FY 2022-23	403.60

<b>Total Available Funding</b>	<b>26678.22</b>
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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'
Number	Name of project and where	Amount WA agreed			
				13339.11	26678.22
1	Working Fund bal*(& top up £1k)RB	2274.62	0.00	11064.49	24403.60
2	Christmas Events (RB)	3000.00	0.00	8064.49	21403.60
3	MB Remembrance 2023 (RB)	500.00	0.00	7564.49	20903.60
4	Hanging Baskets 2023 - x45	2584.00	0.00	4980.49	18319.60
5	Achievement Awards (RB)	1500.00	0.00	3480.49	16819.60
6	CAB - IAG	4077.00	0.00	-596.51	12742.60
7	Medieval Mayhem - MB Priory	1200.00	0.00	-1796.51	11542.60
8	Gala Tents - 25% Contribution Gazebo	437.96	0.00	-2234.47	11104.64
9	Reds - Sports Van contribution(spend)	650.00	0.00	-2884.47	10454.64
10	Friends of MB Park	250.00	0.00	-3134.47	10204.64
11	Refearns FC - Ground Maintenance/Equ	1500.00	0.00	-4634.47	8704.64
12	10 Year Vol Celebration Contribution	500.00	0.00	-5134.47	8204.64
13	BIADs Dementia Cafe	2160.00	0.00	-7294.47	6044.64
14	Carlton Bowling and Tennis	1080.00	0.00	-8374.47	4964.64
15	Burton Gr & JollyGC 50% each - Easter	1500.00	0.00	-9874.47	3464.64
16			0.00	-9874.47	8704.64
17			0.00	-9874.47	8704.64
18			0.00	-9874.47	8704.64
19			0.00	-9874.47	8704.64
20			0.00	-9874.47	3464.64
21			0.00	-9874.47	3464.64
22			0.00	-9874.47	3464.64
23			0.00	-9874.47	3464.64

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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'
<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)	4025.00	0.00	9360.28	22745.55
2	Christmas Events (£3kEarMarked)	2871.88	0.00	6488.40	19873.67
3	BrRes Group Summer fete - King's Coron	1491.00	0.00	4997.40	18382.67
4	DIAL Barnsley	4820.00	0.00	177.40	13562.67
5	GH Village Hall - Good to be Me	882.83	0.00	-705.44	12679.84
6	JollyGC-GR Gala	645.80	0.00	-1351.24	12034.04
7	Pins and Needles	1099.00	0.00	-2450.24	10935.04
8	New Options - Warm Space (50%)	1000.00	0.00	-3450.24	9935.04
9	M Media - Outdoor Cinema	2000.00	0.00	-5450.24	7935.04
10	Rescue One - Medical Cover - Outdoor C	280.00	0.00	-5730.24	7655.04
11	Reds - Sports Van contribution	650.00	0.00	-6380.24	7005.04
12	GRG -Graffiti Project at Love Life Sports G	1317.50	0.00	-7697.74	5687.54
13	Pins and Needles - grant return 22-23	-340.00	0.00	-7357.74	6027.54
14	GRG -Graffiti Project-grant return-TBC	-388.55	0.00	-6969.19	6416.09
15	Grassroots Oct Half-term Provision	690.00	0.00	-7659.19	5726.09
16	Additional Christmas 2023 contribution	1000.00	0.00	-8659.19	4726.09
17	WA -Winter Warm events	1000.00	0.00	-8659.19	3726.09
18	Walking Maps - Grant return (2021)	-774.00	0.00	-7885.19	4500.09
19	Christmas St Michael and All Angels	288.55	0.00	-8173.74	4211.54
20	GH Tara	750.00	0.00	-8923.74	3461.54
21	WA hanging baskets x5	608.00	0.00	-9531.74	2853.54
22	Brierley Sewing Bees	469.98	0.00	-10001.72	2383.56
23	GH VH Easter Crafts	572.28	0.00	-10574.00	1811.28
24	Return of funds from W/Fund 23-24	-388.55	0.00	-10185.45	2199.83
25	Grassroots - Family Pilot	2199.83			0.00
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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 (AAP £735.46, W/F £811.62)	0.00
Carried forward from FY 2022-23 - unspent WAFs	152.28

**Total Available Funding** **25152.28**

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'
Number	Name of project and where	Amount WA agreed			
				12576.14	25152.28
1	Hanging Baskets - x33	2145.00	0.00	10431.14	23007.28
2	AAP top up by £2k R/B	2000.00	0.00	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	0.00	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 - IAG services	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	Royston Scout group - new camp equip	1310.00	0.00	-6786.82	4479.32
18	Royston Bowling club - watering system	2000.00	0.00	-6786.82	2479.32
19	Community Notice board (E/M - match	1000.00	0.00	-6786.82	1479.32
20	Royston Canal Club Airator (contributio	500.00	0.00	-6786.82	979.32
21			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
22			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
23			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
24			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
25			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
26			0.00	-6786.82	979.32
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