

Dearne South Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES – by Secretary Donna Gregory

Meeting Title:	Heathercourt flats Bolton on Dearne
Date & Time:	4 th October 2022 10am till 1.20pm

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Sam Danforth (chair) Cllr Dorothy Coates Cllr Janine bowler (Local Elected member) Alan George (treasurer) Donna Gregory (secretary) Pat Hubery (business owner/Dearne South resident) Michael Moore (allotment group/veterans' group) Michael Bunting (Goldthorpe embankment) Alison Sykes (Salvation army) Marie Sinclair (community Development Officer) Laura Sharman (BMBC Section 106 project Officer) Nigel Robert (Twiggs)	Julie Medlam (Dearne playhouse) Denise Hogg (local resident) Caroline Hoyland (B.O.D.V.A.G) Beth Deakin (project 14)

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

Laura Sharman from BMBC (Section 106 update)

Laura did a presentation and showed a slide show on what her job entails. This was about housing and what developers and their commitments towards the communities they develop within the Barnsley borough are. Laura makes sure the commitments agreed are fulfilled once the developments are finished.

The 106 money commitments from a developer helps with affordable housing, education provision, public open spaces, sustainable transport, and biodiversity.

The slide show is to be emailed to the ward alliance after the meeting.

Members asked questions and Laura was very detailed and answered questions

Biodiversity was discussed and the biodiversity officer will be asked to the next meeting to answer the questions Laura couldn't answer, she will pass the details on to Cllr Coates and anyone else who would like their details.

Nigel Robert from Twiggs

Nigel gave a rundown of his job he has done within the are the importance of his role within the community and went into detail of further jobs within the pipeline. He has a tree planting program he is busy now with and is arranging to start back up with the schools and their involvement within the community, this was followed by Q&A

2. *Apologies as stated above*

3. **Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising** - MM and PH true record with no matters arising

4. **Area council update** – due to the last Area Council meeting being cancelled no update was given

5. **Performance Report for 2022-23 (6 months)**

MS discussed the report and MS answered and thanked Darryl for his work on the pc for putting it together. Everyone agreed Darryl had done an amazing job.

6. **Action plan for 2030 & projects agreed**

MS read through the project plan adding instructions and volunteers for each initiative that the Dearne South members could work on over the next 12 months – All Ward Alliance members were happy with the projects that have come forward from their action plan

7. **Finance**

Dearne South Ward Alliance working funds - AG gave a detailed report on the ward alliance funds

Working funds and a reactive fund of £4408.66, there was £418 for the library ring fenced from before covid, Healthy holidays £1195 & £823 Healthy Holidays, the £4000.00 that was drawn down from the Dearne South Ward Alliance was to help groups, projects that the Dearne South Ward Alliance initiate themselves or small pots of funding that may be needed to help groups/individuals with a idea or community project. The 4 themes agreed for the £4000.00 were on events, green spaces & environmental, health & wellbeing projects, and lastly young people. MS advised the Alliance members that she had received 2 community support applications, but they needed to agree an amount otherwise the £1000 to each category would be spent too early – The Alliance agreed to fund up to £150.00 on small projects in the community but would not pay into individuals bank accounts instead they would either purchase the items or be given through a group itself.

- **Community Support funds** – applications received

Jason Gill wanted to run a Santa sleigh dash handing out selection boxes to children and families that were struggling with the cost of living – he applied for a Santa suit & 200 selection boxes – agreed to purchase £150.00 of selection boxes (MS & AG will buy these nearer the time) conditions they would need to know streets and amounts he'd given out for their monitoring.

Emma Bruce – applied for £30.00 towards a banner to get the Renaissance centre back up and running starting with arts & crafts on an Autumn Fayre, Xmas market ideas so she needed publicity to highlight the building itself – all agreed

- **Applications submitted:**

As some applications had been submitted for over £2000 a discussion took place regarding this in which they all agreed to cap their Ward Alliance funding for bigger amounts to £1500.00 per application from this meeting.

- Brick ponds £2000.00 for website set up & aerator to provide 4 to the pond – **all agreed partial payment of £1200.00** (website part declined)
- Grassroots £3900.00 to provide 3 sports camps for one week around Dearne South – **declined due to value for money** and other centres providing youth projects on smaller budgets alongside this staffing costs the Ward Alliance members do not agree to pay
- TADS £3000 to provide mental health advice on a one to one basis around the Dearne South Schools – **declined due to already have mental health ambassadors & staffing costs**
- Bolton Youth Club £740.00 to provide a volunteer led youth club in Dearne South for 16 weeks – **all agreed with conditions** that DBS checks are provided and sustainability on the room rental moving forward

8. **Group updates**

Snaptin community hub ...AG we're having a Christmas fayre at Astrea Dearne on 2nd December where Father Christmas will be for the children and other stalls of local trades and charities

Salvation Army – AS all going well full to capacity with foodbank customers, there is enough funding to help all families and individuals – assisting at the More money in your pocket event – all going well at the moment with agencies all working together

Veterans club ...MM the breakfast club is doing well, and they all enjoy meeting up

All agreed to send Julie Medlam get well flowers – MS to sort with AG

Meeting closed due to length of time and many members having to leave