

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report of Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

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

2.0 Recommendation

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

3.0 Introduction

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

4.0 Ward Alliance

- 4.1 Two Dearne South Ward Alliance meetings have been held in both wards since the last Area Council the Dearne South Ward Alliance was held on 2nd August & 4th October, 2022.

At the first meeting held on 2nd August updates/presentations were given by Andrea Spencer Membership & Engagement Officer at Barnsley Hospital Trust & Governor Malcom Gibson who highlighted a need for representation from the Dearne.

Kevin Frisby the Housing & Cohesion officer gave an update on the issues in Dearne South that he's been dealing with whilst educating them on recycling and referrals through the bulky rubbish scheme.

- Two funding applications were submitted with one approved.

The Dearne South Ward Alliance action plan was officially agreed and signed off and projects have all been agreed and worked on over the next 6 months

Group updates were given by all members of the Ward Alliance who form part of the local groups and work that fits into the development plan.

The 2nd meeting for Dearne South was held on 4th October 2022 where presentations from Laura Sharman (section 106) & Nigel Roberts from Twiggs (followed by a lengthy Q&A)

- Four funding applications were submitted with 2 being approved.

The 6 month performance report was shown and discussed with positive feedback.

The meeting was closed early due to over running and many members having to leave.

- 4.2** Two Dearne North Ward Alliance meetings have been held in both wards since the last Area Council the Dearne South Ward Alliance was held on 9th August & 11th October 2022.

At the first meeting held on 9th August the Community Development Officer spoke in depth about the action plan reading through the priorities after sending the plan out a month before for all the members to have a detailed look at how projects and initiatives would now be worked up around their priorities over the next few months.

Two applications were submitted for recommendation with one for environmental projects being approved.

The 2nd meeting was held on 11th October virtual with Kevin Frisby the Housing & Cohesion officer giving the first update on the issues in Dearne North that he's been dealing with whilst educating them on recycling and referrals through the bulky rubbish scheme.

Nigel from Twiggs then gave a update on the clean-ups the team have carried out and forthcoming projects.

The 6 month performance report was shown to everyone on the Alliance with appraisal for the teams work putting this together.

Group updates were given at both meetings main topic around the cost of living crisis and how the Ward Alliance could help local families on saving energy.

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

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

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