

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 6th June 2016**

Agenda Item: 11

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances 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 (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held between 2nd March 2016 and the 12th May 2016. Appendices:

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The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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25th May 2016.**

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
10th March 2016 – 6.00pm
Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall

Present:	Councillor Harry Spence	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Roy Miller	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Sandra De-Donno	Mapplewell & Staincross
	Village Hall	
	David Oates	Mapplewell Business Man
	Pauline Brooks	Methodist Church
	Rebecca Battye	North Area Team

Cllr Spence informed the meeting that he was standing down as Chair from this Committee but retaining a position as a member and handing the role back to Cllr Miller.

Cllr Miller then told the meeting that the grievance that had caused him to stand down as Chair had now been resolved and the practicalities of how the Ward Alliance in the Darton East Area operates had now been clarified to other Council Members which left the Alliance to continue with the good work it set out to do.

1. Apologies: Councillor Lesley Duerden Darton East Ward Councillor

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were declared a true record by Cllr Harry Spence and David Oates

2. Matters Arising –

- David Altoft from Greenspace had sent an email giving his apologies but stating that he will have to resign from the Committee due to having other commitments on a Tuesday evening.
- Rebecca raised the issue of horses with Inspector Mitchel at the PACT meeting but this has to be sorted by the land owners. Rebecca spoke to Russell Boland he suggested placing signs but has no money in his budget to do this. Therefore Rebecca will complete a funding form from the Alliance to pay for these signs. The signs need to be as large and clear as possible. This was agreed by all members of the Committee

3. Declaration of Interest – Indirectly – Sandra De-Donno

4. Area Ward Plan – Review

- Please see the amended Area Ward Plan – this will be brought to the next meeting for people absent from this meeting to have their input.
- As well as adhering to the Area Ward Plan the Group will look at adopting specific projects in the area and draw up plans on how the Committee can be involved in decision making about the projects and follow the development through to completion.

Ideas put forward were:

Footpaths

Play Areas

Waste-ground at side of

Birkinshaw

Planning would include:

Do we need permission to do the project?

Risk Assessments, Insurance, Protective clothing etc.?

What work is required?

How much will it cost?

What is the aim?

Who will do the work?

Which agencies/organisations/volunteers can be involved in the project?

Publicity (photographs, press releases etc.)?

5. Applications for Funding

Project Name	Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall
Project Title	Dementia Inspired Social Club (DISC)
Summary	To encourage carers and supporters of sufferers with dementia who are living in the Community to come together and share experiences in a Community Venue. The aim is to prevent isolation for the carers/supporters whilst giving short time respite to them in order for them to support each other. Suggested time and day – Tuesday 1.00pm-3.30pm.
Funding Required	£3,162.50
Outcome	The Committee members agreed unanimously to this application and the Chair Cllr Miller duly signed the application.

6. Finances

- March 2016 Finance sheet (attached).

7. Any Other Business

- Cllr Spence has been in touch with Royal Mail with the intention of moving the Post Box on Shaw Lane to the opposite side of the road and form a parking area next to it. This is on-going.
- To create Road Paving's on Pye Avenue (numbers 1-25 (Chapel Apartments)
- Cllr Miller stated that he had discussed the Committee with local businessman Tony Marsh and had asked him if he would be interested in joining. Cllr Miller gave the meeting a short brief of Tony Marsh's background and the Committee agreed to sending Tony a membership form to join the Committee (Rebecca to send).

8. Time & Date of Next Meeting

- 6.00pm – Thursday 14th April 2016

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
14th April 2016 – 6.00pm
Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall

Present:	Councillor Roy Miller	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Councillor Harry Spence	Darton East Ward Councillor
	Sandra De-Donno	Mapplewell & Staincross
	Village Hall	
	David Oates	Mapplewell Business Man
	Pauline Brooks	Methodist Church
	Rebecca Battye	North Area Team
	Paul Marsh	Mapplewell Business Man

Welcome to Paul Marsh who is a business man who owns land and units within Darton East.

2. Apologies: Councillor Lesley Duerden Darton East Ward Councillor

9. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were declared a true record by Pauline Brooks and David Oates

10. Matters Arising –

- Rebecca re-visited the issue regarding horses in the park and stated that the money for the signs would be taken from the working budget. Paul has stables and grazing land which he rents out and he ask people renting from him not to go into the park and for them to pass the word amongst other horse owners as well.

11. Declaration of Interest – None

12. Area Ward Plan

- Paul has agreed to take up the lead on economic wellbeing of the ward which is a priority in the Darton East Area Ward Plan.

13. Applications for Funding

Project Name Mapplewell & Staincross Village Hall

Project Title Dementia Inspired Social Club (DISC)

Confirmation was given that this project had been passed and that the funds would shortly be released to enable the project to proceed.

14. Finances

- April 2016 is the start of the new financial year (financial sheet attached).

15. Any Other Business

Land at side of Birkinshaws

- Birkinshaws on Darton Lane just before the railway bridge have given permission for the waste land which they own at the side of their shop to be transformed into a garden area but not at their expense.

- This project will be organised in conjunction with Darton East Ward Councillors, the Forge partnership, Volunteers.
- This project is expected to commence in June.
- Permission will be sought off Network Rail
- Wayne Salter will shred all vegetable matter.

Pye Avenue

- On the lower side – western side of Pye Avenue road plainings will be bought and delivered but it will be up to volunteers to help spread it. Cllr Miller knows of a builder who will bring a digger to help spread the plainings which will be delivered at no cost to residents. David Oates will take photos of the project as it develops.

Community Benches

- Community Benches – all benches will be replaced apart from the one on Sack-up Lane which will not due to the resident's concerns about youths gathering in the area.

New Road

- There is a small unadopted road by the fish and chip shop on New Road which the Councillors have looked into resurfacing but this cannot be done as it is not noted in any minutes and therefore is not legal.

Community Magazine

- Darton East Ward Alliance will have a 2 page feature in the next edition of the Community Magazine which is delivered to every house in the area. Anyone/group/organisation with photographs of events/activities etc. are encouraged to get these to the North Area Office by 16.5.16 to appear in this ad.

Shaw Lane Royal Mail Post Box

- This is still a work in progress with the aim of moving the post box to the residential side of the road to make it more accessible to pedestrians as the road is far busier with traffic. A layby will be made for cars to park whilst posting mail.

'Love Where You Live'

- June is being Celebrated as 'Love Where You Live' Month.

Highway Strategy

- A document titled 'Asset Management Strategy' was tabled. A copy of this document is **available on request** for anyone to view.

Needles & Drug Paraphernalia

- During the Easter Holiday a lady came into the Village Hall with a child who was going to attend a craft class at the Library to inform me that on the kerb across from 'The Kings' there were needles etc. all over the floor. Councillor Miller gave me a number of who to contact to come and retrieve the rubbish before it got picked up by Children.

Broken Windows

- David the Landlord at the Talbot Inn called into the Village Hall to ask if the CCTV might have caught someone running through the car park on Tuesday morning as he had 2 windows broken in the night. When I looked through

the footage it turned out that a car parked in the Village Hall Car Park at around 1.30am two men got out of the car, the driver looked drunk they went through the alleyway and returned 5 minutes later. David had reported this issue to the Police. He was given a Crime Number.

- On Wednesday evening at 9.30pm two youths were caught on our CCTV throwing stones at the front windows of the Village Hall. The stones broke the outer glass of a double glazed pane and also took a piece out of the Village Hall sign. I reported this to the police and was given a Crime Number.

Northern Orbital Route

- The plan for the Northern Orbital Route has now been revised. It will go from Low Baugh to Mapplewell. The singular bridge near the Millers Pub will receive some maintenance work because the river is scrapping the bottom of the bridge causing corrosion.
- New starter units will be built in the area. Paul Marsh stated that all his units are full and he is turning away at least 3 people a week who are requesting commercial premises.

Drama Class at Village Hall

- Cllr Spence informed the meeting that his grandson had attended a new drama group at the Village Hall last Friday tea-time and said that he had a really great time.

16. Time & Date of Next Meeting

- 6.00pm – Thursday 12th May 2016

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance Meeting.

14th March 2016 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr A Cave (Chair), Cllr S Howard, Lesley Warden, Carol Gamwell. Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Cllr L Burgess, Jason Gardner, Mary Elliott.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

1 Welcome and apologies Cllr Cave welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were accepted.

2. Notes of the meeting 1st February 2016.

These were agreed as a true record and action points were discussed.

Carol Gamwell updated group of the meeting with Sue Hardy, Eddie Riby re: Christmas events at Barugh Green

Action points

A Rebecca Battye to organise electrician for the fitting of the defibrillator at Thompson's Garage. Carol Gamwell to supply name and telephone number to Rebecca Battye.

.B Carol Gamwell to meet with Eddie Riby, Cllr Burgess and Sue Hardy to formulate Christmas Plan at Barugh Green and report to Group.

C Rebecca Battye to contact Forge and invite to Kexbrough Litter Pick, Saturday. 19th March, 2016 10.00 am.

3. WAF update.

3.1 Yorkshire Military Band Cllr Howard updated group of issues with the Yorkshire Military Band. The group would need to reapply with more detailed information about recruitment and connectivity in the ward.

3.2 Community Choir, Richard updated group re meeting with Cllr Burgess and Debbie Angel about development of local Choir. Agreed in principle subject to finalising number of weeks for payment.

3.3 Gawber History Group Application. Approved in principle subject to agreement by absent WA member.

3.4 Pickering Cup restoration application. Agreed.

3.5 Rebecca Battye presented Darton West WAF and DWB updates. The budget for 2015/16 and options for 2016-17 were discussed

4. North Area Council projects.

The WA were updated of all current projects.

Action point

Cllrs Cave and Howard to discuss role of Forge and their undertaking of projects with out notification.

5 Action Plan 2015/16.

Updates on current projects and priorities were discussed. The WA considered current costings that might affect areas of the plan.

6. Ward Priorities for 2016/17.

Group discussed in detail future priorities and finance. Cllr Burgess to be sent Ward Priorities Sheet for updates which could be discussed and finalised next meeting.

7. Feedback Darton West Ward Community Stars event.

The event was outstanding, feedback was excellent. A special thank you to Cllrs Cave, Howard, Burgess, Ward Alliance Members and The North Area Team, Rebecca, Rosie and Lee for their magnificent organisation and personal input.

8 Love Where You Live week.

This will take place first week in June.
More information next meeting.

9. Communications.

None to report.

10. A.O.B.

Nothing to report.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

11th April 2016. 5.00 pm until 7.00 pm.

Venue The Darton Centre.

Darton West Ward Alliance

11th April 2016 at the Darton Centre.

Attendees: Cllr A Cave, (Chair), Cllr L Burgess, Lesley Warden. Carol Gamwell, Jason Gardner, Richard Haigh.

North Area Team. Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Mary Elliott. Cllr S Howard.

1. Welcome and apologies: Cllr A Cave welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were accepted.

2. Notes of the Meeting 14th March 2016.

These were agreed as a true record and action points discussed.

Action Points

- a. Rebecca Battye to organise electrician for fitting of the defibrillator at Thompsons Garage and report progress.
- b. C Gamwell, Cllr L Burgess and E Riby, to meet on 18th April 2016 to discuss Christmas events at Barugh Green.
- c. Rebecca Battye to contact Highways for costing of fixture of Christmas illuminations at Barugh Green.
- d. Cllr Cave and Cllr Howard to discuss Forge Protocols with Rosie and Rebecca and report as required to the Group.

3. W.A F. Update.

3.1 Rebecca Battye gave an update on budgets for 2015/16 and 2016/17.

The need for matched funding and/or volunteer hours for 50% of the budget for 2016/17 was discussed.

3.2 W.A F. Applications

- a. Gawber History Group Application for funding was approved.
N.B. Richard Haigh declared an interest to the Group.
- b. Wilthorpe and Redbrook Afternoon Club application was approved.

4. North Area Council Projects Update.

Cllr L Burgess gave updates of current projects in particular the Green and Clean project, the Environmental Enforcement project and the Healthy Eating project

Action Points.

- a. Dog Fouling/ Litter/ Parking Problems need to be reported by WA members and residents.
- b. Cllr Burgess will send out contact information to our local Network.
Contacts as follows: 01226 772468. email. bscp@barnsley.gov.uk
- c. Cllrs to meet with Rebecca and Rosie at a monthly meeting with a member from Forge to discuss projects.

5. Ward Priorities 2016/17.

These were discussed and the action plan updated for further discussion at the next meeting.

Action points

- a. Cllr Burgess to follow up the ownership of land at Brook Hill Road and report as required.
- b. Richard to contact the Chair of the Voice for Darton and ask the Chair to invite Martin Hall or Jill Booth to their next meeting to discuss future involvement and protocols. Richard will copy Rebecca into email as he will be on holiday for next meeting.

c. Richard Haigh to undertake survey of all areas across the Ward where we can supply Summer Hanging Baskets.

6. Love where you Live.

To coincide with the National Volunteering Month in June, Barnsley will be identifying projects as LWYL

Action points

- a..Rebecca will coordinate any information on local projects.
- b. Linda to circulate poster on Neighbourhood Network

7. Communications

Cllr Burgess to circulate WA Priorities and WAF information to Neighbourhood Network and Darton Arrow.

8 AOB.

Richard Haigh gave his apologies for the next meeting.

Lesley Warden retired from the Group, due to her involvement with other local groups. Lesley was thanked for her hard work as a member of the WA and it was hoped she would keep in touch.

Date of Next Meeting.

Monday, 9th May 2016 at The Darton Centre. 5.00 pm until 7.00 pm..

Notes of Darton West Ward Alliance

9th May 2016 at the Darton Centre

Attendees: Cllr Linda Burgess, Cllr Sharon Howard, Jason Gardner, Mary Elliott, Carol Gamwell, Dominic McCall

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye

1 Welcome and apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Alice Cave, Richard Haigh.

There was discussion about possible new WA members.

Action: Members to let Linda have contact details of potential new members for further discussion.

2 Notes of meeting on 11th April and review of action points

These were agreed as a true record and action points were discussed.

Action:

a. Rebecca to clarify timescale for installation of defibrillator

b. Cllrs to review work with Forge at ward meeting

3 WAF update

a) Budget 2016-17

Rebecca presented a budget update showing we have £19,383.04 remaining

b) Applications update

The provision of hanging baskets in the ward was discussed and approved with a working budget of £2500

4 North Area Council project updates

Updates were given on the enforcement project, clean and green project and stronger communities grants.

Action: Rebecca asked to provide data relating to the enforcement project at the next meeting

5 Ward Priorities and projects for 2016-17 – updates and action points

The priorities for 2016-17 were agreed following consultation through the Neighbourhood Network. The projects in the action plan were updated. Action points to be recorded on the Action Plan.

6 Love Where You Live month

Rebecca asked for any information on local volunteering activity to be forwarded to her for inclusion on the Facebook page.

7 Communications

Action:

- a. Lee Swift to be asked to produce a poster template to advertise local groups and activities on ward noticeboards.*
- b. Linda to publicise WAF opportunities through Neighbourhood Network and Darton Arrow*
- c. WA members to encourage local organisations to take part in the mayor's Parade on July 9th*

Date and time of next meeting

Monday 6th June, 5 pm at the Darton Centre

Agenda to include a discussion on setting up a geo cache trail and signs to warn against littering from cars

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance Minutes – 2nd March 2016 Meeting Held Edith Perry Room Barnsley Hospital

Present

Cllr Liz Grundy (Chair) - Cllr Anita Cherryholme

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift

Community Reps: Dorothy Hayes - Kirsty Summerfield - Estelle Roberts Sheila Lowe - Bill Gaunt - John Love – Garry Swift – Malcolm Wood – Michelle Cooper

Apologies

Zbigniew Zaremba

The Sub Meeting tonight discussed the final preparations for the Celebration Event on 21st March 2016.

The minutes from our previous meeting were accepted as a true copy.
(AC/SL)

Matters Arising

- **RVS Leaflets** – the leaflets are now available
- **Kingdom** – Liz met with Kingdom about Community Safety and Dog Fouling once the dates are arranged for Dog Fouling Awareness Raising patrols and they will join us and hand out leaflets and support the work.
 - Leon Sidebottom from Berneslai Homes is making leaflets to be distributed.
 - Anita has spoke to Russ Boland and he has informed her our Dog Fouling Signs can go anywhere in the ward
 - Dog Fouling Patrol for April Agenda (**Action Michelle**)
- **Business Awards** – John Love reported that the system used by Barnsley Chamber will not work in our ward – The Civic Trust have a system which we may look at.
 - **We will readdress this when we look at the Ward Plan**
- **Web Site** – Bill reported that the site was now up and running and collating data. Will all members look at the site and complete the form and get other members of the community to complete.
 - More work is required on the site including each members photos and brief biography of their work in the community (**Action Everyone**)
 - We will readdress the web site at the May meeting (**Action Michelle/ Bill**)

- **Ward Plan** – This will be the Sub Group topic at the next meeting April
- **New Members /Induction** – This will be the Sub Group topic for May
- **Love Where You Live** – To coordinate the work for our area during the LWYL Campaign we will have a Sub Group made up of Liz Anita Estelle Sheila Kirsty Malcolm and Lee – **Date to be confirmed**
- **Ward Alliance Funds**
 - **Declaration of interest** – Liz declared an interest for the Wilthorpe Park bid and Sheila declared an interest for the Pogmoor bid
 - **Friends of Wilthorpe Park** – asked for Activity Panels to sit in the Bike Park at a cost of £1246.00 – this was passed unanimously
 - **Pogmoor Residents Ass** – asked for start up costs to set up a Friendly Neighbours Club this was passed unanimously with the stipulation that they gave a report back to the group 6months after setting the group up.

Any Other Business

- Malcolm brought up an issue with a footpath that is being done from the ASDA to Fleets – This appeared to be a contentious issue and it was agreed that this is not the correct forum to discuss such matters.
- **Old Town Ward Alliance Celebration Event – Monday 21st March 6pm**

Old Town Ward Alliance
Meeting 6th April 2016
Barnsley Hospital – 7pm

Present

Cllr Anita Cherryholme (Chair) Cllr Liz Grundy

BMBC Rep – Lee Swift

Community Reps: Bill Gaunt Estelle Robertson John Love Sheila Lowe Malcolm Wood Garry Swift Zbigniew Zaremba Michelle Cooper

Apologies

Dorothy Hayes Kirsty Summerfield

Minutes from previous meeting

The minutes were accepted as a true representation of the meeting – there was one misspelling of a name and Malcolm Wood asked for clarification on the wording around an issue that was brought up at the end of the last meeting about the footpath close to ASDA – after a brief discussion it was agreed that Malcolm would discuss the issue with the councillors at the end of the meeting.

Matters Arising

• **Celebration Event**

- Our celebration event was very successful with good numbers and excellent responses from all who attended. The feedback was very positive. We received a Thank You Card from Mary Dickenson who received a Community Champion Award and there was a very positive letter for Old Town published in the Chronicle about the evening plus a photo from the evening.
- We will forward the funds from the raffle onto the charities after our next meeting.

• **Kingdom**

- Liz reported that the Kingdom team will be accompanying us on our dog fouling awareness walkabouts – although the inclement weather made us postpone this week's walk about we will be back out next week.
- Malcolm asked if other ward alliances were doing similar things around dog fouling – he was informed yes this is an issue all over the borough.

• **Web Site**

- Bill gave a report on the breakdown on the data he had collated from the responses he had had so far.
- We need a systematic approach to collate responses from residents, as this will form the basis of our Ward Plan for 2016/18.
- We will use local community events to promote the questionnaire and the web site.
- We need to ensure that we get a good representation of the ward.

Review of the Ward Plan

- The Sub Group looked at our old plan and removed completed action points and sorted the still current issues.
- They also added a few more relevant issues to the plan.

- As this document is still out for consultation and a work in progress there is currently gaps, which will be added once we have responses from the residents' feedback.
- The document is expected to be complete by July/August 2016.
- The document will be typed and distributed with the minutes for further discussion at next months meeting – at this meeting we will be putting members of the meeting into LEAD for each action point.

New Members induction was deferred until our next meeting

Community Champions

- Clare Wakenshaw from the Stocks Lane area will receive a certificate this month. She is the local “Lollypop’ Lady and Chair of the schools Parents and Friends group.
- We will arrange to present the Certificate at Summer Lane Primary – **Action Michelle/Lee**
- We will send all our publicity to the Chronicle as we have been informed that photographers will no longer be attending events in the community??

Forth-Coming Events

- **Ad Astra/ Friends of Wilthorpe Park Family Fun Day** – Wednesday 1st June Wilthopre Park 11am to 3pm – Family /Community event – information stalls and activities for children/young people - Old Town Ward Alliance stall – **Action Sheila Estelle Bill**
- **Old Town Carnival** – Sunday 3rd July – **St Pauls field**
- **Wilthorpe Park Refurbish Launch** – Date TBC
- **Willowbank Special Interest Group Canal Walk** – Date TBC
 - Liz questioned ownership of the land and the unkempt state of the area and asked that the group had got a clear definition of who owns the land around this area. As if we were going to do Litter Picks in the area should we be cleaning privately owned land?

Any Other Business

- **Now You’re Cooking Book** – The SWFT project is now finished and has been highly successful – There has been a Recipe book made and Liz will be getting copies if anyone would like one.
- **Raffle monies** – At the Celebration Event we raised £131 we will round this up to £150 and give it to our chosen charities at the next meeting. – **ACTION LIZ**

Old Town Ward Alliance Meeting
Wednesday May 4th 2016
Held in Barnsley Hospital – Edith Perry Room

Present

Cllr. Liz Grundy (Chair)

BMBC Reps – Lee Swift – Rosie Adams

Community Reps – Malcolm Wood – Garry Swift – John Love – Bill Gaunt – Sheila Lowe –
Kirstie Summerfield – Michelle Cooper

Apologies

Cllr Anita Cherryholme – Dorothy Hayes

Presentation

- Dan Wildsmith sent his apologies – so Lee gave a brief overview of the presentation that Dan was going to deliver.

Minutes from previous meeting were accepted as a true copy

Matters Arising

- **Dog Fouling** – Liz reported that a small group along with the Kingdom Team had done a few ‘Walking Patrols’ of the ward and more are planned in the upcoming weeks. There were not many people out walking at the times the group had been out
- **Dog Signs** – The signs are ordered and Lee and Michelle are going out this week to confirm the settings for the signs
 - **ACTION LEE/MICHELLE**

Old Town Ward Plan / Review

- **New Application forms** – Rosie gave a brief overview of the Governance paperwork for the group and discussed the moving forward of our group. We discussed the commitment required to run a successful Ward Alliance and also how we promote positive activities within our Ward and how we can stimulate and enable wider activities within our area. These forms have been sent to every member and some have been returned tonight – everyone else has been asked to return their forms prior to the next meeting.
- **Ward Plan** – lengthy discussion took place whilst working through the current working document – this current plan will be adapted as the consultation runs throughout the summer with the hope of putting a complete Ward Plan together in September/October for 2016/17. The aim for tonight was to put Key Leads into place for some of the selected tasks on our Ward Plan. – **SEE PLAN ATTACHED**
- **Ward Plan Consultation** –
 - **Web Site** – This is now up and running – more photos and information is required – We need this site to look professional and it needs to be easily accessible. We will promote the site on our ‘Open Days’ throughout the summer.
 - We will have a ‘**What’s On Page**’ on the Website – If everyone gets their information to Bill he will update the page – **ACTION EVERYONE**
 - Bill requires Post codes for our area – **ACTION LEE**
 - **Betterware Method** – Is it worth the group looking at using a ‘Betterware’ Method of collecting data for the Ward Plan – no decision was made on this.

New members Induction – We will defer this until the next meeting and discuss when we have a newly elected member

Love Where You Live Update

- Lee gave a brief report on the LWYL Promotion for June of this year and reminded everyone – If your group or anyone you know is planning any activity to let him know ASAP

Community Champion Nomination

- **Peter Creeton** was nominated for the award this month for his volunteering commitments within Old Town

WAF Applications

- **Declaration of Interest – Bill Gaunt /John Love** – Both left the room as we discussed the application
- **Willowbank Special Interest Group** – applied for a grant to use for the launch of their work around the Barnsley Canal. Unfortunately as the group was not quorate a decision could not be made and our group will not meet now until after the launch so the application was withdrawn by Bill Gaunt.

Forth-Coming Events

- **Willowbank Special Interest Group – Launch Canal Walk 25th May 2016**
- **Ad Astra / Friends of Wilthorpe Park – Family Fun Day – 1st June 2016**
- **Opening of the new play equipment in Wilthorpe Park – Date TBC**

Any Other Business

- **Raffle** – On the evening of the Celebration Event we raised £131 – the group agreed to make it up to £150 at the next meeting and this will then be split between The Barnsley Hospice and The Tiny Hearts Appeal

Appendix Four:

St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting
Thursday 07th April 2016 at 5:00pm



Present:

- Cllr. Dave Leech (Chair); Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall;
Clyde Black;
Madge Busby; Ruth & David Gammon; John Hallows; Lee Swift;
Steven Gayle from Yorkshire Housing (by invitation)

Apologies:

- None

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

- The minutes were adopted. However it is noted that Madge Busby had in fact submitted her apologies.

Matters arising:

- The secretary is to contact Pat Padgett of St. Helen's Guides to check whether funds have now been received.
- It was agreed that our logo should appear on our minutes.
- Funds available for the 2016/2017 Financial Year:
£6,000 carried forward; £10,000 Alliance funding; £10,000 BMBC
of which only £5K needs to be matched by volunteer hours.

Ward Plan:

- It was decided discussions when required should be undertaken by a sub-group.

Funding Applications:

- No applications had been submitted.

Future Events:

- A "Love where you Live" event is to be arranged for the 8th or 9th June between 10am and 1pm. Cllr. Tattersall is to make contact.

Steven Gayle:

- Steve is a Community Engagement Advisor with Yorkshire Housing. He gave a brief presentation. He will be standing in for Lucy Cheetham whilst she is away on secondment for a few months. He

wishes to be kept informed of matters which may affect Yorkshire Housing.

Expression of Interest:

- We considered the application received from Michael and Joanne Mann. Unfortunately they were unable to attend and we will invite them to our next meeting.

Any other business:

- Cllr. Leech outlined statistics received through the Northern Area Council in respect of people seeking assistance from Dial and CAB.

Neighbourhood Watch:

- John Hallows spoke of the benefits achieved by the use of CCTV cameras. He circulated a moving letter received from a grateful family and we are to consider circulating a copy to other Ward Alliances.

The next meeting will be 14th May 2016 at 5pm.

This meeting closed at 6:05pm



St. Helen's Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting
Thursday 12th May 2016 at 5:00pm

Present: Cllr. Dave Leech; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall (Chair); Clyde Black; Madge Busby;

Ruth and David Gammon; Lee Swift

Apologies: Cllr. Jenny Platts

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The Minutes were amended to reflect that only 50% of the available 2016/2017 funds need to be matched.

Matters arising: As recorded above Lee S explained the current funding situation.

Ward Plan: Lee S provided an up to date copy of the Plan. This will be considered below where we discuss the Gala.

Coalfields Regeneration Trust: Steve Abson, who is the Development Manager, outlined the work of the Trust under the banner of Communities that Work under a 3-year programme. A brochure and graphic displays were circulated. Gemma Cobby is now in post.

A Community Shop will provide low cost food along the lines of the Company Shop launching in August. Certain Benefits criteria will need to be met. In discussion it was recognised that those on a low income rather than receiving qualifying Benefits would not be eligible and so unable to participate even though those on benefit could potentially be earning more.

CRT have requested a stall at the Gala and David G is to send a formal email invitation.

Funding Applications:

No Ward Alliance applications had been submitted.

However it was agreed to fund the hiring of a skip at £190 for the Laxton Road allotments from Councillors' Allocation. Cllr. Leech declared his interest in these allotments.

It was also agreed to provide a dog fouling bin on Smithies Rec at a cost of £1628 under a 5-year service contract again from Councillors' Allocation.

The secretary is to send the previous volunteer a Letter of Thanks. Sarah T will provide details

Expressions of Interest: Aimee Phillips attended and we discussed her request to join the Alliance. She gave a favourable impression and the secretary is to forward an electronic copy of her application accompanied by details of the points criterion to our Councillors for final consideration.

Mick and Joanne M failed to attend and the secretary is to email them to establish whether they still wish to be considered.

Summer Gala: Ruth and David G gave out copies of the spread sheet showing the current position regarding invitations.

The Snack Wagon is not available on a Friday so Lee S will investigate other sources.

When sending any details to participants it must now be emphasized that NO tables etc. are available.

Treasurer's Report: The current financial statement was circulated.

Secretary's Report: The secretary's activities have been focussed on arrangements for the Gala.

Any other business: None

The next meeting will be at 5pm Thursday 09th June 2016.

This meeting closed at 6:30pm.