

# DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

## MEETING NOTES

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	<b>Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting</b>
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 @ 6pm</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Collins Close, Dodworth</b>

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
Councillor Peter Fielding (Chair) Councillor Will Fielding Dawn Grayton – Community Development Officer (DG) Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK) – (Notes) Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH) Vicky Dickinson – Dodworth Business Owner Amanda Littlewood - Dodworth Resident	Councillor Chris Wray Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident Helen Totty – Higham Resident Shirley Musgrave – Higham Resident Ben Scrivens – Dodworth Methodist Church

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Councillor Peter Fielding welcomed everyone to the meeting with no introductions necessary.</p>		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>As detailed on page 1.</p>		
3. Plans for Dodworth Library – Update from Stephen Miller	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Stephen Miller, the Transformational Officer from Library Services had been invited to give an update and discuss the plans for Dodworth Library.</p> <p>Unfortunately, Stephen did not attend tonight's meeting, therefore no update was given.</p>		
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action led
<p><u>Barnsley Better Bond Scheme</u></p> <p>Councillor Peter Fielding reported that the funding application which was submitted on behalf of the Dodworth Christmas Events Group asking for £1,000, had been awarded the sum of £500.</p> <p><u>Love Gawber &amp; Pogmoor with St. Thomas's Church Action Group Christmas Event</u></p> <p>DG reported that the Christmas event would be held 7<sup>th</sup> December at 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Dog Fouling Poster Competition</u></p>		

DG reported that BS had carried out the presentation for the winner of the competition. Arrangements will now be made for signs to be manufactured of the winning poster.

#### Bulb Planting Event

Councillor Peter Fielding reported that the bulb planting session on Coronation Field had finally been carried out on the 29<sup>th</sup> November after it was postponed due to bad weather. Councillor Fielding stated that pupils from Keresforth Hill Primary School who participated in the event did an excellent job along with Twiggs.

#### Community Consultation

DG reported that no progress had been made yet in respect of this matter.

#### Warm Hubs

It was reported that Gilroyd Club, Dodworth Methodist Church and Rosehill Wesleyan Reform Church are all holding weekly warm hub spaces.

#### Governance Rules

Councillor P Fielding referred to the Governance Document previously circulated by email. Councillor Fielding asked Ward Alliance Members to familiarise themselves with the contents of the document at their own leisure, but highlighted the following paragraphs in particular:-

Para 2.7 - Minutes of meetings are available and in the public domain for whoever to read.

Para 3.3 - Ward Plan Priorities Document should be reviewed annually.

Para 3.4 - A consensus should try to be sought firstly on matters and needs to be clear.

	<p>Appendix B – Highlights conduct and that there should be no party politics.</p> <p>There were no other matters arising, and the minutes of the last meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022 were agreed as a true record.</p>		
<p><b>5. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest</b></p>		<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>
	<p>There were no declarations of pecuniary/non pecuniary interest made.</p>		
<p><b>6. Budgets</b></p>		<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>
	<p>The latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation was outlined as detailed below:</p> <p>Unallocated Ward Alliance Balance: £6594.92  Small Sparks Balance: £ 462.91</p> <p>DG clarified that the unallocated amount of £6594.92 is the current balance before the amount of £2165 is spent on the putting up, connection of and taking down of the Christmas Light Motifs.</p> <p>A discussion was held on whether to have a separate budget for small sparks applications. DG will look into the processes of small sparks applications, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of having a separate budget before any decisions are made.</p>	<p>DG</p>	
<p><b>7. Ward Alliance Applications</b></p>		<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>

	<p><u>Small Sparks Application – Dodworth Ward Alliance Dog Fouling Posters</u></p> <p>An application from the Ward Alliance requesting £90 was presented. The money will be used to have 15 correx colour signs made by Taylor Made Signs of the winning design of the dog fouling poster competition. The signs will be displayed in various public green space areas across the Ward. Permission from Parks Services has already been given to display any signs on land under their jurisdiction.</p> <p>The consensus was to fund the application for the full amount requested.</p> <p><u>Christmas Decoration Motifs</u></p> <p>DG referred to her email to all Ward Alliance Members regarding whether the Christmas Light Motifs should all be put up/partially put or not at all. Following the consensus that they should all be put up, DG stated that a funding application would be completed for the amount of £2,165 to pay for the putting up, connection and taking down the Christmas Light Motifs.</p>	<p>DG</p> <p>DG</p>	
<p><b>8. Ward Alliance Projects</b></p>	<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>	
	<p><u>Hanging Baskets</u></p> <p>DG had previously reported that this scheme was under review with relevant officers from council departments looking at how this scheme is being run across the whole borough. DG reported that a new directive was now being drawn up with a view to a contract going out to tender for 2023/2024.</p>		

<p>DG stated that orders would need to be placed by 5<sup>th</sup> April, but advised the Ward Alliance to have our confirmed list of numbers and locations ready by the beginning of March.</p> <p>A decision about the number of brackets the Ward Alliance initially want to buy needs to be decided as soon as possible. Sponsoring of hanging baskets can then be drawn up and confirmed.</p> <p><u>Christmas Update - plans for next year</u></p> <p>DG firstly thanked the Ward Alliance Members who had helped on the Christmas Fayre event day. The event had been reasonably successful, but lessons had been learnt. It was agreed that more volunteers are required for next year's Fayre and planning and organising needs to start much earlier, i.e. early in the new year.</p>		
<p><b>9. Any Other Business</b></p>	<p><b>Action/Decision</b></p>	<p><b>Action lead</b></p>
<p><u>Future Ward Alliance Meetings</u></p> <p>It was reported that future Ward Alliances will focus on a particular subject for each meeting.</p> <p><u>Notice Board outside Cohens Chemist, Dodworth</u></p> <p>LCK reported on behalf of the volunteer who maintains/updates the posters in the noticeboard outside Cohens Chemist; that the perspex needs replacing as it has become very scratched and worn. DG will seek a price for this work from Totty Signs.</p> <p><u>Christmas Trees</u></p> <p>DG reported that KDA were happy with the finished lit displays of the 3 Christmas trees which they had kindly donated for the Ward.</p>	<p>DG</p>	

<p>The meeting closed.</p> <p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting will be held <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6.00 pm.</b></p> <p><u>Date of Future Meetings</u></p> <p>28<sup>th</sup> February 2023</p>		
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