

Ward Alliance Meeting



Worsbrough Ward Alliance
Bringing a Community Together

Date & Time:	Thursday , 24th November @ 5.30 pm
Location:	Worsbrough Library

1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees			
Chairperson:	Cllr John Clarke		
CDO:	Michelle Toone		
Secretary:	Andrea Greaves		
Committee Members:	Cllr Jake Lodge, Cllr Roy Bowser, Tracy Hamby		
Guest:			
2. Apologies for Absence			
None received			
3. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest			
Tracey declared a non-pecuniary interest in the pantry application and abstained from voting.			
4.1 Notes of Last Meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
Agreed as a true and accurate record.		All	AG
5. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
A61 Banking Cllr Clarke has received an update from Matthew Holdroy. The team tasked to clear the site have experienced access issues. A panel of the fencing will need to be removed in order for the team to safely enter site. MH will make necessary arrangements and reschedule the job		Cllr Clarke to continue to liaise with MH for progress updates	MT
Worsbrough Dale Park Pavilion Cllr Clarke asked MT for an update to the change of signatories on the Pavilion bank account.		MT to contact Chris Marsland from the group for an update.	MT / Pavilion management committee
6. Ward Alliance Budget 2022/2023		Action/Decision	Action lead
Total allocation for 2022/2023:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Fund = £10,487.37 Engagement Fund = £1,593.94 <p>A decision was agreed in principal for the group to fund the purchase of a laptop from the engagement budget funds for use by AG to complete the minutes as she has recently changed jobs and no longer has access to a laptop at home.</p>		The group agreed a fund of upto £400 AG to look at available models	AG

	The laptop will be the property of the WA and be returned at such a time AG is no longer a representative.		
7. WAF Applications		Action/ Decision	Action lead
a.	Worsbrough Community Pantry £2052 To continue to grow and develop the project an application has been submitted to fund the refurbishment of the pantry. This will include updating the décor to give it a more 'shop like' image and creating window displays that can be used to highlight weekly information.	Approved in full	JC/MT
b.	Small Sparks – Elm Court £150 Christmas lunch for residents and activity group members to support reduction of loneliness and isolation and bring people together	Approved in full	JC/MT
c.	Small Sparks – Maltas Court - £140 Christmas lunch for residents and activity group members to support the reduction of loneliness and isolation and bring people together	Approved in full	JC/MT
8. WAF Monitoring			
a.	Intergenerational Event – St Thomas Church Hall Cllr Clarke provided feedback on the event. It was positively received by the attendees and the volunteers. Children and young people from the rainbows and guides served refreshments to members of St Thomas Church and Worsbrough residents	No further action required	N/A
b.	Worsbrough Community Pantry Tracey provided an update. They have over 100 register members 60 of which are active and attend on a regular basis. On average 34 members attend weekly these members are from various demographics including families, single people and couples. Applications for membership continue to be received on a weekly basis. There is an average deficit of approximately £6/week between the cost of the pantry goods and weekly subs. This is over a six-month period. As membership continues to grow and weekly attendance increases there is no longer be a short fall. Currently the pantry is making profit each week. Many thanks to Ward Green Baptist Church, St Thomas' Church and Ward Green Working Mens Club for their Harvest donations, which helped restock the shelves reducing the shopping costs that week. This community support is hugely appreciated. A donation was also made by a resident who had used the pantry once previously. The resident had a windfall on the lottery and wanted to give something back to the pantry as it had provided much needed support in a time of need.	MT to check that volunteer roles are still being advertised with CVS	TH/MT

	There are a number of regular volunteers but more are always needed and welcome.		
9. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Deferred: Cllr Clarke to update the group at the next meeting in Jan 2023.	Deferred	Cllr JC
10. Cost of Living Crisis			
	<p>A discussion took place around how the WA can support residents through the Cost of Living Crisis. The WA need to look at the existing offer and see how they can bring added value.</p> <p>A number of 'Warm Spaces' have already been established in the area or in the pipeline to commence these include the Central Family Centre and Worsbrough Community Church. Worsbrough Dale Pavilion are starting a meet and eat club in January. MT has spoken to other groups in the area with a view to supporting / encouraging them to look at setting up a hub with support from WA funds.</p> <p>In addition to the above a number of other areas are hosting 'More money in your pocket' events. These events bring together local providers that can offer, help, support to anyone that is worried about of experiencing difficulties related to the cost of living. MT has provisionally pencilled in an event on Wednesday for 1st February 2023 from 11 am – 2 pm at Miners Welfare.</p>	Map existing services/ groups that can provide support during this time. WA to make a note of provision they are aware of and share at the meeting in January	All/ MT
10. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Worsbrough Local History Day 09/2023</p> <p>The next History day event is planned for September 2023 this will coincide with the national Heritage Open Days. The last meeting was deferred and the planning group will now reconvene in January. All WA members are welcome to attend the meeting.</p>	Updates will be provided at the next meeting. WA to let MT know if they would like to attend the mee	MT/ planning committee
11. Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus			
a.	<p>Carol Concerts</p> <p>Carol concerts scheduled and dates sent out by MT. Poster to be finalised and to be circulated by end of November.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 09.12. Bankend School @ 5 pm – Cllr Jake Lodge to lead Bankend friends to support • 12.12. Ward Green Baptist 5.45 pm – Cllr Roy Bowser to lead Alan Littlewood to support • 15.12. Library 5.45 pm Cllr Clarke to lead Allison Johnson to support • 22.12. St Mary's Church 5.45 pm – Cllr Jake Lodge to lead Tracey Hamby to support <p>MT to provide all refreshments and resources and arrange with lead volunteer for collection delivery between events. The purpose of the events is to promote the WA, funding and encourage people to be active citizens</p>	WA reps to support the delivery of the carol concerts and use as an opportunity to promote the WA	ALL/ MT

b	Live funding celebration event No further updates. Given the current financial climate MT is going to look at how the event can support the current cost of living priority.	For further discussion at next WA meeting	MT
c	Ward Alliance Membership A number of applications are in the pipeline. Mireille Eastwood has been approved as a new WA rep earlier today and will join the January meeting following a induction with Cllr JC and MT	Group to continue to promote WA and sign post potential new members to MT MT to follow up on pending applications.	MT
10. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<u>Pantry Anniversary</u> Worsbrough Community Pantry celebrated two-year anniversary of first opening. A number of different organisations and services had attended and provided additional advice and support to members and residents.	No action required	N/A
b.	<u>Proud of Barnsley Award</u> Worsbrough Community Pantry was nominated for the Community Group of the Year Award. Worsbrough Bridge CC was nominated in the Love Where You live category. Neither group won their categories however the WA is extremely proud of them both and everything they have and continue to accomplish.	No action required	N/A
c.	<u>Social</u> WA members (and partners) to come together on Thursday 15 December after the carol concert, at Boatman's Rest for a social outing. Rsvp to MT. Guests are welcome	MT to book table	All
11. Dates and times of future meetings		Action/Decision	Action lead
	The Ward Alliance agreed to continue to the six weekly schedule and to conduct the meetings in person. There will be additional meetings in between with various working groups. The next meeting of the Ward Alliance is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19.01.2023 @ 5.30 pm at the Worsbrough Library 		AG