DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES	
Meeting Title:	Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Tuesday 28 th February 2023 @ 6pm
Location:	Collins Close, Dodworth

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Peter Fielding (Chair) Councillor Will Fielding Councillor Chris Wray 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) Shirley Musgrave – Higham Resident Amanda Littlewood - Dodworth Resident	Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident Helen Totty – Higham Resident Vicky Dickinson – Dodworth Business Owner

1.	Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
	Councillor Peter Fielding welcomed everyone to the meeting with no introductions necessary.		
2.	Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
	As detailed on page 1.		
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action lead
	There were no matters arising and the minutes of the meeting held 17 th January 2023, were agreed as a true record.		
4.	Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action led
	As members of the Miners Welfare Committee, Councillor Peter Fielding and Councillor Chris Wray both declared a pecuniary interest in the Ward Alliance Funding Application received from the Dodworth Miners Welfare.		
5.	Budgets	Action/Decision	Action lead
	The latest Dodworth Ward Alliance Budget situation was outlined as below:-		
	Unallocated Ward Alliance Balance: £5,138.65		
	Small Sparks: £372.91		
	DG reported that £16,234.60 had been spent in total this financial year. DG stated the final invoice was still awaited in respect of putting up and taking down Christmas light motifs; the original order was for 14 motifs when there were only 11 in total. Any difference in money will be put back into the ward alliance budget allocation.		

At the start of the new financial year, the Ward Alliance will receive a new allocation of £10,000.		
It was also reported that pending a vote, it had been proposed by Central Area Council, to allocate a further £3,000 per Ward Alliance.		
Also, there is a potential for a further £2,000 per Ward Alliance from BMBC's Public Health Department. This money if awarded, would be ring fenced and have a criteria on what it can be spent on within the Ward.		
6. Ward Alliance Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
Hanging Baskets – Brackets		
An application from the Ward Alliance was presented for the purchase of hanging basket brackets at a cost of £1001.00		
DG reported that the hanging basket scheme is currently paused across the entire Borough as a safety audit is being carried out on the street lighting columns. DG stated she would provide an update about this matter once the assessment work had concluded.		
The application was approved for the full amount Any brackets no longer needing to be purchased or if the scheme did not go ahead following the safety audit, then the funds will be added back into the Ward Alliance Budget.		
<u>Dodworth Miners Welfare – Kings Coronation</u> <u>Event</u>		
An application was received from the Dodworth Miners Welfare requesting the amount of £700 to hold a Kings Coronation Event. The event would invite families including children and our elderly residents to a Coronation Party and would include refreshments and a special commemorative		

	coronation gift. There will also be entertainment during the event. LCK stated she was agreement with the application, however, was concerned if approval of this application would then affect any future applications from the Welfare, in particular the Summer Gala that is normally held. DG confirmed that all applications will be considered on its own merits. Following a discussion Ward Alliance Members agreed to fund this application in full.		
7.	Ward Alliance Projects	Action/Decision	Action lead
	Christmas Update – Living Christmas Trees DG reported that the only location within the Ward which has been given permission to plant a living Christmas tree, is on the green space area on Saville Road, Gilroyd. The preferred locations at both Penny Pie Park and Higham have not given approval by the Highways Department. After further discussion, it was agreed DG would contact Highways again to discuss their concerns as to why the Penny Pie Park preferred location near the electric supply was not possible.	DG	
8.	Any Other Business	Action/Decision	Action lead
	<u>Priorities</u>		
	DG referred to the Priorities Document which was circulated with the agenda and other papers. DG asked if Ward Alliance Members could take the time away from the meeting to look at the document and make any comments/changes. These would then be ready to report and share with the rest of the Ward Alliance soon. <u>Sharing Email Addresses</u>		

	DG raised the matter of Ward Alliance members sharing/knowing each other's email contact details. DG stated that if members were happy to do this, it may help when discussing certain issues and subsequently help keep meetings to a timelier manner. DG stated she would email all members asking for a reply stating whether they were happy to share their email details or not.	DG	
	<u>Safety Issue Fairway Roundabout – Overgrown</u> <u>Shrubbery/vegetation</u>		
	AL reported her concerns about the ability to cross the road safely near the Fairway Pub/Restaurant. AL stated that due to overgrown shrubbery/vegetation on the Koyo Roundabout, made it difficult to see oncoming vehicles when crossing adjacent to the Fairway.		
	Councillor Peter Fielding stated he would pass these concerns onto the relevant highways department for investigation.		
	The meeting closed.		
9.	Date of Next Meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
	Date of Next Meeting		
	The next meeting will be held Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 6.00 pm.		
	Date of Future Meetings		
	Tuesday 30 th May 2023		
	Tuesday 11 th July 2023		
	Tuesday 22 nd August 2023		
	Tuesday 3 rd October 2023		
	Tuesday 14 th November 2023		
	Tuesday 6 th February 2024		
	Tuesday 19 th March 2024		