

Ward Alliance Meeting



Worsbrough Ward Alliance
Bringing a Community Together

Date & Time:	Thursday, 12th October 2023 @ 5.30 pm
Location:	Worsbrough Library

1. Welcome and Introductions / attendees			
Chairperson:	Cllr John Clarke (JC)		
CDO:	Michelle Toone (MT)		
Secretary:	N/A		
Committee Members:	Cllr Roy Bowser (RB) Mireille Eastwood (ME) Alan Littlewood (AL) Allison Johnson (AJ)		
Guest:	N/A		
2. Apologies for Absence			
Cllr Jake Lodge (JL) Tracey Hamby (TH) Sherry Holling (SH)			
3. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest			
(JC) and (AJ) declared a non- pecuniary interest in the Embroidery Group Small Sparks application.			
4. Notes of Last Meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
Agreed as a true and accurate record.		All	MT
5. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
(MT) to follow up Paul Robson re Final's day invite		N/A	MT
6. Guest Speaker Yorkshire Air Ambulance		Action/Decision	Action lead
Due to the change in date for this month's meeting, Yorkshire Air Ambulance were unable to attend. They have confirmed they will attend the November meeting instead.		MT to attend YAS to next agenda	MT
7. Ward Alliance Budget 2023/2024		Action/Decision	Action lead
Total remaining allocation for 2023/2024: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Fund = £ 10,236.09 Engagement Fund = £ 337.26 (RB) stated that the chronicle has been reporting on WA spend and the lack of spending in some Wards. Worsbrough was mentioned in the reports.		(MT) has designed new promotional material that will be used to continue to promote the funds. (MT) will also support groups to apply. WA to promote the funds through their	ALL

	(MT) reassured the WA that Worsbrough spend was relatively good in comparison to other areas and that promoting the funding to existing groups was a priority.	own networks and encourage volunteers / groups to contact (MT) for an application/ support	
8. WAF Applications/ Potential spend		Action/ Decision	Action lead
a.	WISH group - £105.98 The group would like to restore the mining memorial on the canal basin. Works include cleaning the bricks and replacing the plaque.	Approved in full – to be costed against the WA Engagement Budget	MT
b.	Small Sparks – Embroidery Group To purchase additional materials so group members can continue to develop new skills and encourage new members (ME) was assigned as the buddy for this project.	Approved in full.	MT / ME
9. WAF Monitoring		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Knit & Natter Group (ME) informed (MT) that she still hadn't had a response from this group to meet them and complete the monitoring returns.	(MT) to email the group and copy (ME) into the email	(MT) (ME)
10. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Celebration Event The WA gave positive feedback about the event. They felt it was well organised and well structured. The presentation showcased the work of the WA and the community over the last 10 years and it was good to reflect on the work during this period and look at how the WA has changed and adapted. The catering was excellent and was provided by On Par.	N/A	N/A
11. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	Worsbrough Local History Day/ Heritage Trail (RB) and (JC) said the event was fantastic. The groups that contributed to the information stands and stalls did a great job of providing informative and engaging displays. The footfall increased from the previous year and there was a steady flow of people throughout the days. Support from Barnsley Heritage Connects and Barnsley Museums teams (Worsbrough Mill) was fantastic and really appreciated. MT thanked (TH), (RB) and (JC) for attending and engaging with other attendees to prompt the WA and complete the questionnaire. Overall the event was another great opportunity for the WA to work alongside partners and promote Worsborough's local history while support the History Groups	The working group will continue to meet to plan and deliver Worsbrough Local History Days 2024	MT/ planning committee
b.	Telecoms Boxes Artwork has now been submitted to artist Patrick Murphy who is collating the designs to be incorporated into one complete piece of artwork that will be wrapped around the box. (MT) waiting for design to be sent from Patrick,.	(MT) to update at next meeting	MT
c.	Environmental Working Group Notes from last meeting to be circulated.	(MT) to continue to facilitate meetings and share meeting notes	MT/ EWG

13. Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Community Engagement</p> <p>(MT) will be prioritising visiting existing groups and organisations to promote the WA and funding. As part of the wider community engagement (MT) will organise drop in sessions in community settings such as local cafes, doctors. Community Pantry etc.</p> <p>(ME) suggested the Family Hub at Bankend would also be a good space for a drop-in session.</p> <p>(RB) and (JC) happy to support these sessions and attend.</p>	(MT) to put together calendar and circulate to WA	MT
b.	<p>Review of support to vulnerable residents</p> <p>A discussion took place around how the WA can support vulnerable residents with a more targeted approach to ensure the support was being accessed by those that need it the most.</p> <p>(ME) talked about the Family Hub offer and how the Warm Spaces initiative has been reviewed and redeveloped. The sessions are referral only and take place over 6 weeks and include support with topics such as budgeting and cook and eat.</p> <p>(RB) and (JC) and proposed pulling together information about the existing offer from other organisations.</p> <p>(MT) stated anything the WA does should be in partnership with others and bring added value as the WA doesn't have the resources to deliver anything of significance in isolation.</p>	(MT) to look at More Money in Your Pocket website for details of what help is currently available. WA members to send information to MT about any community support they are aware of. (ME) to send (MT) dates of next Warm Spaces programme.	MT / ALL
c.	<p>Christmas Activity</p> <p>As discussed in previous meetings (MT) will invite groups to express an interest in hosting the Community Carol Concerts. Successful groups will be responsible for the organising of the overall event and the WA will cover the cost of the brass band. The WA can attend to engage with attendees.</p> <p>In addition to the open access Community Concerts (MT) proposed the WA host the Pie & Pea Supper event again that was held in 2021. This will be held at the Miners Welfare and Barnsley Brass will provide entertainment.</p>	All in agreement. Engagement budget to cover cost of events. (MT) to get quotes for catering.	MT
14. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>(JC) informed the group that the Worsbrough Rainbows and Brownies would be hosting an intergenerational coffee morning for Remembrance Sunday and would be laying a wreath on behalf of (JC)</p> <p>This event has previously been funded by the WA, however as a gesture of goodwill the group will fund it themselves this year.</p>	N/A	N/A
11. Dates and times of future meetings		Action/Decision	Action lead

	<p>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.</p> <p>All meetings are Thursdays, 5.30pm at Worsbrough Library:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 16th November• 14th December – SOCIAL	N/A	MT
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