

Ward Alliance Meeting



Worsbrough Ward Alliance
Bringing a Community Together

Date & Time:	Thursday, 7th September 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 Jake Lodge (JL) Cllr Roy Bowser (RB) Tracey Hamby (TH) Mireille Eastwood (ME) Alan Littlewood (AL) Allison Johnson (AJ)		
Guest:	Tracey Hughes (TH) Health Watch Rachael Pearson (RP) Youth Association		
2. Apologies for Absence			
None given. Sherry Holling (SH) absent			
3. Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest			
None declared			
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
	Cllr Clarke asked if Paul Robson had responded regarding the Primary School Challenge – Finals Day invite.	MT to follow up	MT
6. Health Watch			
	TH gave an update on her new role at Health Watch Barnsley. TH is a Community Engagement officer for adult safeguarding. Her role is to share information on how and where to share any concerns that anyone might have in relation to adult safeguarding. TH can organise group visits or 1-2-1 sessions including home visits. As part of the sessions TH shares information on how to spot the signs of a safeguarding concern and signposts to other organisations and services to provide support. TH	Support from WA to promote the service. ME said the definitions were a good piece of marketing as it helps people to realise / understand what abuse looks like. AL suggested the cricket club could	ALL

	<p>circulated leaflet with description of safeguarding issues that the group found really useful. TH wants to encourage people to looking out for each other and reignite community spirit.</p> <p>JC asked about the longevity of the post. TH confirmed that currently the post is funded until March 2024 and is unaware of other funding streams. This service is currently being delivered in Leeds and Barnsley. RB spoke about the successful pop-up event held at the Asda with TH and JC where there had been positive engagements from the public. TH has further visits planned to other groups and events in the area. MT asked about timescales for victims receiving support – TH said this wasn't something she could answer at this time as this data isn't fed back to her.</p>	<p>help to promote TH's role/ the service.</p>	
7. The Youth Association (TYA)			
	<p>RP gave a brief overview of the TYA. TYA currently operates in Bradford Leeds, Wakefield, Doncaster, and Barnsley. Recently they have overseen and delivered a Youth Work qualification course in partnership with the YMCA. This is now funded by Adult Skills and Community Learning. RP is the lead youth worker for Central Area Council. As part of their detached youth work, they deliver the Street-Smart Programme – engaging with young people to deliver social education and upskilling them to stay safe. Sessions are driven by the needs of the YP that they are engaging with. They are currently focusing on Worsbrough Dale park and attend on Wednesday evenings. As part of the sessions, they are carrying out a mental health consultation in collaboration with young people. Attendance varies week on week between 4-8 YP. If they can't find YP at this location, they will move around the Ward.</p> <p>JC suggested utilising the pavilion to host sessions once the dark nights set in.</p> <p>RB grateful for the work TYA are doing. He asked if YP engage on a street level and what are the issues. RP stated mental health concerns, substance misuse and Arson are the main issues at present. RB enquired if YP disclose reasoning behind anti-social behaviour? RP stated that boredom is a key factor as well as home life. A discussion took place around other organisations in the area that could provide diversionary activities. RP said the Targeted Youth Service cover different areas, but they are happy to partner were it beneficial. TYA are currently working with Coalfields in Kendray at Fives, and they are also happy to link up with Gamechanger.</p> <p>TH shared contact details for Danielle Veters – Health Watch works with a lot of young people as part of her role. She might be a good link to signpost YP to if they have any mental health/ safeguarding concerns.</p>	<p>WA to continue to use Facebook page to promote the services of the TYA and work in collaboration where appropriate.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
8. Ward Alliance Budget 2023/2024		Action/Decision	Action lead

	Total remaining allocation for 2023/2024: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Fund = £ 11,236.09 Engagement Fund = £ 952.61 	N/A	MT
9. WAF Applications/ Potential spend		Action/ Decision	Action lead
a.	Central Area Council Celebration Event £500 As previously discussed and agreed in principle this is a contribution towards the overall cost of the celebration event.	Approved in full	MT
b.	The Mill Academy - Junior Wardens Scheme £900 To cover cost of participation in the scheme for Autumn 2023	Approved in full.	MT
c.	Small Sparks Lew Whitehead – £150.00 The group have agreed to open the community building one day per week during the school holidays to allow the park users to make use of the facilities. The funds will be used to purchase fresh fruit and juice which will be distributed free of charge. The group have been provided with a summer sports kit funded by BMBC Public Health team – this will be loaned out to anyone that wants to make use of the kit when the pavilion is open.	Agreed in full	MT
d.	Worsbrough Local History Days - £900 Updated costs to cover the additional filming session and second video to show case the day and produce a promo film for next years History Days.	Agreed in full Funds to be taken from the WA engagement budget	MT
e.	Summer Roadshows - £850 The final overall cost for the WA Roadshows totalled £850. This includes a £460 contribution to the summer sports van and packed lunches for 3 sessions.	Costed against the WA Engagement Budget	MT
10. WAF Monitoring			
	None Currently	N/A	N/A
11. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Celebration Event MT reminded the group that the Central Area Council Celebration event was taking place on Thursday 21 st September at Barnsley Civic. All WA members are invited. The event will recognise and celebrate the contribution from WA's, Community Groups and Volunteers over the last ten years.	Members confirmed their attendance	MT
12. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	Worsbrough Local History Day/ Heritage Trail MT informed the group the final working group meeting would take place on Monday. All preparations have been finalised including the commission video from Joshua Daniels. Cllr Clarke confirmed the Mayor would be in attendance at 12pm on Saturday 16 th .	WA members are welcome to drop in and support the event throughout the two days	MT/ planning committee

b.	Telecoms Boxes MT to contact artist Patrick Murphy for an update and reconnect with the school.	MT to update at next meeting	MT
c.	Environmental Working Group Notes circulated as part of WA papers	MT to continue to facilitate meetings and share meeting notes	MT/ EWG
d.	Summer Road Shows A discussion took place around the outcomes of the Roadshows. Unfortunately the sessions were not well attended. Consideration was given to the name of the sessions, promotion, locations, the activities on offer, other activities taking place the area and the change in community engagement following the pandemic. JC suggested that in future the WA look at providing more targeted support to families and individuals in the Ward that need it. Signposting to other services and organisations is also something the WA could do more of.	JC & MT to look at existing provision and map what support is available. Further information to be presented at the next meeting.	JC / MT
13. Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus			
a.	Action Plan/ Forward Planning Deferred until after review of the WA priorities consultation.	MT/ WA to continue to engage with the community and complete the questionnaire.	ALL
14. AOB			Action/Decision
	N/A	N/A	Action lead N/A
11. Dates and times of future meetings			Action/Decision
	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. All meetings are Thursdays, 5.30pm at Worsbrough Library: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th October • 16th November • 14th December – SOCIAL 	N/A	MT