

# **BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **DEARNE AREA COUNCIL**

### **Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager**

#### **Finance**

##### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to update members regarding the Dearne Area Councils financial position.

##### **2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1 That members note the current financial position and the impact on future budgets.

##### **3.0 Area Council Financial update**

##### **3.1 2023/24 Committed Spend**

With the carry forward from 2022/23 of £29,072.50 and the base budget of £200,000 the Area Council have already allocated £194, 802 of the commissioning budget. This will pay for Employment and Skills, Housing officer, Environmental service, Social Connectivity and the Neighbourhood Engagement officer post for two months, leaving £34,270.50 in the commissioning budget to spend on priorities in this financial year.

##### **3.2 Dearne Development Fund**

In the last financial year the funds supported four projects that met the Area Councils priorities, Citizens Advice, DIAL, TADS and a contribution towards Goldthorpe Development Groups bounce into summer event and the older persons get together. In July 2022 the Area Council agreed a further £30,000 to be put into the fund and Dial and Goldthorpe Development group were successful in their application to run for a further year. Members also contributed to the Bounce into summer event, and to pay for welfare advice until December 2024, leaving £9,500.41 in the Dearne Development Fund.

Therefore in total the Dearne Area Council have £43,770.91 to carry over into the next financial year.

### 3.3 **2024/25 Committed Spend**

During the financial year 2024/25 spend has been committed to the Employment and Skills contract, Social Connectivity and Housing Officer. At the Area Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 members decided on developing a service level agreement with Neighbourhood services for their environmental service, the first years costing will be £84,139, within this budget is a contingency budget. Therefore the committed spend for next year is £176,833 leaving £57,437.40 in the budget to spend on local priorities.

See Appendix one for financial breakdown

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Financial update

### 4.0 **Officer**

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