BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report of Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report apprises the Dearne Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance action plans and meeting the ward priorities.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Dearne Ward Alliance for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to the received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward, and Neighbourhood levels (Cab.21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab.13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance

4.1 Dearne North Ward Alliance was held on Tuesday 16th January at the Rainbow Centre in Thurnscoe.

Ward Alliance finance – 0 applications submitted balances all read out and agreed

Due to high number of apologies at the meeting the Ward Alliance members who were in attendance with all 3 Councillors agreed to defer the item on agenda regarding the action plan & projects due to their own capacity and groups they sit on, however they did agree to minimise the current action plan to simplify the categories and work on more projects alongside internal & external agencies whilst covering the main issues and topics for Dearne North.

Group updates took place from Thurnscoe Park, Big Local and St Helens Church Hall, more discussions around the Plaza and Thurnscoe Park activities hopefully some funding will be sought to aid some family provisions this summer.

Membership renewal letters were handed out by the Chair Cllr Cain with some completed forms already emailed before the meeting all 100% committed form last year. The CDO informed the group of some members having to limit their time due to the capacity.

Next meeting March 12th 2024.

4.2 Dearne South Ward Alliance meeting took place on Tuesday 13 February 2024 in Bolton on Dearne.

Ward Alliance funding, 2 applications were submitted for recommendation - Urban Impact Karate Group & the Dearne South Ward Alliance to purchase a shipping storage container in Bolton on Dearne – both agreed and fully supported by all members.

The treasurer gave an up-to-date report on the working funds balances and projects against the committed spend with monies been returned from Dearne Community Active Group due to the closure of their group. Committed spend read out and all agreed to put monies towards the forthcoming projects on the action plan for 2024.

The community storage container purchased was discussed about usage, storage and agreed to be placed on the Brickponds at Bolton on Dearne, Park Services are aware of the situation.

Group updates were given by each of the Ward Alliance members representing their work in the Dearne South.

Next meeting set for 2nd April 2024.

4.3 The reporting into the Dearne Area Council for information, of the Ward Alliance, is in line with the approved Council protocols. Notes are for information only.

Appendix one: Dearne North ward Alliance meeting notes Appendix two: Dearne South ward Alliance meeting notes

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