

Project Performance Report

Q3 - 2023/24 (Oct-Dec 2023)



Rabbit Ings Frosty Morning

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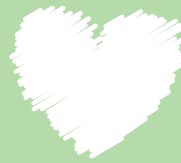
North East Area Council Priorities



Love Where you Live



Thriving and Vibrant Economy



Healthy Lifestyles



Children and Young people

Contributing to the following Corporate Priorities and Outcomes:

Barnsley - the place of possibilities

Healthy Barnsley	Learning Barnsley	Growing Barnsley	Sustainable Barnsley
People are safe and feel safe	People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships	Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities	People live in great places, are recycling more and wasting less, feel connected and valued in their community.
People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible	Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment	People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture	Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy
We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough	People have access to early help and support	People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes	Fossil fuels are being replaced by affordable and sustainable energy and people are able to enjoy more cycling and walking

Enabling Barnsley

We are a modern, inclusive, efficient, productive and high-performing council



BARNSELEY
Metropolitan Borough Council

**Our Council Plan
2021 -2024**

COMMISSIONS

*Environmental
Traineeship*

*Social
Inclusion &
Dementia*

*Private Sector
Housing Officer*

*Stop Smoking
Advisor*

*Detached
Youth work*

*I, A & G -
CAB and
DIAL*

**Healthy
Barnsley**

People are safe and feel safe



People live independently with good physical and mental health for as long as possible



We have reduced inequalities in health and income across the borough



**Growing
Barnsley**

Business start ups and existing local businesses are supported to grow and attract new investment, providing opportunities



People have a welcoming safe and enjoyable town centre and physical towns as destinations for work, shopping leisure and culture



People are supported to have safe, warm sustainable homes



**Learning
Barnsley**

People have the opportunities for lifelong learning and developing new skills including access to apprenticeships



Children and young people achieve the best outcomes through improved educational achievement and attainment



People have access to early help and support



**Sustainable
Barnsley**

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Our heritage and green spaces are promoted for all people to enjoy





























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Contractual Overview

Table 1 below shows the Providers that have now been appointed to deliver a series of services that address the priorities and deliver the outcomes and social value objectives for the North East Area Council.

Service	Priorities	Provider	Contract Value (per year)	Start Date	Updates		
Older People Page 05	 Healthy Lifestyles		£40,000 1 year (+1 year)	1st July 2022	+1 year extension started July 2023		
Environmental Traineeship Page 07	 Love Where you Live	 Children & Young People		£222,988 2 years (+1 year)	1st April 2022	+1 year extension started April 2023 and ends 31st March 2024	
Stop Smoking Advisor Page 08	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People	 South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust			Public Health funded from -1st April 2022	
Private Sector Housing Officer Page 09	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Love Where you Live	 Children & Young People		£37,750 SLA	19th October 2020	Extended to 31st March 2025
Detached Youth Work Page 11	 Love Where you Live	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People		£39,747 per year Grant.	1st April 2023	to 31st March 2025
Youth Development Grants Page 12	 Love Where you Live	 Healthy Lifestyles	 Children & Young People	   	£35,000 per year - Youth Development Grant to various providers	From 1st April 2023	to 31st March 2025
Information and Advice Services	 Healthy Lifestyles	 	£12,000 Devolved to Ward Alliances	From 1st April 2023	to 31st March 2024		



Older People

Health Lifestyles

Performance Indicator



There are two Social Inclusion Officers (SIO) involved in the North East who have been supported by a Senior SIO and the Projects Manager. All volunteers and staff remain committed to promoting dementia awareness across all of Age UK Barnsley projects, groups and events and have completed the relevant training. The staff continually work hard to ensure a safe and inclusive environment for all.

One-to-Ones

The One to One Support has had 17 new referrals and are currently supporting a total of 38 Service Users.

Advice and Guidance

Age UK Barnsley's Advice and Guidance Service has helped 22 people this quarter of which 18 were new clients. Reasons for these enquiries have been: benefits advice, Cost of Living Payments and Household Support Fund Grants.

Per annum
£40,000
100% spend

Social Isolation and Dementia Project

NB: Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG)

Now included in new SI&D Commission.

Regular Activities and Events:

- Chatty Café - with on average 40-50 people
- Norman Inn Lunch Group (12 regulars)
- Sewing Group - 5 regular attendees
- Little Bit of Everything Groups - Shafton (10 regulars) and Brierley (12 regulars)

Q3 Highlights and Events:

- Chatty Café Trip to Harrogate Christmas Market and other Christmas events 2023.



Quarter 3 - Oct-Dec 2023

THE NUMBERS	One-to-One Working with:	38	
	Number of 1:1 New Referrals	FEMALE 23	MALE 15
	Number of people IAG service has helped	22	
	Number of active/regular Volunteers	18	
	Social Value (Hours / Amount)	325	£4452.50
	Number of Safeguarding Referrals	0	

Referrals from:

- Social Prescribers
- Health Care Professionals
- GPs
- Mental Health Team
- Stop Smoking Service
- Volunteers, neighbours and family
- Guinness Trust
- Charity workers

"I really can't believe the difference I feel now that I have plucked up the courage to go to the coffee morning by myself! I have made so many wonderful friends!"

Service User



Q3 Highlights and Events

HARROGATE

Chatty Café - Trip to Harrogate

One of the main highlights from this quarter was once again a trip out. The SUs from Chatty Cafe were treated to a trip to Harrogate to visit the Christmas Markets. Around 45 SUs enjoyed mince pies on the coach going and a raffle with lots of lovely prizes on the way home. The SUs all said they enjoyed the day despite the torrential rain!.



"It was great to see the look on their faces at the group, having fun" Volunteer

"I am really enjoying going out to visit (name), I look forward to it every week" Volunteer

"thank you for a lovely day, I'm shattered but really enjoyed it" Service User

Chatty Cafe

The Chatty Cafe members turned out in force for their Christmas party despite the storm that was blowing outside! They all enjoyed bacon sandwiches which were ordered from the local bakery and had mince pies. The children from the local primary school came along to perform Christmas carols which really got them into the Christmas spirit



The Norman Inn Lunch Club

The Service Users usually enjoy a 2-course meal for under £10. The group recently enjoyed a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. Alongside their usual two games of Bingo they also enjoyed a festive raffle.





Improving the environment



Young People

Environmental Traineeship

Performance Indicator

Per annum
£222,988
100% spend

Supporting Christmas Events

As ever, the team with BCB were actively involved in making our villages in the North East Area look bright and cheerful in the dark winter months.

They not only dressed the trees with lovely lights and erected them, but they also supported the many community events for the light 'Switch-Ons' to keep everyone safe and sound.

Work as usual

BCB environment teams improve the North East environment by working on scheduled litter picking areas, emptying bins and reacting to specific environment needs. They also prepare ground for volunteer events using specialist machinery and work alongside volunteers on events.

As well as collecting Purple Bags, the teams collect black bags of rubbish daily from 40 bins.



A BCB 'Grinch' helper at the Cudworth Christmas Event

	Achieved this quarter
Number of full time employees	6
Number of traineeships started, created and supported	6
Number of people supported, who are from disadvantaged backgrounds	1
Number of learners from the NE Postcode area	2
Amount of Green Waste removed (Tonne)	2
Number of purple bags collected	
Number of volunteer Events supported	11
Number of black bags collected	2900



Christmas Trees and Lights in the North East and a bit of Christmas Cheer too!



Healthy Lifestyles

Performance Indicator

Health Lifestyles



The Aim of the initiative:

The aim of the initiative is to help and support people to stop smoking through accessing an outreach service near to where they live.

Smoking cessation is key to reducing the number of preventable deaths in England due to smoking.

Schools work:

Work continues at Outwood Carlton and Shafton Academies where Sarah facilitates information sessions looking at smoking and vaping and has plans.



New:

The service is able to now move cigarette smokers onto vapes for a set period, free of charge, with the aim to reduce dependence on cigarettes.

Per annum
£30,000
100% spend



South West Yorkshire Partnership

Free Vape kits to help smokers to stop

Smoking Statistics in the North East Area of Barnsley

Annual - 'ASH' data 2019

Number of smokers in the North East Area	7877
Societal Costs - North East Area £ <small>Including Health Care, House Fires, Social Care, Productivity</small>	£10.1m
Personal Costs to Smokers in the North East <small>Including the purchase of cigarettes and tobacco products</small>	£1.7m
Smoking related littering (Tonnes)	3.4



June to Sept 22-23

Stop Smoking Results

Quarterly Target

Actual

To treat 6% of the smokers in the North East	120	TBC
To get 55% to quit at 4 weeks	55%	TBC
To get 45% to quit at 12 weeks	45%	TBC



- Sarah's clinics**
- Cudworth Health Centre
Monday 9am - 4.30pm
 - Grimethorpe Centre
Thursday 9am - 12pm
 - Royston Library
Thursday 1pm - 4.30pm
 - Lundwood Family Centre
Friday 9am - 12.30pm

Just over 1:5 adults in the North East Area of Barnsley smoke.





Improving the environment



Healthy Lifestyles

Private Sector Housing Officer

Private Housing Enforcement Officer - Chris Platts - Safer Neighbourhood Services

Per annum
£37,750
100% spend



Cases in the North East - between 1st Oct and 31st Dec 2023

78 Opened

49 Closed

NB: Cases 'Closed' can be from previous quarters

50 Currently open

It has been an interesting quarter, with issues including dog fouling and waste in gardens, fly tipping, side waste, flooded properties, overgrown gardens, hedge/boundary disputes, self-neglect and hoarding.

In October, letter drops regarding dog fouling and the penalties faced for failing to pick up dog faeces received positive feedback. Some people phoned up to report issues the next day and generally residents were happy that we were taking the matter seriously.

At the end of October, in areas affected by flooding I visited several residents in the days following the incident to see how they were coping following the floods and to offer help with the £350 voucher scheme, insurance viability, electric supplies and damage.

	Annual Target	Achieved this quarter	To Date - July 2023-June 2024
Number of proactive initial property contacts	200	78	170
Number of properties with waste on premises		69	63
Number of properties improved because of service intervention	16	3	10
Number of requests to landlords (both formal and informal)	16	5	9
Number of individuals signposted to other services and agencies	16	5	10
Number of fly-tipping cases	20	9	25
Number of property inspections	20	6	8

Referrals to other services and partners were:

Citizens Advice Bureau -	3 people referred for mainly financial issues/help
Council Tax and Benefits -	3 people referred regarding council tax/housing benefit
Warmer Homes -	10 people
Smoking Cessation -	2 people
IAPT -	3 people for stress and anxiety
Barneslai Homes -	7 people

OCTOBER 2023
STORM BABEL
FLOODED AREAS
OF LUNDWOOD

Improving the Environment

Performance Indicator

Per annum
£1,000
68% spend



Responsible Dog Owner Initiative
£680 spent



The North East Team purchased 500 Doggy Poop Bags to give out at organised events, to individuals and other service providers in the North East Area. We also have printed Poop bags which are given to litter pickers.

New Dog Poop bags purchased will be biodegradable so that there will be less impact on the environment.



Number of Doggy Poop Bag Holders Distributed in the North East (to July 2023)

Distribution to date

480

% of target

96%

Health & Wellbeing Young People

Period Poverty

Per annum
£1,000
£659.70 spent



We're almost there!



The North East Area Team has worked with Ad Astra and The Community Link worker in Asda Barnsley to ensure that children and young people in local schools are able to attend in confidence.

Ad Astra has organised and is already distributing the items to those who are in Outwood Carlton and Outwood Shafton and some primary schools.



Youth Development Detached Youth Work

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Health &
Wellbeing

Young
People

The Youth Association

Over the last few quarters Youth Workers have built and maintained strong and consistent relationships with young people and groups across the North East area. This has allowed focused work and most projects to continue and flourish during the winter period, when it is typically quieter on street-based sessions.

What is StreetSmart?

StreetSmart is an initiative that provides support for young people at street level – a setting where parents, schools and most other services have little reach. The programme aims to grow resilience and empowerment among young people, underpinned by improved mental wellbeing and broadened aspirations.

Key Outcomes:

Young People:

- have an understanding of crime and violence
- are empowered to be capable activists, skilled in self-organisation, problem solving and critical thinking
- become less likely to adopt attitudes that contribute towards violence against women and girls
- improve mental wellbeing and self-awareness

StreetSmart is firmly rooted in the traditions of detached youth work and has two parallel strands:

StreetSafe Sessions

A programme of interactive street-based workshops that promote positive attitudes and safe behaviours

StreetVoice Sessions

Youth empowerment sessions that develops multiple street forums for young people to voice issues of local concern, influence local decision making and deliver small-scale social action projects.



(Left) Young People engaging with a healthy relationships workshop delivered SoundProof Box. Identifying 'red flags' such as coercive control acted out in role-play scenarios.



(Right) Young people taking part in a risk and consequence workshop

Number of Young People Engaged (YP)

420

Quarter 3
2023-24

44

Total Number of Sessions

N/A

29

Young people regularly engaged (3+ sessions)

92

27

YP participating in mental wellbeing workshops

60

11

YP participating in StreetSafe workshops (crime awareness etc)

90

26

YP participating in sports / physical activity sessions

100

7

YP taking a lead - co-produce project with youth workers

30

18

YP reporting sense of achievement, pride or similar

30

12

(Below) Young people taking part in a litter pick



Youth Development Grant

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Health &
Wellbeing



Young
People

Overview

The North East Area Council funds a mixture of projects that support the health, wellbeing and emotional resilience of Children and Young People.

Projects have various start and finish dates and the information below gives members a flavour of some of the projects who have submitted monitoring and delivered projects within this period.

Grant management meetings have now taken place with many of the projects, and all are meeting their outcomes and there are no concerns to report.



**GREAT
HOUGHTON
YOUTH
GROUP**

Youth Development Grant - Small

Services in the North East Area



Healthy Lifestyles Young People

Performance Management Report

April 2023 - March 2024

Ad Astra - Academic Term 1 - 2023-24

September - December 2023

Carlton & Shafton Academy - Group Listening

£7,000.00 p/a - 100% spend

- 4 Groups of 8-10 pupils
- 79 Group Sessions
- 440 Visits to Sessions
- 56 Individuals supported

"These sessions were delivered to empower young people to openly discuss their actions and emotions and what impact these have on their daily lives".



Collaboration



Communication with schools is working well. The school identifies new cohorts of young people that seem to be struggling from Years 7, 8 and 9 ahead of sessions beginning.

Issues:

There have been no major issues this term. All the groups have been coordinated and the names delivered to us prior to each half term. Some sessions the numbers were low which may be as both schools had mock exams which took our usual room so this also caused a little disruption. Communications are ongoing with weekly reports into school after each session

"We delivered an additional week in December in Carlton due to the mock exams".

National Safeguarding Week 20th - 24th November'23

As part of National Safeguarding Week Ad Astra provided lunchtime sessions for pupils concerned about Safeguarding issues. 230 young people attended and the feedback from these sessions was very positive.

Key Issues/Topics for Discussion

- Worries about being in secondary school
- What triggers emotions and Anger issues
- Parents drug use
- Positive Healthy relationships
- How to build your resilience
- Taking responsibility for actions and consequences
- No IT equipment at home for homework
- Different makeup of families
- Estranged family
- LAC - Social Care Involvement
- Gender Race and equality
- Disagreements and coping strategies
- Estranged families social care impact on families
- Personal Aspirations
- Anxiety and panic attacks
- Safeguarding issues - suicidal thoughts
- What is resilience and how do we become more resilient
- Personal Aspirations and goal setting and being realistic
- How to behave in different situations
- School interventions
- Disruptive behaviour
- Male Mental Health
- Death and bereavement in families





GAZ run after school activity sessions on two evenings per week during term time and they have had three sessions per week during school holidays.

Several young people volunteer to help run the sessions. Children take part in arts and crafts, games and competitions.

They receive free food at each session.

Existing Volunteers	x3
New Volunteers	x1
Volunteer Hours	131 hrs

Number of clubs/camps	24
Number of young people in attendance	387
Number of individual young people	32

“We help with problems such as food poverty, mental well-being, improving educational attainment and reducing the level of youth nuisance and anti-social behaviour”.



Art Project - Seaside Scene



Exodus Project

£4,779 per year - 100% spend to date

October - December 2023

The Exodus Project clubs contain a mix of dance, drama, crafts, music, sports and games. There is an educational element to our programmes.

Our programmes and the groups covered topics like:

- Influence of Drugs (Youth group)
- Safeguarding (in partnership with BMBC’s Safeguarding week)
- Individuality
- Ambition
- Imagination
- Stranger Danger
- The Environment
- On-line safety
- Consumerism



A total of 256 Volunteer Hours were logged in this period.



These were for the 9 people who help make the Day Camp, the Kidz club and the Rock Solid Clubs a success.

The building at Jenny’s Field has undergone some renovations which will be great for children’s activities and camps in the future.

Cudworth

- 10 Kids Clubs**
- 10 Youth Clubs**
- 1 Day Camps**
- x 21 Aged 7-10**
- x 15 Aged 11-14**

Brierley

- 10 Kids Clubs**
- 10 Youth Clubs**
- x 16 Aged 7-10**
- x 22 Aged 11-14**

Youth Development Grant - Small

Services in the North East Area



Healthy Lifestyles Young People

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April 2023 - March 2023

Great Houghton Youth Group

- Great Houghton Welfare Hall / Little Theatre Thurnscoe

Youth Group Session Activities

12 Sessions

'Reading Room Project' Over 50's Coffee Morning

12 Sessions

'Reading Room Project' Over 50's 'Eat & Meet' monthly free lunch

- Arts & Crafts
- Healthy Eating Sessions
- Litter picking
- Board Games
- Personal Development
- Exercise
- Tuck Shop

The youth group sessions, activities & projects have been successful at helping our young people to gain confidence, build relationships and gain respect for others, respect for our community & respect for our senior citizens.

Informal Education Sessions based on:

- Healthy Eating
- Exercise
- Friendship
- Peer Pressure & Staying Safe

These raised their levels of awareness of being able to choose their friendships more appropriately and the various aspects of how to be a good friend.

Much of this work was important when problems from school were brought into the Youth Group for a short period, our young people were able to work with our staff to resolve the issues appropriately and there were no further incidents.

They have worked hard and been challenged to enjoy themselves safely outside the comfort zones of home, school and in the youth group with offsite activities. In many cases these skills were not always evident when they first attended the sessions, in particular with the new intake each September but it is always a pleasure to see them develop & grow.

GREAT HOUGHTON YOUTH GROUP

Our young people were able to consolidate their understanding of the need to listen & follow instructions to stay safe, and they were able to resolve issues amicably with other children/young people given the opportunity, with the help of adults.



"Our work on peer pressure, respect & friendships proved invaluable".