

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL

15th July 2024

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Commissioning Update

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is for members to receive an update with regards Dearne Area Council commissioned services.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members note progress on their Dearne commissions.

3.0 Area Council commissions

3.1 Social Connectivity service

This service has been running from July 2022 until the end of June 2025. This is a cost to the Area Council of £28,000 per annum. There are no issues with this contract and the weekly social groups and one to one befriending are operating well.

3.2 Housing & Cohesion Officer

The Dearne Area Council approved the housing and Cohesion officer post until the end of March 2025. From January the officer has been working a four-day week and in the next financial year will cost £30,694, this costing is still being looked at as it maybe slightly higher than previously stated.

3.3 Assisting employment and skills

Dearne Electronic Community Village will run until the end of March 2025 but reviewed annually. This service is a cost to the Area Council of £34,000 per annum. There are no issues with this contract.

3.5 Dearne enviromental service

The service currently provided by Twigg's which ended the end of March 2024. At the Area Council in November 2023 members were given several

options and decided that they would not be going out to tender for this service but would be working with neighbourhood services who could provide more hours within the Area Council financial envelope. The team leader as now been in place since the 2nd of April and the driver started on the 24th of June, things are progressing really well.

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