

Royston Ward Alliance
6pm Monday the 15th April 2024
The Grove, Station Road, Royston

Present	Councillor Caroline Makinson (Chair)
	John Craig
	Bill Newman
	John Clare
	Kevin Copley
	Brooklynne Swindell (Barnsley Premier Leisure)
	John Openshaw (Secretary)
In Attendance	Christie McFarlane (Community Development Officer)

1.0	Apologies	Action
	Councillor Pauline McCarthy	
	Councillor Dave Webster	
	Gemma Conway	
	Graham Kyte	
	Father Craig Tomlinson	
2.0	Introductions	
	The chair asked member to introduce themselves. Welcoming Brooklynne to the meeting.	
3.0	Declarations of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest	
3.1	None Declared	
4.0	Notes of Previous Meeting	
4.1	Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting held on Monday the 11 th March 2024 were an accurate record,	
5.0	Matters Arising from the notes	
5.1	3.1 Dial a funding application for 2024/25 has been received and is being processed.	
5.2	6.1 Canal Sluice following the input of Cllr Makinson, the Waste and Recycling directorate are looking at preparing plans and seeking funding.	
5.3	6.2 Lynwood Drive Play Area , the bench has now been installed, a site meeting with the Probation Service is arranged to discuss the progress of other works.	
5.4	6.3 Youth Club Site a site clean up took place on Monday the 8 th April. The damaged fence at the rear of the site has been removed, efforts are now underway to secure funds to replace the fence.	
5.5	6.5 Community Orchard the green waste generated from the tree pruning on the 3 rd March has not been removed.	
5.6	Hanging Baskets , to be installed first 2 weeks in June.	
5.7	7.1 Canal Volunteer session a number of volunteers from Manor Bakeries helped with the painting of the fence along the Canal even though rain did curtail the session. A thank you to everyone involved.	
5.8	12.2 North Midland Rail it was agreed that once the report was completed copies would be distributed.	
6.0	Community Updates	

6.1	<p>In Bloom, the spring/summer planting schedules would be distributed to volunteers in the next couple of weeks.</p> <p>Youth Club Site Members discussed the proposals for the site, this included the installation of 2 new planters and works to the footpaths.</p> <p>Royston Park, Members discussed proposals for the planting in the Round Beds at Park Keepers house, possibly seeking support of Schools or Cool Kids.</p> <p>Pocket Park, members discussed improvements to the site which could aid maintenance.</p> <p>Healthy Hearts Group it was reported that the group would also be entering the Yorkshire in Bloom competition.</p>	
6.2	<p>Community Orchard concerns were raised on the lack of grass cutting in the area. Other concerns with the areas maintenance and upkeep were raised.</p>	
6.3	<p>Canal there have been a number of issues with Graffiti along the canal, the notice board, picnic bench and fence. This would be reported to the Graffiti Team. The Canal club have received a donation of Fishing Tackle which it proposes to sell at the Gala. Thanks were expressed to the widow of Pete Walton.</p> <p>A member of the Canal group is also planning to install a number of Bird Boxes along the canal.</p>	
6.4	<p>Gala the CDO reported that a planning meeting would be arranged for the event.</p>	
6.5	<p>Achievement Awards to date not all local schools have confirmed attendance. There is currently work being carried out to upgrade the Council Chamber, It was agreed that its availability for the 9th May would be confirmed.</p>	
6.6	<p>Midland Road to Leisure Centre Path it was proposed that new signage should be installed highlighting the new route and that the gate at the leisure centre be opened. This was agreed.</p>	
6.7	<p>Barnsley Premier Leisure the chair invited Brooklynne to give an overview of her role at Premier Leisure and the various initiatives delivered at Royston.</p>	
7.0	Ward Alliance Action Finances	
7.1	<p>Financial reports for 2023/24 were distributed and the CDO gave a comprehensive report. Proposals for 2024/25 were also distributed and were approved.</p>	
8.0	Funding Applications	
8.1	None to consider	
9.0	Ward Alliance Action Plan Project Ideas for 2024/25	
9.1	<p>Youth Club Site, installation of planters x 2, footpath upgrade with chippings and edging.</p> <p>Sloppy Slipper and Health Fair following successful events delivered previously.</p> <p>Summer Events sessions to be delivered over the summer holiday period.</p>	
10.0	Reconfirmation of Membership	

10.1	All members in attendance reconfirmed their membership of the Royston Ward Alliance.	
11.0	Any Other Business	
11.1	MAYhem in Royston Park 11am to 4pm on Sunday the 12 th May an event for all ages. The Street theatre company will deliver street theatre and circus. Featuring the likes of Facility Footloose, Granny Turismo and Dr Pandemonius Fish.	
11.2	Summer Events , there will be a 5 week programme in the summer holidays and it was confirmed that “Ramp Up” sessions will be in Royston Park	
9.0	Date of next meetings	
9.1	Monday the 3rd June 2024 , 6pm the Grove, Station Road, Royston	
	The meeting closed at 7:30pm	