

Dearne North Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Thursday 17 th November 2016 – 1pm
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Pauline Phillips, Cllr Alan Gardiner, Cllr Annette Gollick, Alison Sykes, Charlotte Williams, James Malone, Derek Bramham (Big Local Thurnscoe), Tina Brooke (local resident), Marie Sinclair (Dearne Area Team) & Stephen Hurd.	

	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Welcomes & introductions took place to welcome Tina to the Ward Alliance.</p> <p>1. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising</p> <p>Marie to check if David has taken the paperwork to the bank as countersignature on the account.</p> <p>2. Merging of the Ward Alliances</p> <p>Both Alliances have agreed to merge on a meeting basis only; the monies will still be used in both wards individually with their own desperate working funds for projects in each area, still working to the same priorities.</p> <p>3. Finance / applications received</p> <p>£1000 for extension of bulky rubbish scheme had been agreed after the last meeting via email also monies set aside for the clean-up of the Bullring with Big Local Thurnscoe giving £1000 towards the initiative.</p> <p><u>Dearne North Ward Alliance previous balance - £ 9476.50</u></p> <p><u>Applications submitted:</u></p> <p>Goldthorpe Development Group – Christmas tooth fairy project £400.00, Charlotte asked if the school nurse scheme was still available. (School nurses work in partnership with families, schools, social care and other health professionals, to support children and young people to make sure that their health needs are being met. Their aim is to visit schools regularly, offering health information, advice and support to pupils, parents and staff, as well as offering health promotion activities in the classroom), a short discussion then took place.</p>	Email David	Marie

<p>All agreed this project is excellent, meeting the quality of life priority against healthier lifestyles in children, by providing gifts at the Christmas Fayre from Santa with Oral hygiene gifts (toothbrushes, toothpaste, fruit and a book) – all agreed</p> <p>Goldthorpe Town Centre Group – New group (insurance) set up £379.80, all agreed this was a good application and agreed to fund 2 years to help the group sustain their finances from external funders and enable the group to start their projects on Goldthorpe High Street. – all agreed</p> <p>Thurnscoe East Bullring Clean-up - Marie asked the group if they would be willing to allow more funds for the Clean-up of the Bullring, to ensure all the work that had been started was finished before Christmas; the skips were all used and paid for, however there is still more debris/non-recyclables to be discarded. Prices for a grab wagon would be cheaper £150.00 a load, Big Local Thurnscoe (BLT) has agreed to donate £300 towards the costs. In the New Year The Ward Alliance will be working with, Twiggs, BLT (Green Space Group), Thurnscoe Tenants & Residents Association and local residents. All agreed £1500 in principle</p> <p>Marie will speak to Claire (Area Council Manager) with suggestions of section 106 monies to help with the project of a green space area in which local residents would potentially take ownership and look after once the project is complete. A consultation with residents in the area will be required Feb/March 2017.</p> <p>4. Updates from Community Groups</p> <p><u>Thurnscoe Park</u></p> <p>Remembrance Sunday was a huge success, a little wet but plenty of attendees. More conifers are to be planted in the new year; Derek is to give his Christmas tree as a living one.</p> <p>A new volunteer has approached Pauline with the aim of filling out funding applications in the future.</p> <p>Thurnscoe Park will be going for 'GOLD' next year, Pauline has downloaded all relevant articles/information on what is required, watch this space and everyone help out when necessary.</p> <p>The gates have now been fitted, the flowers are to be painted poppy red, and the container will be delivered in 2017 once the footpath has been repaired.</p> <p>Looking forward to the event on 19th November – 'winter wonderland'</p> <p><u>Station House</u></p> <p>Membership At Station House is currently full to capacity with demand in this area at its highest; proving that wealth in the area is growing, the more families are using afterschool care the more the Dearne economy is growing.</p> <p>Charlotte thanked the members for the funding towards a photocopier she reported that her new contract has saved 20% off the costs helping the environment.</p> <p>Lots of Christmas activities with the children to come in December including Santa's arrival, all of the children are rehearsing their carols for the community singalong at Thurnscoe Library 'light switch on'</p> <p>James has been tasked with promoting Station House through social media, & marketing of all their events. A newsletter will be devised in 2017 to highlight all the good work the children & families have done.</p>	<p>Speak to AC Manager - re sec 106</p>	<p>Marie</p>
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Charlotte asked if anyone knew of any knitting groups for the surplus wool she has been donated. Several options were discussed.

Salvation Army

Working families' foodbank went really well, lots of interest on social media with positive feedback, the next one is Saturday 19th November at 9.30 – 11.30am, Alison has requested food from several local supermarkets/businesses. Be well have made quite a few of referrals too.

Christmas craft session on Monday 21st November to showcase the fantastic work that Junior HOurbank #iWill initiative completed with Salvation Army families.

Big Local Thurnscoe

Planning of the Winter wonderland is well underway, Saturday 19th November 12pm – 6pm ending with firework display. Father Christmas arriving by train with elves walking alongside into park. Claire & Ann to help out on the day, everyone welcome to come along!

Dipping pond platform is still not erected yet, BLT waiting for instructions from DVLP, monies have been allocated but due to winter weather it may now be spring 2017 before completion

Alison has priced up the cost of hanging baskets for along the main shopping area (Houghton Road /Lidgget Lane) from the same Garden Centre that supplies the local council. BLT have approved for 20 baskets hoping it will encourage more shoppers to the local area.

The annual review has now been completed and submitted to BCB our Local Trusted Organisation. Once the report is signed off by the Local Trust our budget for the next 2 years should be agreed and the first six months drawn down in January 2017.

The Partnership has agreed for a further £300 for the removal of rubbish from the cleared Bullring area.

5. Group Project – working together

Multi agency clean-up – Marie will let everyone know when the next work is to be planned, removal of the waste is still top priority, by spring 2017 consultation with the local residents in the area needs to be completed to find out what kind of area green space they would like to be created.

LWYL – Marie asked everyone to keep up the good work and think of projects for working together with the Love where you live' theme at the start of Kept Britain Tidy campaign

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None.

Dates for next meeting – 2nd February 1.30 Goldthorpe Library