

# ROYSTON WARD ALLIANCE

## Notes

**Monday, the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017  
6pm at the Grove, Royston**

**Present**, Cllr Caroline Makinson, Cllr T Cheetham, Cllr M Clements, John Craig, J Clare, Gemma Conway, Stephen Croft, Fred Harston and John Openshaw.

- 1. In Attendance**, Caroline Donovan, North East Area Manager and Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer.
- 2. Apologies for Absence**, Howard Lavender, Mick Birkinshaw, and Graham Kyte.
- 3. Declaration of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest**, Gemma Conway declared a non-pecuniary interest in the funding application for the Achievement awards.
- 4. Correspondence & communications**, None to report.
- 5. Notes of previous meetings, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017. 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016.**  
Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting were a true record.

### **6. Matters Arising**

**Reds in the Community**, the group are to maintain their current 21 week programme.

**Mural Arts Project**, to commence in February half term.

**Aldi Site**, TARA have contacted local branch and have been informed that there are no immediate plans to start development; they also agreed to address issues with fencing and fly tipping.

**Meadstead School**, the school has secured funds to plant and maintain a site on Doles Avenue.

**Environmental Hot Spots**, the site from High Street to Doles Avenue reported at the previous meeting, glass was removed but the litter was not cleared. Lee Lani was also added to the 'Hot Spot' locations.

### **7. Area Council Update**

The Area Manager updated the meeting on the Area Council supported projects:

**Barnsley Community Build** apprentices

**Environmental Enforcement**

**Housing Management Officer**

**Apprentice Placement**

**Volunteering**

**Foster Care Review**, The Area Manager updated the meeting on the review a pilot being undertaken in the North East area, community focused working with and consulting local

people. The review is linking with the local community to promote and increase Fostering across the borough.

**Principal Towns**, The area manager updated the meeting on the project and its impact upon Royston. The project seeks to build the economic and community capacity within the 6 Principal Town and 10 local centres. The investment, a total of £5m over a 3 year period will focus upon town centres and high streets, targeted at: Quality Public Realm, Shop Front Schemes, Business Security, Business Incentives, Transport Improvements, Car Parking Improvements, Low Maintenance public realm, i.e. curbs, bollards, Acquisition of buildings/land delivering economic benefits. There will be an assessment process and criteria which will look at, each project which will need to be, Delivering a saving or a financial return on investment, Underpinned by a clear and robust , Secures other sources of funding involvement, Positive contribution to council priorities, Have a measurable output & Outcome, Community Involvement and be Sustainable. The projects will align with the area team and the ward alliance will have a significant role within the projects development and delivery.

## **8. Annual Review**

Members were asked to consider,

**Membership and priorities** for 2017/18, all members present agreed to retain their membership for the coming year, it was agreed that the secretary would contact absent members seeking nominations for 2017/18. Members also discussed how to increase membership.

**Chair**, members approved Cllr Makinson as Chair and Cllr Clements as Vice Chair.

**Priorities**, Members agreed to adopt the current priorities for the coming year.

**Finances**, the Community Development Officer distributed a full breakdown of funding allocated since 2013, and potential expenditure for 2017/18.

## **9. Project Updates**

**Achievement Awards**, G Conway updated the meeting with progress. The event will take place at Barnsley Town Hall on the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> March meeting at 6pm for a start at 6:30pm a request for volunteers was made with volunteers being on site from 5pm.

It was agreed that the Secretary would e mail all alliance members with an invitation to the event.

**Royston Green Spaces**, members were updated on the group's development and plans.

**Keep Britain Tidy**, leaflets and posters for the event were distributed, the event on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March will meet at Carlton Community College at 10am.

**Section 106**, members were updated on the meeting held to discuss allocation of funding.

**Gala & Proms**, the working group have held two planning meetings to date; this year's gala will be held on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> July.

**10. Royston Family Centre**, No Update available.

**11. WW1 Commemorations**, The secretary to progress.

**12. Royston & Carlton Community Partnership**, No update available.

**13. Funding Opportunities**, The Area Manager gave a report on the 'Volunteer It Yourself' a programme working with Volunteers, Young People and Local Crafts People refurbishing community facilities supported by Wickes DIY chain,

**14. Ward Alliance finance update and to consider applications**

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**15. Any Other Business**

**Royston Park Pavilion**, members were given an update on the condition of the pavilion following an inspection in preparation for the summer events programme.

**16. Ward Alliance Members Actions**

**Notice Boards**, the secretary to progress.

**Membership**, the secretary to write to absent members.

**17. Dates of next meeting**, 6pm on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:20pm