

BARNSELEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dearne Area Council Meeting

Report of Dearne Area Council Manager

The Dearne Development Fund

1.0 Purpose of Report

To update members regarding the last financial years spend and the proposal for allocated finances from the 2017/18 year in order to continue with the Dearne Development Fund to address the area priorities.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members allocate £70,000 out of their commissioning budget to continue the Dearne Development Fund programme. Grants will be allocated from £1,000 - £15,000 in order to enhance/improve provision that already exists within the Dearne Area.
- 2.3 That members agree to the continuation of a Dearne Development Fund programme.
- 2.4 That the Service Director, Stronger Safer and Healthier Communities be authorised to approve grants of between £1,000 and £15,000 following consultation with the Dearne Development Fund allocation panel.

3.0 Development Fund

- 3.1 In the financial year 2016/17 the Area Council allocated £80,000 to the Dearne Development Fund in order to address the priorities. They have spent £68,172.50 on nine projects leaving £11,827 of monies earmarked to spend on meeting future area priorities in the 2017/18 financial year.
- 3.2 It is proposed that the Dearne Area Council allocates a further £70,000 of its remaining £72,499.96 into the development fund in order to meet the area priorities in 2017/18. This will ensure that the team works with the services and groups within the area in order to build resilience meet need and develop the community. The development fund ensures more issues and people are targeted based on the needs of the wider population.
- 3.3 The allocation of funds will be between £1,000- £15,000 and an allocation panel will be convened in order to discuss applicants and make recommendations twice per year. The final approval will be delegated to the

Service Director, Stronger, Safer and Healthier Communities. The panel will consist of the Area Council Manger, Dearne North and South residents and members

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