

ROYSTON WARD ALLIANCE

Notes

**Monday, the 27th March 2017
6pm at the Grove, Royston**

Present, Cllr Caroline Makinson, Cllr M Clements, John Craig, John Clare, Gemma Conway, Stephen Croft, Graham Kyte, Fred Harston and John Openshaw.

In Attendance, Nigel Brown, DIAL, and Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer.

1. Apologies for Absence, Cllr T Cheetham, Howard Lavender, and Mick Birkinshaw.

2. Declaration of a pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest, None Declared

3. Correspondence & communications, Smoke Free Parks, Briefing Paper. Members supported the recommendation.

4. DIAL, CAB, Annual Reports, The chair welcomed Nigel Brown of the Disabled and Information Line, DIAL who gave an overview of the work and services delivered in Royston by DIAL. Members received copies of the annual report and statistics on the number of individuals supported and the financial benefits received through the advice sessions.

Following a question answer session members felt that elements of the report could be improved and made a number of recommendations one of which was improvements to the promotion of the service.

CAB, Annual Report, members received the North East Area Outreach Statistics from Citizens Advice Barnsley, the number of clients, the type of advice given and the financial benefit received.

Members were also asked to consider a funding application to support the services delivered by CAB.

Following discussions and considering the services offered by both DIAL and CAB it was felt that the DIAL sessions offered the best value for money and that DIAL's services should be increased to replace the CAB sessions. This was agreed.

5. Notes of previous meetings, 13th February 2017.

Members agreed that the notes of the previous meeting were a true record.

6. Matters Arising

ALDI site, the TARA chair reported on the exchange of e mails with the ALDI on rubbish, fly tipping and security fencing at their site on High Street, plus their plans for a new store on the site, some of the issues had been addressed and it was agreed to pass details of the other issues to Cllr T Cheetham to progress.

Environmental Hot Spots, an update was given on the sites previously identified. e
Meadstead School, G Conway gave an update on the work being undertaken with the school.

Foster Care Review, the CDO gave the meeting an update and it was agreed that this should be a regular agenda item.

Housing Management Officer, the CDO gave the meeting an update.

Principal Towns Programme, the CDO gave the meeting an update, the project officer in now in post, Sian Stanhope.

7. Project Updates

Achievement Awards, G Conway and the CDO gave an updated of the even all the schools enjoyed the event and asked for the Ward Alliance to support a similar event in 2018. The event was well attended with the Mayor giving everyone an open invitation to visit the Mayors Parlour. The chair gave thanks to members who attended and supported the event and to G Conway and P Jolley for all their hard work in planning and delivering the event.

Royston Green Spaces, the secretary updated the meeting on the work of the Green Spaces Group.

Section 106, the chair updated the meeting on the various projects proposed for support from the funding.

Gala & Proms, the CDO gave an update on plans for the event.

Great British Spring Clean, the CDO gave an update on the event which was supported by the High School.

Yorkshire in Bloom, Judging will take place on Friday the 21st July, J Craig reported that site plans had been prepared ready for planting and proposed writing to residents on Royston Lane and East End Crescent to help with planting and maintenance.

Royston Lane, members raised concerns at the broken bollards and railings.

8. Funding Opportunities, the secretary reported on the availability of grants from Veolia Trust.

9. Ward Alliance Finances, members were supplied with a breakdown of potential spend for 2017/18 listing the possible projects requiring support. Members discussed a number of options.

10. Royston Family Centre, No Update available.

11. WW1 Commemorations, The secretary to progress.

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

13. Ward Alliance Members Actions,

CAB funding application, P Jolley to contact

DIAL Monitoring, G Conway and Cllr M Clements to progress.

Funding Applications, P Jolley and J Craig to progress.

Royston Lane Planning Issues, Cllr C Makinson to progress

14. Any Other Business

Meeting Diary, a diary of meeting dates for the next 12 months was distributed.

15. Dates of next meeting, 6pm on Monday the 8th May 2017.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:15pm