

Hoyland Milton and Rockingham Wards

Notes of meeting held on Monday 15 May 2017

The Hoyland Centre

Present

Cllr Chris Lamb
Cllr Mick Stowe
Cllr Robin Franklin

Rockingham (Chair)
Hoyland Milton
Hoyland Milton

Robert Hargreaves
Pat Gregory
Anne Sanderson
Ian Warhurst
John Lang
Janet Cartwright
Neil Spencer
Dawn Grayton

Berneslai Homes
Walderslade Surgery
Neighbourhood Watch
HAG
Hoyland Job Club
Friends of Elsecar Park
Forge Community Partnership
Barnsley MBC

Apologies

Cllr Jim Andrews
Cllr Emma Dures
Cllr Tim Shepherd

Rockingham
Rockingham
Hoyland Milton

Andy Hodgkinson
Danielle Gill
Ben Merryman
Alison Lamb
Tim Fuller
Joan Whittaker

Toch
Tesco
Tesco
Elsecar Church
Tesco
Barnsley Fed of Tenants

Councillor Chris Lamb chaired the meeting.

1. Welcomes and apologies.

The Chair welcomed Sarah Harrison, Private Sector Housing Officer and Jo Radley Social Prescribing Officer from Your Best Life, South Yorkshire Housing Association.

Fiona Tennyson has resigned from the Alliance because of a change in her shift patterns.

2 Sarah Harrison introduced herself and described her role. Sarah confirmed that most of her work load is in Wombwell but this could be because the town has a bigger private

landlord base but she is wanting to spread her work more evenly if possible. In Hoyland Milton and Rockingham wards the main areas of work are Welland Crescent, Elsecar and Hemingfield, although Hemingfield's main problem is with problems around properties in states of disrepair. There have been 23 service requests in the two wards, 3 have been helping vulnerable people.

Sarah was given some further areas to investigate: Cemetery Road, Jump; St Helen's Road Hoyland/Elsecar and the square around Watson Street in Hoyland Common.

Sarah's contact details to be circulated after the meeting.

3. Jo Radley from Your Best Life Social Prescribing Service introduced herself. At the moment only GP surgeries can refer into her service, although she hopes this will increase into other services in the next year. Her role is to support GPs and community nurses in helping patients with low level mental health problems and problems where patients aged over 18 years are repeatedly attending GP surgeries. Jo works with patients by visiting them at home and identifying the patient's need and where appropriate she will help them to join local groups.

The Alliance generally agreed that Jo's work links into any work the group may do on social isolation.

4. Discussion and feedback from Social Isolation Workshop.

Feedback was given from the Area Council Workshop; they are considering the possibility of employing a worker to deliver work related to social isolation.

The What's on guide is going to be revamped and distributed to all houses in the two wards. This will help people who are isolated and don't know what's going on in the area. The Youth Partnership maybe able to help distribute them but a price needs to be costed and will be reported back to the alliance at the next meeting.

Costs to be confirmed on printing.

We need to target areas where there are a lot of single occupiers, information to be obtained from Barnsley MBC information and governance team.

5. Notes from the Ward Alliance meeting held on 21 March 2017

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the proceedings.

6. Tidy Team Update.

The Tidy Team are delighted with the decision to extend their contract. The team have also had a change to their working pattern, the team have been split which gives better support to groups across the area. Up to quarter 3 they team with the help of volunteers have collected 1,700 bags of litter and 10 tonnes of scrap metal. 2 apprentices started in February 2017 and two more started in April 2017. They are still open to requests of help and support for help, not just with litter picking but with training and lending tools to groups.

A question was asked about fly tipping, The Tidy Team will take referrals and then pass the information on to Neighbourhood Services who will gather information for potential prosecution and then the Tidy Team can clear the site, this means sometimes there is a delay between the fly tipping is reported in and the Tidy Team becoming involved.

7. Promotion of Ward Alliance Spending.

The Ward Alliance has a new allocation for the financial year of £20386.14, however the Dream Team are wanting to repay their award. This should be included in the next meeting's account.

8. New Projects.

Friends of Hoyland Library. Agreed but the alliance attached conditions that we receive details of attendees.

9. Any other business

Friends of Elsecar Park are holding their first concert of 2017 on Sunday 21 May 2017 at 2:30pm. Rockingham Brass Band are attending.

The Youth Partnership are looking to submit a Ward Alliance Fund application at the next meeting and they would like to do a presentation of the work they have done over the last year, this will be put on the next agenda.

Volunteer monitoring. Volunteers are going to be asked to sign up to a volunteer card, this will allow volunteers to provide their details once and then they record their volunteering hours by submitting their card number and the hours they volunteer.