

**BARNESLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 24th of July 2017**

**Report of the
Dearne Area Council Manager**

Update on Ward Alliance Fund spend

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report seeks to inform Members about spend to date from Ward Alliance Funds within the Dearne Area.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Dearne Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes any spend to date for the Wards of Dearne North and Dearne South.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

3.2 In considering projects for the use of the Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4.0 Spend to date

4.1 At the Area Council on the 19th of September members agreed to devolve a further 10k to both alliances. This took Dearne Norths starting budget to £20,069. During the 2016/17 financial year the Dearne North Alliance has spent £19,018.47 on 26 projects. Of these projects 16 were matched funded. As of April 2017 the ward alliance had a total allocation of £1,050.53 to carry over into the 2017/18 financial year. The starting balance for the 2017/18 financial year is £10,000 bringing the allocation remaining to £11,050.53, pending final budget approval.

4.2 So far in the 2017/18 financial year the Dearne North budget as paid for three projects, costing £1,379. All of these projects have been matched funded bringing the total allocation remaining to £9,670.20

4.3 The starting budget for 2016/17 for the Dearne South alliance was £21,160. During the last financial year the Dearne South alliance spent £19,435.10 on 18 projects, of these projects 10 were matched funded. As of April 2017 the South ward alliance have a total of £1,724.90 to carry over into the 2017/18 financial year. The starting balance for the 2017/18 financial year is £10,000

bringing the allocation remaining to £11,724.90, pending final budget approval.

4.4 So far in the 2017/18 financial year the Dearne South budget as paid for two projects, costing £1,697.40. This application was matched funded bringing the total allocation remaining to be spent on Dearne priorities to £10,026.60

5.0 Appendix

Appendix One: Breakdown of Ward Alliance Spend

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