BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 14th September 2015

Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Council Performance Update including financial position

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend, and outlines the unallocated amount remaining for 2015/16 and 2016/17.
- 1.2 This report provides members with an update on the delivery of the Dearne Area Councils current commissions.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Dearne Area Council members note the updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend and the unallocated amounts remaining for 2015/2016. Details are contained in Appendix One.
- 2.2 That members note the continued progress of the three Dearne Area Council commissions

3.0 Financial update

- 3.1 With agreement from the Dearne Area Council on the 30th March 2015 the training for employment contract has been commissioned and subsequently extended until the end of March 2016 at a cost of £37,000. The enforcement contracts have also been extended until the end of the financial year the total cost is £22,000. Further the Dearne Area Council have commissioned a clean and tidy service at a cost of £75,000. This equates to £134,000 spent out of this year's budget leaving an amount of £121,718 remaining unallocated for 2015/16.
- 3.2 The revenue that has been raised so far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) is £14,110 .Therefore a total of £135,828 is available in the 2015/16 financial year to spend on meeting the Dearne Area council's priorities and the possible allocation of funds to a ward level.
- 3.3 No clear indication has been given regarding the future budget allocations for Area Councils post 2016-17. Central Government's Summer Budget was announced on the 8th July 2015. This will inform BMBC's budget planning and further information will be available in the autumn.

4.0 **Current Commissions**

4.1 **Training for employment**

Since the last Area Council meeting there has been no contract monitoring meeting. However the next meeting is scheduled to take place on the 21st of September 2015.

This contract continues to progress well with no concerns.

4.2 **Enforcement**

To date 58 FPN's and (40 PCN's for parking) have been issued in the area. 50 of these have been for littering offences and 8 for dog fouling offences. The FPN numbers have decreased over the last few months, this may be down to a number of factors but the increase in patrol times, high profile patrolling and clear education from court results are clearly a factor. Officers concentrate their patrols around intelligence led information from the tasking process and also from complaints on the street, from the community at large.

6 x Fly Tipping offences reported over this quarter by Kingdom officers whilst out and about on patrol. These have been reported to environmental services and together we have gathered evidence for the ongoing investigation which continues. The partnership develops as we are co-terminus which clearly assists. We are being asked to generate 'Litter Picking' days for those juveniles within the community who have committed the offence. Under the restorative restoration scheme they will be subjected to this by agreement of the Parent / Guardian. These days may be overseen by Kingdom Staff.

The Dearne Area is contracted to 1 x officers, this equates to 487.5 hours. Over the Third quarter, achieved is 487.5 hours which is 100% of the contracted hours.

4.3 See appendix two for full report

Clean and Tidy Service

5.0 Twiggs commenced delivery on the 1st of September 2015. They have been provided with an interim work plan until the Dearne North and South Ward Alliances have had chance to discuss other areas of work.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Financial update
Appendix 2: Enforcement Report

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Dearne Area Council Manager

Appendix one: financial update

	2014/2015	2015/2016	
	£200,000.00	£200,000.00	£200,000.00
		£ 55,438.00	£ 135,828.00
		£255,438.00	£ 335,828.00
Environmental Enforcement	£27,181.00	£ 18,465.00	
Environmental Enforcement - BMBC contribution	£8,000.00	£ 3,255.00	
Training for Employment	£74,381.00	£ 37,000.00	
Private Sector Rented Housing Management / Enforcement	£35,000.00		
Dearne Clean & Green		£ 75,000.00	
	£144,562.00	£133,720.00	£ -
FPN income received		£ 14,110.00	
Allocation remaining	£ 55,438.00	£ 135,828.00	£ 335,828.00

Appendix Two – Environmental Enforcement

work

Dearne 4th Quarterly Report May 2015 - July 2015

Kingdom Security - Quarter 4 report received on the 7th August 2015

Satisfactory quarterly monitoring report and contract management meeting.

Milestones achieved

Outcome indicator targets met

Social value targets met

Satisfactory spend and financial information

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Overall satisfaction with delivery against contract

	FPN	FPN Dog	PCN		Dearne	Dearne
DEARNE	Littering	Fouling	Parking	total	North	South
Week						
04/05/15	11		5	16	12	4
Week						
11/05/15	3	1	1	5	3	2
Week						
18/05/15	7		4	11	9	2
Week						
25/05/15	3	1	8	12	8	4
Week						
01/06/15		1	2	3	3	
Week						
08/06/15	7		3	10	6	4
Week						
15/06/15	5	1	1	7	2	5

Week						
22/06/15	1			1	1	
Week						
29/06/15	1			1	1	
Week						
06/07/15	3	0	4	7	5	2
Week						
13/07/15	2	0	0	2	2	0
Week						
20/07/15	5	3	0	8	5	3
Week						
27/07/15	2	1	12	15	8	4
Total	50	8	40	98	65	30

The FPN numbers have decreased over the last few months, this may be down to a number of factors but the increase in patrol times, high profile patrolling and clear education from court results are clearly a factor. Officers concentrate their patrols around intelligence led information from the tasking process and also from complaints on the street, from the community at large. To date this Fourth quarter complaints / operations are on going and continue, although there is a significant drop in reporting they are reported and attended. This also gives the complainant / informant a quick response to that reported. Officers concentrate their patrols and operations around these areas although we can cope with more complaints / issues than that so far reported.

A number of prosecutions files have been submitted for Littering and Dog Fouling. To date offenders have paid prior to attending, plead guilty by letter or attend and have all been found guilty. The next batch for court appearance is 31st July 2015. We wait in anticipation to the results of these.

The Revenue Raised thus far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) from commencement of the contract until 28thJuly 2015 is £14,110.00

Operations

	<u>Q1</u>		<u>Q2</u>		<u>Q3</u>		<u>Q4</u>		Year Totals	
	Target	<u>Actual</u>	Targe	t Actua	I Target	<u>Actual</u>	Target	<u>Actual</u>	Target	<u>Actual</u>
<u>Patrolling</u>	<u>377</u>	431	<u>377</u>	452.75	377	487.5	<u>377</u>	487.5	<u>1508</u>	1858.25
<u>hours</u>										
<u>completed</u>										
<u>DEARNE</u>										
<u>No. &</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>
location of										
<u>targeted</u>										
<u>litter</u>										
<u>operations</u>										
<u>DEARNE</u>										
<u>No. &</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>
location of										
targeted										
dog										
fouling										
operations										
DEARNE			_	_				_		_
No. &	<u>TBA</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>TBA</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>TBA</u>	<u>5</u>
location of										
targeted										
parking										
<u>operations</u>										
<u>DEARNE</u>										

Added Value

We have attended a number of action days alongside the GEO's and Police/CIIT teams to do general sweeps of the area for littering/ Fouling / Parking. We have worked in collaboration with NHW re installing cameras into properties with consent of a complainant to capture offences occurring. To date we have two FPN's issued as a direct result of evidence gathered by this method.

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Case Study One: Princess Road Fly Tipping





Kingdom Officers patrolling Princess Road In Goldthorpe for littering offenders discovered a large amount of household waste fly tipping down an alleyway of the road. Details of a possible offender were recovered from the site by Kingdom staff and were passed on to the Council's own Environmental Investigation team. The officers recorded the extent of the waste material and promptly relayed the information to Neighbourhood Pride, who made quick work of removing the waste.

Case Study Two: Lowfield Road Dog Fouling





Responding to complaints of Dog Fouling on the footpath on Lowfield Road in Bolton upon Dearne, Kingdom Environmental Enforcement Officers liaised with tasking officers to arrange an effective intelligence-led dog fouling operation. Within a week of the initial complaint, through varied high-visibility patrols at different times of day (early morning and late evening), four (4) Fixed Penalty Notices had been issued for dog fouling offences and one (1) for a littering offence. As a result of the success of this particular operation, residents around the area agree that the problem is starting to diminish, but patrols will still continue into the next quarter.