



## DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP

### Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe: 17<sup>th</sup> of September

**Members Present:** Derek Bramham (Chair), Claire Dawson, Dianne McQueen, Amy Parker, Jackie Kenning, Cllr Philips, Alan George, Dani Stott, Walt Boydell, Louise Jackson, Carol Booth, April Fisher, Sara Scholes, Kate Faulkes, Claire Beecroft, Cllr Noble, Donna Gregory, Julie Goddard, Paul Elsworth, Aimee Turner, Alisha Johnson, Mark Spooner, Jo Sharpe

**Apologies:** Sarah Cartwright, Stephen Abson, James Pierce, Helen Jaggar, Kat Clarke, Andy Denham, Dawn Caulton, Alison Sykes, Lorna Lewis

<b>Welcome and Introductions:</b> - A round of introductions took place and new members were welcomed to the group.	Action By
<b>Apologies:</b> - As listed above	
<b>Notes of Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018</b> <b>Matters Arising –</b>  An amended was made regarding Big Local Goldthorpe on the previous minutes	

## **Discussion Items**

### **Human Kind Housing –Mark Spooner**

Human Kind is a charity and is the new name for the organisation formally known as DISC. Part of their work is around social housing and bringing empty properties back into use. They work with clients that don't have access to housing for a variety of reason but the team are working closely with the housing options team. The charity work very closely with the people accessing their housing schemes in order to put them in a better position to take on their own tenancy. They have just renovating a property on Straight Lane and looking at two other properties in the Dearne Area.

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MS to update the group at a future meeting

### **B-Friend social isolation- Mike Niles**

B-Friend is the new social isolation service for the Dearne Area. They will be working with older people that are socially isolated and aim to recruit local volunteers to undertake this support. The volunteers will be DBS checked, trained, interviewed and supervised. Referrals can be online, by email or over the phone, it is important to note that they do not accept referrals for people with Dementia. They are looking for venues in the Dearne area to have group sessions

[mike.niles@letsbfriend.org.uk](mailto:mike.niles@letsbfriend.org.uk)

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All can refer into this scheme.

MN to link in with Homes and District Nursing to attend team meetings

## **Housing**

### **Housing Growth- Sara Scholes**

Bungalows on Beever Street are due to complete March 2019. The team intend to do welcome packs for all new tenants. There will also be a green space review in Thurnscoe.

Seasons , Thurnscoe – Phase 2 Keepmoat are on site delivering 129 units – 109 Open Market Sale and 20 affordable Rent Mix of 2 & 3 bedroom homes, and 2 bedroom bungalows (all bungalows are for sale) The Show home will open October First for sale units complete Jan 19 - 7 reservations received First affordable available June 19

The old school site isn't a Housing site – it's being considered for retail development. I'll ask Paul Allison in Estates if he can provide any further info.

SS to discuss content of welcome packs with group at a future meeting

**Berneslai Home- Dianne McQueen**

Many of the issues dealt with are around untidy gardens. Fly tipping is also an issue but the team have been working with the enforcement officer. 24<sup>th</sup> of September is recycling week and the team intent to go out and do some community work. The team would like to link in with waste management in order to go out together. Summer fun with partners was a great success and going to evaluate the event with the area team. The group had a lengthy conversation about replacement and contaminated bins and how long it was taking for pick up and drop offs.

DM to link in with DS during recycling week.  
CD to send email to waste management about their input into re-cycling week

DM to ask if we got a van if the team could pick up replacement bins

**Housing and migration officer- Dani Stock/ Walt Boydel**

Attending various locations in partnership with Walt, looking at gardens, bins, repairs etc. Already doing a drop in at the Salvation Army and looking to do one down at the Snap Tin café.

WB- no major issues things seem to be moving in the right direction, although there have been some issues in the park, but the team has linked with Kingdom. There is still an issue around people being reluctant to give out names and address when reporting issues. Any issues need feeding through the mail box

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**Health****Community Matron- Joanne Sharpe**

The community nursing team are now using VARMM to link all of the partners working with a particular individual to ensure that they receive the best possible care, they have seen some success with this approach to date.

**Live Well Barnsley-Claire Beecroft**

The post has now been extended until next March so CB will continue her work on the site. They are looking to getting more health providers on the system and this will be a useful tool whilst out and about speaking to their clients.

**Jobs skills and training****Coalfields- Louise Jackson**

They are working with providers in area and updating the what's on

guide and the welcome packs for new services users. They have organized an opportunity knocks event in the library on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 10.30-3.30pm.

The group discussed Debt advice and CD stated that before we look at other providers providing this support the support that already exists needs to be utilized.

### **Adult Learning- Carol Booth**

ASCL continue to provide support in the area through provision at The Factory. Four different workshops are available for customers to book onto.

English, maths and ICT assessments can be arranged through Joanne Batley ([Joannebatley@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:Joannebatley@barnsley.gov.uk)) who delivers at the Factory or through contacting 01226 775270

Courses for Food Hygiene, First Aid, Health and Safety can also be delivered on site (if required and for sufficient numbers) - information in booklet attached. There is no funding for the level 3 courses, but level 2 courses may have fee remittance depending on benefit the customer claims. To book onto these courses, or for further information please contact [sallydobbs@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:sallydobbs@barnsley.gov.uk) or [andrewdenham@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:andrewdenham@barnsley.gov.uk)

### **Salvation Army-Jackie Kenning**

The team has been busy doing the summer fun activities with other partners. Looking at doing another activity during half term. The team are working with the family centers and doing some cooking classes on a Saturday. Still doing collections from major supermarkets who have been brilliant and they have a few more coming on board.

### **Big Local Thurnscoe- Derek**

One of the houses has now been sold and there is interest in the other one. The group has organized a Halloween event on the 27<sup>th</sup> of October and the Christmas lights are due to be switched on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. The Christmas event will be around the library and the male voice choir is going to attend. The CEO from the local trust came to visit last week and Thurnscoe took them on a magical mystery tour of the projects they had been working on in the area.

They are also working with David Malsom in order to apply for new funds in relation to future housing projects.

#### **Big Local Goldthorpe- April Fisher**

Fairly quiet at the moment but got a business plan now and are looking at undertaking more housing projects, new builds in Bolton On Dearne. The Arts festival went well although there were issues with the venue. The memory café will be starting at the snap tin every Tuesday 10-12. The CEO asked for thanks to be given to the embankment group for all of their hard work on site

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CD to pass on thanks to the embankment group

#### **Thurnscoe Park – Pauline Philips**

The park received Gold in this year's Barnsley in Bloom and they are still continuing their work with the local Schools. Gooseacher also received an award in this year's Bloom and it was the first time they had entered.

#### **Goldthorpe Development Group**

Bounce into summer went really well. They are organizing their Halloween and Christmas events. They have also done a joint bid with the Playhouse for social isolation, which will be an extension of what they have been doing already in the Unity

MN to send dates of GDG events to CD

#### **Family Centre- Aimee Parker**

The team worked with the area team and salvation army on the summer fun activities and received referrals from these events. The team are also planning cook and eat with the Company Shop and Salvation Army. They are undertaking a 0-19 drop in every week with different themes. They are continuing with heart start and have planned different activities for different age groups in the half term holidays.

CD to include family workers in the summer fun evaluation

#### **Dearne Area Council- Claire Dawson**

All commissions are still going well. The embankment group access route is now complete and the group are going to continue cleaning the area. CD and JS have been part of a group to bring social and health care providers working closer together so will keep the group up to date with progress

AT to link in with district nursing and B Homes to promote service

### **Making Space**

Making Space is a service that is working with all carers across the borough regardless of background. They are doing a pop up in Goldthorpe Library every Wednesday. They also have a wellbeing funding pot which can give individuals up to £250 each. This can be for anything that aids wellbeing but cannot be spent on bills. They have planned an open day on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October.

### **WorkingWin**

WorkingWin is a Health led employment trial and anyone can refer including Vol/comm sector workers. The team can work with people either in work or off sick. Each coach will work with 6 employers a week and are doing some good work around working with them on the various issues that employees may present with. The team are doing well with referrals in the Dearne.

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**Any Other Business: May would like to see an embankment presentation at a future meeting**

**Date of Next Meeting –**  
19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**Date of Future Meetings have all been put in the calendar– To be held at 3.30pm in the Salvation Army Hall**