

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 25th March 2019**

Agenda Item: 10

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance Notes

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during October, November and December 2018.

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The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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13th March 2019**

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance

'CAN DO-WILL DO'

8 th January – 6 PM

Mapplewell & Staincross

Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor

Rebecca Battye - North Area Team

Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager

Paul Marsh - Local Business Man

Pauline Brook - Methodist Church

Helen Altun – Minutes

Caroline Haigh – Village Hall Assistant Manager

Janine Williams – Local Resident

1. Apologies

David Hilton – Green space

David Oates - Local Business Man

Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor

Cllr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor

2. Declarations Of Interest

None

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Financial Update

£2,346.88 available for Ward Alliance Fund supported projects.

£2,192.50 available for Ward Alliance Fund not requiring match funding.

£4,539.38 altogether.

6. Applications for funding

None

7. AOB

The Tour De Yorkshire is coming straight through Mapplewell village on Friday 3rd May. On 22/01/19 an information evening will be held about The Tour De Yorkshire at 6 pm.

A Ward Alliance member raised it could be potentially very busy in the village on the day.

Could some portaloos be put in the village and do people want an event after. No timings have been given up to now.

A Ward Alliance member explained they had asked if the owner of Pet Bay could have the community noticeboard on the wall next to his shop. The owner wants to use the space to advertise his own products so will not be able to have the notice board outside his shop.

A Ward Alliance member asked if the notice board could go near the bus stop outside the Tin Hat car park.

A potential application was also discussed for a community website idea which had been sent out to all ward alliance members by email. The councillors had discussed it before the meeting and were not in favour of the website.

Only one councillor now needs to be present to approve applications. The council website and town spirit are all available on the internet to give everyone all the information they need for their local area.

It was explained the community website would not be political it would be to promote businesses, promote the village, promote local charity's and the council and give visual information.

The cost would be £1200 for the community website.

It would be started from the start of the financial year if the application when it is submitted is approved.

A flyer as been produced to give out to local schools in the area asking for volunteers to help run a possible disco for children in the area. If there is enough interest an application will be put in to set a possible disco up for the local children.

Next Meeting 12/03/19 6 pm

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
12 th February – 6 PM
Mapplewell & Staincross
Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Gail Charlesworth - Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Harry Spence - Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Roy Miller - Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
Pauline Brook - Methodist Church
Helen Altun – Minutes
Caroline Haigh – Village Hall Assistant Manager
David Hilton – Green space
David Oates - Local Business Man

3. Apologies

Janine Williams – Local Resident

4. Declarations Of Interest

One declaration of interest was declared. The person was asked to leave the room while the application was discussed.

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

Approved.

4. Matters Arising

A Ward Alliance member asked about the local website which had been mentioned at a previous meeting. The Ward Alliance fund can not support websites. It was asked if a private website could be set up. It was agreed that a private website could be set up by anyone.

5. Ward Alliance Review

Rebecca provided everyone with an information pack. The information pack gives out all the information required for The Ward Alliance. Some of the points were discussed.

The Ward Alliance was set up in 2013.

The Governance framework was recently refreshed and some points have changed.

The Ward Alliance group can now open a bank account for funding, sourcing of external grants but it can not be used to keep ward alliance money in.

The Ward plan needs to be looked at every twelve months and should include the thoughts of the local community.

The membership should include three elected members and six additional members.

The Ward Alliance members should reconfirm their commitment on a yearly basis by email.

A decision for an application for funding can be made by one elected member and one third of the rest of the membership.

All members have an equal say.

Another review will take place in 2020.

A Ward alliance member asked if there was a limit on member's and it was explained it can not all be the same types of member's e.g. businessmen.

A ward alliance member also asked if there was a minimum attendance. It was explained that this was covered in the pack, but no substitute can be sent on a member's behalf.

6. Financial Update

£2,346.88 available for Ward Alliance Fund supported projects.

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£4,539.38 altogether.

7. Tour De Yorkshire

The Tour De Yorkshire is coming straight through Mapplewell village on Friday 3rd May. On 05/03/19 an information evening will be held about The Tour De Yorkshire at 6 pm.

The Ward Alliance and the council want local people and schools to get involved. There is a number of bunting workshops taking place across the borough. Leaflets were handed out. The workshops have also been advertised in the arrow and online.

Darton Primary and Wellgate primary have responded but we yet to hear from Mapplewell Primary. A ward alliance member explained they would go in to the school to promote the event again and ask if the school would like to get involved.

8. Applications for Funding

Security gate for Ibberson Memorial gardens - £1200 Approved.

Tour De Yorkshire crafts and equipment - £500 Approved.

St John's Church Pantomime - £340 Approved.

9. AOB

A ward alliance member asked if any volunteers had come forward from the leaflets that were sent out regarding the community children's disco. No volunteers have currently come forward but it was explained the council had been having problems with their emails at the moment. It may be that a volunteer board could be advertised again at one of the village hall fun days.

A ward alliance member explained it would be a good idea to have an awards night to reward and recognise volunteers from the local community. They asked for some of the remaining budget to be committed to this.

A large lawn mower is the property of the Darton East ward alliance and a ward alliance member can no longer transport it around the area due to a change in vehicle so they have asked haybrook services to pick it up and it is now being stored at Highway's at Smithies at the moment. Ideally it needs to be stored back in the ward area. A member will try to have it delivered to the ward area to be stored.

A ward alliance member is looking into getting some Christmas lights for the area. The member is pricing up for 36 lights for the area. Martin Coleman from the roundtable as previously mentioned sponsoring them. A member asked if a container could be put at the village hall for the lights to be stored in. The village hall manager is happy for a container to be put behind the village hall. A member asked what colour people would want. Also could section 106 money be applied for? It costs £89.09 per light to be fitted and lamp post numbers would be needed and brackets would need to be put up which can be left up all year.

A ward alliance member also asked who was responsible for the bollards in the village. The council as not yet signed the works off but once they are signed off it will be the responsibility of the council.

A ward alliance member also asked for a list of local groups in the area. A list of the groups can be given but no telephone numbers can be given out.

A ward alliance member also explained that 250 – 300 bags of rubbish had been collected in the area since January. The sacks were set on fire over the weekend before they were collected.

A bid as been put in for a new car park just down from the football field on Spark Lane. Siswell have no objections to the land being leased and £100,000.00 as been approved for the works. It will not be a concrete base due to drainage.

A ward alliance member asked if the group thought a beach would be a good idea for Mapplewell in the summer similar to the one in town. Some members agreed they can be troublesome due to glass and needles.

Next Meeting 12/03/19 6 pm

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance.

Notes of Meeting: Monday 14th January 2019, at the Darton Centre.

1 Welcome and Apologies.

Attendees: Cllr Linda Burgess, (Chair), Cllr Sharon Howard, Christina Carroll, Jason Gardner, Ann Plant, Richard Haigh. North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

Apologies: Cllr Alice Cave.

2 Notes of Meeting 10th December 2018.

The notes of the meeting were reviewed and agreed.

Action Points.

Linda to contact Dominic regarding procedures for the defibrillator

Linda to contact Dominic re Ward Alliance Action Plan. 2018/19.

Rebecca to contact residents at Dearne Hall Road re local consultation.

Dominic to complete survey of seating provision across the Ward.

Linda to email Katie, Paul and Richard re: visit to planter provider for Darton.

3 Ward Alliance Fund.

A The Budget was updated and noted.

B WAF Applications.

Seat Benches at Barugh Lane and Ballfield Pharmacy, Kexbrough. APPROVED.

Heritage History Trail Boards Darton x 3. APPROVED.

Planters for Darton Church Street. APPROVED for next Financial Year.

4a Ward Action Plan 2018/19

Item for February agenda.

4b Greenspace Opportunities.

Item for February agenda.

4c Initial discussion of WA priorities

It was agreed that we propose our current 4 Ward Alliance priorities for 2019/2020 and consult on these at the Stars event, on Facebook and through the Neighbourhood Network.

The priorities proposed are Community Health and Wellbeing, Community Health and Safety, Environment, Recreation and the Arts.

5 BMBC Changes to Ward Alliance Governance Framework.

Rebecca gave an update of the Council's revised governance arrangements for Ward Alliances.

6 North Area Council.

Nothing to report.

7 BMBC Darton Centre Project.

Linda gave update of current developments including successful funding applications. Next meeting of the Visit Darton Steering Group will be on January, 24th 2019, 3.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

8 Communications

Action Point.

Rebecca to place Ward Alliance consultation on Facebook and Twitter.

Jason will take the consultation re Ward Alliance priorities for students views.

AOB.

1 Linda to contact Charlie Wilkins of Barugh Scouts to find out if anyone might like to become a member of the Ward Alliance.

2 Nomination Forms for Stars of Darton West Ward Awards available from Rebecca.

3 Agenda Items for next meeting to include Tour de Yorkshire, Stars event.

4 VFD bulb planting and a litter pick on Wednesday, 16th Jan. Meet Premdor 10.00 am.

Star Awards Meeting 4.00 pm Monday, 11th February 2019.

Date of Next Meeting.

Monday, 11th February ,2019, 5.00 pm at the Darton Centre.

Darton West Ward Alliance

Monday 11th February 5pm at the Darton Centre

Attendees: Cllr Howard (Chair), Cllr Cave, Cllr Burgess, Jason Gardner, Christina Carroll, Dominic McCall, North Area Team: Rebecca Battye

Apologies: Tom West, Ann Plant, Richard Haigh

1 The Chair welcomed everyone and apologies were received.

2 The notes of meeting on 14th Jan 2019 and action points were reviewed.

Action points

Dominic and Christina to agree a rota for checking the defibrillator

Dominic to complete the survey of seating provision in the ward

3 Ward Alliance Fund

a 2018/19 budget update was provided and noted

b WAF applications for consideration

An application for insurance cover for the storage of Christmas motifs was approved.

Action point: Rebecca to prepare a letter of thanks to the company storing the lights

c Hanging baskets for 2019

It was agreed to support a sponsored hanging basket project for 2019

4 Ward Alliance Action Plan

a 2018/19 action plan was reviewed and issues for the 2019/20 action plan were proposed.

b The greenspace opportunities list for 2019 was reviewed and potential projects were identified for incorporating in the 2019/20 action plan.

5 BMBC changes to Ward Alliance governance framework

Updated information packs were available for those not at the January meeting.

6 North Area Council updates

There was some discussion about the NAC magazine and how residents could be kept informed of local activity.

7 BMBC Darton Centre Project

An update was given on the Visit Darton Project in relation to Darton Park improvements and funding available.

8 Communications

It was agreed to put the priorities for 2019/20 for consultation, in Darton Arrow and also the Neighbourhood Network

9 AOB

a TDY – information was given about how local people and schools could be involved.

b The WA Self Assessment Framework documentation was made available for completion by all WA members

c The Stars of Darton West Awards evening is to be held on Friday 15th March.

Date and time of next meeting: Monday 11 March, 5 pm at the Darton Centre

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance

Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor

Minutes of 4th December 2018

1. In Attendance
Cllr Phil Lofts, Cllr Clive Pickering, Cllr Jo Newing, John Love, Bill (W) Gaunt, Lee Swift, Sheila Lowe.
2. Apologies –Cameron Stirk, Lee Holmes.
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting, incorrect for Item 2, being a mistake in the minutes, this was not discussed.
4. Item 3 should read Kirsty Summerfield not Schofield, Lee Swift to email Cllr Newing with Kirsty's address.
5. Funding Applications,
 - Old Town Residents, JL, PL, JN, WG and CP all declared interests. Discussion regarding application and sum requested for community event. All agreed on a sum of £500.00 to the group towards their community event.
 - Wilthorpe Park Tree Trail, Sum requested to provide waymarker posts. Agreed to fund application
6. Other Funding – Bike Store, on hold.
 - Bulb planting, for next year
 - Summer Lane, on hold, Lee S to contact.Cllr Lofts, Possible Future Funding for Trees on West Rd and Replacing Posts on Briarfield Close.
7. A. O.B.
8. W. Gaunt, Insurance requires renewing £300 approx. W.G. to submit application. Website and Newsletter funding will run out next year. Website has good amount of traffic, does need updating. £150 per year.
9. Discussion re proposed work at Willowbank re 'walk' and potential bids.
10. Discussion regarding having two monthly meetings, agreed that if any funding applications come in before the next meeting the applications will be distributed to W.A. Members.
11. Next meeting February 5th 7pm Edith Perry Room, Barnsley Hospital.

Old Town Ward Alliance
Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor
Minutes of 5th February 2019

12. In Attendance

CLlr Phil Lofts, CLlr Clive Pickering, CLlr Jo Newing, John Love, Bill (W) Gaunt, Lee Swift.

13. Apologies – Cameron Stirk, Luke Holmes, Dorothy Hayes and Sheila Lowe.

14. Minutes of Previous Meeting, accepted.

15. Funding Applications,

- Tiny Tots Dance Application. – Withdrawn.
- Emmanuel Community Worker – Agreed and Passed.
- Uplift Café Coffee Choir – Agreed and passed, with an option to review if there is a further application next year.
- Old Town Newsletter, PL, JN, WG and CP all declared interest. – Agreed and passed.
- Neighbourhood Watch fencing. – Agreed and passed.
- Centerpoint defibrillator. –we Agreed and passed.
- Old Town website, visits to website have been steadily increasing. –Agreed and passed.
- Tour De Yorkshire Working Budget. – Agreed and passed.

16. AOB – None

17. Next Meeting – 9th April, Room 2, Town Hall.



Appendix Four:

St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting Thursday 24th January 2019, 4:00pm, Mansfield Road TARA

Present: Cllr Sarah Tattersall (Chair), Cllr Dave Leech, Cllr Jenny Platts, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Tony Lowe, Madge Busby, John Hallows.

Apologies: Clyde Black, Neil Wright, Freda Stenton, Kath Bostwick.

Welcome and Introductions: Everyone was welcomed to the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting: Minutes were agreed to be a true record.

Cllr Leech thanked the Ward Alliance members and North Area team for the fantastic Christmas events. Thanks, were also given to Ad Astra, Pat Padgett and St Helens Church, the Community Shop and to TWIGGS for the Christmas Trees.

Cllr Leech also read out an E-mail from Athersley North Primary School thanking the Ward Alliance for their donation of selection boxes to the school.

Secretary to E-mail Athersley North and South Primary schools to thank them for their school choir singing at the events.

We are still waiting for Michelle Cooper from New Lodge Community Centre to fill in her application form to join the Ward Alliance.

St Helens Ward Alliance Framework: Cllr Jenny Platts gave an update on the changes to the Ward Alliance Framework, including recruiting new members. The changes were discussed between the members.

Funding: The members then discussed funding. In previous meetings it had been agreed upon that a group could only apply for funding once in a year. It was suggested that we let groups apply for funding more than once a year but have an upper limit on the amount requested. Proposal and discussion held as a guideline for there to be an upper limit of £1,500 for funding bids but all bids will still be at the discretion of the Ward Alliance.

Cllr Leech discussed Secretaries allowance. It had been suggested that one of the Ward Alliance members had disagreed about the secretary getting paid. Lee Swift said that in the framework it states that the secretary is allowed a bursary (this is optional) but if an elected member is secretary then they are not entitled to the bursary.

Lee Swift also discussed a self-assessment form for Ward Alliance members that is in the new framework. Lee said it is a questionnaire that asks questions about the ward alliance, how it runs, etc. Lee will email all members with a link to this form. Deadline for completed forms is the 1st March.

Funding Applications:

- Athersley TARA cook and eat – This funding bid was for £478. Madge Busby discussed the bid and explained that the bid was for new equipment, food, etc for all holiday sessions through the year. The bid was discussed, Cllr Leech suggested increasing the bid to £600. This was agreed by all the members.

- Crafty Crafters – This funding bid was for £410. The bid was discussed. It was suggested that the bid be increased to £500. This was agreed upon by all members.

Secretary to email both parties to tell them that their bid was accepted.

Events: St Helens Ward Alliance Summer Gala

It was discussed that the gala will take place on Tuesday 23rd July 2019 on the New Lodge Village Green. (Permission already obtained from Berneslai Homes to use the field)

Cllrs between them are going to contact the people on our list and invite them to attend.

Members asked that the grass is cut prior to the event. This will be arranged.

The members then discussed Gazebo's. The new gazebo's that were bought previously are not suitable so it was agreed that a new funding bid would be submitted for 3 new gazebos.

Cllr Leech to contact Ad Astra and the Community Shop to see if they can make use of the old gazebos.

Ward Plan: Lee Swift updated our ward plan with actions that have been carried out. We discussed other parts of the ward plan but with members missing from the meeting it was decided that we needed to speak to them before continuing.

Treasurers Report Lee Swift gave a report of £11,258.39 as of the 24th January.

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report.

Forthcoming Projects/Bids: The Sloppy Slippers event will be held as part of the Health event taking place at the Community Shop, 2-4pm. There will be a leaflet going out to the bungalows. The Fire Service will be providing the slippers.

Any other business: Lee Swift discussed the upcoming Spring Clean in St Helens which will take place end of March/beginning of April. He asked for and ideas /areas that might be suitable. He also suggested that food may be provided as an incentive to get people to come and participate. Any ideas/suggestions are to be forwarded to Lee.

Plans for the Tour de Yorkshire are also underway, bunting workshops will be taking place throughout the borough.

The meeting closed at 17.40pm.

Date and time of next meeting:

The next meeting will be on Thursday 14th March at 4pm at the TARA office, Mansfield Road.