



DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP

**Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe:
22nd July 2019**

Members Present: Derek Bramham (Chair), Claire Dawson, Eric Steer, Jackie Kenning, Claire Beecroft, Cllr Pauline Philips, Alison Sykes, Paul Cummins, Chris Shaw, Cara Dixon, Julie Goddard, Toni Allen, Jenny Wort, Andy Denham, Cllr May Noble, Gillian Totty, Nicola Greenwood, Amber Goddard, Jo Sharp

Apologies: Sara Scholes, Dawn Caulton, Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Anita Heatherglen

<p><u>Welcome and Introductions:</u> - A round of introductions took place and new members were welcomed to the group.</p> <p>Apologies: - As listed above</p>	<p>Action By</p>
<p><u>Notes of Meeting held 13th May 2019</u> <u>Matters Arising –</u></p> <p>All attendees to come to the next meeting prepared for a workshop style meeting. “if we all had one message to get across to the community regarding service offer and current issues” what would it be</p>	<p>CD fetch flip chart and pens</p>

Discussion Items

(1) Priority- Housing

Berneslai Home- Eric Steer/ Gill Totty

BH has a total of 1600 properties across the Dearne and now only has 12 empties. All of the new builds on Beevor Street have now been let. Since the last meeting when low demand properties were discussed there has been a massive improvement, with only 1 of the low demand properties still available. The team has undertaken 1 eviction and currently has 13 cases being investigated. The team also previously engaged with residents on Marlborough Close, Lansdowne Close and Church Street. The team are now acting on those comments and doing various programmes around the estate.

Housing and Migration officer role- Area Council

This post has gone out for a 2nd time and there have been a lot of applicants. Short listing is currently underway and interviews are likely to take place mid-August.

N.B the group wanted some clarity regarding centre points remit with regards dealing with homeless young people. Do they offer an outreach service or are they just centrally based?

(2) Priority- Jobs skills and training

Andy Denham- Adult Skills

The team is delivering many wellbeing courses over the summer period from Wellington House but if there is a need there is no reason why these cannot take place in the Dearne. AD is meeting with LJ to update the what's on guide

(3) Priority- Health

Live Well Barnsley-Claire Beecroft

CB is now based with the healthier community's team and is still working to get people on the site. There are currently 1350 services on the site and these will all be transferred on to the new site which will be up and running in September.

Active Dearne- Paul Cummin

The team are still doing well in the area and working well with all providers. The team are working with the Dearne Area Team and assisting in their Thurnscoe' summer event. There will soon be another

CD to contact
Centre Point- invited
to next meeting

AD to send
programme to CD
What's on guide to
be fetched back to
the group once
complete.- done

recruitment exercise undertaken for a Bolton Community champion. Cara is working on new initiatives in order to get people active for at least 30mins a week.

Salvation Army-Jackie Kenning

The team is still seeing lots of people accessing their support for food parcels. The team is seeing a rise in complex cases but the team has now got a process in place to assist with this. There has been a reduction in referrals from the food bank. The team is also designing some job profiles in order to recruit new volunteers to specific roles.

Social prescribing- Amber Goddard

The service continues to operate well in the area for those 18+ and referral from Gp practices.

B:Friend- Jenny Wort

The Goldthorpe social group as now launched and will be every week at Goldthorpe library 1.30-3.30. Both the other groups in Bolton and Thurnscoe' are doing really well. The service does need more referrals for pairings for their one to one befriending work. People can self-refer or be referred by someone else, so long as the person agrees and is 65+.

Making Space-Julia Goddard

The carers service supports unpaid carers and holds a drop in at Goldthorpe and Thurnscoe. People can self-refer and BMBC still have acrers grant which people can tap into, this includes grants for equipment and rest bite. The team is also recruiting and the post can be found on the making space website.

Stats already engaging in the Dearne

14 Male 35 Female

Age range

18-24 1

25-29 1

30-34 1

40- 44 4

45-49 3

50-54 7

55-59 6

60-64 7

65-69 4

70-74 5

75+ 6

Unknown 4

Jo Sharpe

Jo gave a very useful explanation of the Neighbourhood nursing team

CD to invite
Suzanne Story to
the next meeting-
invited

JG to send stats to
CD- done

for the new comers to the meeting. Jo explained that all health services are on the same system which made it very easy for the patient seeing several professionals. She also explained the geographical boundaries, Jo covers Dearne and Darfield

(4) Priority- Environment

Thurnscoe' Park- Pauline Phillips

There has been a lot of ASB in the park of late. PP has reported this to the Police but would like CCTV fitting as well. The volunteers still meet every Wednesday but will also start and meet on Saturday mornings as well. 27th of July will be the picnic in the park event for families.

(5) All priorities

Big Local Thurnscoe''- Derek Branham

Thurnscoe' goes wild is going ahead with large animals to be placed across the area, these are looking amazing and the leaflets are now finished so that families can explore the trail. On September 10/11/13 they will run their pop up business school again which was really successful last year. The plaza plans are going in. One of the houses that the team has refurbished was broken into but not much damage was done. One has been sold and the other house will be taken on a lease with the hope that they will eventually buy the property.

Dearne Area Council- Claire Dawson

All commissions continue to do well, the b: friend social groups are going from strength to strength, but more referrals are needed for the one to one pairing. The embankment is near completion and an open day will be arranged once all of the installations are in. The prom project has done really well this year with more hires than last year. The team are currently arranging their summer fun activities and will let the group know once all dates have been set.

Libraries service- Toni Allen

The lightbox is now open and looks amazing. There is now an online booking system for those wanting to use the space. The libraries are on with planning their summer fun activities and summer reading challenge. The libraries also now offer a free printing and photocopying service and no longer fine for late books, all previous fines will now be quashed.

Landlord- Chris Shaw

He has a small group of people who are working with local groups from other areas in order to clear the litter. They are working on some of the hots spots in the area.

<p><u>AOB</u> The group had a discussion about engaging with those hard to reach on a face to face basis. The group consists of people that do come into contact with people but have no way of communicating some of the services that are currently available. We do have the Live Well site but this does not include things around waste management, fly tipping etc. Plus it's only accessible online. The group wants to do a short and snappy piece of work around pulling together the most important messages to get out to those at need. It will be a way of making every contact count.</p>	
<p><u>Dates for the diary</u> Thurnscoe' flower park event 27th July Bounce into summer (GDG) 21st August Arts festival 28th September Embankment Opening 20th/21st September Thurnscoe' goes wild August Big Local pop up Business school 10th/11th and 12th September Summer fun 29th Breakfast Club Bolton, 14th August Pentecostal Church, 28th August Thurnscoe' East</p>	
<p>Date of Next Meeting – 16th September, 3.30 pm at the Salvation Army</p>	
<p>Date of Future Meetings have all been put in the calendar– To be held at 3.30pm in the Salvation Army Hall</p>	