



**DEARNE APPROACH STEERING GROUP**

**Notes of the Meeting held at the Salvation Army Hall Goldthorpe:  
16<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**Members Present:** Derek Branham (Chair), Claire Dawson, Paul Cummings, Gillian, Totty, Andy Denham, Pauline Phillips, Alison Sykes, Jenny Wort, Chris Shaw, Jacking Kenning, Sarah Else, Eric Steer, Sara Scholes, Chris Denton, Jo Sharpe

**Apologies:** Cllr Gardiner, Claire Beecroft, Alan George, Lorna Lewis, Laura Hammerton, Sarah Cartwright, Julia Goddard, Cllr Noble, Cllr Johnson

<p><b><u>Welcome and Introductions:</u></b> - A round of introductions took place and new members were welcomed to the group.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> - As listed above</p>	<p>Action By</p>
<p><b><u>Notes of Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019</u></b> <b><u>Matters Arising –</u></b></p> <p>Centre Point- residential accommodation in Barnsley, also support 50 young people via outreach which are normally 18+. The service has had staff changes. Now have new staffs who attend the Salvation Army on a Monday regarding outreach work.</p>	

**Discussion Items**

**(1) Priority- Housing**

**Berneslai Home- Eric Steer/ Gill Totty**

Currently only got 6 empty all allocated except 1 flat at Heather Court. Very few notices are coming in, only 12 becoming empty. ASB officer working on 22 cases. Land Down Marlborough estate. Lots of fly tipping due to lack of bins, as a one off BH are doing a survey of what is missing and plan to replace them, as a one off. Had 100 years of Council Housing exhibition at the Light Box.

**Sara Scholes- Housing**

Seasons update, 129 units in total 41 complete by end of July running until May 20. Keap Moat put in an application for phase 3. 357 properties subject to change

**Housing and Migration Officer role- Area Council**

Recruitment is underway for this post and hopefully the interviews will take place early October

**(2) Priority- Jobs skills and training**

**Andy Denham-Adult Learning**

Tried to run 3, 8 hour courses over the last 3 weeks. Take up been really poor so the focus will now be in the Town Centre due to low numbers. Although the team are willing to put on sessions if people can get the groups. They are still delivering Math's and English in the factory. The pathways flyers have all been sent out through the network. Meeting with the Hill on Wednesday to look at wellbeing courses. They are looking for ideas on developing new programs to engage with the wider communities, all ideas are welcome

**(3) Priority- Health**

**Nursing- Jo Sharpe**

JS discussed moving to primary care networks and although that is changing this will not affect the Neighbourhood nursing teams. But will have an impact on making every contact count and people not having to have numerous appointments.

**Active Dearne- Paul**

12pm Friday walk club continues, walks also planned with the family centers and events run by the community champions will start on Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> in Thurnscoe. The team now have a new logo. The team has some new tennis training coming up, and learn to lead training day, giving people the confidence to deliver to groups. Cara now has a Facebook group and PC would like to invite you all to like the group

SS to send link to planning document

SE to send out the taster course flyer to CD

Group to look at what else can be delivered in the locality.

PC to send publicity on to CD

All to promote CD Facebook group

**Salvation Army- Alison Sykes, Jackie Kenning**

The team are doing a pop up uniform shop, Capita also contributed to the project. People are still struggling to pay fees for uniform. A new way of working is coming to the project. Monday morning will now be for those that have been with the team for less than 6 months and the afternoon for those that have been here for a while. Also providing some training regarding dept. management and trying to talk to people about how to best manage money. Doing learning zone, cooking building self-esteem on Wednesday. Food free Friday, no parcels “community front room”. Friday night churches throughout the winter. All these changes will come into effect in October. Going to be doing a nativity trail, but calling out for knitters.

**B:friend- Jenny Wort**

Approaching a year of b:friend , are set to meet targets. Two social clubs already running but the Goldthorpe group will start at the Pentecostal Church next month. Recruiting for new volunteers and all are DBS checked. Training is given. If new volunteers need assistance in doing DBS then JW can help.

**(4) Priority- Environment**

**Thurnscoe Park**

The Park received platinum in Bloom, This is a great credit to the great volunteers and services working in the area. PP is Thinking about doing an event for VE day. Winter Wonderland 17<sup>th</sup> November.

**Claire Dawson**

**Neighbourhood Services** have secured additional funding to support 6 temporary Area Based Teams to clear the weed growth from local areas. They are currently in the process of recruiting temporary resource with a view to commencing the works mid-September.

They are consulting Highways colleagues in relation to local hotspots identified as part of Highways Inspections and will be pulling on the intelligence held by the operational service. It would however be really helpful if they could have input from local Area Teams and Ward Members in relation to priority areas. Would it be possible for you to highlight key priorities areas in your respective Wards then they can ensure our resource are deployed to meet local priorities.

**Embankment-Open Day**

The embankment will be opening to the public on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of September 10-2pm. Everyone is welcome just to pop in and look and have a look around.

JK to send events round to rest of the group.

Adult learning to contact JW

Areas for consideration send to CD

<p><b>(5) All Priorities</b></p> <p><b><u>Big Local Thurnscoe - Derek Branham</u></b>  Go wild in Thurnscoe has been a great success and the children have really enjoyed the event. The 3 big animals are still placed in the Dearne. DB attended Big local conference and the go wild events were received with great praise. The mosaic that was damaged but will be put back at Thurnscoe station. Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September drop in session 3-6 regarding the Plaza, plans will be brought and residents have time to come and contribute. Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October Male voice choir coming to Houghton Road in the evening, tickets are now £8 each. Houghton Road 19<sup>th</sup> October will be having an open day to look round the newly refurbished center. Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> of October, a pop up business school will be held at Thurnscoe Library.</p> <p><b><u>Dearne Area Council- Claire Dawson</u></b>  All commissions continue to do well. The next round of Dearne Development Fund is now open for applications, anyone wanting any more information please contact CD.</p> <p><b><u>Landlord- Chris Shaw</u></b>  A lot of the good landlords have moved out of the area, CS states lots of issues in the area. Lots of empty buildings around the area and would love to convert. Bonds are available for those that complete the rent ready course with Crisis.</p>	<p>SS to ask DM about the funds that he had previously spoke about to assist landlords taking on properties.</p> <p>SS to look at detail of programme that healthier communities are developing.</p>
<p><b><u>Dates for the diary</u></b></p> <p>Community Champion multi sports family event, every Tuesday starting the 17<sup>th</sup> in Thurnscoe East Park 4-5pm</p> <p>Embankment Opening 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> September 10-2pm entrance across from Texaco Garage on Barnsley Road</p> <p>Big Local drop in session regarding Plaza plans Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 3-6pm Thurnscoe Library</p> <p>Arts Festival 28<sup>th</sup> September 11-4pm Astraea Academy</p> <p>Project 14 event with Dearne and District 28<sup>th</sup> of September</p> <p>Big Local, pop up business school Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> of October Thurnscoe Library. Booking is essential</p> <p>Dearne Team health and wellbeing fayre 16<sup>th</sup> October Dearne Lea</p>	

<p>residential home 11-2pm</p> <p>Thurnscoe Park Winter Wonderland 17<sup>th</sup> November 12-8pm</p> <p>Goldthorpe Development Group annual Christmas Market 6<sup>th</sup> December 4-8pm contact Nigel 07946469006</p> <p>Big Local Christmas Cracker 7<sup>th</sup> December light switch on 12-4pm at Thurnscoe Library</p> <p>BODVAG lights and Christmas fare St Andrews Square 8<sup>th</sup> December 3-6pm</p> <p>Dearne Area Team Christmas fuddle 19<sup>th</sup> December 12.30pm Goldthorpe Library</p>	
<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – 18<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm</p>	
<p><b>Date of Future Meetings have all been put in the calendar– To be held at 3.30pm in the Salvation Army Hall</b></p>	