

Dearne Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	4 th July 2019
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Alan George ,Cllr May noble, Cllr Annette Gollick, Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Cllr Pauline Phillips, Donna Gregory, Tina brooks , Derek Braham, Alison Sykes, Cllr Alan Gardiner	Charlotte Williams, Sam Danforth, Wendy Caine

	Action/ Decision
<p>As the projector could not be linked up and we are a paperless Council the Ward Alliance had to have all the papers read via the Chair and CDO Marie Sinclair. Apologies were made for the inconvenience this had caused and the length of the meeting forecast beforehand.</p> <p>1. Welcomes & introductions. Cllr Phillips welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>2. Minutes of last meeting & any matters arising. Beat the street Cllr Noble stated what a fantastic project that has really taken off in the whole community, it's been well received by families and local schools that have all really got behind it.</p> <p>Bulky rubbish - Marie gave a brief update on the referral system is now up and running and hopefully this will help people that really need it the most. Berneslai Homes and other agencies are all on board and have given the families that need it the relevant information to help them rid of their households bulky items.</p> <p>School uniform project Cllr noble stated she was disappointed that it has been put back until September 2019, Marie apologised and informed the Alliance that many of our schools informed us that they had run their own uniform drop offs in 2018/19 which were available for their families to either purchase or be given (under special circumstances direct from the school), its discretion from inside the school how they pass them onto individuals themselves. May mentioned the £740 will be carried forward as this was committed spend for the school uniform project 2018/19. – The project will be carried forward to Sept/Oct with Ann Toy as the lead Officer who will engage with the sub group (Alison, May, Charlotte J, Charlotte W, Pauline, Donna & Vicky) and the local school in the new term.</p> <p>Winter Warmer packs Alison mentioned she still has lots of pack remaining from last year as we didn't really have a bad winter so asked how does the WA want to hand them out to everyone? Marie asked them all to have a think for the next meeting and pop on as an agenda item, ready for the cooler months.</p>	

<p>3. Finance update 2019/2020 available spend for Dearne South = £11,298.93 2019/2020 available spend for Dearne North = £ 9,680.51</p> <p>4. Funding applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p><u>Family Fun Session - Goldthorpe Pentecostal church (Split 50/50 both Wards)</u> £224.45- paying for crafts- charlotte Williams had a concern over the plastic cup situation, plastic situation handing out 200 plastic beakers to go in a bin bag isn't environmental friendly, so alternative could the ward alliance buy plastic beakers that we could re-use them. Salvation Army to provide the food from Greggs funding £300 worth of food & drinks for all of the events through the holidays. Sadie to be asked to purchase 200 beakers. Everyone in favour to this application - YES.</p> <p><u>Dearne Astrea Academy (Split 50/50 both Wards) £500 each ward</u> This application was to take 40 students from the Dearne ALC to the Houses of Parliament to visit members inside and have a talk and lesson on what happens in Parliament, democracy and more insight into leaders on a more Central Government status. Questions were asked to Alan George who had declared an interest on what happens after they have been, could the school get together with the local elected members and run some sessions on what it's like to be a local elected member and see if they have an interest in local government policies and area priorities to see if they can understand the role of a local elected member and how this fits into area teams work and the bigger picture within our communities. After a more depth discussion – all unanimous in favour of this application - YES</p> <p><u>Bringing people together (Split 50/50 both Wards) £705 each ward</u> Application submitted to continue with the HOurbank running coffee mornings- fitness sessions, healthy eating, social evenings- based at snap tin café - quality of life, life skills, isolation in their own homes, easier to come to a local venue that there used to, safe place met new people. May questioned on be-friending- are they going to use be friend to visit on their own volunteers to visit and what CRB/DBS checks and if they don't go in to the snap tin café how are they going to find them. Derek says Thurnscoe people might not know where the snap tin café is so Dearne South and Dearne North how many people are going from each ward in particular. Decision was to invite to enable WA members to ask more details on their plans to work with the community more. Marie asked to invite Jill Richmond to the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Community noticeboard for the ward alliance-dearne north outside goldthorpe library (Split 50/50 both Wards) £705 each ward</u> To install & fit a community notice board which would be maintained by the Area Team but have anyone in the community able to place posters inside to let the community know what's happening in the Goldthorpe & surrounding area. Marie said she's asked Facilities Management & Highways if it's ok and that's alright with them. Everyone thinks it's a good idea and that we should split it between both wards - YES</p> <p><u>Family Fun Session in Thurnscoe East 'sports day' – Dearne North £600</u> Paying for family fun session on Sports day theme to get the kids actively involved in sport. Free picnics given to all children, sandwiches for parents – food sourced locally. all unanimous in favour of this application - YES</p> <p><u>Family Fun Session Bolton on dearne 'healthy breakfast club' - Dearne South £155.73</u> Application for the Ward Alliance to run healthy breakfasts for the families' ion Bolton on Dearne with some arts & crafts alongside. Volunteers from the WA will assist in the cooking and catering as well as the activities themselves. Salvation Army to provide the food from Greggs funding £300 worth of food & drinks for all of the events through the holidays.</p> 	<p>Marie to email Sadie to order 200 plastic beakers</p> <p>Marie to arrange meeting with School/Alan George after trip to discuss further work plans</p> <p>Marie to email Jill asking for invite to meeting to discuss further questions</p> <p>Marie to email Totties for delivery date etc.</p>
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- **Something Crafty - Dearne North £497.44**

Application to purchase sewing machine and materials to enhance the lives of elderly residents in Dearne North also exercise equipment i.e. resistance bands, pedal exercises. Chestnut Grove exercise session to buy materials Mandy is a qualified armchair. ***all unanimous in favour of this application - YES***

5. Group updates

Thurnscoe park

The judging is in a weeks' time for Barnsley in bloom still a lot to do, re painting the benches, cleaned of all the litter, glass and weeds. Picnic in the park as well as a band. Two youth workers going round the park on a night from Barnsley Council, Pauline stated that there is a still major issue with children and antisocial behavior on a late afternoon and early evening. Love your Park will be on Saturday 27th July at 12-4pm everyone welcome. Many stalls and attractions from the families.

Goldthorpe development group

Still the same. Older person's events going really well, lots of health organisations coming each month to assist the group members in any health matters, sloppy slippers, age concern, fire safety to name a few. Summer fun planning all going well.

Salvation Army

Dearne churches together paid for a theater company to come, two schools in Thurnscoe and Bolton on Dearne.

Alison raised concerns on some families and individuals that are having trouble with other residents targeting them as they are Asylum seekers that have resided in Goldthorpe. They are going to the Salvation Army but cannot speak English which is causing a little a concern. Alison is to speak to Centre Point to see if they can assist in these matters.

Alison stated that there is several signs of low income probably due to universal credit. There is an increase in food bank referrals and collections due to universal credit. On 30th October the message bus will be touring the Dearne streets watch this space for more information.

Big Local Thurnscoe

Hopefully will have sold their 2 properties which have been vandalized and broken into of late. The sculpture trail for the Thurnscoe goes wild initiative has now gone out to the local schools to decorate; the three large ones are with the professional painter the gorilla will be installed in Thurnscoe in the next month, the owl that's going outside the library is done a big hare is going on phoenix, the plinths are ready. The small ones will go back to the schools. Watch out for them around Thurnscoe.

Big local goldthorpe and Bolton on dearne

The Allotment fencing part funded through their funds and Big Locals has been completed, the tractor has now been delivered which will help with the rotivating every quarter.

The dress making skills starting in the snap tin coming online soon.

Finished the refurbishment on the final houses which will be then handed to Berneslai homes for rental income for local people.

A.O.B

Sadie gave a brief update on the forthcoming summer fun and asked for help with the volunteering on the day, a de-brief meeting will be made next week.

Date and time of the next meeting

Thursday 15th August 2019 12:30 @ Goldthorpe library