

# NORTH EAST WARD ALLIANCE

## MEETING NOTES

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	<b>North East Ward Alliance</b>
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Shafton Community Centre</b>

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr J Ennis (Chair), Cllr L D Higginbottom Ms. B Sargesson, Ms. S Nixon Messer's M Fensome, D Gill, A Hampson, R Archer, L Holt, P Mackinson	Ms. D P Coates, Cllr A Cherryholme

1.	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p><b>1. Notes of Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>The notes of the previous meeting were accepted as correct.</p> <p><b>2. Matters Arising –</b></p> <p>No Matters arising</p> <p>Prior to the main agenda items a Mr. David Andy from the Citizens Advice Bureau gave members an update on the sessions they had held within the Alliance Area since August 2018.</p> <p>No Sessions held = 10                      No Clients seen = 35                      No issues dealt with = 89 regarding, Benefits (52)                      Universal Credit (18, Debt (10), employment (5), relationship (4)                      £44k benefits reclaimed                      £14k debt handled                      45% of the clients were over 60yrs of age                      The majority of the clients were male</p> <p>Help and advice is provided through a number of channels, e-mail, internet etc.</p>	<p>Cllr D Higginbottom stated that consultation sessions are not available in every village but if people were made aware of what is available and where those requiring help and advice would travel to them even though the bus services had been reduced in some areas</p> <p>It was proposed that a standard poster /flyer advertising CAB services and session venues be prepared and distributed within each village</p>	

<p><b>3. Ward Alliance Finance</b></p> <p><b>D Gill</b> informed members that approval to spend the additional £10k on projects within the four villages had now been obtained, and he circulated a copy of the latest accounts which took into account, the additional costs of recently received funding application,</p> <p>Each Ward would have an additional £2500 available to allocated</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
<p><b>5. Ward Alliance Funding Applications</b></p> <p>The following applications have been received for consideration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Gt Houghton Youth Group – Christmas Panto - £200</li> <li>b) Gt Houghton PC - Christmas Celebrations = £400</li> <li>c) Gt Houghton Methodist Chapel – New Boiler - £1000</li> <li>d) Age UK – Tai Chi session £465</li> <li>e) Age UK -Winter Wellness. Slipper exchange - £480</li> <li>f) St Michael’s Church Gt Houghton Heritage Days -£110</li> <li>g) Grimethorpe Village OAP’s Hall Hire £500</li> <li>h) New Options -Security Lights - £200</li> <li>i)Ward Alliance – Defibrillators in the community a joint initiative with the Ambulance Service - £1320 (Grimethorpe and Brierley)</li> <li>j) Shafton Community Events Groups – Easter Festival - £2000k</li> <li>k) Great Houghton Village Hall Committee - Chair Aerobics - £550</li> </ul>	<p>Agreed - DH declared an interest</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Following discussion regarding the actual costings it was agreed to award £1268</p> <p>Agreed</p>	

**6. Ward Alliance Action Plan Update**

Deferred until next meeting

**7. Any Other Business.**

D Gill circulate copies of posters / flyers for distribution advertising the dates and times of the Christmas Lights Switch On events in each village

Noted

Cllr D Higginbottom asked that consideration be given to purchasing artificial Christmas Trees rather than real ones

Noted and to be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting

**8. Date and Time of Future Meetings**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 10:30pm in the Welfare Hall Great Houghton

Noted

	<p>It was agreed that the Service Level Agreement be obtained and that the issue be referred to the Area Council</p>	
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