

Dearne Ward Alliance

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Thursday 5 th March 12:30PM
Location:	Goldthorpe Library, Barnsley Road, Goldthorpe, S63 9NE

Attendees	Apologies
Alison Sykes, Cllr May noble, Alan George, Cllr Neil Danforth, Cllr Pauline Phillips, Derek Braham, Donna Gregory, Wendy Caine and Cllr Anette Gollick	Cllr Charlotte Johnson, Tina Brooke, Charlotte Williams, Cllr Alan Gardiner

	Action/ Decision
<p>1. Welcomes and Introductions</p> <p>2. Matters arising from the previous notes Cllr May noble asked Cllr Neil Danforth if he had been in touch with principal towns, Cllr Danforth stated he'd relayed the information back to Principle Towns Officer and its all good to go as BODVAG have agreed to take ownership and maintain the community notice board and keep it up to date with the relevant information inside. The maintenance of the notice board if there were any damages would be up to the members of the Dearne South Ward Alliance or external funding if necessary as Principle Towns do not have any contingency monies available or any repair work.</p> <p>Marie gave an update on BODVAGS previous application for the outdoor clothing she has had a conversation with Carol in which the children weren't an option as they have too many turn up to events and the costs would be too high to pay for all the different sizes needed. A discussion took place on the past applications in which had all been refused due to too many groups would apply if we funded clothing to distinguish their own identity, the Ward Alliance members did agree to funding Hi Vis jackets with promotional wording of sponsored by the Dearne South Ward Alliance written on the vests.</p> <p>Alan George gave an update on the visit to Renewi everyone in attendance thought it was a really inciteful day and came away with a better understanding of the process of waste management and how its sifted and lifted through the process.</p> <p>3. <u>Update from the Area council</u> Cllr Noble gave an update stating that all the commissions are working brilliant and are a true value for money, Dial are extremely successful with queues every week, she did state as some cases are more complex than others this is taking more time so with that in mind asked the group If maybe next year this is something that either Area Council or the Ward Alliance need to commission a extra day to ensure our local residents and families receive all the help they can get.</p>	<p>Marie to email/speak to BODVAG and see if they would like High Vis Vests as an option.</p>

4. Finance update

Working fund Dearne South bank account

£7,574.96 (committed spend below)

- £1412.40 School uniform project
- £4,500.00 Healthy holidays project (£500.00 now spent Feb 2020)
- £1,500.00 Library fund

£162.46 cash remaining

No balance on Dearne North bank account has Marie is awaiting a latest statement from Charlotte Williams this will be updated at the next Ward Alliance

Dearne South Ward Alliance funds

- **£9,794.04**

Dearne North Ward Alliance Funds

- **£3,277.12**

5. Funding applications

£3000.00 Rolling CCTV Cameras – split both wards 50/50

This funding application was submitted by Cllr Noble to install CCTV cameras around the streets in the Dearne area to stop fly tipping and anti-social behavior, Cllr Noble stated she has visited and contacted the relevant people and organizations to seek advice on this matter project. Cllr Danforth says if it is successful could we get one from each ward, it was agreed to run this as a pilot and if successful to look at purchasing more in each ward if possible next year.

Everyone said yes to this application

£2049.00 Body Carnegie- Dearne South

This funding application was submitted to design and renovate a disused space inside the Carnegie building with the hope that people can come in and sit and talk they would like to develop a safe place to help teenagers and young people with mental health issues, alcohol abuse to come and talk to others to share their feelings and emotions in the hope others can help and support them. Everyone agreed this is a really good idea and would support this application, all agreed.

£1500.00 Dearne North- St Helens community Hall

This application was submitted it's for a disability ramp so many more services and organizations and individuals with disabilities and complex needs for their walking ability can gain access to the building. After a lengthy discussion on this it was agreed that both Dearne North & Dearne South would equally award the project a split 50/50 monies, so £750.00 from each ward was agreed. All agreed to fund.

£1000.00 Dearne Memorial Group- Dearne North

This application was to have an upgrade on the website in which the volunteers use to have access to records of deaths and the work needed to run their projects. Cllr Noble suggested as this is Dearne whole why don't we make this application a joint application between Dearne north and Dearne south – all

Marie to send all applications to the Ward Alliance members to make them aware of the decisions from those in attendance.

agreed monies awarded to be split 50/50 £500.00 each ward. – all agreed

Project 14- Dearne south

This application was submitted requesting monies for First Aid kits & promotional sweatshirts to enable the volunteers who were taking part in the charity event to raise their profile on mental health in young people but as the ground had already said no to another group on clothing items they felt it was only fair to keep united on the same for this one. Although they did think it's was a great initiative and would again love to fund high vis vests with sponsored by the Dearne Ward alliance on. – Marie to email the group asking if they would like Hi visibility vests to help with their campaign.

Marie to email/speak to Project 14 contact and see if they would like High Vis Vests as an option. Marie will order the First Aid kits ASAP to ensure they have them for the charity event.

6. Ward alliance projects

Don't Destroy the Dearne

Marie gave an update on the progress having attended Heathergarth School with 3 volunteers from the focus group, the presentation went down really well with the children their understanding and participation was outstanding and worth a view if anyone had the time to come to the next ones, Marie stated please do? Alan George added the kids were fantastic and passionate they listened and watched everyone they asked questions. There is a further 3 schools been presented to at the end of March with The Hill being a bigger session built around GBCU It is going to be a bigger project then what we thought, if anyone wants to come along and watch the presentation they are quite welcome.

School uniform group

Vicky has set up a Facebook page for the school uniform group, it is for all the schools in Goldthorpe, Bolton on Dearne and Thurnscoe. Donations are been asked for from every school in the Dearne area - Vicky has sifted through all the school uniforms at the library, volunteers will be needed to wash & press them before we can take them out to the events over the spring/summer months. All the schools are going to give us their surplus stock and in the healthy holidays we are going to give away the school uniform on racks. We are not going to monitor it in any way shape or form.

Multi agency clean up

Marie gave a brief update and thanked all involved with the clean up - it went really well there were the BLT including Derek, Tina & Wendy & Glennis, the Community pay back team, Cllr Phillips, ESV staff from XPO Logistics (ASOS) who did an amazing job, Twiggs & Berneslai Homes who helped ensure all the green waste was taken away. Marie thanked them all for a brilliant tidy up day and made a real effort in helping to put pride back into Thurnscoe.

7. Group updates

Big local Thurnscoe

Big local Thurnscoe have got a VE day event it is a ticket only event they have secured members of the Dearne big band at ST Helens church hall can get tickets from the library or ST Helens, a large number has been sold already, you can dress up in 1940s. Thurnscoe plaza had a meeting with their development officer from sports England when you put in from a grant from sports England

they go through it and your then aligned a project manager it went to a board and got some more information today is the next stage where they see them from what he seems it hits wellbeing , older people all they have to do now once they get the exact plans they are happy to fund it 100 and something thousand no hesitation to say that won't go through. The information is going to cabinet this month, had a great response from the Dearne Astrea school they have put their ideas across. The sale of the second house that has dropped through number 18 has a tenant in. The hare is now in Thurnscoe health center it is brilliant the un vailing was last week. The Thurnscoe mosaic might go the Thurnscoe Health center.

Thurnscoe park

Thurnscoe park should have a flagpole at the end of May.

Big local – Bolton-Highgate and Goldthorpe

There looking into funding Twiggs AQA certificates. Big local are looking into funding Russell Scorthern for some CCTV cameras, there will be a presentation on this. Alan says groups are not coming back with information that have had money so big local can give review.

BODVAG

There will be a VE day on Sunday the 10th May 12pm until 4pm, Vera Lyn singers a brass band, army cadets will also be there, they are also having some old fashioned rides for the young kids to enjoy the day and interact with the older generation.

Goldthorpe development group

The older persons event will be next Wednesday, the VE event will be on in the 1st Wednesday of May, Easter event, bounce into summer, Halloween event, Christmas event

8. A.O.B

Alan mentions there was an issue when people put in for funding and they have quite a lot of money themselves do we say you have too much money there, Marie said it's a tricky situation most groups have a treasurer. Cllr noble said there should be openness and transparency with community groups. Every group member should know what is in their bank accounts the nature of these groups when we first started was they are supposed to be self-sustainable.

The ward alliance must trust the groups that come for money. Marie sends out a performance report to show what groups have had money.

In terms of monitoring what money goes out to groups- groups must give receipts

Cllr Gollick asked for a change on the meeting date as Cllr Johnson would like to attend but unable due to work commitments, Marie stated that as we have 6 new members form the community apply this would be a great opportunity to look at alternate dates and times. She added to send out dates for all to rely which is best, its understandable you may not get everyone attending but also a good thing to ensure equality and that everyone has the chance to attend.

9. Date and time of next meeting - Marie will send out date for the next meeting to ensure all members can be invited and attend

