

CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Central Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Wednesday 22nd July 2020 @ 5:30pm
Location:	Virtual – Microsoft Teams

Attendees	Apologies
Councillor Margret Bruff (Chair) Councillor Martin Dyson Charlotte Moulds (Community Development Officer) Linda Wheelhouse Paul Bedford Dee Cureton Jeremie Ogbeiwi Lisa Phelan (Central Area Council Manager) Sarah Blunkett (Central Area Council Manager)	Jennifer Hulme James Locke

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
<div>Cllr Bruff welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited both new Central Area Council Managers to introduce themselves.</div>		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
<div>As detailed on page 1.</div>		
3. Minutes From Previous Meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
<div>Classed as N/A by the group.</div>		

4. Declarations of Precuniary and Non Precuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
<div>N/A.</div>		

5. Central Area Healthy Holidays		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Information given and poster supplied.</p> <p>CM – Collection for central ward families is Hope House Church on Tues 10am-1pm. The scheme ran really well for the first week, and is encouraging further referrals. Asked the ward alliance members to distribute posters to local shops/community noticeboards etc.</p> <p>LP – Clarified that funding has being secured from Punlic Health, NET and Fairshare and the ward alliance funding agreed hopefully will not need to be used.</p> <p>Cllr Bruff – Gave details on the most recent report that states the working poor have been the most severely affect by Covid-19 and lockdown and thanked the ward alliance for supporting the project.</p>	To send out laminated posters to ward alliance members for them to distribute.	CM
6. Community Responder Scheme		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Information given.</p> <p>CM – ran through details of no. of volunteers, requests, types of requests and example casestudies etc. The scheme is still ongoing with a few cases still requiring support. Clarified that should anyone need future support, the emergency contact centre is still open and triaging cases.</p>		

7. WAF Budget		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Remaining budget = £12,656.85</p> <p>Engagement pot = £330.40</p> <p>Healthy Holidays = £2,000.00</p>		
6.1 Ward Alliance Applications Recieved		Action/Decision	Action lead
	N/A		
6.2 Ward Alliance Applications In The Pipeline		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>N/A – Ward Alliance Recovery Document given and additional information provided.</p> <p>DC – Asked about Forever Young group meeting outside. Cllr Bruff and CM stated if she wanted to proceed, she needed to follow government guidance etc. Both Cllr Bruff and CM offered to support DC in organizing a future proposal for the Forever Young group to meet safely and give the residents something to look forward to.</p> <p>JO – Asked about reopening All Sorts Youth Club. CM stated she would seek further clarification from the likes of The Youth Association on youth club activities.</p>	To seek clarification and provide further advice to JO.	CM

8. Upcoming Events / Dates	Action/Decision	Action lead
N/A – not events can currently take place.		

9. AOB	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>As part of AOB, Cllr Bruff asked WA members to provide any updates they wished.</p> <p>PB – Church was and is still virtual for now. Can only have 30 attendees and they cannot justify turning away 150 for service/s. Foodbank has been busier than ever, seeing more referrals. The building is a Barnsley Safe Space and has seen a few individuals on a regular basis; especially those with mental health needs. Café soft opening from next week, table tennis club also opening on reduced hours and capacity. The church is happy to be a part of the Healthy Holidays project and PB will be doing a live cooking demo on 19th Aug on Barnsley Central Area Team Facebook page.</p> <p>DC – Forever Young group may be disappointed if they cannot meet. The residents are bored and many haven't been out for months. DC is moving house and will still do Forever Young but won't be involved in CCRA. The group may disband but a meeting is due to take place to discuss with Cllr Bruff present. Cllr Bruff said DC would be missed, especially the parties in the park and Christmas events etc.</p> <p>LW – Harborough Hills group distributed leaflets early on for shopping/prescriptions etc. Not many needed the offer up but feedback was great from local residents. Gazebo has been printed and collected, ready for future events. Acquired an allotment just off Mottram St for community project, received donations of BBQ and greenhouse. Will look to do future activities such as children's planting etc. Cllr Bruff encouraged a WAF if funds were needed.</p> <p>JO – Church has reopened with social distancing, some benches removed and PPE available for attendees. Still running online services alongside. Awaiting further info for reopening All Sorts Youth Club.</p> <p>Cllr Bruff on behalf of JH – Maggie's café (inc. JH and other volunteers) provided frozen meals for local residents/ customers in need throughout lockdown. Café now reopened, had a refurb and taken some seats away, preferred takeaway option. If clients didn't have cash, Maggie, JH and other vols found ways to still get them food and Cllr Bruff asked if this was the same for the community responder scheme? CM stated that if clients didn't have cash available, other options would be explored such as paypal, online banking, click and collect, supermarket services etc. SB also stated supermarkets have been very accommodating with voucher type cards etc. LP also added</p>		

	that Age UK had been running shopping services which included payback schemes. LP – Gave information on Covid Rescilliance funding and how groups could apply.		
10. Date and time of Next Meeting.		Action/Decision	Action lead
	26 th August 5:30pm – Yet to see if this can be physical or virtual again.		