BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

North East Area Council Report of the Area Manager

Agenda Item 9 September 24th, 2020

Barnsley CVS Covid Hardship Fund

1. Introduction

The North East Area Team have worked closely with local community groups to help them to access the Barnsley CVS Covid Hardship Fund. The fund was set up to support Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise organisations through crisis and to provide Resilience and Recovery Funding for the Third Sector.

This funding was for Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise organisations who are struggling financially, as they cannot hold events or fund raise, or trade as a result of COVID.

One of the criteria required for the funding was that the groups should consider accessing free membership to Barnsley CVS. This will give the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise organisations access to a wealth of information and support which will help them become sustainable.

2. North East Area Council Groups

The North East Area Team have supported the following local community groups to access this funding stream as follows:

Grimethorpe Community Farm	@ £5,000
Royston Scouts	@ £3,656
Love Life UK Outreach	@ £5,000
Great Houghton Village Hall Committee	@ £4,000
New Options	@ £1,238

Two further applications for funding from Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise organisations are currently being supported.

3. Recommendations

That the Members note this report.

Caroline Donovan Area Council Manager 24th September 2020