

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**North East Area Council****Report of the Area Manager****Agenda Item 9****May 27th, 2021****Finance Report Update**

The Councillors are asked to consider the following initiatives:

1. The Private Sector Housing Management Officer's Service Level Agreement

The Private Sector Housing Management Officer's service level agreement with Enforcement Services ensures the Housing Management Officer works in partnership with residents, letting agents and landlords across the North East Area Council communities. He signposts vulnerable tenants to appropriate support agencies and encourages the tenants to take responsibility for the areas they live, keeping them clean and tidy. He also works with volunteers on environmental projects to help clean residential communal back street areas. This service level agreement is now due for renewal. It is recommended that this agreement is extended until April 1st, 2022 at a cost of £31,460.

2. Social isolation and Dementia Service Level Agreement

The second year of the Social Isolation and Dementia initiative service level agreement with Age UK Barnsley is due to complete at the end of June 2021. This provision works with a menu of different initiatives to raise awareness about social isolation and dementia in the local North East communities, linking in with the High Street businesses, community groups and events across the North East area communities. An innovative approach to working with Care Homes, as a pilot study, is also being facilitated and this is becoming recognised as an area of good practice. Members are asked to consider extending the service level agreement for a further twelve months at a cost of £25,000 with a contribution of £5,000 from Age UK Barnsley.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Private Sector Housing Management Officer service level agreement with Enforcement Services is now is extended until April 1st, 2022 at a cost of £31,460.**
- 2. That the Social Isolation and Dementia service level agreement is extended for a further 12 months at a cost of £25,000 with a contribution of £5,000 from Age UK Barnsley**

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