

Dearne Ward Alliance

VIRTUAL MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	15 th June 2021 2.00pm

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Alan Gardiner (Chair) – Elected Member Craig Aubrey – Neighbourhood Engagement Officer – Dearne Area Team Claire Barnes – Lead Officer for Beat the Streets Derek Bramham – Big Local Thurnscoe Cllr Wendy Cain - resident Cllr Annette Gollick – Elected Member Jackie Kenning – Salvation Army Peter Shields – Dearne Memorial Group Marie Sinclair – Community Development Officer – Dearne Area Team Gillian Totty – Community Engagement Officer, Berneslai Homes Pauline Phillips –Thurnscoe Flower Park volunteer Jenny Yates - Community Development Officer – Dearne Area Team	Charlotte Williams – Station House Community Association

1. Welcome and Introductions

Cllr Gardiner welcomed everybody to the meeting

No introductions needed.

2. Apologies

See above.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising - none

4. Finances

CW is now the Treasurer with Jackie Kenning & Wendy Cain are both now fully signatures top help with easy access to the working funds and external monies brought in to run individual projects with the WA

£1,400 is earmarked for the Healthy Holidays programme which will help young people with their mental health and well-being post Covid.

£1,400 is also earmarked for the libraries project for them to put on some after school session when Covid restrictions allow this.

£2000 for assisting with projects/events to help with mental and physical health and well-being to aid the Covid recovery.

£967 Misc. – paid for bales of Hay on embankment for transition day and other events through summer on site.

4.1 **Applications for funding**

Two applications have been received.

Hickleton Welfare Bowling Club

£2200 Funding requested to match fund application submitted to help with refurbishment of their social indoor space for meetings and refreshments for the bowlers and spectators. All were in favour and this application was passed.

5. **Group Updates and Future Projects**

5.1 **Dearne Memorial Group** – PS gave an update of the group busy with countryside requests as well as local ones, the group managing ok on this now

5.2 **Big Local** – DB asked for help with the watering of the planters as with the dry weather most are drying out quickly. Funding to help Thurnscoe Reservoir group BLT bought a boiler to assist in the refreshments with their fisherman and their meetings. BLT signed lease for the recreation groups for 25 years. Plaza all good and hoping to be started on in Autumn time. Hanging baskets are all in place and up this year in Thurnscoe.

5.3 **Thurnscoe Flower Park** – PP volunteers working hard to maintain the park not much update to be given this time.

5.4 **Salvation Army** – JK gave update on Foodbanks are now held Mondays with 15-minute slots to individuals longer if required and complex needs. Twiggs are supporting a gardening programme working with the volunteers to create, plant, sow seeds and grow produce from scratch. 2 volunteers doing AQA's with Twiggs. JK is running de4bt sessions on a virtual and face to face but with socially distancing in place. The building is hoping to reopen to the public from September but awaiting government guidelines for this to happen. Jackie offered their services for the transition day for staff and volunteers to go to SA for toilet or refreshments for free.

5.5 **Berneslai Homes** – GT updates on POP up police stations in Thurnscoe where local people could come and talk about any matters or concerns, no dates or times confirmed yet but will be by next meeting hopefully.

Estate walkabouts are happening again with staff talking to residents and tenants about any concerns in the village

GT asked MS to keep her up to date for assistance in the Bowling initiative with young people she'd like to help

5.6 **Future Projects** – Mental Health & wellbeing sessions MS secured dates for Hickleton Bowling Green to run 2 per week over 3 weeks during the holidays (pre planning would be required as only 16 can play on green at one time unless its one family) Tai Chi & Bowing classes are still to be confirmed either Community centres in Thurnscoe MS awaiting dates. MS stated the mini golf are cannot be used to due been overgrown and too much work to be carried out before any sessions could be done.

Question was asked if we could ask highways (AG stated for MS to email Paul Castle on this) regarding putting a water tap on the wall at Houghton Road raised bed area to make it easier for watering the planters during summer months,

6. **A.O.B.**

Cllr Gardiner wanted to praise the Ward Alliance and its members and staff for all the work they put into the meetings and overall, he stated he's been to many Alliances and really is proud of his own and the work we all done each day. – Big well done to everyone

7. **Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held virtually over Teams on Tuesday 3rd August 2021

