

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North Area Council Meeting:
Monday 19th July 2021**

Agenda Item: 9

**Report of North Area Council
Manager**

North Area Ward Alliance – Operational Updates

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report appraises the North Area Council of the progress made by each Ward in relation Ward Alliance implementation.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the North Area Council receives an update on the progress of the Darton East, Darton West, Old Town and St Helens Ward Alliances for information purposes. Members are reminded of requirement for Ward Alliance minutes to be received by the Area Council.

3.0 Introduction

- 3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made on the way the Council is structured to conduct business at Area, Ward and Neighbourhood levels (Cab21.11.2012/6), Devolved Budget arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3), Officer Support (Cab13.2.2013/9) and Communities and Area Governance Documentation (Cab.8.5.2013/7.1). This report is submitted on that basis.

4.0 Ward Alliance Meetings

- 4.1 This report includes all notes of North Area Ward Alliances, received by the North Area Team, that were held during April, May and June 2021.

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The reporting into the North Area Council, of the Ward Alliance notes is in line with the approved Council protocols. The notes are for information only.

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6th July 2021**

Appendix One:

Darton East Ward Alliance
'CAN DO-WILL DO'
Tuesday 13th April 2021 – 6 PM
Teams Meeting

Present:

Clr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Helen Altun – Minutes
Caroline Hague – Village Hall Assistant Manager
Gerard Morrall- Local Business Man
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Janine Williams – Local resident

Apologies:

Pauline Brook - Methodist Church
David Hilton – Green space
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
David Lockwood – Local Business Man
David Oates - Local Business Man
Clr Harry Spence -Darton East Ward Councillor
Clr Gail Charlesworth – Darton East Ward Councillor

Steve Hunt proposed as chair.

- 2. Declarations of Interest** – None
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting** - Approved
- 4. Matters Arising** – None

- 5. Financial Update** – Balance is £19262.16.

- 6. Applications for Funding** –

Green space litter picking equipment - £343.30 – Approved

No cold calling project - £860.00 - Approved

- 7. Ward Action Plan**

Members agreed to look at the priorities and the plan for April 2021 onwards.
Members agreed 5 priorities.

- 1) Ears and voice of the community:
 - Facebook page – Admin rights sent.
 - Website – underway and a full committee in place.
- 2) Environmental:

- Sponsored hanging baskets
 - Bulb planting
 - Litter picks
 - Education talks
- 3) Young people:
- Disco
 - School holiday activities
- 4) Health and well-being:
- Wellbeing and health event
 - Promoting events/fitness
 - Reds in the community
- 5) Older people:
- Winter warmer
 - Health Event
 - Over 55's club
 - Social club

Community events:

- Christmas
- History and heritage trail

8. Darton East website-

A separate meeting has taken place. The website is underway and the headers have been changed. They are trying to get some more information for St Teresa's Catholic Church. The next meeting for the website is 27/04/21 at 6pm.

9. AOB

Ibberson memorial gardens – A member had spoken to Carl Snowden and the latest update is that plans are in place but the Greenspace group have not been meeting at the moment due to COVID.

Drug dealing- Conversations have taken place with the neighbourhood police team and an operation is underway. Locations and addresses are known. Suppliers are coming in from Leeds and Bradford. It is difficult to keep track of all vehicles coming in to the area. It is not an easy operation. Landlords can not currently evict problem tenants due to COVID rules change. Communications will be sent out from the police and council about reporting drug dealing.

Cllr Gail Charlesworth is standing down at the local elections. Thank you to Gail for her hard work and everything she has done for the local area and ward alliance.

Meeting closed.

Next meeting 11/05/21 at 6 pm.

Darton East Ward Alliance
‘CAN DO-WILL DO’
Tuesday 11th May 2021 – 6 PM
Teams Meeting

Present:

Cllr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Harry Spence -Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Helen Altun – Minutes
Gerard Morrall- Local Business Man
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Janine Williams – Local resident

Apologies:

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David Oates - Local Business Man
Caroline Hague – Village Hall Assistant Manager
Matthew Crisp - Darton East Ward Councillor

Councillor Steve Hunt proposed as the chair for the next 12 months and Councillor Harry Spence as vice chair.

2. **Declarations of Interest** – Helen Altun
3. **Minutes of previous meeting** – Approved. A question was asked regarding older people – the over 55’s will be on a Friday afternoon. The village hall need to speak to Nora who runs it. Nora is due to retire.
Normally the over 55’s club stopped over the summer holidays. The village hall ran it as a social club two years ago during the school holidays.
A social club could be combined with other special needs groups of all ages.
The village hall will talk to Nora to see when she would like to start it up again.
4. **Matters Arising** – The ward action plan needs to be on every agenda to be discussed. A member asked what happens if members do not attend meetings and have not attended for a while. Due to the current situation some leeway has been given. But normally if a member does not turn up to three meetings they would be taken off the ward alliance group. Hopefully it won’t be too long before members can meet face to face.
5. **Financial Update** – Balance is £17933.86

6. Applications for Funding –

Twiggs Volunteer tool bank £547.20 – Approved. A question was asked to check if the tools were just for the Darton East Ward and it was confirmed they were. The group have applied to each ward alliance group for tool banks for each area. 90% of the volunteers do not have their own equipment so the tools will be loaned out to them.

Happiness Hamper's Project £600 – Approved. Questions were asked about a bank account and refrigeration of products and all questions were answered.

Butterflies Dementia Group - £780.00 – Questions were asked as it was unclear from the information in the funding application. The group would like a breakdown of costs and how it's made up and a bit more clarity. Deferred to next meeting.

Working budget for children's activities - £1000 Approved.

7. Ward Action Plan

1. Ears and voice of the community:

- Facebook page is up and running – Admin rights for five member's set up. It would be nice to feature the ward alliance members with a picture and an introduction. Pictures and introduction to be sent to Rebecca from all ward alliance members.
- The Facebook page could publicise all the approved applications for funding.
- Website – subcommittee meeting every month. Jo at The Darton Arrow will put 400 words in the Arrow to support it. 100 businesses are on the website already and the next meeting is 25/05/21.

2. Environmental:

- Sponsored hanging baskets – 42 hanging baskets in total and 34 are sponsored. New brackets will be going up at the end of May/beginning of June.
- Bulb planting
- Litter picks
- Education talks – Twiggs are firmly active in the ward and a tour of the ward has been completed. They will be attending the June Ward alliance meeting.
- The second phase of the bin project was mentioned and an update is to be provided, delay suspected due to covid.

3. Young people:

- Parents are now ready to get out with children. There has been a high demand for the parent and toddler groups at the village hall.
- During the May half term holidays there will be a socially distanced activity in the park with Twiggs pumpkin seed planting.
- A pop and crisp stall once a week in the park with garden games to lend out was an idea brought forward for the summer holidays. A member asked if community 10,000 was still running and it was explained it was but not at the moment due to current restrictions. A member asked if you had to have food

and hygiene certificates to do an event in the park and you don't if everything is pre packed.

- Disco – This would be a great idea when current restrictions are lifted.
- A working budget was agreed of £1000 and Rebecca will find out who to email regarding community 10,000.

4. Health and well-being:

- Wellbeing and health event to be put on later in the year.
- Promoting events/fitness – to contact Jonathan Rowland.
- To contact Reds in the community.

5. Older people:

- Luncheon club at the Village hall – if less than 20 people it is not viable for the café to run.
- The chair exercise host is not coming back to the village hall at the moment. The village hall may try and find someone else as the elderly are asking when it is coming back.
- Winter warmer
- Health Event
- Over 55's club
- Social club

Community events:

- Christmas
- History and heritage trail – there is a possibility of some funding from principal towns. A member is trying to make contact with a local history group.
- The civic theatre is hoping to bring a couple of plays to the Village hall.
- Another theatre company may also come to the Village Hall.
- A comedy show has been provisionally booked for October at The Village hall.

8. AOB

There is now a newly resurfaced car park behind the church on Blacker Road. A sign will be going up shortly which is on order.

The fountain parade car park is now a 3-hour maximum stay car park, to try and provide more available spaces for shoppers in the village.

The sign at Woolley was put in the wrong place. This will be taken up with the supplier and moved as soon as possible.

The Great British spring clean is from 28/05/21 – 13-06/21. A million-mile pledge has been put forward. Hours and minutes pledged will be converted in miles walked.

The North Area team have pledged 24 hours of litter picking.

The Village Hall will be proud owners of a community fridge. Surplus food will be put in for people in need. This also helps to reduce food waste. It is still in initial stages but volunteers will run it and it will be starting over the next few months. Businesses and people can donate to it. All volunteers will go through level 2 hygiene standards.

19/05/21 – This is the local neighbourhood police team action day. There will be a pop up police station in Mapplewell. The police will be working with other organisations. Going forward if ward alliance members would like to attend this will increase awareness of the group and off the website and Facebook page.
Meeting closed. - **Next meeting 08/06/21 at 6 pm. Location to be confirmed.**

Darton East Ward Alliance
‘CAN DO-WILL DO’
Tuesday 8th June 2021 – 6 PM
Teams Meeting

Present:

Cllr Steve Hunt – Darton East Ward Councillor
Cllr Harry Spence -Darton East Ward Councillor
Rebecca Battye - North Area Team
Helen Altun – Minutes
Gerard Morrall- Local Business Man
Nick Hibberd - Mapplewell Village Hall Manager
Janine Williams – Local resident
Paul Marsh - Local Business Man
John Twigg – Director of Twiggs
Caroline Hague – Village Hall Assistant Manager

Apologies:

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10. Declarations of Interest – Harry Spence regarding the planter in the village.

11. Minutes of previous meeting – Approved. The government advise at the moment is to continue meeting virtually.

12. Matters Arising –None

13. Twiggs - John Twigg introduced himself and the group introduced themselves to him. He explained that the contract was education based and it is a different way of working this year. He explained there was a massive increase in the number of volunteers in all areas of Barnsley but especially in the North area. 4500 bags of litter had been picked up so far.

He explained that The keep Barnsley tidy is a good web page to look at and explained the great British spring clean was last week and this week.
He explained that independent involvement had far exceeded any expectations.

He explained the different areas being targeted.

He explained that accreditations are being delivered and the principle they follow is awards for all.

The members of the group from the village hall asked Twiggs for some time to be allocated to the village hall and they would get some volunteers to help. John Twigg explained he would get back to the village hall with some times and dates.

John explained that their normal pattern of work is Monday to Thursday spending one day at each ward and then Friday is a floating day and can be spent in any ward.

A group member wanted to congratulate Twiggs and Greenspace for litter picking and explained that it was a good idea to educate people.

A special thank you was also given to Harry and Jude for helping Harry with a project.

A member asked if Twiggs would work together with neighbourhood services and John explained that was no problem.

John was asked how they pick the areas to work on and he explained they look at maps of the area, look at what other groups in the area do and try to fill in the blanks.

Anyone can get in touch with Twiggs to nominate an area of concern.

A member asked if Twiggs could get involved with overgrown public footpaths and right of ways but John explained they do not get involved in jobs already assigned to other groups or the council.

There is also an open invitation for schools in the area to get involved with Twiggs.

14. Financial Update – Balance is £16933.86. The children’s working budget of £1000 had been approved.

Twiggs are deciding how to proceed with their application for monitoring and the happiness hampers project needs public liability insurance before it is signed off.

15. Applications for Funding –

Butterflies Dementia group - £780.00 Approved. The other three areas have approved there application and they have also received additional funding from a stronger communities grant.

16. Ward Action Plan

6) Ears and voice of the community:

- Facebook page is up and running – Admin rights for five member’s set up. Need more likes.

7) Environmental:

- Sponsored hanging baskets – Not up yet but should be going up shortly.
- Bulb planting will be coming up soon. Consider where the bulbs are planted and what is planted. Bulbs should not be planted in the centre of greenspace as neighbourhood services will not cut daffodils down and the area becomes messy. The bulbs may need replanting into different areas. A member said they would speak to the chairman of Greenspace and Neighbourhood Services.
- Litter picks ongoing.
- Any projects or litter hotspots can be sent through to Twiggs.

8) Young people:

- School holiday activities – a working budget of £1000 has been approved. A separate meeting will be required to look at dates to run the events.
- The pumpkin planting was very popular.
- Beat the street launches on 10/06/21 for 6 weeks.

9) Health and well-being:

- Ballroom dancing, Zumba and Kung Fu are all going really well at the village hall.

10) Older people:

- Luncheon club at the Village hall – ongoing based on demand.
- Over 55's club will be taken over by the village hall after speaking to the treasurer and the chairperson.

The no cold calling stickers are in production and should be completed by the end of the week. We will then need to decide how to distribute them.

Community events:

- History and heritage trail – A member said they had made contact with Darton local history group and they had done some work on Darton East so more to report next month.
- Two plays will be held at The village hall in October.

17. AOB

Environmental enforcement – Parking, litter and dog fouling tickets will be given out in our ward once enforcement is put in place by the council which will run up to next April.

Devolution – contracts will be awarded and funding starts from August. There is a pot of funding available for our local area. An idea for something to be run in the village hall for people over 19 was suggested.

Darton Arrow website was featured in The Darton Arrow.

A planter was put in place by the phone box on Spark Lane but no one would look after it so it was moved to outside the photograph studio on Greenside and looked after by the owner.

The owners have now changed and need the planter to be removed to accommodate table and chairs outside their shop.

Enquiries have been made to see if it can be removed and placed elsewhere.

Correspondence received from highways and neighbourhood services state it is not their responsibility to move the planter.

A member of the group offered to move the planter and store it in case anyone else wanted it in the future.

Meeting closed.

Next meeting 13/07/21 at 6 pm.

Appendix Two:

Darton West Ward Alliance

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday 21st April 2021.

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Trevor Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, John Ryan, Annabelle Watson, Jason Gardner, Christina Carroll, Dominic McCall, Adam Roberts (Twiggs), Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Ann Plant. John Twigg. Tom West.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye. Katy Ashworth.

1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies given.

2 The minutes of the meeting Wednesday, 17th March 2021 were reviewed and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising.

Jason to contact John re: involvement of Darton Academy programmes with Darton Bowling Club.

John to send details and date to Councillors re: Darton Bowling Club Open Day Event.

Rebecca to investigate 2 Planters whereabouts from Barugh Green Roundabout.

Rebecca to contact Parks and check if the Ward Alliance has to pay for Autumn tree planting at Kexbrough Recreational Ground.

Rebecca to look at risk assessment before any further use of Kexbrough Notice Board.

Rebecca to undertake litter pick at Kexbrough Recreational Ground. Thursday, 22nd April 2021.

Rebecca to contact Darton Arrow to put article in re: Environment Education Programme across the Ward.

Rebecca to Advise Annabelle re: local community Group issues and ways forward where possible.

Katy to forward to all Councillors information about Math Buster Programme to be launched in the North Area.

Katy to forward photographs to all Councillors of work done at Harry Road Recreational Ground.

Adam to look at and plant out 2 planters at Dayhouse Way, Redbrook, (opposite Hazeldenes Garage).

Adam to make contact with Lady who litter picks on Barugh Green Road and forward her name to Cllr Alice Cave.

Adam to discuss with John Twigg re: footpath markings in Darton Park.

Adam to develop Ward Environmental Education plan and inform when available.

Sharon to supply to Adam the name of Kexbrough resident who would like to assist with Environment Education Project. (Kexbrough roundabout area).

3 Ward Action Plan.

Cllr Trevor Cave presented an updated Ward Plan. This was discussed and amendments made. (Agenda Item).

4a Ward Alliance Budget.

2021/2022 Budget was discussed.

Allocation Remaining £17,734.52. April 2021.

4b WAF Applications.

New seating bench at Redbrook/Wilthorpe Community Centre. **Approved.**

Butterflies Dementia Support and Activities Group. **Approved.**

5 Darton Project Update.

Cllr Trevor Cave updated members of current progress.

6 North Area Council Update.

Nothing to report.

7 Plan for Deprivation, Poverty and Allocation for Family Need.

Cllr Sharon Howard updated Group of funding issues. A Ward Plan will be formulated after any future BMBC Survey.

8 Active Travel.

Cllr Trevor Cave updated Group of current programmes.

9 Education Environment Update.

This was discussed with Agenda item point 10.

10 Education Environment Discussions\Plan across the Ward.

All Ward Councillors, have held a meeting with Katy, Rebecca and Twiggs to discuss the development of a Ward Plan.

Adam gave ideas being considered as part of the Ward Plan.

Group members were asked for their ideas to integrate where possible to Plan Development.

(Please see attached key point list).

11 Calendar Dates for future Meetings.

Agenda item for Next Meeting.

12 A.O.B.

Annabelle raised her concerns for local groups at Redbrook/Withorpe Community Centre.

Time and date of next Meeting.

MONDAY 24th MAY 2021, at 5.00 pm.

Suggestions and ideas for Ward Environment Education Plan.

Key Points List.

Local Plan to be developed.

Parks clean and tidy.

Involve Volunteers.

Educational Programmes for School Children Primary and Secondary.

School Holiday activities programmes.

Event each week during School Holidays in each of the Parks across the Ward.

Sowing Seeds/ Pumpkin Programme.

Bird feeders / Bee Hotel/ Insect/Bird recognition.

Wild Flower Seed Bombs.

Horticultural and Scientific Based Programmes.

Local information Boards re: environmental issues.

Darton West Ward Alliance

Minutes of Meeting

Monday 24th May 2021.

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Trevor Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, John Ryan, Annabelle Watson, Jason Gardner, Christina Carroll, Tom West, Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Dominic McCall, Ann Plant, Katy Ashworth.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies given.

2 The Minutes of the meeting Wednesday, 21st April 2021, were reviewed and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising.

Jason to contact John re: involvement of Darton Academy programmes with Darton Bowling Club.

Rebecca to investigate 2 planters whereabouts from Barugh Green Roundabout.

Rebecca to follow up Parks Tree Initiative for Kexbrough Recreational Ground and update.

Rebecca to engage Twiggs to assist with Kexbrough Notice Board.

Rebecca to work with Twiggs, formulate Calendar of Events and keep Cllrs updated.

Rebecca to update re: article for Darton Arrow, Environment Education Programme across the Ward.

Rebecca to clarify current situation re: Dog fouling signs across the Ward and any changes to existing signs, hotspots and enforceability.

Katy to forward photographs to all Ward Councillors of work done at Harry Road Recreational Ground.

Rebecca to send letter to Vets for Pets on behalf of Ward Alliance Members re: Dog fouling and usage by Clients dogs on BBIC land opposite to their premises.

Richard to contact Lindsey re: planters at Dayhouse Way.

Tom to look at Horizon College involvement re: future Christmas events.

3 Ward Action Plan.

Cllr Trevor Cave presented an updated Ward Action Plan.

This was discussed and amendments made. (Agenda Item).

4a Ward Alliance Budget.

2021/2022 Budget was discussed.

Allocation remaining £15,654.52

4b WAF Applications.

Nova Theatre Group. (Agreed).

Mapplewell and Darton Happiness Hamper Project. (Agreed subject to caveats, **Rebecca to update.**

Working Budget Children in School Holidays Programme, (£500) Agreed.

5 Darton Project Update.

Cllr Trevor Cave updated members of current progress.

6 North Area Council Update.

Cllr Sharon Howard and Cllr Trevor Cave updated members of current initiatives and progress.

7 Environment Education Programme.

Ongoing.

8 Active Travel Update.

Cllr Trevor Cave updated members of current initiatives.

9 Plan for Deprivation Poverty and Allocation for Family Need.

Group will consider BMBC document when approved.

10. Calendar Dates for future meetings.

Cllrs A Cave, T Cave, S Howard, Rebecca Battye and Richard Haigh to look at future dates and report to Members.

Rebecca to organise meeting, time and date and email group.

A.O.B.

Jason raised issue of land use at Darton Academy and involvement of Academy Finance Officer to discuss future Community use of land.

Rebecca to organise Teams meeting with all Cllrs, Rebecca, Richard and Academy Finance Officer to discuss issues.

Christmas Sub Group.

A Sub Group was established to look at future Christmas Initiatives across the Ward.

Cllr Alice Cave, Cllr Sharon Howard, Rebecca Battye, Tom West, Christina Carroll, Annabelle Watson, Richard Haigh.

Time and Date of Next Meetings.

Sub Group Meeting, Tuesday, 22nd June 2021, 5.00 pm (Teams Meeting).

Darton West Ward Alliance Meeting.

Wednesday, 23rd June 2021, 5.00 pm at Barnsley Town Hall (Provisionally) or Teams Meeting if Town Hall unavailable.

Rebecca to update and send to Richard who will inform members.

**Darton West Ward Alliance
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 23rd June 2021**

Attendees: Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Cllr Sharon Howard, Cllr Trevor Cave, Jason Gardener, John Ryan, Tom West, Richard Haigh.

Apologies: Christina Carroll, Annabelle Watson, Ann Plant.

North Area Team: Rebecca Battye.

1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies given.

2 The Minutes of the meeting Monday, 24th May 2021, were reviewed and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising.

Rebecca to look at cost of a larger litter bin at Harry Road Recreational Ground, send WAF to Cllr Sharon Howard who will complete for submission.

Rebecca to contact Twiggs re: Wild Flower Bombs (School Holiday Event) in Darton Memorial Garden and find alternative venue.

Rebecca to investigate cost of Christmas trees for lamppost installation across the Ward.

Rebecca to meet with Twiggs (Operational Meeting) 8th July re: Calendar of Events and report.

Rebecca to engage Twiggs to assist with Kexbrough Notice Board access.

Rebecca to forward any photographs to all Councillors from Katy Ashworth re: Harry Road Recreational Ground.

Rebecca to email Mark Giles re: concerns of dog fouling on land at BBIC and inform him of no reply as yet from Vets for Pets regarding this matter.

Jason to email Shelly Oates email address to Richard.

Richard to contact on behalf of Cllr Alice Cave (Chair), Shelly Oates (Darton College) and invite to the next Ward Alliance Meeting as an observer.

Tom to look at Horizon College involvement re: future Christmas events.

John to contact Russ Bowland (Parks) re: Flooding issues and works related in Darton Park.

3 Ward action Plan

Cllr Trevor Cave presented an updated Ward Action Plan.

This was discussed by members and amendments made (Agenda item).

4a Ward Alliance Budget

2021/2022 Budget was discussed
Allocation remaining £ 13,762.92
Rebecca informed members of Change of use form from Twiggs.

4b WAF Applications

None received.

5 Darton Project Update.

CLlr Trevor Cave updated members of current events.

6 North Area Team

Nothing to report.

7 Environmental Education Programme Update.

CLlr Sharon Howard updated the Group.

Summer Schools Programmes across the Ward.

Twiggs Schools programmes ongoing.

8 Active Travel Update.

Nothing to report.

9 Calendar Dates for future meetings.

Wednesday, 14th July 2021 (Barnsley Town Hall at 5.00 pm)

Wednesday, 22nd September 2021 at 5.00 pm. (Venue to be announced)

Wednesday, 13th October 2021 at 5.00 pm. (Venue to be announced)

Wednesday, 17th November 2021 at 5.00 pm (Venue to be announced)

Wednesday, 15th December 2021 at 5.00 pm (Venue to be announced)

A O B

John reported positive feedback from visitors to the Darton Bowling Club regarding Darton Park Development.

John and Tom to look at possible Junior Bowling competition between Horizon College and Darton College.

CLlr Trevor Cave reported he had success with estate agents regarding siting of estate agent boards in the Ward.

CLlr Sharon Howard reported of installation of summer hanging baskets across the Ward.

CLlr Alice Cave (Chair) thanked Jason Gardener for all his contributions and support to the Ward Alliance and wished him well on his new appointment.

Date and Time of next meeting.

Wednesday, 14th July 2021, 5.00 pm at Barnsley Town Hall.

Appendix Three:

Old Town Ward Alliance Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor Notes of 13th April 2021

1. In Attendance.

Cllr Pickering (Chair), Cllr Phil Lofts (V. Chair), Cllr Jo Newing (Sec), Lee Swift, Gillian Nixon, Bill Gaunt, Luke Holmes, John Love, Cameron Stirk.

Guest, Katy Ashworth Project Officer- Stronger Communities Development Officer.

2. Apologies.

Sheila Lowe,

3. Notes of the last meeting were agreed, with the following amendment, Pogmoor Football Club, bid for a shipping container to store equipment. **Cost - £3,890.00 - Approved.**

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4. Katy Ashworth explained her role and how she works with communities and groups within the Old Town Ward. Katy was invited to stay for the rest of the meeting.
5. Lee Swift is currently working with the Rockingham Stores and South Yorkshire Ambulance regarding the siting of a defibrillator at the Stores.

Funding Applications.

6.1 – Application for replacement of sports equipment Art and PPE materials, Ad Astra at St Paul's. **Cost £700 – Approved.**

5. Ward Alliance Action Plan, Lee outlined this. The W.A is to look at Action Plans to address the needs of Old Town area, particularly in relation to the various communities in the ward, e.g. Pogmoor, Honeywell etc. Lee has some further works to do and will bring this to the next meeting in May, so that we can formulate some ideas. Members felt this was a good plan.
6. Social Media, G.N. and C.P. have begun a Facebook Page for the Ward Alliance. L.S. has some ideas for how we promote the W.A. on Facebook from the end of May/June. To look to Katy A to help to promote the W.A. via her role. B.G. suggested we promote the free insurance via the Facebook page, which is available for groups to use.
7. AOB
 - 7.1 G.N. huge thanks to Lee as there is now a 'Poggy Pickers' group which has been litter picking, approx. 10 in the group.
 - 7.2 K.A. informed the group that 'Twiggs' have reported that 3,500 bags of litter have been filled by local litter pickers.
 - 7.3 L.H. advised that he has been awarded a licence to trap and record native White Claw Crayfish in and around the Dearne, he is to report his findings to the Environment Agency, he has been working with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust.

8. Date, Time and Venue of Next meeting, 11th May 2021 at 7pm via MS Teams, link to be emailed.

Old Town Ward Alliance
Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor
Notes of 11th May 2021

In Attendance.

CLLr Phil Lofts (V. Chair), CLLr Jo Newing (Sec), Lee Swift, Gillian Nixon, Luke Holmes, John Love.

Guest, Adele Saywell, Youth Voice (Barnsley Youth Council Co-ordinator)

Apologies.

Sheila Lowe, CLLr Pickering, Bill Gaunt, Cameron Stirk.

6. Notes of the last meeting were agreed.

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7. Adele informed the Ward Alliance that the Youth Council, along with Twiggs, Remedi and the Forestry Commission, have planted over 450 trees, this was in collaboration with the 4 Trees Urban Tree Project, these will be cared for by Twiggs and by Remedi as part of reparation work.
8. The group also plan to hold an event at May half term, to build bird feeders, the event is planned for the 2nd June on West Road, 11.00 – 16.00, the event will also be an opportunity for the local community to come forward with any ideas they may have for where benches could be sited. As the 'Great British Spring Clean' is at the same time, North area Team will bring litter picking equipment, for individuals to use.
9. Fleets Reports, for information regarding developments, CLLr Lofts welcomed the reports and thanked people for their contributions, especially the Coordinators. **Action, to invite Lucy Brown to the next W.A. meeting (LS)**

10. Funding Applications.

- Application for a Defibrillator for Rockingham Stores, Jaz Sandu the store manager is keen to have it on the shop and will look after it. Yorkshire Ambulance Service will provide the defibrillator, they ask for the W.A. to provide £999.00 towards the cost. **Approved £999.00**
- Twiggs- Equipment for litter picking, to be loaned out to local residents. **Approved £547.20**
- Butterflies Dementia Support Charity, application is for money to organise Tea Dances for BDSAG members. **Approved £780.00**

9. AOB

The Great British Spring Clean, which runs from the 28/5/21 – 13/6/21 are promoting the Keep Britain Tidy 'Million Mile Mission', to walk a mile whilst litter picking. Pledge as a group or as an individual, LS to finalise details. G.N agreed to promote on the Keep Barnsley Tidy Facebook page.

L.S. and A.R. has met with Honeywell Group who are a pro-active group. To link up with McDonald's and ASDA, to see if any staff will offer evening and week-end volunteering re litter picking, further meeting to be arranged.

PL asked if LS could speak to Barnsley college regarding litter picking, with the possibility of inviting them to a W.A. mtg. to discuss

10. Date, Time and Venue of Next meeting, 8th June 2021 at 7pm via MS Teams, link to be emailed.

Old Town Ward Alliance
Communities in Monk Bretton, Smithies, Wilthorpe, Honeywell, Old Town and Pogmoor
Notes of 8th June 2021

In Attendance.

CLlr Phil Lofts (V. Chair), CLlr Jo Newing (Sec), Lee Swift, Luke Holmes.

Apologies.

Sheila Lowe, CLlr Pickering, Bill Gaunt, Cameron Stirk.

1. Bill Gaunt briefly attended the meeting and gave a brief update regarding the Newsletter, unfortunately he then had to leave. Sadly, this left the meeting inquorate, therefore unable to proceed with any further business.
2. It was agreed that any bids would be forwarded by email for approval until the next meeting.
3. Date, Time and Venue of Next meeting, 13 July 2021 at 7pm via MS Teams, link to be emailed.

Appendix Four:



St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting Thursday 13th May 2021, 4pm. Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Present : Cllr Platts (Chair), Cllr Leech, Cllr Tattersall, Rebecca Leech, Lee Swift, Madge Busby, Kath Bostwick, John Hallows

Apologies : Tony Lowe, Freda Stenton, Neil Wright, Clyde Black, Michelle Cooper.
Due to the current circumstances and the Ward Alliance having to carry out meetings online some members had issues joining the meeting.

By Invitation: Katy Ashworth - Project Officer for The North Area Team.

Welcome and Introductions: Introductions were given and everyone was thanked for their attendance.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes were passed as a true record.
Cllr Leech said that he is awaiting a photo of the bench to be placed at Poundstretcher and is waiting for restrictions to be lifted so the bench can be made and placed.
He also updated the members on the funding bid for the time capsule. A meeting has taken place with Father Peter and he has agreed the capsule can be buried at the church. The funding bid is hoping to be ready for August.
Cllr Tattersall is awaiting a quote for the new notice board.
She also wished Pooja well on being recently elected as the Kingstone Ward Councillor.

Katy Ashworth introduced herself to the members and explained her job role within the North Area team. She will be looking after the finances, working with TWIGGS, looking into employment support for the area and working to keep the North Area updated on projects taking place, etc.
Katy was thanked.

Funding Applications:

- St Helens guides. This bid is to re-establish guiding in Athersley and was for £500/550 and is for rent and equipment. There was a few issues with this bid with members all in agreement that a clause needs to be given that the Guides have to give something back to the community. Lee to put in clause that they need to participate in this year's Spring Clean or organise their own litter pick. Due to there being two different amounts of the funding bid it was agreed that the 3500 bid would be accepted and it was agreed by all the members.

- Butterflies Dementia Support - this bid is for £780 and is to provide weekly tea dances for those with dementia and their carers. Butterflies are starting back up slowly after Covid restrictions have eased and this initial bid is just to help them do this. They aim to be self sufficient by March 2022. The bid was discussed between the members and it was agreed that these groups have been very beneficial for dementia sufferers and their carers. The full amount was agreed.
- Repainting seating area in Smithies Rec Play Area. Cllr Tattersall explained that the seating area is looking tired and well used. There wasn't a final total for the bid so Lee to check total cost but a provisional total of £825 was accepted by the members.
- Twiggs North Area Clean and Tidy Team - This bid is to expand a volunteer tool bank dedicated to the St Helens Area to support local people to improve their areas and contribute to maintaining a clean and tidy North Area. The bid was for £547.20 and is to purchase various sized litter pickers. The bid was discussed and the full amount was agreed.

Treasurers Report: Lee reported a total of £19,925.93 as of 5/5/21 if all projects confirmed.

Forthcoming Projects and Bids: There will be a funding bid for moving the notice board to be submitted once quotes have been received.

Any other business: There have been issues with the day and time of the Ward Alliance meetings and not all members being able to attend. Secretary to send out an email asking for everyone's availability so a decision can be made on the date of the next meeting.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Meeting closed at 17.30 .
The next meeting is TBC.