

Ward Alliance Meeting



Date & Time:	Thursday 8th July @ 5.30 pm
Location:	Via Microsoft Teams

1. Attendees/ Welcome and Introductions			
Chair Person:		Cllr John Clarke	
CDO:		Michelle Toone	
Secretary:		Andrea Greaves	
Committee Members:		Cllr Roy Bowser, Cllr Jake Lodge, Alison Sidebottom, Allison Johnson	
Guest:			
2. Apologies for absence			
Rev'd Adrian Bateman, Ian Langworthy, Alan Littlewood, Tracey Hamby			
3. Welcome and Introductions			
4. Declarations of pecuniary & Non-Pecuniary Interest		Action/Decision	Action lead
	None declared.		N/A
5. Notes of Last Meeting		Action/Decision	Action lead
	Agreed as a true and accurate record.	All	MT
5. Matters arising		Action/Decision	Action lead
	<p>Principal Towns We have 18 businesses who have successfully accessed funding within the Worsbrough area with more businesses having expressed an interest. Cllr Clarke & Cllr Bowser handed out information leaflets to a number of businesses in the area and encouraged them to apply.</p> <p>Loneliness and Social Isolation Meeting held on 7 July between Central Area Council, Age UK, MIND and Reds in the Community. The commissioned providers presented proposals to the Council to help reduce loneliness and isolation. Cllr Lodge proposed that the providers should also go into the communities and how they could complement already existing provision, add value and aim to link with other services procured by the Central Area Council and the wider council and health partners.</p>		

	<p>Cllr Bowser pointed out that he felt the proposals as presented by the providers were not specific enough. He suggested to see and how the plans will be put into action and invite the charities to one of our WA meetings to see what we can develop in conjunction more specific for our area.</p> <p>Anti Social Behaviour A Pop Up Police Station will be set up on 15 July at Worsbrough Dale. Residents will have the chance to speak with representatives from Bernslei Homes, Barnsley Council, local neighbourhood policing team Barnsley West NPT. This event is being promoted on Facebook and other local platforms.</p> <p>Road Safety Issues The wall damaged and falling down between High Street and Bankend, which is a concern for road safety, which has been reported and awaiting feedback. Bernslei Homes will repair the wall on back of The Ship. Cllr Clarke confirmed that Barnsley Council received £90k funding for the repair for Highway Maintenance, traffic improvement and repairs across the Borough. Proposals had been put forward by each of the 21 Ward so the fund wouldnt be able to address all the issues. Worsbrough Cllrs have put forward 3 recommendations whih include the Jnc at Bankend Road/ Park Road to change the traffic light timings to allow safe crossing windows of opportunity and speed reduction meassures for the A61 Park Road/ Sheffield Road and Thickett lane / Station Road.</p>		
6. Ward Alliance Budget 2021/2022		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Total allocation for 2021/2022 = £16,505.52</p> <p>Ward Green Primary School – Junior Wardens project: £1,800 Ward Green Primary Barnsley would like to join Junior Warden Scheme which is organised by Dodworth Crime and Safety Group who have offered 4 places on the scheme to Central Area Council primary schools. The aim of the Junior Warden Scheme is to promote good citizenship and promote a safe and crime free community. To enable young people to gain a sense of community and to join several initiates to encourage participation in community events. Cllr Clarke suggested to promote this to the other primary schools within the Ward as well for them to have the opportunity to apply for funding.</p> <p>Worsbrough Bridge AFC – Defibrillator External Case: £528 Worsbrough Bridge AFC have a defibrillator for use by the football club and are willing to offer the use to the wider</p>	<p>WA agreed to award money in full.</p> <p>MT to contact Bankend Primary School & Mill Academy.</p> <p>WA agreed to award money in full.</p>	MT

	<p>community with the ward. The defibrillator will be installed on the externally on the premises of the Worsbrough Sports & Development Association and therefore requires a suitable case.</p> <p>Alison Sidebottom proposed maybe to consider providing i-gel Supraglottic Airway devices for anyone to use in addition to conventional CPR.</p> <p>Concern raised that it is a more specific medical device that may not be suitable to use by non-medically trained people (first aiders & general public).</p>	<p>MT to check suitability and costs for simple face masks (for mouth to mouth applications).</p> <p>Alison to check costs.</p>	
b.	Engagement Fund = £1,157.75		MT
c.	Environmental Fund = £28.02		MT
7. Area Council Update		Action/Decision	Action lead
	No Further updates at the Moment. Cllr Clarke to update at the next meeting following the Area Council meeting.		Cllr Clarke
8. Current/Ongoing Ward Actions		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p><u>Worsbrough Community Pantry</u></p> <p>The printed leaflets to advertise the provisions are ready to collect from Michelle's office. Ideally, these need to be distributed prior the summer school break. Given that school half terms will bring additional financial burdens to families already struggling.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke said that he would collect some copies 9 July and distribute.</p> <p>Michelle and volunteers will also organise an Open Day on Wednesday, 22 September during the Pantry's opening hours. All WA members are invited to come along. Invitation extended to Bernslei Homes, DIAL, Family Lives, as well as organisations within the Councils' key providers.</p> <p>This will also provide a good opportunity for local residents to come along and sign up for membership and key providers to engage with existing users.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke on behalf of the WA thanked Michelle for all her hard work setting up the provisions. Cllrs have been receiving many positive feedback so far.</p>	<p>Group to let MT know of their availability and where they have planned to distribute the leaflets.</p>	<p>MT/ Worsbrough Community Church</p>
b.	<p><u>Hanging Baskets</u></p> <p>The hanging baskets are finally in place. The WA have purchased additional brackets so more baskets could be installed across the areas this year resulting in 70 baskets in total.</p> <p>There has been a high interest of individuals and companies. Going forward the allocation of the baskets will be reviewed with the volunteers. Mt proposed names in a hat could be a fairer way of allowing people on the waiting list the opportunity to sponsor a basket.</p> <p>Feedback from locals has been extremely positive.</p>		<p>Working group/ WA Group</p> <p>MT</p>

	<p>ClIr Clarke asked whether spare brackets at the Cutting Edge could be utilised. Further discussions with the volunteers around future support and long term sustainability would take place in the coming months. The volunteers have done a great job of communicating with the sponsors and liaising with the supplier and relevant departments and the scheme success is thanks to their hard work and efforts.</p>		
c.	<p>Healthy Holidays Healthier Communities will be supporting families on free school meals again during the school summer break. Previously, food boxes were provided, which were received very well. However, there is no further scope to provide food boxes and these will now be replaced by holiday clubs. Funding is available for groups/ organisations to apply to however the criteria around school meal standards food and the length and frequency of the sessions has been a barrier to the groups within Worsbrough applying. Moving forward MT will work with Primary Sports Coaching to set up a CIC so they can apply for funding directly and groups/ volunteers can be used to support the delivery of the sessions.</p> <p>Bankend friends planning to deliver four Healthy Holidays sessions in the Bank End area. However, stipulation around funding not feasible for local groups and therefore they will instead apply for funding from the WA directly. Michelle to liaise with the group to complete WAF application, which then will be sent to all WA members for feedback.</p> <p>The sessions are aimed at families and will be open and free to all. Each of the sessions will include an enriching activity these are, community games, community quiz, sports day finished with the Bankend has got talent show. In addition to the activity participants will be provided with a nutritionally balanced packed lunch. The quiz and talent show will be facilitated by a local events company that are able to provide all the equipment needed and compare the events creating a fun and engaging atmosphere</p> <p>No equipment will be purchased. Costs relate to consumables and hire.</p>	<p>WA members to agreed / decline WAF application as soon as received by email.</p>	MT
9.	Upcoming Activities/ Areas of Focus		
a.	<p>Environmental Group The group is looking to put a action plan ready to start delivery at the end of Sept/ Oct . The Worsbrough Tidy Group set dates already for rest of year for workdays. Kath from the Tidy Group will contact local schools again to discuss potential activities and support.</p>		MT/ Environmental Group
b.	<p>Support to Community Groups Most of community groups have inactive for almost 16 months. Michelle would be focusing on supporting existing community groups to start operating again now the restrictions are beginning to ease. This will include building up capacity to support Bankend Friends to deliver healthy holidays and supporting Pavilion Group to become financially sustainable and to make profit.</p>		MT

	<p>Key area to focus in the autumn will be on providing volunteer training program and put in place additional requirements for community groups such as renewal of food & hygiene certificate.</p> <p>Cllr Lodge met with representatives from the Family Centre Worsborough and Kendrey who expressed interest to get involved to deliver specific projects.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke asked and whether Ian could liaise with football teams to maybe put 5-A-Side matches on at Lew Whitehead. WA could provide funding as well for refreshments etc.</p>	WA members to let MT know of any groups and requirements.	
c.	<p>Promotion of WAF & Small Sparks</p> <p>As part of the focus to support groups to come together again MT will also be promoting the WAF and Small Sparks funds to existing and new groups / volunteers.</p> <p>No applications received to date.</p> <p>Cllr Lodge suggested for Small Sparks to organise an event such as street party to celebrate Queen's 75th Jubilee next year.</p>	The group agreed to do more promotions via Social Media campaigns. MT to coordinate.	MT
d.	<p>WA membership recruitment</p> <p>The group currently lacks diversity and not necessarily represents all residents in the area.</p> <p>Michelle to put a targeted process in place to encourage residents from ethnic minorities, with disabilities, and young people to join the group and become a volunteer. To make it more diverse and represent the area we are serving.</p> <p>Plan is to work alongside college, with the Barnsley Youth Council and local schools.</p> <p>Michelle will visit the Mosque in few weeks to take the opportunity to engage with people from the Worsbrough area. Current members will also be asked to re confirm their membership and commitment to the Ward Alliance. In addition, Michelle will conduct a skills audit again with all members.</p> <p>Cllr Clarke confirmed that out all the WA's in the Barnsley Borough, Worsbrough has one of the most members.</p>		MT
9. AOB		Action/Decision	Action lead
a.	<p>Dale bowling team</p> <p>The Dale bowling team has approached Cllr Clarke asking for substantial funding to get trees around their area cut down again.</p>	MT to meet with the group to discuss cheaper options.	MT
b.	<p>Community Listening Exercise</p> <p>Listening to people is the foundation of community organising because it builds trust and relationships, uncovers issues and is an essential starting point for bringing people together to share stories, ideas and action.</p> <p>Any of WA member to volunteer and support more than welcome.</p>		MT
9. Dates and times of future meetings		Action/Decision	Action lead

	<p>The Ward Alliance agreed to continue to the six weekly schedule and to conduct the meetings in person. There will be additional meetings in between with various working groups. The next meeting of the Ward Alliance is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thursday, 19th August @ 5.30pm at Miners Welfare• Thursday, 30th September @ 5.30 pm at Baptist Church• Thursday, 11th November @ 5.30 pm at St Thomas Parish Hall• 16th December social at Boatman Rest. Time TBC.		AG
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