

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 4th April 2016

Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Council Performance of Commissioned Services

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an update on the delivery of the Dearne Area Councils current commissions.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Dearne members note the continued progress of the four Dearne Area Council commissions

3.0 Current Commissions

3.1 Training for employment

This contract is due to end 31st March 2016 and an end of service letter was sent out in December 2015. The final report will be available at the next Area Council meeting on the 6th of June 2016. The equipment purchased through this contract will stay at the Salvation Army. The volunteers at the Salvation Army will continue to guide and support people that need basic job searching advice.

3.2 Enforcement

Since the start of this contract the team have issued 717 fixed penalty notices in the Dearne area, 531 for littering, 55 for dog fouling and a further 131 for parking offences. Officers concentrate their patrols around intelligence led information from the tasking process and also from complaints on the street from the community at large.

The revenue raised thus far from FPN's (Fouling and Littering) this quarter of the contract beginning October 2015 until the 10th of March 2016 is **£7,092.00** bringing the total revenue raised from this contract to **£25,522.95** The total revenue raised from this contract will be available at the end of March 2016.

3.3 **Twiggs**

Twiggs commenced delivery on the 1st of September 2015. They have been provided with a work plan that is updated on a weekly basis. All actions set at the previous monitoring meeting were completed. To date Twiggs have engaged with fourteen businesses in the Dearne Area. From December to February the team have worked 396 hours in both Dearne North and South. This is a reduction in the previous quarter due to February having fewer days.

They have also worked alongside thirteen established groups on clean up campaigns and led on three social action projects. They have collected 209 bags of waste and report 5 fly tipping incidents to the enforcement team. Twiggs have delivered 1 impact of littering session in which 24 people attended. They have undertaken 76 litter picks and supported two local events.

Twiggs have got a schedule of planned activity to be undertaken in the upcoming months. For example with the Scouts, Highgate and Carrfield Primary Schools, Highgate allotment, Rainbow Centre and Cranwell Court.

See appendix one for report

3.4 **Housing enforcement**

The figures submitted for the Dearne Area Council are for the months January 2016 to February 2016. A full report will be available for Area Council members after the end of March 2016.

Out of the 103 contacts made during this time period 17 of those were classed as vulnerable households. 9 CPN notices have been issued and 16 requests for action to private landlords, one of which resulted in a formal notice.

The housing and investigating officers continue to do good work within the Dearne Area. Local residents have complained about Highgate Lane, George Street, Edward Road, William Street and the Cramwell Court area. Therefore the officers are currently organising a community clean-up day in conjunction with members, Twiggs, local residents and the Area Team. This community clean-up day is to be held on the 6th of April 2016.

4.0 **Appendices**

Appendix One: Twiggs

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