

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEARNE AREA COUNCIL 4th April 2016

Report of the Dearne Area Council Manager

Dearne Area Council Update on Financial Position, Procurement, and Health and Jobs Skills and Training Workshops

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides an updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend, and outlines the unallocated amount remaining for 2015/16 and 2016/17
- 1.2 This report provides members with an update regarding the environmental enforcement procurement
- 1.3 This report provides members with an update regarding the health, and jobs skills and training workshops

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Dearne Area Council members note the updated financial position for all Dearne Area Council spend and the unallocated amounts remaining for 2015/2016. Details are contained in Appendix One.
- 2.2 That members note the progress with regards the procurement of the environmental enforcement commission
- 2.3 That members note the progress in relation to the Health, and Jobs Skills and Training workshops that were held in February and March 2016

3.0 Financial update

- 3.1 At the end of the 15/16 financial year the Dearne Area Council have spent £262,257 of its £255,438 allocation, this leaves a deficit of £6,819. This figure is offset against the fixed penalty notice income of £25,522.95 leaving the Area Council £18,703.95 to carry over into the 16/17 financial year. Further the Fixed penalty income will more than likely increase once the year-end figures are submitted.
- 3.2 The Dearne Area Council have an allocation of 200k to spend on meeting the Dearne Area Council priorities in the 16/17 financial year. To date the Area Council have spent £52,846 on previously agreed projects/services. This leaves an allocation of £165,857.95 to spend on projects in the 16/17 financial year. This total includes the £18,703.95 carry forward from the 15/16 financial year.

See appendix one for full break down

4.0 **Environmental Enforcement Procurement**

- 4.1 At the Dearne Area council on the 14th of September it was agreed that the environmental enforcement service would be re commissioned from April 2016. The area council agreed that they would like to maintain the same level of service at a cost of approximately £30,955 per year.

The tender documentation was advertised on YoRtender on the 1st December 2015 asking potential providers to return submissions by the 5th January 2016. The tender evaluation was completed on the 22nd January 2016. Two providers expressed an interest in the delivery of the service, submitted documentation and were interviewed late January has potential providers. After this process and scores were calculated it showed that Kingdom was the preferred provider therefore the contract will commence on the 1st of April.

The Dearne and Central Area Managers will continue to have a joined up approach in relation to the monitoring of the contract with the first meeting scheduled in for the 14th of April, 2016.

5.0 **Health Workshop**

- 5.1 The Dearne Area team arranged a workshop on the 4th of February 2016 in order to map out the existing health incentives within the area. A total of 25 practitioners, officers and residents attended the workshop. The aim of the workshop was to:

- Receive information and overview of Dearne health data and intelligence from Liz Pitt, Research and Business Intelligence Manager, BMBC
- Receive a presentation and information on key public health service commissioned through BMBC Public Health from Carl Hickman, Health and Well Being Manager, Healthy Communities, BMBC
- Map health services currently being delivered in the Dearne
- Discuss what is being delivered and who are the target audience
- Identify the gaps and how the community and agencies can meet gaps in provision
- Feed the results from this in order to input into the Dearne Approach action plan.

The Dearne Area manager has a follow up meeting with Carl Hickman from Public Health on the 12th of April. Further the Area Manager intends to arrange a meeting with members in order to establish how the Area Council can meet some of the existing need and gaps in the Dearne Area.

See appendix two for workshop notes

6.0 **Jobs Skills and Training Workshop**

6.1 Regular meetings have been taking place with the Dearne Area Council Manager, special projects worker, Cllr Gollick, Kate Roberts and Tom Smith. The aim was to organise a Jobs skills and training workshop which would feed into the Dearne Approach action plan. A workshop was delivered on the 7th of March 2016 at the Salvation Army, some of the feedback includes:

- Successful workshop – good mix of participants
- Engaging / interactive with good level of challenge and ideas
- Presented data set – what do we know? - to stimulate discussion
- Key activities – what's happening locally and what's working well / even better if?
- Flipchart activities with 'post it' worked well – kept the pace going and got people talking / feeding back etc.
- Group identified gaps in knowledge re. directory plus many examples of good practice in the localities
- Feedback broadly aligned to 'early thoughts' from draft plan
- Identified issues re. short term funding and lack of joined up services

Next steps:

- Focus group to be established from 'volunteers' to steer plan
- Template to be recirculated to services / organisations identified by group
- Local directory to be pulled together
- Feedback to be collated / summarised and build into refreshed plan

7.0 **Appendices**

Appendix One: Financial Update

Appendix two: Health Workshop Notes

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