

ROYSTON WARD ALLIANCE

Notes

Monday, 18th January 2016
6.30pm the Grove, Royston

Present: Cllr Caroline Makinson (Chair), Cllr Malcolm Clements, Cllr Tim Cheetham, Fred Harston, John Craig, John Clare, Graham Kyte, Howard Lavender, David Andy, (Citizens Advice Barnsley) and John Openshaw

In Attendance: Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer.

1. Apologies for Absence, Mick Birkinshaw, Rev Dr Matt Bullimore, and Stephen Croft.

2. Declarations of Interest
None Declared.

3. Correspondence & Communications,
The secretary reported on the correspondence with Notton Parish Council and joint Litter Pick's, they have not arranged any date.

4. Notes of the previous meeting,
Members agreed that the notes of the meeting held on the, 14th December 2015 were a true and accurate record.

5. Matters Arising
Canal, it was reported that the canal still seems to be leaking, the situation would be monitored.
Community Orchard, the secretary distributed plans of the orchard with a list of trees planted and their location.
Children's Centre, Members requested that this be a regular agenda item.

6. Citizens Advice Project
The chair introduced David Andy from citizens Advice Barnsley who gave a review of the services being delivered at the Grove, distributing a project report covering the period February 2015 to January 2016. For every £1.00 invested in the project by the Ward Alliance they are seeking a £5.00 return for clients. The project has been looking at how it could improve the service offered, proposals are to alternate with DIAL to deliver a weekly service. To relocate to the library with staff acting as receptionists and ambassadors for the service. CAB would like to continue the service and deliver a weekly service with Dial which has been successful in other areas.
Members agreed that they would like to extend funding for a joint project to deliver advice sessions in Royston.
The Chair thanked David for his contribution.

7. Review of Priorities/Achievements

The Chair distributed copies of the alliances current priorities and reviewed the work of the Ward Alliance over the previous 12 months the successful projects that had been delivered, the achievements that had been made and thanked everyone that had been involved.

It was agreed that members would consider the current priorities and consider amendments so that Royston could be 'Ahead of the Game'.

8. Area Council Update

There had not been an Area Council Meeting

9. Ward Alliance Membership

It had been agreed that membership of the ward alliance would be for a 12 month period and this would be renewable in January of each year, all members agreed to retain their membership of the Royston Ward Alliance.

10. Project Updates

Planters and Barrels There have been incidents of vandalism to the planters at the Wells. Discussions took place on the replacement of plants and repairs. It was agreed that J Craig would oversee the supply of plants and material from Newstead Nursery.

New Planters, an order has been placed for a number of planters to replace the barrels which are at the end of their useful life.

School, contact would be made with the local school on the adoption of 2 square planters.

Letters would be sent to all planter/barrel adoptees updating them on planters and delivery of plants etc.

Allotments, West End a site meeting has been held and investigations would be undertaken on the current tenants of the land. **Robin Hood**, a quote for the path works has been received and it was agreed that a second quote should be obtained.

Allotment Fence Berneslai Homes are removing some fencing and groundwork have agreed to recycle it as fencing on allotments.

Midland Road Car Park, discussions took place on the number of parking spaces available.

11. WW1 Commemorations

No updates

12. Royston & Carlton Community Partnership

The chair updated the meeting on discussions the community partnership were having on their future.

13. Ward Alliance Funding Update and to consider applications received

The secretary gave an overview of the project proposed by the **Green Fingers**

Gardening Group. Copies of the application were distributed: Members recommended an allocation of £685.00

Citizens Advice Barnsley, members agreed to extend the projects current funding to the end of March 2016 at a cost of £258.00 and to seek costs of a joint project with DIAL from the 1st April 2016.

14. Any Other Business

The Wells, the coping stones of the well feature The Community Development Officer agreed to contact the North East team to repair.

The Wells Retaining Wall the Community Development Officer reported that Highways department are seeking ownership details.

Royal British Legion, the organiser vacancy has been advertised on social media.

National Citizens Service, The secretary reported on a national project being delivered locally by Barnsley Football Club, recruiting young people in year 11 and 12. They will undertake two x 4 day long residential stays to gain learning and development opportunities together with qualifications. As part of the course the young people have to develop and deliver a project in their local community. The secretary asked members for ideas on projects that the young people could deliver locally.

Clean For The Queen, the secretary reported on an initiative by the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign to celebrate the Queens 90th Birthday a national clean up on the weekend of 4th 5th and 6th March. If members wanted to arrange an event the North East Tidy Team were available to give support.

Litter Picks, the secretary asked that members consider a programme of litter picks and promoting them in the community. An initial proposal was to arrange a joint event with Notton as part of the Clean for the Queen campaign. This was agreed.

South Yorkshire Safer Communities Visioning Conference, John Clare and John Craig updated the meeting on the conference and the issues discussed.

Galas etc. the community development Officer gave the meeting some dates for their diaries,

14th June 2016, Love Where You Live, Environmental project in Royston Park

19th June 2016, Dynamos Gala, to be confirmed.

31st July and 28th August 2016, Proms in the Park

6th December 2016, Christmas Event

15. Ward Alliance Members Actions

Priorities, members would consider the current priorities and consider amendments

Planters, to replace plants and repairs. J Craig to oversee the supply of plants and material from Newstead Nursery.

Updates, letters to all planter/barrel adoptees on replacement planters and delivery of plants etc.

Allotment Path to seek a second quote

Carlton TARA, to seek nomination from group

Litter Pick, to arrange joint litter-pick with Notton over the weekend of 4th 5th and 6th June.

16. Decisions Agreed.

Family Centres item to remain on agenda

Gardening Group. Recommended an allocation of £685.00

Citizens Advice Barnsley, members agreed to extend funding to the end of March 2016 at an estimated cost of, £258.00 and to seek costs of a joint project with DIAL from the 1st April 2016.

17. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on the Monday 7th March 2016, 6:30pm at The Grove

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:55pm