

NOTES OF PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE MEETING
Thursday 14th April, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall

Present: Cllr Robert Barnard (Chair), Allen Pestell, Cllr John Wilson, Jon Cutts, Graham Saunders, Joe Unsworth, Pauline Ogden, Ann Rusby, Cllr David Greenhough

In Attendance: Tanya Dickinson, Penistone Area Team.

1. Introductions and Apologies

Apologies received from Ann Walker, Bob Blythe, Richard Leech, Chrissie Yates, Barbara Lee, Cllr Hannah Kitching and Cllr Mandy Lowe-Flello.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interest

Non-pecuniary interests were declared by Pauline Ogden for the Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth Parish Council application and both Graham Saunders and Ann Rusby for the Penistone Agricultural Society application.

3. Notes of the Meeting Held on 10 March 2022

The notes of the previous meeting were approved.

4. Matters Arising from the Notes

There were no matters arising.

5. End of Year Report 2021/2022

An end of year report has been produced to showcase the work of the Ward Alliance over the past 12 months. The Alliance has once again been able to support a good number of local projects across the 2 wards. Action: Tanya to circulate the report with the notes of the meeting.

6. Ward Alliance Finances

Cllr Barnard offered an update on the final figures for the year 2021-2022. The Alliance had a balance of £2,777.03 of Ward Alliance funding and £5,960 of the School's Out Fund which has now been carried forward to 2022-2023. As we have started the new financial year, the Ward Alliance has received its annual allocation of £20k giving us a total of £22,777.03 in Ward Alliance funding. The £5,960 School's Out Fund will continue to be ringfenced for the provision of family activities during the school holidays.

7. Applications for Financial Assistance

Ward Alliance Funding:

a) Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth Parish Council - £2,500

A breakdown of the match funding was provided to the WA following this application being deferred from the March meeting. A proposal of £2,500 was recommended for approval.

b) Penistone Camera Club - £949.62

After discussion this application was deferred for further information. The Alliance would be keen to know more about how this piece of equipment works, what are its advantages and why it is felt that this is needed over the usual means of holding virtual meetings. Action: Tanya to request this additional information for further discussion at the next WA meeting.

c) Ospring United JFC - £425

The WA recognised that the sports field is a well-used facility and the importance of having community defibrillators. A proposal of £425 was recommended for approval.

d) Penistone Archive Group - £1297.20

After discussion it was decided not to support this application. The WA felt that there were more cost-effective options available to the group.

e) Hunshelf Parish Council - £467

A proposal of £467 was recommended for approval.

f) Wortley Mens Club & Institute - £400

A proposal of £400 was recommended for approval.

g) Hoylandswaine Events Group - £500

A proposal of £500 was recommended for approval.

h) Penistone Agricultural Society - £500

A proposal of £500 was recommended for approval.

School's Out Funding:

i) Stay Active & Safe, Advice for Young People Event - £290

The decision to recommend this application for approval via email ahead of this meeting was ratified by the Ward Alliance.

8. Ward Alliance Development

- Following individual reviews with members, a document is being pulled together to highlight the strengths and weaknesses of the WA. Once complete this document will be brought to a future meeting for the WA to discuss and used to inform a revised work plan for 2022-2024.
- Tanya informed the WA that several changes have recently been made to the Ward Alliance Governance Framework. Action: Tanya to send out a summary of these changes with the notes of the meeting.

9. Area Council Update

- Cllr Barnard informed the Alliance that the Area Council received an update from Penistone FM about their Active Minds project which was funded recently out of the Support for Young People Grant. The project had been very well received and trained up a number of local young people to pull together a series of podcasts allowing young people to talk about issues affecting them.

10. Any other business

None.

11. Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 12th May, 7pm at Penistone Town Hall. (Pauline Ogden sends her apologies for this meeting).