# Dearne Ward Alliance

# VIRTUAL MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dearne North Ward Alliance
Date & Time:	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 – 2pm-3pm

Attendees	Apologies
Cllr Alan Gardiner (Chair) – Elected Member	Charlotte Williams – Station House Community
Cllr Wendy Cain – Elected member	Association – (Treasurer)
Derek Bramham – Big Local Thurnscoe	Sue Bellamy – Elected Member
Glennis Lingard – resident	Jackie Kenning – Salvation Army
Marie Sinclair – Community Development Officer – Dearne Area Team	Sue Miller – The Hill Primary School
Darryl Hand – Community Development Officer – Dearne Area Team	Peter Shields (internet problems)
Gillian Totty – Community Engagement Officer, Berneslai Homes	
Caroline Oxley - Adult Skills and Community Learning	
Elaine Oliver - Adult Skills and Community Learning	

# 1. Welcomes & introductions:

Welcome to Caroline Oxley and Elaine Oliver - Adult Skills and Community Learning

CO – spoke to the group about the range of funded and none funded courses available to people in the Dearne by Adult Skills and Community Learning. She spoke about a range of English, Maths, and ICT Courses. Some are skill courses the others are well-being courses (drawing, painting, positive thinking etc). Some courses are available of a 5-week taster course. They also offer courses on employability and for those with learning disabilities. They also offer business courses such as food safety, health and safety, manual handling, emergency first aid and paediatric first aid. Caroline Oxley spoke about other services such as arranging work experience, childcare or paying for additional courses that they may not offer. They can also provide interview clothing and bus passes. CO informed the ward alliance of their current community plan. Caroline's email is <u>carolineoxley@barnsley.gov.uk</u> and number is 01226 774735.

# 2. Notes from previous meeting & any matters arising

# **Minutes agreed**

AG – raised the question as to whether Pete was still having issues with PayPal. Peter not present in the meeting. MS agreed to speak to Pete and feedback.

# 3. New member workshop/presentation (fix up of date)

MS – Marie proposed the possibility of a meeting to look at the Barnsley 2030 plan. Date proposed for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 4pm-6pm (venue to be confirmed)

#### 4. Finance

Remaining WA budget & any submitted applications:

# Deferred from last March -

- retracted application from mental health mind matters
- Church Street crafty sew n sews Gillian Totty spoke on behalf of Mandy Hazeldine and asked for these
  applications to be moved forward to next meeting, as she was unable to update.
- Chestnut Grove arts & craft sessions – Gillian Totty spoke on behalf of Mandy Hazeldine and asked for these
  applications to be moved forward to next meeting, as she was unable to update.

#### Discussed at this meeting -

- Pictures in the Park Marie Sinclair explained she had put an application in to Barnsley better bonds and for the WA to match fund it. 3 films have been decided by the community. Outcome of application from BBB pending. All WA agreed to fund this application.
- Bulky Rubbish Scheme Marie explained there £585 still left from previous year between both wards. AG
  asked how much is put in each year. MS £1000. All WA agreed to fund this application.
- Hanging baskets for DNWA. MS explained about the shortfall in hanging baskets. All WA agreed to fund this
  application.
- St Helens Church Hall jubilee celebrations. All WA agreed to fund this application.
- Busy Bees Sewing and Craft Group. MS explained its for £450 for room hire for 20 weeks for 2 hours a week. GT spoke about her worries about potentially already supporting one and then another group been close by. WC said that a lot that live in Park Court, don't use Church Street. It's a different people at each club. MS the working funds are available. AG suggested speaking to the group about the potentially to support for 10 weeks as a hurdle to support the group. All WA agreed to part-fund this application for 50% of the cost for 10 weeks.
- WA Working Funds balance MS gave update: £1253 in healthy holidays, £751.25 mental health, and wellbeing. £1500 is now a working budget solely for Thurnscoe. Environmental budget is £1261.26. Total in bank £4765.51. Agreed to take busy bees money from the mental health and well-being fund.

# 5. Group updates

**Big Local Thurnscoe**: DB gave update about Thurnscoe Community Plaza. Grand opening is on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 12pm-4pm. The cabin is now built, and they have a sponsor to connect the water. They are waiting on electricity. Pop-up stalls will be available from the businesses from their business support grants.

**Thurnscoe Flower Park:** We have had a small magnolia tree stolen and we have done some fundraising to buy a new one which will be much taller.

Berneslai Homes: New team leader in post as a contact for the Dearne. No one attended the Q&A session in the Dearne.

# 6. AOB

DH – explained that Dearne Cricket Club had approached for sponsors for the team at a cost of £30 per person. The club would offer online promotion of the WA in return. Group agreed not to sponsor any players to avoid any disrepute from other cricket clubs more locally.

DH – explained that 2 businesses had contacted about flag poles on their shop fronts in Thurnscoe. Group agreed it would be late for the jubilee but to look at costs and see if businesses would sponsor their own.

# 7. Dates & Time of next meeting - Tuesday 26th July 2022 (2pm)