

**Wombwell Ward Alliance** 

Meeting notes from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July

- 1. Present: Cllr, Robert Frost (Chair) Cllr Benda Eastwood, Cllr James Higginbottom Jamie Hinton Wardle, Theresa Arnold, Daniel Higgins, Sabeena Chavan, Chelsey Rigby, Karen Whiting. Caroline Reeves (representative from Berneslai Homes, acting team leader) Amanda Bradshaw (BMBC)
- 2. Notes last meeting /Matters arising -Craig Huxley St Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Ignite Course Although it was short notice AB approached Netherwood ALC regarding the Ignite course but unfortunately too many staff were already engaged with school trips. Head of years 7 & 8 were keen on the course so will try again next academic year.

Wombwell Station AB yet again got in contact with both parties to move things on (Wombwell Army Cadets/Cathrine Ashworth Community Rail Officer.)

- 3. Rachel Barraclough (0 to 19/family centres) Sent apologies. Will invite to our next meeting in September.
- 4. Budget update £12637
- 5. Funding applications Lundhill Community Group £600 Approved
- 6. Events High St Jubilee Event Theresa informed the meeting that she was disappointed about the chaos over the picnics. Ward Alliance members who volunteered on the day quickly responded that yes it was busy, but they coped well under the pressure. AB reported that you must consider that there weren't just 50 children sat at the tables but treble that with parents/family members accompanying them. There was very good feedback from members of the public on the picnics and on the event itself. We will reflect on how we can improve delivery of picnics if we do something like this again.

Cllrs & AB extended thanks to all the volunteers who helped to make this special event a success. They worked tremendously hard for many hours under very warm conditions.

Theresa informed the meeting that £250 was raised through picnic ticket sales. Friends of Wombwell park held a Jubilee picnic on the Saturday and it was lovely to see so many families there enjoying their picnics. 7. Any other business- T raised asked about how the Principal Towns programme was progressing. Cllrs responded that things were moving though at a slow pace. This is due to making sure everything is timetabled in and funding is in place for plans. Awaiting updates on levelling up funding from Central Government. Once it starts things should happen quickly. Burton Building – still in talks with the owner.

Jamie updated the meeting on the post office. Still going through the motions with the PO. Looking at least at another 4 weeks.

Picnic in the park event – Sabeena informed the meeting that everything was coming along fine. All entertainers/fairground rides were booked, and a site plan had been drawn up. Committee members working alongside CDO had completed a risk assessment which had been forwarded onto parks. Just looking for a few more volunteer marshals. Cllr Higginbottom to send NCS contact to AB who might be able to help.

8. Date of next meeting Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 5.30pm Community Hub Wombwell Cemetery