

DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

MEETING NOTES

Meeting Title:	Dodworth Ward Alliance Meeting
Date & Time:	Tuesday 2nd August 2022 @ 6pm
Location:	Collins Close, Dodworth

Attendees	Apologies
<p>Councillor Peter Fielding (Chair)</p> <p>Councillor Chris Wray</p> <p>Councillor Will Fielding</p> <p>Dawn Grayton – Community Development Officer (DG)</p> <p>Lisa Kenny – Dodworth Village Community Group and Dodworth Resident (LK) – (Notes)</p> <p>Malcolm Howarth – Chair of Crime and Safety Partnership and Higham Resident (MH)</p> <p><u>Observer</u></p> <p>Vicky Dickinson</p>	<p>Ben Scrivens – Dodworth Methodist Church</p> <p>Rachel Collier – Dodworth Resident</p>

1. Welcome and Introductions	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>Councillor Peter Fielding welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Ward Alliance Members to introduce themselves for the benefit of Vicky Dickinson who was in attendance as an observer.</p> <p>Vicky Dickinson introduced herself stating that she had recently purchased the old Stars Building at the side of the library. Vicky is currently the deputy head teacher at Wilthorpe Primary School and is interested in becoming a Ward Alliance Member.</p>		
2. Apologies for Absence	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>As detailed on page 1.</p>		
3. Twigg's Update	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>The representative from Twiggs did not attend the meeting, and therefore no update was given.</p>		
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Action/Decision	Action led
<p>There were no other matters arising, and the minutes of the last meeting held 21st June 2022 were agreed as a true record.</p>		
5. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>There were no declarations of pecuniary/non pecuniary interest made.</p>		

6. Ward Alliance Budgets	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>The latest Dodworth Ward Alliance budget situation is outlined as below:</p> <p>Current unallocated balance: £ 10,427.52 Small sparks /Engagement balance: £612.91</p>		
7. Ward Alliance Funding Applications	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p><u>Gawber History Group – Interpretation Board</u></p> <p>A funding application was received from the Gawber History Group requesting the amount of £1,800. The monies will be used to fund the manufacture and installation of Interpretation Board 4. This will complete the last part of the Gawber History Trail Project. The Board will be sited within the Dodworth Ward.</p> <p>A discussion was held about the project and the number of applications the group has previously submitted requesting funding. MH raised concerns that due to the fact Gawber History Group can apply to both Dodworth and Darton West Ward Alliances as it crosses the ward boundaries, they are potentially able to access more funding.</p> <p>DG stated that there are no limits on the amount of funding a group can have. However, DG stated that the topic of the amount of money to award groups and how many applications to fund can be discussed separately at a future meeting.</p> <p>As this 4th History Board was the final board to complete the project, it was agreed to fund the application in full. This would be on the assurance that credits are given to the Dodworth Ward Alliance on the history board in terms of the funding awarded. DG stated she would confirm this with the applicant.</p>	<p>DG</p>	

	<p><u>Dodworth Ward Alliance - Litter Pickers -</u></p> <p>Following a discussion and a proposal as the last meeting, a funding application was presented from the Ward Alliance to purchase a number of litter pickers. The equipment is to be kept at the offices at Worsbrough Common which community groups and/or individuals in the Dodworth Ward can borrow.</p> <p>The application for £500 was agreed in full and will be used to purchase a small stock of litter pickers initially. DG will then monitor over 6/12 months on usage with a system in place to keep a check on who and where the equipment is on loan to.</p>		
<p>8. Ward Alliance Projects</p>			
	<p><u>Hanging Baskets</u></p> <p>Following previous discussions about this project, DG suggested that a test pilot project be implemented in the Dodworth and Gilroyd areas initially. Ward Councillors disagreed with this suggestion.</p> <p>DG will liaise with Chad from BMBC street lighting in respect of ascertaining which lighting columns would be appropriate in the identified locations across the Ward.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding whether any funding from this financial year's budget should/could be committed for the project. Further thought and discussion will be necessary around this matter.</p>		

Dog Fouling Poster

DG reported Keresforth School had confirmed their commitment to the project. Confirmation is needed regarding how many school children will be involved.

DG reported that a judging panel would be needed and a presentation organised. It was proposed Councillor Peter Fielding would do the presentation to the winner. It was suggested an artist's kit could be presented to the competition winner.

DG suggested the company Taylormade Signs & Banners could be used to make the sign of the poster winner.

A discussion was held regarding appropriate locations for the signs to be sited; further thought and agreement will be needed around this matter.

Storage Container

DG reported that the container was due to be sited on 3/8/2022 at 9.30 a.m. at the agreed place at Woodland Drive. Residents are being informed so that any vehicles can be moved to ensure access is clear to the site.

DG stated that for insurance purposes, an inventory will be kept of what's stored in the container.

It was agreed a number of keys will be cut and then a decision on who will be key holders will be made.

Food/Fuel Poverty

<p>DG stated she had attended a recent presentation where it was reported that 42,000 people in Barnsley are currently in fuel/food poverty and this figure is set to increase to 70,000 over the coming months.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding how the Ward Alliance could help residents in the Ward with this issue. It was suggested an event which brings appropriate agencies together who can offer relevant advice and sign post people to food banks and other help/support available.</p> <p>DG will contact Jill Totty and Jill Barker of Berneslai Homes as a starting point.</p> <p>It was suggested community buildings could be opened during the day to residents so they can keep warm. This idea is something which Councillor Wray is going to try and progress within the Central Area Council and Full Council arenas.</p>	<p>DG</p>	
<p>9. Any Other Business</p>	<p>Action/Decision</p>	<p>Action lead</p>
<p><u>Dodworth High Street Events Group - Summer and Christmas Fayre</u></p> <p>Councillor Peter Fielding confirmed there would be no Summer Fayre organised this year by the High Street Events Team and instead, efforts would be concentrated on the Christmas Fayre.</p> <p>Councillor Peter Fielding stated that a meeting to discuss arrangements for the Christmas Fayre will be held Thursday 4th August at the Miners Welfare.</p> <p>DG suggested that the Barnsley Better Bond Scheme could be a potential funding stream. The scheme invites funding applications up to £5,000 which can be applied for to compliment community projects. DG will source a funding application form for the scheme.</p> <p><u>Christmas 2022</u></p>	<p>DG</p>	

<p>DG reported that she was trying to contact Amanda from KDA in respect of the 4 Christmas trees which they have previously donated for free to the Ward. Amanda has currently only offered to provide them at cost at an amount of £250 each. DG is hoping to discuss the matter further and will report back.</p> <p>It was agreed that Christmas lights needed to be checked asap to ascertain if they are in good working order or not. MH stated he is unable to now be involved in the sorting out of the Christmas lights.</p> <p><u>Dodworth Ward Alliance Social Media</u></p> <p>DG reported that she is trying to up the profile of the Ward Alliance Facebook page. DG suggested the idea of Ward Alliance Wednesday to introduce ward alliance members. This will be considered by members.</p> <p>There was no other business and the meeting closed.</p>	<p>DG</p>	
10. Date of next meeting	Action/Decision	Action lead
<p>The next meeting will be held Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 6.00 pm.</p> <p>Dates of future Meetings</p> <p>25th October 2022</p> <p>6th December 2022</p> <p>17th January 2023</p> <p>28th February 2023</p>		

