

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Central Area Council Meeting

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Report of Central Area Council Manager

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1. Purpose of Report

This report seeks to inform Members about agreed spend to date from the Ward Alliance Funds within the Central area for 2020-2021. This forms the final report for the financial year and remaining allocations will be carried forward into the financial period 2021-22.

2. Recommendation

That the Central Area Council receives the Ward Alliance Fund Report and notes spend to date for the Wards of Central, Dodworth, Kingstone, Stairfoot and Worsborough.

3. Introduction

3.1 This report is set within the context of decisions made with regards to the Ward Alliance Fund arrangements (Cab16.1.2013/10.3).

Following the Council's decision to withdraw Devolved Ward Budget funding from 1st April 2016, the use of Ward Alliance Funding and the associated allocation of monies to Ward Alliances across the borough has also been reviewed and amended.

3.2 In considering projects for the use of Ward Alliance Funds, Members are satisfied that the projects identified meet a recognised need for the Ward, are in the wider public interest, and represent value for money.

4. Commitments to Date

4.1 A breakdown of the approved CAC spend for the 2020/21 financial year, is attached at Appendix 1.

4.2 Ward Alliances are currently reviewing priorities and updating action plans to ensure the timely expenditure of all Ward Alliance funds in 2021/2022.

Ward Alliance Fund Budget Overview

2020-21 Ward Funding Allocations

For 2020-21 each Ward had an allocation of £10,000 Ward Alliance Fund.

50% of the funding requires a match-funding element of volunteer time that directly relates to the project in question, or other match funding resources (such as free room hire or donations of goods and equipment). This reflects the fact that the fund is intended to support volunteering and social action in our communities.

50% can be used for initiatives that have no volunteer element – such as the purchase and installation of benches, hanging baskets or other street furniture.

Area Councils have the option to allocate up to £20,000 from the Area Council budget to each of their Ward Alliances. This is discretionary to each Area Council, and Area Council's may also choose not to allocate any funding to ward level.

The carry-forward of remaining balances of the 2019/20 Ward Alliance Fund has been combined and added to the 2020/21 allocation, managed as a single budget with the above conditions.

All decisions on the use of this funding were approved through the Ward Alliance.

CENTRAL WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000 Base allocation
 £5,071.35 Carried forward from 2019/2
 £4,578.33 Unspent/ return of grants

£19,649.68 total available funding

The **Central Ward** has allocated £14,444.03 of its £19,649.68 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation. This leaves the total allocation remaining to carry forward at **£5,305.65**.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds allocated	Allocation remaining
Dearne Valley Litter Pickers	414.51	19,235.17
residents support packs	1,999.93	17,235.24
Hope House Foodbank	500.00	16,735.24
Engagement Pot	669.60	16,065.64
CAB Project	2,000.00	14,065.64
Calendars	1,000.00	13,065.64
Full House Estates Group Christmas Lights	300.00	12,765.64
Harborough Hill Community group - Christmas Lights	750.00	12,015.64
Small Sparks Projects	1,000.00	11,015.64
Good Food Barnsley Kids Packs	250.00	10,765.64
Winter warmer packs - Butterflies	360.00	10,405.64
WAF Application - Harborough Hills Community Group	369.99	10,035.65
WAF Application - Dearne Valley Park Litter Pickers	730.00	9,305.65
WAF Application - working budget created for Healthy Holidays Covid Resilience Family Support	2,000.00	7,305.65
WAF Application - working budget created for Sheltered Housing Resident Support Packages	2,000.00	5,305.65
Total	14,344.03	

DODWORTH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000 Base allocation
 £9,661.69 Carried forward from 2019/20
 £950.35 Unspent/ returned grants

£20,612.04 total available funding

The **Dodworth Ward** has allocated £13,823.00 of its £20,612.04 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation. This leaves the total allocation remaining to carry forward at **£6,789.04**.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Allocation remaining
Q4 Secretary Payment - Lisa Kenny	125.00	20,487.04
Q2 Secretary Payment - Lisa Kenny	125.00	20,362.04
Higham Community Group	2,000.00	18,362.04
CAB Project	2,000.00	16,362.04
Dodworth Christmas Trees and Lights	4,500.00	11,862.04

Small Sparks	1,000.00	10,862.04
Dodworth Miners Juniors	948.00	9,914.04
Q3 Secretary Payment - Lisa Kenny	125.00	9,789.04
WAF Application - Working budget created for purchase of storage container	3,000.00	6,789.04
Total	13,823.00	

KINGSTONE WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£4,538.91	Carried forward from 2019/20
£0	Unspent/ returned grants
£4,384.99	Income Expenditure
£18,923.90	total available funding

The **Kingstone Ward** has allocated £11,948.21 of its £18,923.90 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation. This leaves the total allocation remaining to carry forward at **£6,975.69**.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds allocated	Allocation remaining
HOPE in the Community - COVID 19	1,217.99	17,705.91
Exodus Project Kingstone - Food Delivery programme	1,508.00	16,197.91
A Bowling Club for local residents	959.00	15,238.91
Renovation of 2 Bowling Greens Locke park	700.00	14,538.91
St Edwards Church - IT Equipment	470.00	14,068.91
Highstone Bowling Club	1,675.00	12,393.91
CAB Project	2,000.00	10,393.91
Calendars	482.25	9,911.66
WAF Application - Worsbrough Common Primary, World Book Day	500.00	9,411.66
WAF Application - Exodus, Hoverkarts and Walkie Talkies	1,435.97	7,975.69
WAF Application - Transferred to Environment Working Budget	1,000.00	6,975.69
Total	11,948.21	

STAIRFOOT WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£10,026.99	Carried forward from 2019/20
£900	Unspent/ returned monies
£20,926.99	Total available funding

The **Stairfoot Ward** has allocated £6,163.65 of its £20,926.99 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation. This leaves the total allocation remaining to carry forward at **£14,763.34**.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds allocated	Allocation remaining
Repair to Roundabout Ardsley park	900.00	20,026.99
Memorial Bench	1,000.00	19,026.99
Defib in the Community	500.00	18,526.99
CAB Project	2,000.00	16,526.99
Advent Calendars	482.25	16,044.74

Transferred to Environmental Working Budget for hanging baskets - WAF application	1,000.00	15,044.74
WAF Application - A-F.A.C.T Christmas	281.40	14,763.34
Total	6,163.65	

WORSBROUGH WARD ALLIANCE

For the 2020/21 financial year the Ward Alliance have the following available budget.

£10,000	Base allocation
£18,161.66	Carried forward from 2019/20
£5,043.75	Funds unspent/ returned
£33,205.41	Total available funding

The **Worsborough Ward** has allocated £26,019.39 of its £33,205.41 2020/21 Ward Alliance allocation. This leaves the total allocation remaining at **£7,186.02**.

Ward Alliance Fund Project	Funds Allocated	Allocation remaining
WA - Environmental Pot	2,000.00	31,205.41
Worsbrough Community Church - Easter session	100.00	31,105.41
WA - Defibs in the Community	1,500.00	29,605.41
The Barnsley Sheddars Community Group - more shed less bed	2,217.98	27,387.43
Worsbrough Bridge AFC - Flood Relief Support	550.00	26,837.43
Ward Green Youth Club - Youth Activities	768.83	26,068.60
Worsbrough Bridge Cricket Club - Junior Provision	3,005.33	23,063.27
Secretary Payment Q4	125.00	22,938.27
Maltas Court Community - Covid 19 support	100.00	22,838.27
Andrea Greaves Secretary Payment Q2	125.00	22,713.27
CAB Project	2,000.00	20,713.27
Covid 19 Healthy Holiday Provision	5,000.00	15,713.27
Calendars	482.25	15,231.02
Ward Green Primary School - Christmas Cheer	720.00	14,511.02
Engagement fun top up	3,000.00	11,511.02
The Mill Academy	2,500.00	9,011.02
Secretary Payment Q3	125.00	8,886.02
WAF Application - Ward Green Primary, World Book Day	500.00	8,386.02
WAF Application - Hanging Baskets for Worsbrough In Bloom	1,200.00	7,186.02
Total	26,019.39	