

Item 4

Durham Area Action Partnership

Approved Minutes of Board Meeting

Date:	Tuesday 11 December 2018	
Location:	Durham Town Hall, Market Place, Durham, DH1 3NJ	
Present:	Board Members	
	Rev Joanne Thorns, Bill Moir, Cllr Amanda Hopgood, Cllr Arnie Simpson, Chris Tindale, Colin Hillary, Cllr Katie Corrigan, Adam Deathe, Paul Cummings, Christine Scollen, Cllr Liz Brown, Cllr Marion Wilson, Cllr Lesley Mavin, Lee Alexander, Hannah Shepherd	
In Attendance:	Craig Morgan, Wendy Lavelle, Marie Ainscough	
Apologies:	Barbara Williams, Cllr Eric Mavin, Parish Cllr Paul Finley, Joe Knight, Helen Elderkin, Simon Bartlett, Denise Elliott, Sandra Almeida, Insp Andrea Arthur	
Forum Members present	There were 6 forum members present at the meeting	
Item No	Item	Action
1	<p>Introductions and Apologies</p> <p>Cllr Amanda Hopgood (Chair) welcomed everyone to the Durham AAP Board Meeting and apologies were noted for those Board members who were not in attendance.</p>	
2	<p>Durham County Council Vision Consultation</p> <p>Lee Alexander delivered a presentation on Durham County Council's Vision Consultation.</p> <p>Durham County Council are reviewing the vision for the County because the current vision is over nine years old and many of the original aims have been achieved. The consultation is at an early stage and this is the first stage of a two part consultation exercise.</p> <p>The proposed ambitions are initial thoughts on the key themes which the authority feel reflect the particular needs and opportunities of County Durham. They are based on an initial assessment of public views from a range of previous consultations as well as data on how they are performing as a county and national policy changes.</p> <p>This is an important exercise which will influence how public services work with local people and businesses to provide services and develop the County over the next decade.</p> <p>The consultation is supported by an emerging findings document which provides more detail on what has changed in the County over the last 10 years, and the</p>	

	<p>strengths and challenges that have been identified through the initial assessment.</p> <p>To have your say, fill in the Council Vision consultation form</p> <p>The closing date for comments is Monday 21 January 2019. A draft document will then be produced in advance of the final vision document going to Cabinet on 3 April 2019.</p>	
3	<p>Durham and Darlington Fire Service – Risk Management Consultation</p> <p>Dominic Brown, Assistant Chief Fire Officer delivered a presentation on the Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) Consultation 2019/20.</p> <p>The last few years has seen some of the most significant cuts to public spending ever known. This means to continue offering a first-class fire and rescue service to the people living, working and visiting County Durham and Darlington the Fire and Rescue Service must be innovative and do things differently. The Integrated Risk Management Plan outlines some options the fire service are considering to ensure continuity to receive a first class, cost effective fire and rescue service going forward.</p> <p>In order to balance the budget they need to identify £0.448 million of savings in 2019/20 rising to £0.735 million in 2021/22. A full review of the emergency response to identify further savings options was undertaken and the views on the proposals welcomed.</p> <p>You can find out more by watching a short video at https://www.ddfire.gov.uk/service-plans</p> <p>You can then give your thoughts on line at https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/IRMP201819/</p>	
4	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting & Matters Arising</p> <p>The minutes of the Board meeting held on 18 October 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record.</p> <p><i>Matters Arising</i></p> <p>None.</p>	
5	<p>Neighbourhood Questions</p> <p>There were no neighbourhood questions.</p>	
6	<p>Priorities & Task Group Updates</p> <p><i>AB Update</i></p>	

Board members had been provided with information on approved projects and those to be considered for approval by the Board with one project in the pipeline.

Should all of the projects be approved by the Board at this meeting, the balance remaining will be –

- £2,872.00 – Area Budget
- £1,840.00 – Social Isolation Fund
- £1,901.00 – Youth Fund

- £334,390.00 – match funding attracted

The minutes of the meeting of the Children & Young People & Health Task Group held on 20 November 2018, had previously been circulated for information.

Wheels 2 Work County Durham

An application has been received for £5,000.00 (Area Budget) towards a £7,265.00 project.

Wheels to Work is a moped lending scheme that supports people to get into work. To apply for the scheme people must have an offer of a job or training place. People pay weekly into the scheme and for that they get a lend of a moped for 6 months along with training and safety equipment. The scheme runs in other areas of County Durham and can make a massive impact. It is especially useful for people who work shifts or who are not on public transport routes.

Board members were happy to support the project and the application was approved and will be progressed.

Durham City Air Cadets

An application has been received for £1,200.00 (Youth Fund) towards a £1,664.00 project.

The Air Cadets offer a range of opportunities for young people including Duke of Edinburgh Awards and sporting activities. This grant will help to fund DofE work and sports kits. (This project was originally considered through the 'It's Up to You' event but has been moved over to be funded through the Youth Fund)

Board members were happy to support the project and the application was approved. The applicant will be invited to submit a full application.

Durham Area Disability Leisure Group

An application has been received for £1,801.00 (Youth Fund) towards a £2,451.00 project.

The club ensures that young people with disabilities get the opportunity to participate in a range of sporting activities. The grant will support this over the coming year.

(This project was originally considered through the 'It's Up to You' event but has been moved over to be funded through the Youth Fund)

Board members were happy to support the project and the application was approved. The applicant will be invited to submit a full application.

The minutes of the meeting of the Older People's Task Group held on 21 November 2018, had previously been circulated for information.

St Aidan's Church Hall Car Park

An application has been received for £5,000.00 (Area Budget) towards a £28,620.00 project.

The church hall at St Aidan's in Framwellgate Moor is used by a variety of community groups and organisations with the vast majority of people using the centre being over 50. Their car park needs work doing to it to ensure it remains usable and safe over the winter months.

Board members were happy to support the project and the application was approved and will be progressed.

Elderly Support

An application has been received for £12,960.00 (Area Budget) towards a £17,040.00 project.

Last year Durham AAP supported the establishment of older people's work in the Bearpark area. This was seen as a pilot and the group were encouraged to apply again if the work was deemed to be successful. The initial work went well and has engaged with many socially isolated older people in the Bearpark area. This grant would support the ongoing work of the group.

The Board were concerned about collecting residents of the nursing home for activities. Their thoughts were that residential nursing homes are private businesses who already put on activities for residents. They also commented that residents of nursing homes are not socially isolated.

The task and finish group had also raised questions and are waiting for a response.

The Board did not approve the application and it will be considered again at the next Older People's task and finish group meeting on 16 January 2019.

Laurel Avenue Community Association Toilet Refurbishment Project

An application has been received for £5,000.00 (Area Budget) towards a £6,998.00 project.

The community centre at Laurel Avenue provide a number of activities mainly aimed at young people and old people. They also run a foodbank from the centre. The toilets are in urgent need of an upgrade to ensure that the centre can keep providing

suitable facilities for the community.

Board members were happy to support the project subject to the applicant clarifying their responsibility for that part of the building. Once clarification is sought, the application will be progressed.

The minutes of the meeting of the Promotion of the City/AAP meeting held on 20 November 2018, had previously been circulated for information.

Durham City Visitor Church Map

An application has been received for £8,000.00 (Area Budget) towards a £11,300.00 project.

Durham City has a number of historic churches within close proximity of each other. They are part of the cities heritage and could form part of its offer to tourists. Visit County Durham are looking to develop a map of the churches so visitors can add them to their schedule. The project will also look to support volunteers at the churches and provide interpretation information at each church.

Issues were raised on the funding split and on the commitment of the churches. Board members thought that a map focusing more on the exteriors of the churches and the churchyard was a good idea.

The application was not approved by the board.

Craig Morgan to let Visit County Durham know the decision of the Board and suggest that more of a focus on the exterior is more likely to be supported.

Hannah Shepherd asked if the Board wanted her to link Visit County Durham in with the student placement person for the "Explore: Arts & Heritage" programme that the University runs. This links students, usually on projects, with organisations in the culture, arts and heritage sector on internships / placements.

Quarter 2 Project Monitoring Update Report

Quarterly project progress reports give a detailed report on performance against that stated in the area budget application re spend, milestones, outputs and achievements and is populated by the AAP team to groups and organisations on a quarterly basis.

A quarterly project progress report for the monitoring period July - September 2018 on the following projects was circulated with the papers for information –

- Older People's Projects
 - Framwellgate Moor Bowls Pavilion Improvements
 - St Margaret's Old School Café
 - DERIC Bus – Elderly Support
 - King's Church – Elderly Support
 - RT Projects – Crafty Café

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children, Young People and Families Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Durham Rowing Club School Project ➤ Bearpark Youth Work ➤ Waddington Street – Y-ASC ➤ Durham City Centre Youth Project – Duke of Edinburgh • Promotion of the City Centre Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Enhanced Digital Marketing for Durham City <p><i>Board Ambassadors</i></p> <p>Craig agreed to recirculate the list and ask for volunteers and to liaise with ambassadors and projects regarding visits.</p>	
7	<p>Budget Updates</p> <p>Welfare Reform – Update on applications</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Budgets</p> <p>The following Neighbourhood Budget projects were shared with the Board.</p> <p>Name of Scheme: Belmont Sensory Garden Councillor(s): Lesley Mavin / Eric Mavin Interest Declared: Yes – Lesley is on the waiting list for an allotment Amount: £1,100.00</p> <p>Name of Scheme: Breakfast Club Councillor(s): Kellett Interest Declared: No Amount: £1,020.00</p> <p>Name of Scheme: Shincliffe Village Play Area Councillor(s): Stoker Interest Declared: Yes – David is Chair of the Parish Council Amount: £10,000.00</p> <p>The Board was happy to approve the projects and the interest as declared.</p> <p>‘It’s Up to You’ Feedback</p> <p>The event was held at Durham Town Hall on Saturday 17 November 2018. 519 members of the public cast their votes for their favourite projects. The results following the public vote were included with the papers for information.</p>	

	<p>Since the event an error has been discovered in formulas on the spreadsheet which has resulted in a shortfall of £598.69 to fund Durham Musical Theatre Company.</p> <p>Board members were given two options:</p> <p>Option 1 Agree to funding all of the Musical Theatre Company and the Durham University Palatinate Orchestra (who we thought we could part fund immediately following the event) and the remaining £1,318.16 would go back to the Area Budget pot.</p> <p>Option 2 Agree to funding the Musical Theatre Company, Durham University Palatinate Orchestra and giving Shincliffe Community Association the remaining £1318.16.</p> <p>As the board agreed to fund the two possible projects from the Youth Fund (Air Cadets and Disability Leisure Group) thereby saving £3,001.10, they decided to go with Option 2 above.</p>	
8	<p>Chairs / Co-ordinator's Reports</p> <p>Fulfilling Lives Event</p> <p>The Fulfilling Lives Event was organised by the Learning Disability Parliament for people with disabilities and focussed on employment.</p> <p>Craig Morgan attended the event which took place on 25 October 2018 and was well attended.</p> <p>Priority Voting</p> <p>Data is currently being collated and we are now waiting for a detailed breakdown for the Durham AAP area. The results will go in a report on the AAP priorities which will be taken to the Board in the New Year.</p> <p>Durham AAP got more votes than any other AAP area with 1418 votes –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 883 main survey • 535 schools survey <p>Countywide the first three priorities are ranked as follows –</p> <p>1st Children and Young People 2nd Older People 3rd Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><i>Public Representatives</i></p> <p>There are currently two public representatives on the Board. Helen Elderkin and Rev Joanne Thorns are approaching the end of their four year terms of office which means they have to step down.</p>	

	<p>There is also a VCS vacancy on the board and Rev Joanne Thorns will step into this role.</p> <p>To date, the AAP have received four applications. The closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on Friday 14 December 2018.</p> <p><i>Other AAP work</i></p> <p>Staff are currently working on reusing the old school in Sherburn Hill as a community centre and securing funding for a new community in Neville's Cross.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Partner Updates</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DURHAM AAP Report – Police Update Report compiled by Neighbourhood Inspector Andrea Arthur (November 2018)</p> <p>Project and enforcement</p> <p>Officers in Sherburn section area are continuing to work on the mutual gain project. The project is a learning and engagement process in an attempt to build networks within this community to support each other in tackling self-identified issues.</p> <p>On 15th October there was a further dream event which was well attended by resident's police and partners. The purpose of this meeting was to identify individuals within the community who will support the project to really drive the initiative. The focus of the project is drug misuse and the impact that it has on the area.</p> <p>Independent of the project but looking at crime enforcement officers reacted to intelligence which was received regarding a named person on the estate. Officers obtained and executed a magistrate's search warrant in Sherburn Road where a significant amount of money was seized under the Proceeds of Crime Act.</p> <p>Crime trend</p> <p>There has been an increase in theft of pedal cycles in the area. The main locations which are being targeted are around Gilesgate and also the city centre near to the University science site.</p> <p>Please ensure that property is secured and not left in a position to attract opportunistic thieves.</p> <p>The run up to Christmas is now upon us and we are likely to see an increase in shopliftings in our City and retail parks. Officers will be engaged on proactive patrols and using crime pattern analysis to target hot spot areas.</p> <p>There is also planned activity for the city centre in relation to the continued antisocial behaviour from a small group who are drinking, begging and rough sleeping.</p> <p>I have been engaging local businesses and partners to work with police to improve</p>	

the situation in the City. This is alongside the work from housing solutions and their rough sleeper outreach worker and other avenues which are also being pursued. There will be an increase in the visible presence of officers and PCSOs in the city centre on the run up to Christmas.

Events

There were a number of local events over Remembrance Day weekend which were well attended by the local community and supported by the police. I had the privileged of being part of the Festival of Remembrance at Durham Cathedral and taking my family to the service on Remembrance Sunday. The events were all poignant and a fantastic mark of respect.

The end of this month is the return of the successful Christmas Markets which will bring tourism and locals to the area.

The building work at Sherburn section office is now approaching the final stages. The officers will be returning hopefully by the end of this month. An official launch event/weekend is also in the planning stages to ensure that the community are also able to view the worthwhile changes which have been made.

Contact

If there are any concerns/queries or issues then please contact Andrea Arthur on the following e-mail address

Andrea.arthur@durham.pnn.police.uk

The Chair thanked the Police for the good community work undertaken over the Remembrance Day weekend.

NHS Update

North Durham Clinical Commissioning Group had provided an update for information.

10 Any other Business

None.

11 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Board Meeting – Tuesday 22 January 2019 from 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm in Durham Town Hall

Subsequent Board Meetings will be held from 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm on the following dates -

- Wednesday 27 February 2019
- Thursday 28 March 2019

	The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and wished everyone a Happy Christmas.	
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