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We have been working very closely with the Foster Care Team which I’m delighted to say has contributed to a dramatic increase in the number of fostering enquires. This work has been a great example of what can be achieved through partnership working.

I am proud to offer my congratulations once again to our volunteers and groups in the community for their blooming outstanding achievements at this years’ Yorkshire in Bloom awards. A particular mention must go to Carlton Marsh Nature Reserve described as a ‘little gem’ which received a platinum award; the highest accolade judges can give.

This year has gone by so quickly, and it’s time now to look forward to the New Year ahead. We are keen to receive your ideas for content in future issues and welcome any feedback that you may have about the magazine.

If you want to get involved in any of our projects, then please get in touch.

Joe Hayward
Councillor Joe Hayward
Chair of the North East Area Council

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Dates for 2018

- Saturday 21 July - Cudworth Tea in the Park, Cudworth Park 11am.
- Saturday 7 July - Royston Gala, Royston Park 11.30am.
- The first Wednesday of every month - Royston Green Spaces Group, meet at 9am in Royston Park.
- The first Thursday of every month - Carlton Marsh Nature Reserve Tidy Day. Contact Cliff Gorman on 07443 937906 for times.
- Monthly gardening sessions at Cudworth Park - Cudworth Environment Group. Contact Cllr Wraith for details and times on 01226 712135.
- Regular Great Houghton Tidy Days. Contact Cllr Higginbottom for more information and times 01226 758410.

All dates may be subject to change. Please contact the North East Area Team prior to each activity or look out for posts on social media.

North East Area Team

We will keep you up to date with community events taking place locally.

We are proud to support and empower the communities of Brierley, Carlton, Cudworth, Great Houghton, Grimethorpe, Lundwood, Monk Bretton, Royston, Shafton and Smithies.

If you want to volunteer then please contact us, and we will try to help. We can also arrange for you to receive a back copy of the Village Life magazine.

We are:

Caroline Donovan, North East Area Manager
Paul Jolley, Community Development Officer
David Gill, Community Development Officer

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Barnsley North East Area Team
Over the last six months, the North East Area Council has worked very closely with the Foster Care Team to try and increase the awareness of becoming a Foster Carer in our local communities. This working partnership between Barnsley Council’s Fostering Team and the North East Area Council has contributed to a dramatic increase in the number of fostering enquires.

An action plan was drawn up which aimed to highlight a need for Barnsley carers for Barnsley children, and which allowed the Fostering Team to utilise the North East Area Council’s local links and community knowledge to deliver outstanding results. An area-wide communication and media campaign took place, which included articles in Village Life, flyer and poster drops in local shops and community buildings, access to all community galas. Proms in the Parks, summer events, as well as support via social media. The Ward Alliance members and people who worked in the communities helped to spread the message, and simply being vocal about their support has contributed to overwhelming results.

Twelve months before the campaign, the Barnsley Fostering team received a total of 52 fostering enquires, however, since the launch just six months ago, they have achieved 82 enquires; of this 82, 14 households have come directly from the North East Area.

This has been a great example what can be achieved through partnership working. Foster Carers are amazing people, and the results of this campaign will have such a beneficial effect on the young people who need their help and support. If you’re interested in becoming a Foster Carer then please call Kerry on 01226 775876.
Gardening groups and volunteers throughout the North East Area were celebrated for their work throughout the year at the Yorkshire in Bloom award ceremony at the Town Hall on Wednesday 4th October.

Nine villages, community groups and schools from our area, took part this year in the regional campaigns, to be assessed on environmental responsibility, community participation and horticultural achievement.

As always, we have seen some incredible work. Beautiful Parks, stunning nature reserves, beautiful high streets and habitats for all manner of wildlife.

It is sheer determination and goodwill that keeps places in bloom. In all cases, volunteers work tirelessly to improve their communities for the benefit of all.

Special mention must go to Carlton Marsh Nature reserve which was awarded a platinum award from Yorkshire in Bloom. The highest accolade judges can give.

We wish all our entries the best of luck for next year

A Full list of results:

Carlton Marsh Nature Reserve - Public open space
Friend of Cudworth Park - Public Open Space
Friends of Monk Bretton Park - Public Open Space
Friend of Monk Bretton Memorial Garden - Public Open Space
Royston Canal Club - Public Open Space
Cudworth Environment Group - It’s your Neighbourhood
Robert Street Allotments - It’s Your Neighbourhood
Royston in Bloom - it’s Your Neighbourhood
Birkwood Primary School- Youth Enterprise Award

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Level 5 Outstanding
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Avoid last minute panic with Barnsley Markets – they will be open on both Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve from 8am to 2pm, so you can pick up fresh local produce and last minute gifts.

And don’t miss Super Saturdays – every Saturday the town centre will come to life with magical entertainment for all the family. Check VisitBarnsley.com for details.

Sign up to The Glass Works newsletter to keep up to date with all the latest developments: mybarnsley.net/theglassworksnewsletter or visit the official website theglassworksbarnsley.com

It’s been a landmark year for Barnsley town centre and The Glass Works, with building works for the regeneration now well under way.

The Glass Works will transform the heart of our town centre and provide a vibrant, family-friendly destination with a range of new shops, restaurants, leisure venues and a public square.

Back in March, we announced that Superbowl UK and the national cinema giant, Cineworld, signed 20-year leases for the town centre – we’ll be making more announcements next year.

In 2018, we’ll see the opening of the new meat and fish food hall in the spring. The Market Kitchen, an exciting new eating experience located in the new Market Hall, is due to open in the summer.

We’ll then be looking forward to the completion of the Library @ the Lightbox in the autumn. It will be a space for group events, pop-up demonstrations and meetings, alongside a café, advanced digital equipment and even a roof terrace.

Help us welcome a smokefree 2018

If your resolution for 2018 is to give up smoking, then trips into Barnsley town centre will make things easier for you. Following the success of the our smokefree play areas in parks and the Town Hall’s Pals Square and fountains area, the scheme is set to expand. From Monday 1 January 2018, Barnsley market stalls will no longer sell cigarettes, smoking related products and drug related products. A new smokefree zone will also be introduced to the market square. One of our priorities is to achieve a smoke free generation by 2025 and this includes reducing visible evidence of smoking. Evidence shows that if young people see smoking as part of everyday life they are more likely to smoke themselves so by making smoking invisible to children, we hope to vastly reduce the amount of children and young people picking up the habit. We want families, especially children, to be able to enjoy our town and market area without smoking being present. As well as the benefits to health, we also hope to see less cigarette ends, which looks bad and is costly to clean up.

Advice and support for stopping smoking is available via Yorkshire Smoke Free by calling freephone 0800 612 0011 (landlines) or 0330 660 1166 (mobiles) or by visiting yorkshiresmokefree.nhs.uk

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DEAR SANTA...
DON’T FORGET THE RECYCLING!
Here in Barnsley we’re pretty good at recycling and we want to keep it going throughout the festive season. Everyone can do their bit by making sure they put the right things in the right bin. Here are some handy tips to help you reduce, reuse and recycle at Christmas…

GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT, RECYCLE THOSE EMPTIES
Recycling just one glass bottle or jar saves enough energy to run a television for three hours, so take the time to sort your empties and place them in your brown bin.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
Instead of throwing leftover food away, visit lovefoodhatewaste.com for some great recipe ideas and tips.

IT’S A WRAP...
We can’t recycle wrapping paper made from foil or containing materials other than paper. Please put this in your grey bin.

TOP TIPS
• Our four household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) at Smithies, Worsbrough, Goldthorpe and Penistone are open every day except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year’s Day.
• Use our large item collection service starting at just £10 for one item, with discounted rates for multiple items.
• If you’re paying someone else to dispose of your rubbish, always ask to see their waste carrier’s licence or you could be prosecuted if they fly tip it.

Thank you to everyone who helps with recycling in Barnsley. It really makes a difference. We’re doing our bit too by working with our neighbours in Doncaster and Rotherham to divert over 95% of our waste from landfill.

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On Friday 4 May 2018, we welcome the amazing Tour de Yorkshire cycling event back to Barnsley for a thrilling day of racing.

It promises to be a brilliant day from the race start in the town centre to the route right across the borough. As it’s on May the fourth, there will be something for Star Wars fans at our very own Experience Barnsley Museum and Discovery Centre, and there promises to be plenty happening where you are, as businesses and communities catch ‘le fever’!

Find out how you can get involved and download your own bunting and flags at barnsley.gov.uk/TdY

You can see cyclists whizz past our glorious countryside and many of our fantastic visitor attractions, showcasing the best that Barnsley has to offer in scenery and culture during the second stage of the ride.

For the latest news and information, visit our dedicated website at barnsley.gov.uk/TdY and follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/BarnsleyCouncil.

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Sloppy slippers cause accidents

Poor-fitting slippers can often be the cause of falls among the elderly population. With this in mind, Cudworth Ward Alliance worked with Dawn Walmsley, Cudworth’s Community Matron and others on a small pilot which offers patients identified as high risk an exchange of old, ill-fitting slippers for a new, fitted pair to reduce the risk of falls.

The Sloppy Slipper event took place at the Cudworth Methodist Hall on Friday 27th October.

If footwear does not fit properly, it causes the person to shuffle rather than properly lifting their feet as they walk, losing their balance, meaning the risk of a trip or fall increases significantly.

This project aimed to reduce the number of people experiencing falls and to address the severe consequences of falls when they do occur.

The Ward Alliance also invited other agencies such as Barnsley Memory Service, the Fire Service, and Fuel Poverty to the event to give advice. The feedback from the residents was that they appreciated this ‘One Stop Shop’ approach and found it very useful.

Staff from Wynsors were also on hand to help fit the slippers. This is important to avoid slips trips and falls. People also enjoyed a friendly chat over a cup of tea and a biscuit at the event.

Volunteer Opportunities in Cudworth

If you’re looking to volunteer, the following options are available:

- Cudworth Environment Group
- Carlton Marsh Nature
- Robert Street Allotments
- Cudworth Park
- Cudworth Local History Group

If you’re are keen to help contact David Gill
T: 01226 775551 M: 07786 525064 or email: davidgill@barnsley.gov.uk
Focussing on...
Monk Bretton, Lundwood, Smithies and Carlton

Monk Bretton Ward Alliance is represented by Councillors Sheard, Richardson and Green plus several active, experienced community representatives.

Some of the projects the Ward Alliance has supported this year are:

- Reds in the community - Street Games and Us Girls
- Silverdale Community Centre - Table Tennis Club
- Friends of Monk Bretton War Memorial - Metal poppies
- Food Hygiene and First Aid for community activists and volunteers
- Monk Bretton service of memorial Flag
- In-house cook and eat sessions
- Citizens Advice Bureau outreach
- Friends Carlton Park Bowling Club - Border scheme with schools
- 40 hanging baskets in Monk Bretton, Lundwood, Smithies and Carlton
- 12th Barnsley Air Scout Group - Boiler Replacement

If you’re looking to volunteer, the following options are available:

**Burton Grange Community Centre**
- Study Support Club
- Breakfast Club

**Monk Bretton Methodist Church**
- One Stop Shop (please see the Age is No Barrier article later in the magazine)

**Litter Picking**
- Love Your Street - we will support you wherever we can, and can provide a litter picker and black bags which we can then get collected.

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Let’s Grow
Community Allotment

Let’s Grow is a community food growing project occupying 600m² of land on the Great Houghton Parish Council allotments site.

The aim is to encourage local volunteers to learn to grow great tasting local fruit and vegetables and enjoy eating them together straight off the plot.

The project is run by the Great Houghton Village Welfare Committee and funded by the North East Area Council Youth Development Fund. John Twigg Landscaping Services was commissioned to manage the scheme.

Work began in July, and since fruit and veg beds, plants and herbs have been grown. None of this can happen without individuals and groups getting involved with the project.

Thanks goes to Bailly Excavations who donated steel fencing; Minicab Cabins provide the container free of charge for six months, Community Places provided the chemical toilet.

The layout and design were undertaken by 28, year four children from Sandhill Primary School who all received a medal for their efforts at a presentation at the welfare hall.

Miss Beech head of School said “It is a wonderful opportunity for pupils to put the skills learned in the classroom into practice: Mathematics, English, physical and communication skills have been utilised in the project.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed being an integral part of the planning process, organisation and development of the allotment. The project not only supports the development of teamwork and pride in their local area but also supports in developing emotional and social skills.

The children feel very lucky to be included in the local project and the class teacher Mrs Scales noted the eagerness the children had in the project and the positive impact on the behaviour in the classroom.”

Community Places Day Centre have also really enjoyed spending time on the allotment and have dug out the area for the polytunnel, and helped to maintain it, planting various vegetables then taking them back for cook and eat sessions.

This is an exciting opportunity for anyone who enjoys being outdoors, gardening and maintaining a beautiful piece of land in a community focused organisation. If you can help contact Councillor Dorothy Higginbottom on 07968 696470.

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Focussing on... Royston

Royston Ward Alliance is represented by Councillor Caroline Makinson, Councillor Malcolm Clements and Councillor Tim Cheetham plus several active and experienced community representatives.

The Ward Alliance has supported the following projects which they are immensely proud of:

- Reds in the Community, Street Games
- Reds in the Community, Us Girls
- Royston Park Mural Project
- The Wells Notice Board
- Royston Gala and two brass band performances
- Adopt a planter
- Community hanging baskets
- Christmas motifs
- Summer activities for young people
- DIAL
- Community Allotment
- Achievement Awards at the Town Hall
- Christmas community event
- Greenfingers Learning Activities
- 16th Barnsley Scout Group - cooking equipment
- Darby and Joan Club - Social improvement
- WW1 - Carlton Cemetery
- Royston Canal Club
- Memorial Gate Scheme

Volunteer opportunities aplenty in Royston

If you’re looking to volunteer, why not check out what is happening in Royston.

Royston Canal - The group are looking for some volunteers to help improve and maintain the canal and surrounding areas. roystoncanalclubbarnsley.weebly.com

Royston Green Spaces Group - The group are transforming green spaces in the village, and meet in Royston Park the 1st Wednesday of the month at 9am until 12 noon.

Royston adopt a planter scheme - Individual volunteers or groups help maintain and improve small planters and barrels which are located all around Royston. Could you help out?

Royston Events Group - Organise the Royston Christmas event, annual family gala and brass band events in the village. Help required.

Rabbit Ings - The group are looking for volunteers to help improve and maintain the area.

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Principal Towns

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In the North East area - Cudworth and Royston have been identified as Principal Towns and Grimethorpe and Lundwood are Local centres. Since the programme has begun initial consultation has been carried out with elected members and local businesses to identify schemes that will have a positive impact on the local areas.

Initial ideas include public realm improvements, parking improvements, shop front and highway improvements. Over the winter we will be engaging with local residents, businesses and community groups in each of the areas to further develop the proposals, please look out for these events.

If you would like to share your ideas to be included as part of the bids please contact Sian Stanhope on: sianstanhope2@barnsley.gov.uk or on 01226 774993

Undergraduate Apprentice

Jake Finney joined the North East Area Team as an Undergraduate Apprentice in September 2016. His remit was to work with the team on projects, initiatives, communication, volunteering and social action. During his time with the team, he supported the Foster Care initiative and helped raise external funding for projects such as the Milefield Community Farm in Grimethorpe and the Hard and Fast Boxing Club in Cudworth. He has helped community groups in the area to raise a total of £15,450.

He also helped organise volunteering events in all the four wards of the North East Area Council and became a well-known figure in the local communities.

When Jake left us to go back to University in August 2017, the skills which he felt that he had gained from his time with the team include, community development, project management, communication, teamwork and negotiation skills.

We would like to wish Jake every success in his future career and thank him for all his support with the work of the North East Area Council.

I have really enjoyed and learnt a lot from my placement with the North East Area Council over the last year. From working with the Hard and Fast Boxing Club to the alpacas at Milefield Community Farm, I have developed a variety of skills which will help me in my final year of university and in my future career.
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12mm cladding comes with a 10 year guarantee. 16mm cladding comes with a 15 year guarantee. All buildings erected on customers own bases that are not level will have no guarantee.

Super Special Offer 7x5
16mm tanalised loglap potting shed. Toughened glass and twin opening windows. was £402
now £290 delivered & fitted.

6x4 12mm tanalised Apex comes with robust 2x1.5 framework as standard. was £1076
now £828 delivered & fitted.

8x6 Worley Hobby House
12mm tanalised cladding. 2x2 heavy duty framework. Joiner made windows. was £799
now £625 delivered & fitted.

10x8 Contemporary Royal
2x2 heavy duty framework throughout with 16mm tanalised loglap cladding. was £2400
now £1380 delivered & fitted.

8x6 Georgian Hi Pex
16mm tanalised loglap cladding, 2x2 heavy duty framework, joiner made windows. was £1076
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10x6 Cawthorne Corner House
16mm tanalised loglap cladding. Features glazed double doors and opening side windows. was £1985
now £1400 delivered & fitted.

7x5 Tanalised Pent
comes with robust 2x1.5 framework as standard. was £582
now £375 delivered & fitted.

8x6 Georgian Wentworth
12mm tanalised cladding. 2x2 heavy duty framework. Joiner made doors and windows. was £1579
now £1215 delivered & fitted.

8x6 Security Shed
16mm tanalised loglap, 2x2 framework, security windows, internal hinges and padlock protector. was £1076
now £780 delivered & fitted.

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10x6 Stainborough Wing Cabin
16mm tanalised loglap, 2x2 heavy duty framework, joiner made Georgian window was £1666
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We also offer tanalised timber bases, shed removal, shed re-felts and custom builds.

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OPEN: MON - FRI 9am - 5pm, SAT - SUN 10am - 4pm
Spot Light on Local Hero Dave Taylor

Dave Taylor leads Grimethorpe Activity Zone’s young people’s advice charity. Founded in 1994 and located at the Acorn Centre in Grimethorpe, services include alternative education for those struggling in mainstream school, an advice centre that helps young people with many problems and issues; and a careers service for young people who are not engaged in employment, education or training (NEETs). ‘GAZ’ employs three sessional workers to work with these young people.

Recreational activities including after-school clubs, a homework club, school holiday activity programmes. They also support a young people elected ‘GAZ’ youth committee which helps plan and deliver out of school sessions.

Dave is also working with Talent Match offering work placements and volunteering opportunities to this Big Lottery Funding initiative, which targets young people who are furthest from the job market.

The Grimethorpe Activity Zone is usually open during the day and has a youth centre included that provides a safe place for youngsters to meet.

Dave Taylor is dedicated to improving the lives of disadvantaged young people and says he “Loves helping people, his current priorities are reducing the impact of poverty, and organising after-school clubs which can have a big boost on kid’s lives. Helping to improving youth mental and physical health and education”.

Contact Dave on 01226 713599 for more information.

Volunteer opportunities in North East Ward

Brierley Residents Group
Let’s Grow Community Allotment Great Houghton
Milefield Farm Grimethorpe
Shafton Aged Welfare

If you are keen to help contact David Gill T: 01226 775551
M: 07786 525064 or email: davidgill@barnsley.gov.uk
The North East Area Council continues to support biodiversity projects across the area. Since the North East Area Council adopted the hedgehog as their mascot, a significant amount of wildlife projects have taken place across the area involving all sections of the community.

Recently Doreen the Hedgehog (pictured left) was rescued during a local volunteering event. She was not very well and was having difficulty breathing. She was taken to a local Hedgehog Hospital to be looked after. She is now fit and well and has been released back into the wild at a local nature reserve.

The Nit and Natter Group at Royston knitted a fantastic selection of Hedgehogs (pictured left), for the Royston Summer Gala. The Hedgehogs were a great success and were all sold, with orders being taken for more! The money raised will help the group and will promote the need to look after Hedgehogs in our local community.
Nutritious, well balanced meals delivered to your door - easy with Park Care Meals!

A sensible well balanced diet is the key to good health at any age and Park Care Meals, a South Yorkshire based company, can help you achieve this. Park Care Meals is a family business that has been delivering Meals on Wheels across Yorkshire for over 20 years. They are passionate about providing high quality, nutritionally well balanced meals.

Meals on Wheels is a vital service for many elderly people in the UK. The service not only provides a nutritional meal, but it also enables people to live independently in their own home for longer, and help reduce social isolation with the daily contact. It therefore helps both physical health and mental wellbeing.

Park Care Meals operates 7 days a week, 365 days of the year. The services they offer include: a daily hot meal delivery service, a weekly frozen meals delivery service, and delivery to Luncheon clubs. Customers benefit from a wide variety of choice with over 40 different meals being offered. These are also available as gluten free, low salt, diabetic, texture modified and vegetarian dishes. All of the services offered by Park Care Meals are flexible and easy to use. Catering for individual needs is at the heart of what Park Care Meals offers.

Winter is upon us and the weather has started to turn cold so it is particularly important to start planning how to stay fit and healthy during the colder months. Having regular daily contact and eating at least one hot meal a day are two simple ways to help with this.

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• Lots of choice - over 40 different meals
• Nutritious 2 course meals & cold teas available
• Delivered by friendly, security checked (DBS) staff

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They’ll be happy to help!
Home Comforts

At Hill Care we understand that no two people are the same, which is why we offer a unique approach to care. Our fully qualified staff at Deangate are dedicated to maintaining privacy, supporting independence and protecting the dignity of each and every resident.

...Creating communities and improving quality of life
We are successfully claiming compensation for former miners who transferred out of the Mineworkers Pension Scheme.

Many miners were advised to transfer their British Coal Pension to a private pension scheme which paid considerably less! This was bad advice and many retired miners or their widows have lost out.

Example 1 - £110,000

Mr D, a former miner from Barnsley, was made redundant in the late 1980s. After the pits closed he was encouraged by an agent of the Prudential to transfer his Mineworkers Pension Scheme to them. We were able to show that this was bad advice. The Prudential eventually accepted this and agreed settlement of £110,000.

Example 2 - £48,000

Mr F, a former miner from Doncaster, was made redundant in the 1980s. He was advised by an agent of Sun Life to transfer his Mineworkers Pension Scheme to them. He was promised he would get a much better return which wasn’t the case. We submitted a formal complaint; Sun Life agreed to award Mr F a lump sum of £48,333.34.

If you transferred out of the British Coal Pension Scheme and would like a FREE REVIEW, please either call us on FREEPHONE: 0800 988 7997 or return the form below

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