

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Held at Stanley Civic Hall on Tuesday 24th September 2019 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: C Hampson* G Binney H Clark D Marshall J Clark A Clegg
 M Davinson J Kane J Nicholson J Pallas J Stephenson L Timbey
 D Tully J Tully

*Chairman

OFFICERS: Alan Shaw (Town Clerk)
 Alan Tubman (Deputy Town Clerk)
 Nicola James (Senior Administration Officer)
 James Harper (Operations Manager)
 David Jarvis & Stuart Champion (Neighbourhood Wardens)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Belinda Snow (DCC Neighbourhood Warden Manager) & 1 member of the public (4 further members of the public joined the meeting at 18.43)

ABSENT: Cllrs L Christie

86 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies from Cllrs C Bell, C Marshall, J McMahon, B Nair & G Wilkinson were accepted by Council.

87 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

88 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor outlined the appointments she had attended since the previous meeting which amounted to 20 engagements:

- Armed Forces Covenant signing
- Strategic Grant Funding photoshoots
- Shildon Town Council visit to the locomotion museum
- Play in the Park events
- Louisa Morrison Memorial
- Miners Sunday
- Ferryhill Mayor at Home
- Homeside Grange development show home opening

The Deputy Town Mayor attended Shildon Town Council race night and Spennymoor Civic Service in the absence of the Town Mayor, alongside his consort.

The Town Clerk reminded Members to wait until recognised by the Town Mayor and to stand when speaking. He announced that the meeting was being recorded by STC and 1 member of the public and that mobile phones should be switched off or turned to silent.

89 LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader of the Council, Cllr L Timbey, noted that summer events went well over the recess and thanked all the staff involved, especially at the Play in the Park events. He also asked that the Operations Manager pass on his words of encouragement to the new Environmental Caretaker apprentice, Ryan, who started his apprenticeship with the Town Council on Monday.

90 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no written questions and no questions from the floor.

91 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr A Clegg seconded by Cllr M Davinson and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 23rd July 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Town Mayor.

92 COMMITTEE MINUTES

- (i) It was **RESOLVED** that Council **RECEIVE** the minutes of the Finance & GP Committee held on 17th September 2019.
- (ii) Council will consider recommendations of the Committee later in the agenda.
- (iii) It was proposed by Cllr J Stephenson, seconded by Cllr M Davinson and **RESOLVED** that the Schedule of Payments for August 2019 be **APPROVED**.

93 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Operations Manager presented Members his Environmental Services Annual Report. He noted that both the Neighbourhood Wardens (NW) and Environmental Caretakers (EC) have had a successful year and built a good team working together. The ECs have worked hard on the work they have produced and take pride in what they do. Their work is made up from Councillors requests and direction from the Operations Manager. He advised Members that the EC Apprentice had started this week and is very keen to get started. Hopefully he will help the ECs with their workload and meeting deadlines. The NW enhanced service provided by Durham County Council have become a highly visible team working with partners and agencies and improving community engagement in Stanley. They have built a good rapport with the community and have also worked along side them on the Northumbria in Bloom project. The expertise of David Jarvis in particular has been crucial. The NWs have been involved in Blooming Good Fun and Play in the Park events. They have a proactive approach with how to improve the area and are keen to educate the public. The Operations Manager advised that he has weekly meetings with Belinda Snow who manages the NW, he engages with both teams daily and both teams work well together. Members have been provided with reports on the work of the NWs and the Operations Manager will work on sending these out on a more frequent basis.

The NWs expressed that the most exciting thing they have been involved in so far would be Northumbria in Bloom. They have seen the public get involved and the reaction to how good the area looks is encouraging.

It was proposed by Cllr M Davinson, seconded by Cllr J Stephenson and **RESOLVED** that the report be noted, the work plan be approved as a working document, that the NWs be tasked to attend the Scarecrow event in Tanfield next year and that bi-monthly reports come back to Council in the future.

94 **ARMED FORCES COVENANT UPDATE**

The Deputy Town Clerk outlined the progress to date, the support that the Council are providing, the promotion of the outreach service, working with partners, funding and grants available to help us support veterans etc. and how the Council can support serving members with life outside the Armed Forces.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council will promote the Covenant and its services, the Policy Working Group will work into our policies that reservists will be allowed 10 days annual paid leave and that interviews will be guaranteed to any member of the Armed Forces and that the Armed Forces Champion be kept informed of progress, issues, events etc that the Council can support.

It was also proposed by Cllr A Clegg, seconded by Cllr D Marshall and **RESOLVED** that the Council should encourage local employers to sign the Covenant and arrange for the Armed Forces to come to speak to them.

95 **POLICY WORKING GROUP**

Following recommendation from the Finance Committee, it was proposed by Cllr J Stephenson, seconded by Cllr G Binney and **RESOLVED** that:

- (i) The following policy be deleted as it is obsolete
 - Adoption of Policies
- (ii) The following policies be accepted and approved
 - Corporate Complaints
 - Procedure for Local Assessment of Complaints
 - Pay Protection Policy
 - Risk Management Strategy

It was also **RESOLVED** that a special meeting will be held to go over the Town Council risk register.

96 **CIVIC HALL WORKING GROUP**

The Town Clerk provided the following updates and recommendations:

- (i) Quotes for the refurbishment works will be sent to the Working Group by the end of the week to be considered at the meeting on 2nd October.
- (ii) Council should continue to support Oxhill YC, South Moor Operatic & Stanley Starz by providing them with free use of the Civic Hall.
- (iii) The Civic Hall WG should meet with the groups to see how STC can help them reduce the costs of staging their performances.

It was proposed by Cllr D Marshall, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and **RESOLVED** that the update be noted and the recommendations be approved and implemented.

97 **REVIEW OF EVENTS**

The Town Clerk discussed the report circulated and the feedback from Members. Council discussed looking at alternative / additional Play in the Park venues and adding an event for VE day in 2020. Following this discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that:

- (i) Armed Forces Day will be reverted to the original weekend in 2020.
- (ii) 2 extra Play in the Park sites in the Tanfield and Catchgate Wards be brought back to budget setting, fully costed.
- (iii) VE day should be supported, ideas from Members and the public should be gathered by the Deputy Town Clerk.
- (iv) Miners Sunday should be held again in 2020, date to be confirmed but definitely to be late August.

98 **MEMBER MOTION**

It was proposed by Cllr L Timbey, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and **RESOLVED** that:

Funding should be allocated from the “Discretionary Room Hire” budget to cover the costs of room hire for Stanley Learning Partnership to hold their Talent Show and Quiz so we can deliver these events in partnership. Similar proposals will also be supported if we have sufficient funds in our allocated budget to do so.

99 **CONCLUSION OF AUDIT**

The Town Clerk updated Members on the findings of the external audit for 2018/19. Council **NOTED** the update.

100 **COUNCIL ACTIONS UPDATE**

Council were provided with the following updates on outstanding Full Council decisions since the last Ordinary meeting.

- (i) Strategic Grant Funding - this is ongoing and round 2 is now open.
- (ii) Road Safety Visor - this is ongoing.
- (iii) Blooming Good Fun - judging is complete and the awards night will be held on 21st October.
- (iv) Stars Youth & Community - representatives were due to come to the meeting tonight to present an update report however they were unavailable. The report will be circulated.
- (v) Civic Hall - CREO are working on developing the website and brochure.
- (vi) Pantomime - meetings have been arranged and proposals have been forwarded to the Civic Hall Working Group to be discussed at the meeting next week.
- (vii) Events Working Group - there will be a Christmas events meeting convened in the next week or 2.
- (viii) Recruitment - our new Finance Officer, Ann, started at the end of August.
- (ix) Policy Working Group - review ongoing.
- (x) Local Council Award Scheme - ongoing and on target.

- (xi) Budget - the first draft will go to Finance Committee in October then to Full Council.
- (xii) IT & Telephones - install from Aspire is imminent.
- (xiii) Finance Committee - Comms strategy is done and will be presented to Finance in October.
- (xiv) South Moor Miners Banner - conservation of the banner has been undertaken and further quotes are being obtained.
- (xv) War Memorial - the Deputy Town Clerk is to produce an update report.
- (xvi) Louisa Morrison Memorial - interpretation board, coal tub and plaque to be installed.

101 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC***

*Recording of proceedings was stopped at this point.

Council **RESOLVED** that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

*Justification for excluding the public and press from consideration of the following item:
Staff Confidentiality.*

102 **STAFFING MATTER**

Members were presented with a report relating to a temporary secondment for a staff member. It was proposed by Cllr L Timbey, seconded by Cllr D Marshall and **RESOLVED** that the temporary secondment be implemented, back dating the role to the beginning of July. Appreciation of the Members to be passed to this staff member.

103 **DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 22nd October 2019, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall

MINUTES of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL held at Stanley Civic Hall on Tuesday 15th October 2019 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr G Binney* Cllr H Clark Cllr M Davinson Cllr B Nair
Cllr J Kane Cllr J Nicholson Cllr L Timbey Cllr D Tully
Cllr C Hampson Cllr D Marshall

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Nicola James (Senior Administration Officer)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr A Clegg & 1 member of the public

104 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies from Cllrs J Stephenson & J McMahon were accepted by Committee.

105 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

106 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

The Town Clerk reminded Members to turn their mobile phones off or switch them to silent. The meeting was being recorded by the Council & 1 member of the public.

107 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nothing was received in writing before the meeting and there were no questions from the floor.

108 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr B Nair, seconded by Cllr J Nicholson and **RESOLVED** that Committee **APPROVE** the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes meeting held on 17th September 2019. The Chair signed them as a correct record.

109 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT & BANK RECONCILIATION

It was proposed by Cllr M Davinson, seconded by Cllr C Hampson and **RESOLVED** that the Committee **APPROVE** the payment of accounts and **NOTE** the Bank Reconciliation for September 2019.

110 WORKING GROUPS

(i) **Civic Hall WG:** It was proposed by Cllr M Davinson, seconded by Cllr L Timbey, and **RESOLVED** that Council should not appoint a quantity surveyor, the decoration of the Main Hall, the Bamburgh suite and the Community Meeting Room be undertaken and the refurbishment of the toilets be actioned as urgent but further works should be deferred for two years.

(ii) ***Civic Hall WG:** Members considered the pantomime proposal provided. Questions were raised by the Committee in relation to the cost of tickets, the accuracy of the budget information provided, the split percentage and the ideas relating to marketing / school workshops. The Town Clerk was asked to go back to the provider of the proposal and ask for clarification on the queries from Committee.

It was proposed by Cllr M Davinson, seconded by Cllr C Hampson and **RESOLVED** that the following recommendations be approved:

(iii) **Events WG:** Christmas Lights: A real tree is to be provided at the existing tree site. Lights from the planter by the board school to be relocated to add to the tree by St Josephs School. No further lights will be provided this year.

(iv) **Events WG:** Remembrance Beacon: Event to be held at 7pm on 10th November. Arrangements to follow the 2018 event with improved PA system.

(v) **Events WG:** Xmas Event: To be developed with on-stage entertainment and carol concert with local schools to finish with the book attraction.

111 2020/21 BUDGET (FIRST ESTIMATE)**(i) *Draft Budget**

Members discussed the reports provided by the Town Clerk which included the Year to Date Expenditure/ First Estimate detail and the Budget First Estimate Report. It was agreed that this budget will be hard to set and that it would be difficult to add new expenditure. The Town Clerk was tasked to look at balancing the budget, particularly looking at the pantomime, and neighbourhood wardens.

(ii) Budget Monitoring

The Town Clerk tabled a short report to go with Appendix I. Budget pressures have been flagged up, but there are no areas that are specific cause for concern. The Town Clerk was asked to discuss the Neighbourhood Warden SLA in relation to salaries and arrange the refurbishment of the toilets at an appropriate time.

112 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19th November 2019, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall.

These items were dealt with under closed session. It was proposed by Cllr M Davinson, seconded by Cllr L Timbey and **RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded due to commercial sensitivity.*



Delivery Plan June 2018 – April 2019

STARS are a community interest company formed to give local youth workers a vehicle to continue working with young people after the cessation of open access statutory provided youth work and clubs at the end by April 2017. There is a core of well trained and engaged youth workers who have decades of experience, a wealth of local knowledge and a clear understanding of the issues young people face. To lose these people, their skills and the benefit they bring to the local community was unthinkable and very likely irreplaceable. So STARS was formed to seek funding and to manage youth work delivery using the very people who have worked so hard to build engagement with young people in the Stanley area. STARS have an ongoing commitment to seeking funding to provide youth work and positive activities for young people.

STARS have developed a set of outcomes that represent occurring themes, which affect Young People's development into the adult world. Moreover these can affect families, relationships and the community, to be able to address these through information education out of school and home environments. We aim to support Young People who engage with us to be able to make positive choices for themselves understand consequences and how to move forward in difficulty situations. This is all in preparation for adult life.

Outcomes for young people (STARS)

Benchmark	General Topics	Comments
Reach	250 young people in the Stanley Town Council Area	Young people will.....
	Sustained Contact seen more than 6 times	Engaging weekly in a STARS youth session
Tackling anti-social behaviour	Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour Education around Risky Behaviours	Build awareness of consequences of Anti-Social Behaviour Enjoy diversionary activities to re-focus young people. Build appreciation for Emergency services. Learn to assess risky situations and develop dialog to diffuse, disengage keep safe and make own choices. How to deal cope in emergency situations
Sexual health and relationship advice and guidance	Positive Relationship Education Sexual Health Advice and Guidance C Card Distribution	Engage in Sexual Health and Relationship Education Have access to C Card distribution service 1-2-1 support in decision making Appropriate confidentially for Young People within our Safeguarding policy.
Well-being, self-esteem and mental health awareness	Confidence building Communication Skills Self-esteem building Suicide Awareness	Access to support 1-2-1 support Take part in focused issue led sessions Access to learning new skills in various activities

		Access to appropriate professionals e.g. counsellors, Health Services, Social Services, Emergency Services and Agencies.
Healthy and active lifestyles	Promotion of Sport and healthy options including Alcohol and Drug Awareness	<p>Enjoy sport activities</p> <p>Benefits of a healthy lifestyle</p> <p>Expansion and education around cooking</p> <p>Alcohol and Drug use the dangers and consequences</p> <p>Staying safe / personal safety</p>
Promoting positive activities and good Citizenship	<p>Promotion of youth club activities</p> <p>Involvement in community</p> <p>Breaking down barriers</p> <p>Intergenerational links</p>	<p>Engage in ideas to promote STARS and Youth Work</p> <p>Plan and attend local community events</p> <p>Raise money for activities</p> <p>Giving back to the community / volunteering</p> <p>Gain a holistic understanding of the community</p>
Basic Life skills	<p>Social Skills, Navigation, Cooking, Careers, CV and Interview Advice.</p> <p>Budgeting, Friendships and Relationships, Family and School.</p> <p>Looking after oneself. Community awareness. Where to look for support from others.</p>	<p>Gain appropriate social skills to access positive relationships, education, employment and training.</p> <p>Gain basic skills in how to cope with life changing events and situations and move forward successfully.</p> <p>Gain confidence and skills to pursue goals</p>

Wellbeing Projects Outcomes (AAP Funded)

Reach	50 young people in the AAP Area
	Young people will.....
Be Connected	Engage in Youth Work activities, Build friendships and professional relationships.
Give	Support others and engage in the community. Share experiences in a safe way to be able to help self and others.
Be Active	Take up a new sport or try a new lifestyle. Keep busy and enjoy activities
Take Notice	Build awareness of own environment, and others. Appreciate local /national area and services
Learn	Learn skills in a new activity learn how to appreciate self and others and learn to develop self in a positive way and learn to deal with difficult situations.

Timetable (June 18 to April 2019)

Term/ date	Weekly Timetable	Info / Holiday Programme / Additional Activity
Summer Term June 2018 - September 2018	<p>Monday 5.30 – 7.30pm Space – mental health and well-being project (Alternate weeks open / closed group sessions)</p> <p>Monday 6.30 – 8.00pm Freedom Group LGBT Alternate weeks (Youth Work support)</p> <p>Tuesday 6.30 – 8.30pm Detached Annfield Plain and Catchgate areas</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Craghead, South Stanley and South Moor incorporating a Youth Club session at Burnside Resource Centre.</p> <p>Thursday 4.00 – 6.00pm Arts and Farts (Craft and arts based session for young people with behavioural issues) at PACT House</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Stanley, Tanfield and Havannah</p> <p>Friday 5.00 – 7.00pm PACTivate – Louisa Centre Detached 5.00pm – 7.00pm Front Street, Bus Station and surrounding areas</p>	<p>Term focus outcomes:</p> <p>Tackling anti-social behaviour Healthy and active lifestyles</p> <p>Additional Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STC: Play in the Park Events, providing activities and promoting local youth work • Wear Rivers Trust Project: Undertaking environmental work and creating artwork in South Moor Park as part of the Twizell Burn Project • Young People’s Rave at The Top House <p>Holiday Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive holiday programme consisting of single day activities and trips

	<p>Drop in 7.00pm – 9.30pm PACTivate</p> <p>Saturday 7.00 – 9.00pm at The Zone Youth Café 16+ drop in session at PACT House</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday night street games • Weekend outdoor pursuits residential in August
<p>Autumn/Winter Term October 2018 – January 2019</p>	<p>Monday 5.30 – 7.30pm Space – mental health and well-being project (Alternate weeks open / closed group sessions)</p> <p>Monday 6.30 – 8.00pm Freedom Group LGBT Alternate weeks (Youth Work support)</p> <p>Tuesday 6.30 – 8.30pm Detached Annfield Plain and Catchgate areas</p> <p>Thursday 4.00 – 6.00pm Arts and Farts (Craft and arts based session for young people with behavioural issues) at PACT House</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Craghead, South Stanley and South Moor incorporating a Youth Club session at Burnside Resource Centre.</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Stanley, Tanfield and Havannah</p> <p>Friday 5.00 – 7.00pm PACTivate – Louisa Centre Detached 5.00pm – 7.00pm Front Street, Bus Station and surrounding areas Drop in 7.00pm – 9.30pm PACTivate</p>	<p>Term focus outcomes:</p> <p>Well-being, self-esteem and mental health awareness</p> <p>Basic Life skills</p> <p>Additional Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attending community events, having a stall face painting, selling made goods to raise money for activities and resources • Wear Rivers Trust Project: Undertaking environmental work and creating artwork in South Moor Park as part of the Twizell Burn Project • Police Riot Training • Sunday Brunch Intergenerational Project: Young people making food and engaging in conversation with older people • Young People’s Rave at The Top House • Exhibition of Arts and Farts artworks • Halloween Event

	<p>Saturday 5.00 – 7.00pm Youth Café at Annfield Plain Community Centre</p> <p>Saturday 7.00 – 9.00pm at The Zone Youth Café 16+ drop in session at PACT House</p> <p>Sunday 9.30 – 11.30am Sunday Brunch Intergenerational Project at PACT House</p>	<p>Holiday Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beamish Halloween • Ice Skating • Sleepover Sessions
<p>Winter/Spring Term February 2019 - April 2019</p>	<p>Monday 5.30 – 7.30pm Space – mental health and well-being project (Alternate weeks open / closed group sessions)</p> <p>Monday 6.30 – 8.00pm Freedom Group LGBT Alternate weeks (Youth Work support)</p> <p>Tuesday 6.30 – 8.30pm Detached Annfield Plain and Catchgate areas</p> <p>Thursday 4.00 – 6.00pm Arts and Farts (Craft and arts based session for young people with behavioural issues) at PACT House</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Craghead, South Stanley and South Moor incorporating a Youth Club session at Burnside Resource Centre.</p> <p>Thursday 6.00 – 8.00pm Detached Stanley, Tanfield and Havannah</p> <p>Friday 5.00 – 7.00pm PACTivate – Louisa Centre Detached 5.00pm – 7.00pm Front Street, Bus Station and surrounding areas Drop in 7.00pm – 9.30pm PACTivate</p>	<p>Term focus outcomes:</p> <p>Promoting positive activities and good citizenship Sexual health and relationship advice and guidance</p> <p>Additional Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibition of Arts and Farts artworks • Police Riot Training • Litter Pick / Community Support Day • Young People’s Rave at The Top House • Sunday Brunch Intergenerational Project: Young people making food and engaging in conversation with older people <p>Holiday Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sleepover Sessions • Valentines Party

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Stanley Town Council funded STAR Youth and Community to deliver 3 hours of youth work per week in 3 amalgamated areas of the Town Council boundaries.

- 1: Craghead & South Stanley, South Moor and Stanley Hall
- 2: Tanfield and Havannah
- 3: Annfield Plain and Catchgate

Each area receives a mix of outreach / detached youth sessions with some sessions based in community venues as and when required, either due to weather, time of year or project specific needs.

The Town Council agreed a delivery plan and outcomes for young people to take place from June 2018 to April 2019, which additional funding pulled in these seasons will run for approximately 8 months longer than initially funded.

Tackling anti-social behaviour

TOPICS: Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour. Education around Risky Behaviours

Build awareness of consequences of Anti-Social Behaviour. Learn to assess risky situations and develop dialogue to diffuse, disengage keep safe and make own choices.

Working with young people to create awareness of the criminal consequences of anti-social behaviour as well as the impact on the wider community and people living in that community. Sessions based around assessing risky behaviour, why it might be done, who if affected long term, life choices and consequences. STARS attended several community events promoting positive and diversionary activities for you people. Building community pride and promoting young peoples roles in the community positively.

Off the back of some serious youth issues STARS supported a young many with organising public meetings to highlight young peoples issues and help address their perception in the community. This led to the creation of 4 videos under the 'Don't Be A Dick' Banner (#DBAD) a term young people coined to call out other young people engaging in anti-social behaviour. To date these videos have had over 75,000 views.

Enjoy diversionary activities to re-focus young people.

Creating opportunities and making young people aware of other things they can do, positive things such as getting involved in a community building, raising money, clean up days, environmental work. Finding an activity, pastime or sport in which energy and time can be diverted.

This also includes day trips and activities, residential weekends aimed and pushing young people to challenge themselves, face fears and overcome adversity. We have utilised Duke of Edinburgh schemes, outdoor activity centres and summer environmental projects.

Build appreciation for Emergency services.

Working closely local police, joint activities such as attending Meadowfield Training Centre Police Riot Training, PACTivate and Street Games Friday, Wednesday and Saturday activity initiatives.

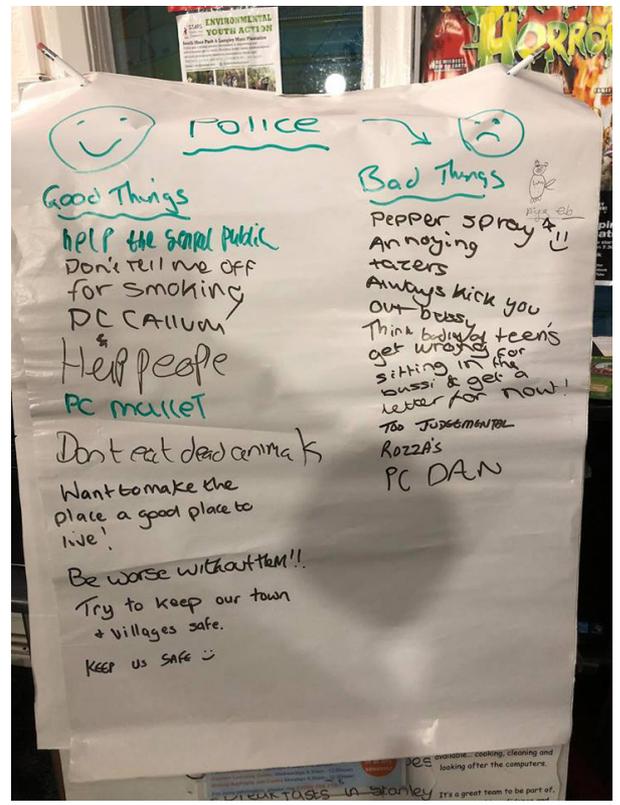
The fire brigade have attended sessions to discuss issues around setting fire, in bins, woods etc. Also to highlight the dangers of going into empty buildings.

How to deal cope in emergency situations.

Created a young person focused Mental Health First Aid course, that give young people the skills to recognise and support someone suffering poor mental health. This also includes signposting and information on support organisations and groups.

Personal safety awareness, buddying up, looking out for each other, making sure people are ok.

Dont Be A Dick - Challenging anti-social behaviour videos, launch event and young person led public meetings looking at ways to kerb and self police youth anti-social behaviour



Sexual health and relationship advice and guidance

TOPICS: Positive Relationship Education. Sexual Health Advice and Guidance. C-Card Distribution

Engage in Sexual Health and Relationship Education

Activities and sessions undertaken around consent, the law and health risks associated with sexual activity. Delay programme is designed to help people deal with peer pressure and the perceptions that all young people are having sex, its accesses a persons readiness and also role plays through risky scenarios as a way to help young people gauge and assess risks associated with their behaviours.

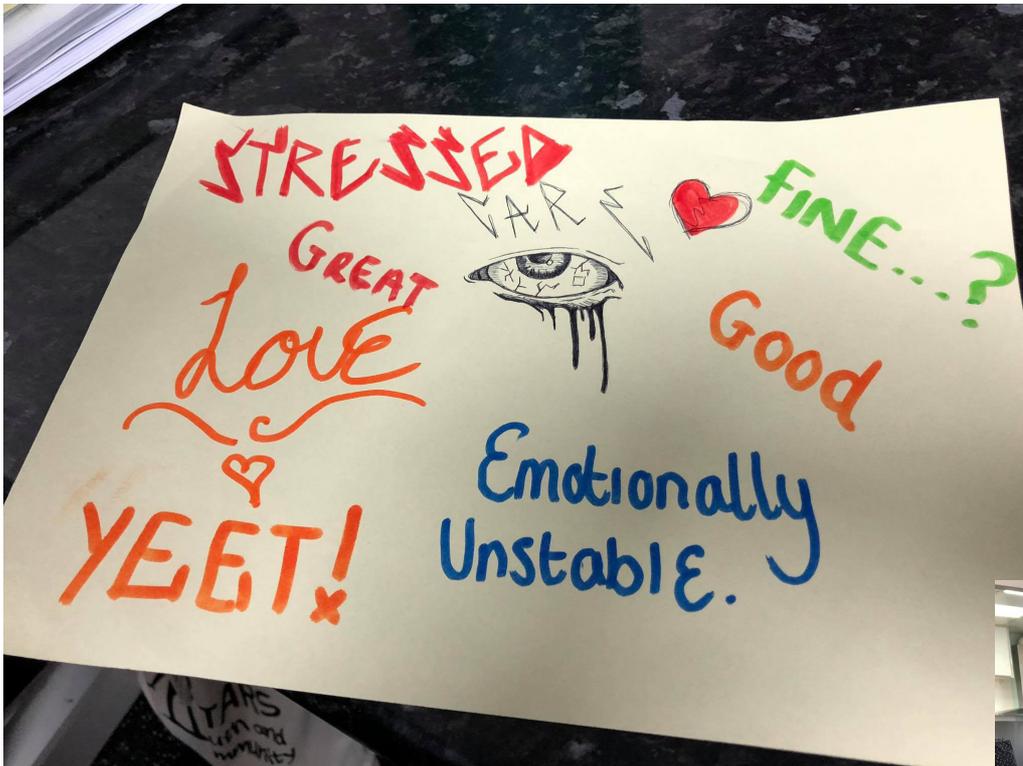
These sessions also strongly linked in with promoting self-esteem and understanding your own self worth, being strong and taking charge of what you want from or in a relationship

Have access to C-Card Condom distribution service

Setting up a C-card service to combat teen pregnancy and sexual transmitted infections. Young people are assess via the Fraser Guidelines on whether its appropriate to allow them access to the C-Card scheme

1-2-1 support in decision making

Floating support worker, IAG qualified, can attend sessions offering 1-2-1 advice and guidance or young people can be sign-posted to the Tuesday night SPACE session.



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Scheme



Well-being, self-esteem and mental health awareness

TOPICS: Confidence building. Communication Skills. Self-esteem building. Suicide Awareness

Take part in focused issue led sessions

Sessions delivered around core themes of suicide prevention, mental health 1st aid for young people so they can support their peers. Self-harm issues tackled through expressive sessions, crafts and art projects.

Feeling good about yourself, ways to feel well and promote well-being and self esteem

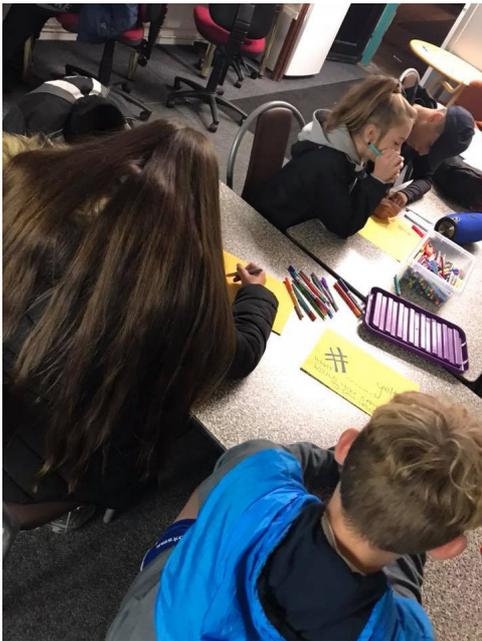
Using gender specific session to help young people understand themselves and gauge their own place and value in a community. Peer led impression sessions looking at qualities and skills young people have running along with positive challenges on young peoples perceptions of themselves and tackling stereotypes tagged to young people in communities

Access to appropriate professionals e.g. Counsellors, Health Services, Social Services, Emergency Services and Agencies.

Engaging external support for young people such as Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service, giving access to youth sessions to support from resilience and well-being workers. Having One-Point talk to groups about what young people can expect from and what services are available to support them

Access to support 1-2-1 support

Floating support worker who is also a qualified mental health councillor, they can attend sessions offering 1-2-1 support directly to young people with poor mental health or just to be a listening ear. Can also signpost Tuesday night SPACE session.



Healthy and active lifestyles

TOPICS: Promotion of Sport and healthy options including Alcohol and Drug Awareness

Enjoy sport activities

Weekly physical activity sessions, some sports related (football, volleyball, rounders, dance, dodge ball), some cross-fit / gym sessions with goals of pure fitness and setting personal best. Summer activity sessions including football, footgolf, outdoor / walking / exploring nature. Designing a Youth Project football shirts and forming a football team.

Benefits of a healthy lifestyle

Health awareness, crossing the boundaries between physical health and mental health and how they go hand in hand with achieving a healthier lifestyle.

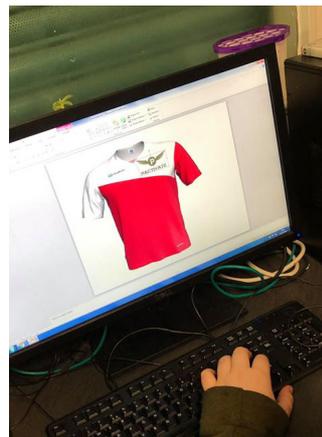
Smoking cessation, looking at ways to reduce smoking and alternatives such as e-cigs / vaping can add in smoking cessation.

Expansion and education around cooking

Cook'n'book making healthy meals from the contents of a food parcel, adding herbs and spices to turn food into something nicer. Making and tasting foods from around the world. Allowing you people to re-search budge and plan recipes. Cooking for the PACT House community meal.

Alcohol and Drug use the dangers and consequences

Sessions with George Charlton renowned drug and alcohol awareness & harm prevention trainer



Promoting positive activities and good Citizenship

TOPICS: Promotion of youth club activities. Involvement in community. Breaking down barriers
Intergenerational links

Engage in ideas to promote STARS and Youth Work and attend local community events

Attending local community events, promoting youth work to peers, benefits and advantages of taking part and engaging with youth projects. Showing and talking about what they do at youth sessions and how its changed and shaped lives of the people involved.

Raise money for activities

Smoothie bike sponsored pedal, making felt poppies to raise money for the British legion, making Xmas gifts and selling them to raise money for PACT House food bank. Bake sale to raise money for youth club trips, funded through virgin £5 make it grow fund,

Giving back to the community / volunteering

Environmental work with the Wear Rivers Trust, building leaky dams, clearly blocked drainage channels and helping clear river courses, showcasing environmental works undertaken by young people at various open days in partnership with Groundwork NE. Preparing and cooking meals for PACT House community meal. Packing food parcels and warm clothing packs for homeless people. Collecting and making up zip bags for the Luna Project, supplying sanitary and toiletry products to women in refuges and homeless.

Learning sign language and taking part in dementia awareness sessions



Activities and Awards



Young Peoples view aired by Podcasting



Ice Skating at the Centre for Life, joint Youth Clubs Activity



Team building and trust activities



Youth Work that Works Awards Night



STC Mayors Award



High Sheriff Award for Outstanding Community Youth Work



Bake Sale

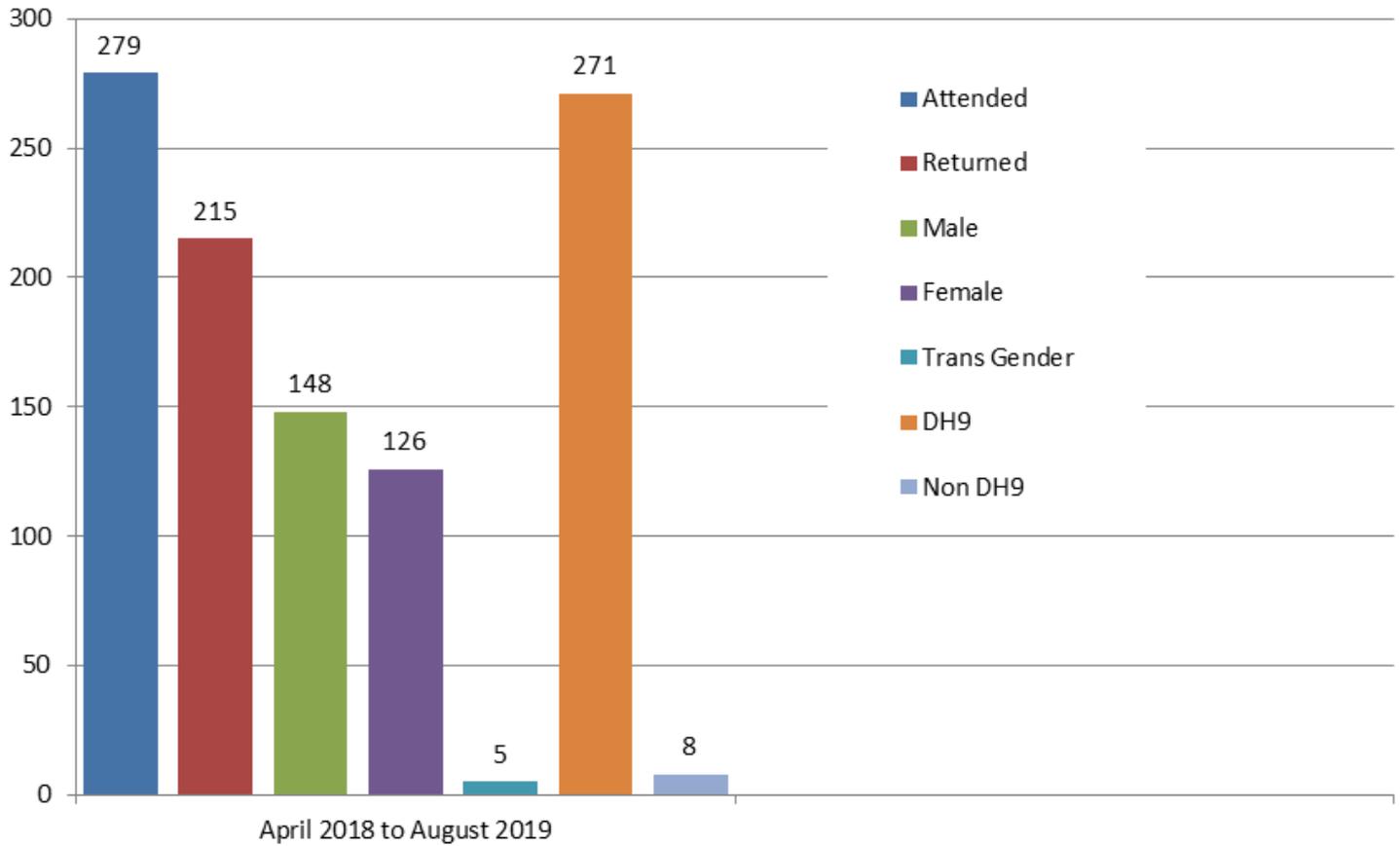


Young People led monthly rave nights



Outdoor Activities and Weekend Residential

Attendance



Graph Key:

279 young people attended at least one to five sessions

Returned figure is those people accessing five or more sessions

DH9 are young people who gave a post code in the STC Ward area

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Stanley Fund Update

The Stanley Fund is a grant funding scheme, launched on April 2019 in association with County Durham Community Foundation. The fund was set up with donations from a number of sources, including Stanley Town Council, MP Kevan Jones, Durham Police. The principal behind the fund is to engage with local businesses and stakeholders to provide an opportunity for them to contribute to the fund, from which groups can apply for funding of projects. The limits to the funding are £2,000 - £10,000 (with the potential for additional funding for exceptional projects, and also possible multi year funding applications)

Stanley Town Council have invested £50,000 into the fund in the first year and have made a similar commitment to invest in the next 2 years.

It is anticipated that County Durham Community Foundation will use this fund as a basis to try to increase funding and support community projects within the town.

This report is to give members an update on how the project is currently progressing, it is also anticipated that County Durham Community Federation will present a more detailed report to members at a later date, following more progress with the funding applications.

County Durham Community Federation - Stanley Fund update

1. Stanley - “Left-Behind Communities”

The Local Trust (a national charity focused on supporting residents in communities to develop their own solutions to local issues and problems) has identified Stanley as one of 206 “Left behind” community/areas in England.

A “Left-Behind” area are identified as one which:

- Lack of places to meet, low levels of community activity and poor physical and digital connectivity, in addition to deprivation
- People in left behind neighbourhoods suffer higher rates of unemployment, serious ill health and child poverty

Matt Leach, chief executive, of Local Trust said: “The areas we have identified as left behind are often on the edges of cities and towns yet disconnected from jobs and services. They have lost the pubs, community centres and other facilities that people need to sustain their neighbourhoods. Worryingly they appear to be falling further behind the rest of the country on many key economic and social indicators. We need to work with government to ensure the people in them have the support they need to build stronger communities and better places to live.”

A brief synopsis of their research is detailed in Appendix 1 of this report.

2. Why Stanley?

County Durham Community Foundation, are looking to use the Stanley Fund in association with other funding sources, and community support to help support Stanley.

Historically, County Durham Community Foundation grants in Stanley;

- Circa £40,000 grants awarded at an average of £4,700
- Largely awarded from themed funds with strict criteria/outcomes e.g. NHS Healthy Communities or Police, Crime Commissioner Fund
- Low application rates from groups - "wont get it so won't apply' mentality

With Stanley Fund;

- At least £100,000 per year, for 3 years, just for Stanley based groups (note: this includes £50,000 from Stanley Town Council)
 - Other Community Foundation funds still open to groups
 - Up to £10,000 per grant (potentially more for exceptional projects)
 - Core and multi-year funding available
 - Community led ideas and panel making decisions
- Moving ahead it is important

3. Stanley Fund - Year One

In year one the total available in the Stanley Fund was £129,371.

In the first round of applications a total of 6 application were received amounting to £56,855, of these 3 grants were awarded to the amount of £27,699 leaving a balance of £99,172 available to the fund. Details of the grants awarded in round one are available in appendix 2 of this report.

In August a Funding Surgery event was held at the Civic Hall, Stanley inviting local groups, and specifically those the Town Council had funded previously to attend, over 60 people/representatives turned up to the event.

At the close of the second round of applications and 29th September, there had been 19 applications received amounting to £172,088.

4. Changing funding landscape in Stanley

Since the start of the Stanley Fund project County Durham Community Federation have noticed a change in the funding landscape in Stanley.

In 2018/19, they received 42 application for funding with a total ask of £142,000

In 2019/20, to date they have received 52 applications with a total ask of £384,000

In 2019 ESF (European Social Fund) awarded 3 out of 8 grants, to help 'progress people closer to the workplace' to Stanley Groups (Stanley Events, PACT House, Just for Women)

In 2019, to date more than £6,600 was awarded to people facing hardship

In 2019, Sherburn House have funded £3,000 to enable immediate relief in need support i.e. at discretion of PACT House to award £200 or £100 grants to clients

5. DCMS (Department, Digital, Culture, Media and Sport) - Placed based giving scheme

Stanley is one of six pilot Place Based Giving Schemes in the UK with the Stanley Fund at the Centre of this.

The Place Based Giving Scheme, will allow the opportunity to do more than just have another 'Fund'. This can encourage donors to give into the fund, but can also engage with businesses to give time not money and help engage with young people looking for work or support their ideas and innovations, and potentially this could also lead to these businesses becoming donors to the fund, helping grow the fund and aid its overall sustainability.

This also allows different funding models to be tested for example, crowdfunding and participatory budgeting as well as engaging with groups and individuals who know and understand the local community.

6. Community Engagement - Beyond the money

In addition to the funding process, County Durham Community Foundation are working on a number of initiatives for the Stanley Area:

- **Engaged Independent third party** - for six months to help develop business and community ideas
- **Kicks** - Sports led community engagement initiative, with the schools, Police and local football foundations working together
- **The Hub** - Structured way for local businesses to provide time and skills to help people progress closer to the workplace (links with ESF Community grants)
- **Enterprise Day** - What can pupils in Stanley turn £1,000 into? Using enterprise to drive community giving
- **Stanley Giving Day** - Engage individuals and businesses to fund raise from themselves. Structured local giving for the benefit of local people.

7. What next

What are the next steps, regarding funding:

2019-20

- Engage with National Lottery to explore long term funding
- Coalfields fund and UK Steel

2020-21

- Continued support of Town Council, AAP and PCVC
- Other funders
- S106 monies - unlock S106 monies currently tied up and engage with developers

8. Recommendations

It is **RECOMMENDED** that members:

- (i) Note the contents of the report

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APPENDIX 1

Stanley - County Durham

Defined as a left behind community - Local Trust, September 2019

Population

- White British
- High elderly & lone parent population
- Lower than national home ownership

History

- Industrial heritage
- Mines and steelworks dominated

Living Standards

- 1 in 4 households in poverty
- 27% of children in poverty (17% across England)
- 15% of people in fuel poverty

Employment, education and skills

- 36% have no qualifications (14% across England)
- 56% jobs are full time (9% lower than average)
- Typically low skilled, low paid work
- 41% households have no car, limiting the ability to access jobs (26% across England)

Health

- 28% have limiting long term illness (18% across England)
- Less than 1 in 5 people participate in regular exercise
- Mental Health, obesity and binge drinking dominate health issues (higher than average)

APPENDIX 2

Stanley Fund

Round one awards - community panel decisions

Organisation	Award (£)	Overview
Derwentside Hospice Care Foundation (Willow Burn Hospice)	8,570	To support a new, targeted service aimed at people living in North Durham who suffer specific life-limiting illness.
Just for Women	11,960	Support adult learning workshops
Tanfield Lea Community Primary School	7,169	Support school 'life changing' school trip to Germany, bringing together Tanfield Primary and Tanfield Secondary Schools
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