

## East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership Board Meeting

30 March 2022

### Key Messages

The following are the key messages from the online Board Meeting held on Wednesday 30 March 2022 via Microsoft Teams:

- In the absence of Allan Blakemore, Cllr Chris Varty chaired the meeting. Everyone was welcomed to the Board Meeting of the East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership.
- A warm welcome was offered to Joy Allen, Durham Police and Crime Commissioner, Louis Hurst from Investing in Children, Anne Davison and Graeme Smith, Durham County Council colleagues and Dr Matt Shield, Primary Care Network Clinical Director who were all presenting at the meeting.
- Joy Allen, Durham Police and Crime Commissioner gave a verbal update on the Durham Police and Crime Plan 2021/24.

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- Anne Davison delivered a presentation on Durham's Libraries. Durham County Council want views on what people need from County Durham libraries and want to hear on how library services should be delivered in the future.

For further information and to have your say visit the Durham County Council website

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/article/25827/Durham-Libraries-For-You-get-involved->

The deadline for comments is 5.00pm on Friday 1 April 2022.

- Dr Matt Shield, PCN Clinical Director delivered a presentation on Sedgefield North Primary Care Network.
- Graeme Smith delivered a presentation on the Big Econ-versation. Residents and businesses can find out more and have their say by visiting [Our Big Econ-versation](#) and completing the econ-versation online survey, emailing [econ-versation@durham.gov.uk](mailto:econ-versation@durham.gov.uk) or calling 03000 26 0000.

The deadline for views and comments is 5.00pm on Friday 22 April.

- The Board approved the following Area Budget projects –
  - Trimdon Village Hall – Trimdon Village Hall COVID Recovery Scheme
  - Active Life Centre, Coxhoe – Entrance and Gym Improvements
  - Fishburn Bowling Club – Fishburn Bowls Club Premises Re-development
  - Cornforth Partnership – Youth Links
  - Sedgfield Primary School PTFA – Mental Health and Wellbeing Project
- The Board approved the following Holiday Activities with Healthy Food Fund applications for Easter 2022 -
  - Fishburn Youth and Community Centre – Fun and Food Easter Holidays 2022
  - Trimdon Grange Community Association – Easter Fun and Outdoor Orienteering
  - DJ Evans Youth Club, Bowburn Youth Project – Easter Half Term 2022
  - Deaf Hill Ward Regeneration Partnership – Easter Fun
- Louis Hurst from Investing in Children provided an update on the Online Safety Animation project and a video was shared.
- The priority vote is now closed. We received 191 responses, which was the fifth highest across the County. Over 80% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the priorities should remain the same, and 91.4% did not think that any further priorities needed including.
- The following neighbourhood budget projects were shared with the board.

**Name of Scheme:** Trimdon Colliery Recreation Ground Fencing  
**Councillor(s):** Varty / Hovvells / Miller  
**Interest Declared:** No  
**Amount:** £4,926 (inc. £1,000 contingency – no match - £1,642 each Cllr)

**Name of Scheme:** Trimdon Community College Association Perimeter Fencing  
**Councillor(s):** Varty / Hovvells / Miller  
**Interest Declared:** No  
**Amount:** £3,495.00 (Total project cost £7,156 - match £3,661 - £1,165 per Cllr)

**Name of Scheme:** DIDO – Days in Days Out  
**Councillor(s):** Lines / Brown  
**Interest Declared:** No  
**Amount:** £1,500.00 (Total project cost £1,650 – match £150 - £750 per Cllr)

**Name of Scheme:** Community Activities  
**Councillor(s):** Lines / Brown  
**Interest Declared:** No  
**Amount:** £2,000.00 (no match - £1,000 each Cllr)

**Name of Scheme:** St. Helen’s Church Nave North Roof  
**Councillor(s):** Hutchinson / Blakey

**Interest Declared:** No

**Amount:** £4,000 (£2,000 each) Match funding: £26,000 Total Project Cost: £30,000

The Board was happy to approve the projects.

- Members of the public are being invited to apply to become a public representative on the Board of the East Durham Rural Corridor Area Action Partnership. For an application pack or for more information, please contact the AAP team via email [eastdurhamruralaap@durham.gov.uk](mailto:eastdurhamruralaap@durham.gov.uk) or call 03000 261128.
- Neighbourhood Insp Sarah Honeyman provided an update on local policing issues.
- The next board meeting is to be arranged. Board Members were asked their thoughts on Board meetings and the timing of them now that we are back to some normality after COVID restrictions had been eased and if they preferred Teams meetings and/or face to face meetings.