

Project		Strengthening Communities	
Lead delivery partner		Vibrant Warsop	
Theme	Strengthening Communities	Priority	
Activity		Budget code	
<p>Project outcomes (from SLA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased participation in volunteering and community activities, community groups strengthened • Increased awareness of existing provision and the community hub • Increased utilisation of the hub and inward investment in Warsop • Increased collaboration between existing groups and resources • Increased sense of pride and well-being in Warsop 			
Reporting period dates	January to March 2017	Nr and age of people benefiting from the project during the reporting period	<p>Around ten youth organisations benefitting from youth partnership group</p> <p>5 organisations supported</p> <p>25 Adult Volunteers</p> <p>3 Young Volunteers aged 11/12</p>
<p>Introduction</p> <p>Promotion of volunteering opportunities, personal development programme to build capacity and confidence, information exchange Facilitation and support for partnership theme groups to increase networking and project development. Provision of support for community groups around funding opportunities, grant applications and legal requirements - e.g. safeguarding, health and safety etc Workshops/training programmes and inspirational visits linked to best practice examples. Community events</p>			
<p>Activities undertaken during reporting period</p> <p><i>Tell us what you have done and how well things have gone. Include any issues carried over from</i></p>			

previous report, activities carried out and any base line monitoring. Please attach photographs, quotes, good news stories etc

We are continuing to have a positive impact. We continue to link with several community groups and increase volunteering. We have identified projects which we are supporting and are under development and will start/be delivered in the next quarter.

Promotion of Volunteering Opportunities & Support for Community Groups

We have continued to support Warsop Youth Club, who have established an excellent provision of youth activities at The Shed on a Monday night for young people aged 7 to 11 and 11 to 19 years. This is facilitated by a small team of paid sessional staff and four regular adult volunteers. In addition we increased the young volunteer team to three. We are planning to hold a series of development events with the team of volunteers.

We have met and supported the three volunteers (with an additional person joining the group) who are keen to start youth provision in Meden Vale. We are currently looking at venues and funding opportunities to facilitate this work. We are also looking at developing a youth work "roadshow" which will see Warsop Youth Club deliver a series of local "pop-up youth clubs" in the villages in the parish. This will include (and could be an alternative way of delivery for) Meden Vale and we will work with the existing group of volunteers to nurture their involvement.



Having supported a group of six local people who were keen to start a Parents and Toddlers group We are happy to report the Shaping Little Stars has started to deliver their sessions at The Shed every Tuesday afternoon. This has been well received and attended. For updates, please see their facebook page www.facebook.com/shapinglittlestars

We have met with and are continuing to support the Footpaths Group and Andy Hollis to develop their environmental project. The plan for this should be completed at the end of April. This will involve student volunteers from Meden School, volunteers who are long-term unemployed, as well as promoting volunteer opportunities in the wider community.

We have arranged to meet and further support Caroline Hughes in her Creative Warsop project.

We have met with a resident of Meden Vale to support her plans to establish a much needed childcare provision.

We have met with Sport4Kidz to discuss potential future sports based projects in the parish, linking with and building on their successful partnership work with Warsop Youth Club.

Facilitation and support for partnership theme groups to increase networking and project development.

The management and administration of the Vibrant Warsop website has been handed over to Infotech. This will provide a small amount work for one local person; providing work experience and paid support to the group.

We have arranged the next Youth Partnership Group for 18th April. There is a Women in Business Group which we are linking with and which we will support if needed.

We have met with The Footpaths Group with a view to establishing a partnership group around the environment.

We will continue to meet with a small group from the Big Warsop Partnership Group around the Supporting People theme.

Workshops/training programmes and inspirational visits linked to best practice examples.

We have identified a potential visit to a community hub in Sinfin, Derby as an inspirational visit. However, given the recent conversations around the Shed, the timing of this will need to be agreed.

We are planning to commence delivery of our Volunteer Development Programme in the next quarter. This will be promoted to all volunteers in the parish, whether involved in linked projects or not.

We will be delivering a development programme for the young volunteers involved in Warsop Youth Club.

We have contacted Meden School to test the idea of working with the student volunteers to facilitate their reflections and embed their learning. This would hopefully promote further volunteering for them.

Community Events

We have already commenced the planning meetings for the Xmas Fayre 2017. Once again, a dedicated and tireless team of local volunteers fuels this. We are supporting them to make this event even better than 2016.

Through the youth partnership group we are discussing the opportunity to hold an open day at the Shed to promote their work as a joint venture with other youth organisations.

Outcomes the project has contributed to

Tell us what difference you have made in relation to the SLA outcomes and more widely in the area.

- Increased participation in volunteering and community activities, community groups strengthened

We have increased volunteering. In this period we have supported 33 people to volunteer in the community. Of these at least 17 will be volunteering on an on going basis.

We have met, worked with and supported 9 community groups:

- Warsop Christmas Fayre
- Warsop Youth Club

- Shaping Little Stars
 - Sport4Kidz
 - Meden Vale Youth Volunteers
 - Meden Vale Resident
 - Footpaths Group
 - Caroline Hughes
- Increased awareness of existing provision and the community hub

Existing and new groups are increasingly using The Shed as a delivery and meeting venue eg. Shaping Little Stars is delivering weekly Parent and Toddler sessions there.

We have created a facebook page for the Shaping Little Stars group which has 31 likes and growing. The page which we created for Warsop Youth now has 80 likes.
 - Increased utilisation of the hub and inward investment in Warsop

The national “Flyball” dog training organisation have block booked The Shed for the rest of 2017 on Sundays. This will generate revenue which will contribute to the running of youth activities.

Sport4Kidz are running weekly and school holiday sports clubs from The Shed.

Care Trainers are using The Shed (amongst other venues in the parish) to deliver their Big Warsop funded training.

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 - Increased collaboration between existing groups and resources

We are linking a possible new youth group in Meden Vale with Warsop Youth Club.
 - Increased sense of pride and well-being in Warsop

We linked Councillor Sharron Adey with Dan Brown at Meden School to facilitate young volunteers getting involved in the Town Centre clean up. This seems to have increased a sense of pride in Warsop. The next step is to work with the students to unpack this through guided reflection.

Timescales/Participant Numbers

Is project on track both in terms of timescales and the number of participants? If not what are you planning to do to address the issues?

Yes



Plans for next reporting period

What are you going to do next? Are there any activities we should know about?

We will continue to deliver the project according to the plan and SLA.

We will continue to support the local groups mentioned and seek out new opportunities to provide support.

We will introduce a volunteer development programme to further support initiatives in the area.

We will offer an inspirational visit.

We will deliver workshops to support community groups.