

# Community First Plan 2013

## Stainforth & Moorends

This Plan is a living document which lays out our aspirations and visions, as they are reached they are replaced with new initiatives and ideas!

The Community First Panel are local volunteers who are dedicated to making a difference within our local community. The development of the Community First Plan enables the panel to identify what is important to members of the local community, their concerns and the recognised need within the local community and therefore help set priorities to address these issues.

STAINFORTH is a small town situated 7 miles north east of Doncaster town centre and 3.9 miles from Moorends. It is fundamentally a housing community that hosts a variety of shops and a local market. There are 6,311 people living in Stainforth and mainly classified as a blue collar community.

MOORENDS is 11 miles north east of Doncaster and situated closely to Thorne. Moorends hosts a variety of shops, pubs, 2 primary schools, children's centre, welfare ground and excellent community centres. There are 5,395 people living in Moorends and mainly classified as a blue collar community.

# CONSULTATION

## EVENTS:

Information collated at local festivals and galas, volunteers standing stalls to talk to members of the community to identify much needed project and activities are needed within the local community, to find out what areas they feel are important to them and how the community first panel can help support those priorities

## LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS / ORGANISATIONS:

Talking to local groups and organisations to understand the help needed for these groups and organisation to continue to make a positive contribution to the local community through the delivery of much needed activities that address the issues and priorities as laid out by the Community First Panel

## SURVEYS:

Speaking to members of the local community to help identify gaps in provision, identify problems that they feel need addressing and what priorities they feel are important for the area.

## OUTCOME:

Members of the local community raised concerns reference:

- Anti social behaviour
- Lack of activities that are affordable and accessible for children and young people especially at evenings and during school holidays
- Unemployment and access to training, job search support, access to it equipment internet and resources
- Cleaner environment, better play areas, more open space activities for the more vulnerable people of our community, health and well-being and to address isolation

# PRIORITIES

The funding we aim to provide will support local voluntary groups. It will enable groups to access funding which will enable projects and activities to address the issues affecting our local community. Below are the priority issues we have identified that need to be addressed.

1. **Improve the environment of local space:**

Supporting local allotments

Local park & recreation

Green Space

Promote the use of underused spaces

Improve areas and make them more accessible for use and enjoyment

2. **Positive activities for children and young people**

Promote and encourage projects and activities for children and young people

Enable young people to have a safe place to go and engage in positive activities

To increase and improve provision

Increase community safety

3. **Supporting older people:**

Promote social inclusion and interaction between older people

Address current issues affecting older people (Fuel Poverty)

Improved quality of life

Support Independent Living

Inclusion through technology

4. **Improve community health and wellbeing**

Develop and promote well being initiatives to help members of the community lead healthier and more active lives

Encourage community participation in local neighbourhood initiatives

5. **Unemployment**

Provide training opportunities to improve skills

Inclusion through technology

# PRIORITIES

# PREVIOUSLY FUNDED

<b>Funded Group</b>	<b>Recommended Amount</b>
Bridging Generations	£2,300.00
Active Children's Zone	£2,300.00
Hearts & Minds	£0,716.59
Moorends Marauders' ARLFC	£1,100.00
Stainforth Allotments Society	£2,500.00
Thorne colliery Cricket club	£1,000.00
Victoria Close Gardening Club	£1,738.68
Stainforth Community Resource Centre	£2,404.73
Kids Fitness Zone	£1,995.00
Stainforth Junior Football Club	£1,823.63
Thorne & Moorends Healthy Living Group	£2,500.00
Thorne Colliery Bowling Club	£2,500.00
Thorne Colliery Football Club	£2,500.00
Stainforth Sugarcraft Artists	£2,500.00
Stainforth Sewing Circle	£2,247.00
Stainforth 4 All	£2,500.00
Moorends Allotment Holders Association	£2,447.37
Expenses	£0,210.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£35,283.00</b>

## WHAT ARE THE FUNDED PROJECTS? (In their own words)

### BRIDGING GENERATIONS

The project will deliver seven fitness sessions per week that are affordable and easily accessible. The sessions will engage with members of the local community who are at different fitness levels from beginners to the more advanced and will include:

*Tai Chi, Martial Arts Fitness, Pilates, Zumba, Boxercise and Yoga*

### ACTIVE CHILDREN'S ZONE

The group aims to provide positive activities for children and young people in a safe and welcoming environment. The project would deliver diversionary activities during the summer school holiday period. This would include arts and craft activities, computers, games consoles, table football, pool, outdoor play and Friday Night Discos with mixed activities. The project will also provide fun fitness session including different dance genres, which are popular including disco and modern. It will provide children and young people an ideal way for them to get fit while having fun and making friends, learning new skills and building confidence. Dancing provides fun and energetic session; children and young people will learn dance routines at different levels of difficulty, stretch and relaxation, and a good aerobic workout to improve general fitness levels. They will do some Boxercise and fun challenges, team games and traditional games including egg and spoon, sack race etc

### HEARTS & MINDS

The project would cover the cost for room hire and a day trip for the members. The project will enable members of the group, which is for those with long-term illnesses to have somewhere to meet, make friends and also receive complimentary therapy.

They aim to increase social skills by including monthly meetings and day trips. Members tend to become more talkative and outgoing after a few meetings. The group addresses member's health issues by inviting speakers such as hygiene, diet, healthy eating, dental hygiene & home safety. Hearts & Minds have a complimentary therapist who comes along and does massages and Reiki, which is very popular. Older people who are alone and tend to become ill usually start to become socially isolated and our meetings will encourage them to get out and about more.

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### **MOORENDS MARAUDRS' ARLFC**

To replace goal posts which are unsafe and therefore a potential safety hazard.

### **STAINFORTH ALLOTMENTS SOCIETY**

Stainforth Allotments have 93 plots which at present are fully occupied; there is a waiting list in place. We have found that demand has increased since the recession. The allotment holders come from various backgrounds with the majority being run by families. The project is for the purchase of a free standing multi fuel stove, base anchor and chain tabs to secure it.

### **THORNE COLLIRY CRICKET CLUB**

The amount of money applied for is to provide equipment needed to seat 30 people for teas during a cricket match. We have not been able to provide this much needed facility and the rules of our league state that we must provide this facility. However for a number of years they have turned a blind eye but due to numerous complaints from visiting teams this rule is now being enforced. We have tried to provide a stand up buffet with people having to hold their cup and paper plates in their hands whilst trying to eat but have been informed this is not acceptable and would like funding for the equipment to provide seated teas.

### **VICTORIA CLOSE GARDENING CLUB**

This project will give people the opportunity to grow vegetable, plants, and Flowers in a green and sustainable way using the natural resources like rain water butts and green waste collected from homes /projects and turned into compost .a large green house and raised beds will help people become more self sufficient and actively engaged, it also revitalises and improves an otherwise wasted and overlooked green grassed area in the community garden. We have had some success in Doncaster in Bloom and would like to expand on this further to improve the look and benefits to the community and the people of Stainforth.

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### **KIDS FITNESS ZONE**

Halloween Spectacular To deliver diversionary activities during the October Half term, aimed at children and young people aged 5 yrs – 18 yrs. There will be a Halloween Disco, Saturday Fun Session, Halloween cup cake decorating session and a wide range of arts and crafts: mask making [witches, Dracula], pumpkin carving, face painting, and much more. Activities will take place daytime, evenings and weekends. Fun dance sessions learning routines to well known music such as "Thriller" and "Monster Mash" The Halloween Disco for fancy dress competitions, hotdogs and burgers for the children and young people attending, refreshments for volunteers, parents and guardians attending. Historically Halloween has been identified as a difficult time where youth nuisance and anti social behaviour increases, we aim to run new and extra activities during this time period and to have a project that includes/encourage teenagers to participate in.

### **STAINFORTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

The provision of football equipment for the junior football teams

### **THORNE & MOORENDS HEALTHY LIVING GROUP**

Crafting Fingers: The project will be to start a craft club for older people and the wider community, including the unemployed, people with disabilities or long term illnesses. The craft club will provide various craft sessions including card making, scrap booking and beading. Seasonal themes such as Christmas and Easter will be used to help people make for example Christmas cards and wreaths. The funding will cover the cost of the facility we wish to use, craft materials and tools and refreshments.

### **THORNE COLLIERY FOOTBALL CLUB**

To enable the purchase of a ride on lawnmower to allow us to keep the football ground to a high standard, plus any other ground within area if required which will keep the welfare ground pleasant to see and when used by locals and visitors.

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### **THORNE COLLIERY BOWLING CLUB**

Team Shelters Following the destruction of our Clubhouse building & main shelter by fire some 2 years ago, we have been trying to replace things lost by raising funds, & member donations. We did not receive any compensation for the loss of our building or its contents other than a port cabin which is a small kitchen, office area, too small to shelter or consume refreshments in, (we are obligated to provide at least hot drinks for visitors). We have nowhere for visiting teams or our members to shelter in inclement weather. We desperately need to raise £2600 in order to buy two movable team shelters, one for each of our greens.

We can have as many as 20 league players each green at any one time, more when hosting D.D.B.A. competitions. League matches are played in all weather conditions unless the greens are flooded and deemed unplayable, this has never yet occurred.

### **STAINFORTH SUGERCRAFT ARTISTS**

To provide equipment for visual learning ie video display equipment via DVD on large screen TV, computer equipment for downloading displays and specialist utensils specific to cake and sugar craft covering all aspects of design of decorating consumable products

### **STAINFORTH SEWING CIRCLE**

The Sewing Circle meets once a week at the community resource centre for a three hour session learning all aspects of design in sewing, we have four Janome sewing machines and two over lockers jointly owned by the group plus some privately owned sewing machines brought in for group use, If we were able to add embroidery machines to our groups assets it would improve our ability to learn new skills and give our work a more professional and personal finish.



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### **MOORENDS ALLOTTMENT HOLDERS ASSOCIATION**

We are in the process of levelling and re-stoning 7 miles of road on the allotments and once it is done we need to maintain it and a mechanical road roller will allow us to maintain it ourselves so that we are not continually having to pay outside contractors to do the work.

### **STAINFORTH 4 ALL**

We aim to provide a tutoring club in Stainforth to provide fun educational activities to help improve local children's attainment.

We will hire a tutor to provide the core of the proposed service. The tutor will be a qualified professional who will take responsibility for delivery of educational content and all marking. The tutor will also direct a volunteer assistant and administrator who will support where needed.

The aim is to provide tutoring to 6 children per week over 50 weeks of the year. We will informally assess children to establish their need and put together action plans to address these needs on a child by child basis.

We will monitor children's development through their work that they produce and store them in their individual records. Tutoring will be delivered by both group and individual work in a safe and fun.

# They've done so well!



Diversionary Activities – Active Childrens Zone



Halloween Disco - Kids Fitness Zone



Allotment's Wood Burner

# LINKS & OTHER USEFUL STATISTICAL INFORMATION



<http://stainforthandmoorendscfp.weebly.com/>

<http://www.thorne-moorends.gov.uk/>

<http://www.stainforthtowncouncil.gov.uk/Core/Stainforth-TC/Pages/Default.aspx>

<http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/search/searchhomepage.aspx>

<http://www.police.uk/crime/?q=Moorends%2C+South+Yorkshire%2C+UK#crimetypes/2013-02>

<http://www.police.uk/crime/?q=Stainforth%2C+South+Yorkshire%2C+UK>

[http://www.doncastertogether.org.uk/Doncaster\\_Data\\_Observatory/Doncaster\\_Data\\_Observatory.asp](http://www.doncastertogether.org.uk/Doncaster_Data_Observatory/Doncaster_Data_Observatory.asp)