

# Western CEF Annual Impact Report 2017-18



## Chair's Foreword

It has been another successful year of running events, addressing issues in the area and funding a wide range of exciting community initiatives.

It has been encouraging to see the lasting impact of a range of projects we have funded in recent years which have supported opportunities of for the community to come together to address a range of issues.

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the valuable work of the Western CEF over the past year.

Andy Pound, Chair Western CEF Partnership Board

## Introduction

Community Engagement Forums are collaboration between a range of partners including the District Council, County Council, Town council, Parish Councils, Police, Fire and Rescue Service, local businesses and community groups along with individual residents. Our aim is to encourage, assist and empower the local community to create the environment and services they would like and need.

The Western CEF started in October 2010, our CEF covers the following towns and villages: Birkin, Brotherton, Burton Salmon, Byram, Fairburn, Hillam, Lumby, Monk Fryston, Newthorpe, Sherburn in Elmet and South Milford

## Partnership Board work

The Western CEF has a Community Development Plan. This details the overarching priorities which are to support and develop initiatives which;

- Improve the quality of life for individuals across the Western CEF area
- Provide solutions for community issues
- Trial new ideas that will benefit residents and improve the local area

During the year the Partnership Board has been supporting a range of issues which has included developing youth and leisure services, improving the local environment, providing support for defibrillators and the development of more Community Cafes.

A key focus has been addressing fly tipping in the area. To this end a rewrite of our guide to fly tipping was commissioned and circulated to all households across the CEF area and a special Public Forum was held. This led to the development of fly tipping signs that were freely distributed across the area warning of the implications.

## Grants Awarded

Across the year a total of £15,904 has been awarded for Community Initiatives and Development work, these have included;

### **South Milford Memorial Park and Playing Field Association**

£1,500 as a contribution towards the work required to the dipping pond and the provision of a 'Tut Hut' as detailed in the application.

### **Elmet Art Society**

£1,500 towards the cost of providing art classes within the Western CEF area, which would be 2-hours in length. This annual programme started in January 2018 and would include demonstrations by visiting artists.

*"So far an additional 6 people have joined with further sessions planned throughout 2018."*

### **1<sup>st</sup> All Saints Sherburn Scout Group**

£1,000 towards the cost of 8 Outwell Earth tents. This will assist the group which currently has 135 members, but did not have sufficient equipment to be able to offer camping to all members.

### **Peter Pan Nursery**

£2,500 to undertake a refurbishment of the charity shop associated with the nursery. The shop raises funds for the Peter Pan Nursery which offers care to children and families in the community with additional needs.

*"The refurbished room looks fabulous, clean, fresh and modern. We've managed to put twice as much stock out (clothing) so our takings have gone up. We've had fantastic feedback from customers and volunteers.*

*Although our project is not fully complete, we have already held a couple of craft classes. Debbie Todd of Angels & Butterflies in Garforth has held some Halloween and Christmas craft classes for both children and adults. They were very well attended. We now have a list of dates and further classes moving forward."*



### **South Milford Baby and Toddler Group**

£1,000 towards the cost of new toys for the South Milford and Baby Toddler Group. The group has been operation for over 33 years and had been set up by a local parent to allow the opportunity for parents and carers and their young children to meet up on a regular basis.

*"Due to this funding additional new members have been attracted ensuring the sustainability of the group and that charges remain minimal."*

### **Monk Fryston Time Team**

£924 towards the design and production of a village history trail booklet incorporating local walks. The group had been set up in 2009 by local residents to research the history and origins of the community.

*"The booklet team have prepared the text and also all the images are prepared - including drawings and photographs from our archives and the walking route maps with directions; all tried and tested."*

## Eversley Park Centre

£2,000 towards a new dance floor and improvements to stage facilities at the Eversley Park Centre. The Eversley Park Centre is well attended and used by many local groups for numerous activities.

## Brotherton Parish Council

£1,000 towards the purchase and installation of a defibrillator in Brotherton at the De Lacey Car Club.

## Making Things Happen CIC

£4,480 towards the running of a Community Outdoor Gym Club, for tuition and regular sessions provided by a fitness instructor at the new outdoor gym in Sherburn.

## Impact

### Fairburn Community Café - 'Pop-In' Community Café – One morning per week (Wednesday)

*“The Community Café has achieved a tremendous amount –*

- Brought together people from Fairburn and surrounding villages and encouraged support for those who need it.
- Create and Improve social integration.
- Fund raising for Charities and the homeless.
- Generated Hobbies of knitting and sewing amongst the elderly
- Money and goods have been given to the Homeless Charity.
- A team of us arranged the transport for those who needed it while there was no bus service to our village.
- Young families enjoy coming together and learning more about the village
- Those who do not have any contact with anyone except once a week at the Café are now coming in early and with a smile on their faces. We ensure no-one is left sitting on their own.
- The community has gained a ‘buzz’ back again. The more ‘word of mouth’ is spread the larger our group has become. The villagers were – undoubtedly – sceptical about our project in the beginning and now they are so proud of their Café that the news brings more people in each week, with their friends and families now joining in.”

### Sherburn in Elmet Teasel CIC

*3-day Craft and Food Festival held in Sherburn in Elmet.*

*“The festival attracted approximately 9,000 visitors over the three-day period. 94% of visitors were from within a 25-mile radius of Sherburn.*

*We had over 100 volunteers helping on the festival days, many of these from local organisations. We now have an established relationship with these groups, many of whom have indicated that they will help again at future events.*

*The event brought together a number of individuals and local organisations to work together towards a single purpose. As a result, new friendships have been formed and local business relationships developed. The festival feedback from visitors, volunteers and stallholders note the friendly atmosphere and sense of pride in the community at the event.*

**Let's Get Physical**

Free Instructor Led Sessions at the new Sherburn Outdoor Gym, Eversley Park

Our sessions will show you how you can utilise the equipment and help you develop a fitness regime that will work for you.

The Outdoor Gym equipment is accessible for all – the MTH team will guide, encourage and motivate you.

We will have two weekly gym sessions running for 6 months:  
Tuesdays 5.30pm – 6.30pm (Commencing 1st May)  
Wednesdays 3.00pm – 4.00pm (Commencing 2nd May)  
Come and join this new Community Outdoor Gym Club

**Learn, enjoy, and make friends**

Funded by the Western Community Engagement Forum

If you have any questions please contact Emily  
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MTH

*Our aim was to provide activities for a family day out. We had a diverse range of peripheral activities including, vintage fair, face painting, wood carving demonstrations, children's cookery school miniature railway, birds of prey, magician and stage entertainment. There were also children's craft competitions.*

*One of the key festival aims was to be able to make donations to local charities from our Year 1 profit and we asked for applications from local causes. Twelve organisations each received £250 donation. In addition to these donations, we have paid for a path to be upgraded at one of the entrances to Eversley Park.*

*Wherever possible we have bought/rented goods and services from local suppliers to boost business in the local economy."*

### **The Selby District Children's Reading Festival**

*"All school children in the Western CEF area were invited to attend the family day of the festival on the Saturday. This is nearly 1200 children. In addition, each year two child in the Western CEF area received a token for a free book, which could be redeemed at the event. There were a series of read aloud sessions with authors who covered all primary school age ranges, as well as book signings and other activities.*

*The children who were unable to attend with their family on the Saturday received their book at school. In total over 3500 children attended across the three days of the event.*

*Children's horizons were expanded by meeting the authors and being able to ask them questions. The sessions were fun and engaging to ensure children saw books as a fun thing to own. The children were also encouraged to visit their local library and it is hoped that the event would promote conversations in the home about books and reading. Whole families were given a positive learning focus through the event.*

*Burton Salmon Primary School – Adam Blackwood*

*I know you asked for a few words of reflection on the reading festival and I would say it was a fantastic event, enjoyed by all of our pupils. The pitch of each author was perfect for the age group in question and the opportunity to spend time with such enthusiastic and passionate individuals had a huge impact upon our children. I only hope that it can become an annual event and help to inspire today's young readers to become tomorrow's great authors!"*

**Hillam and Monk Fryston Community Sports Association** – funding for this new development enabled a detailed consultation to take place with residents to agree needs, phased and costed plans to be agreed and funding bids submitted. The CEF funding has created a sense of purpose with community events being held culminating in a wellbeing week of activities planned for July 2018.

**St Wilfrids Church, Monk Fryston** received CEF funds to create an accessible toilet facility for residents and visitors available throughout daylight hours.

**Selby Swans** was supported to develop more coaches enabling an additional 60 children to access this gymnastics activity.

## Public Forums

During the year 2 public meetings have been held providing the opportunities for residents to find out more about local initiatives.

At each forum we have a "Market Place" area with stalls staffed by North Yorkshire Police, Highways, Selby District Council and Community organisations. This provides a wonderful opportunity for residents to discuss the issues that affect them with the appropriate organisation.

Speakers and workshops have included;

### Flood Prevention July 2017

This was a well-attended event with residents challenging speakers on progress made and future plans to protect the safety of local residents.

This issue continues to be a part of the Issues table and is discussed at each Partnership Board meeting.



**Western Community Engagement Forum**

**Flood Prevention**  
what is happening?

Tuesday 11th July 2017  
from 6.30pm  
Fairburn Community Centre, North Road,  
Fairburn, WF11 9LA

An opportunity to hear about the latest work taking place in the area to address flood prevention and to put your questions to our guest speaker.

Paul Tweed from NYCC, who will be coming to update the CEF on NYCC's work in respect of flooding and to take questions about the specific issues in Fairburn / Brotherton.

Free Food and Refreshments

Also an opportunity to speak to your Councillors, staff from Selby District Council, North Yorkshire Highways, Police, Fire & Rescue, and other Community and Voluntary Organisations.

Visit <http://www.selby.gov.uk/western-area-cef>

Your Community  
Western Area  
Community Engagement Forum



**Western Community Engagement Forum**

You are warmly invited to the Western CEF Public Forum

**I Hear Talk**

An Update on Community Development in Sherburn-in-Elmet  
Including latest developments and news from;

**ECC** EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE  
**Sherburn in Elmet** Partnership with North Yorkshire  
Registered Charity No 1366770

Development of the Library and the Old Girls School

**Sherburn in Elmet**  
**Craft & Food**  
FESTIVAL  
Including Retro and Vintage

Free Food and Refreshments

Tuesday 7th November 2017  
at 6.30pm  
Sherburn-in-Elmet Library,  
Finkle Hill,  
LS25 6EA

There will also be representation from Selby District Council to consult on the Sites Allocation Local Plan which outlines sites for developments for homes, jobs and other development needs.

Also an opportunity to speak to your Councillors, staff from Selby District Council, North Yorkshire Highways, Police, Fire & Rescue, and other Community and Voluntary Organisations.

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### Community Development in Sherburn-in-Elmet November 2017

Over 60 people attended this community event listening to the exciting developments of local community facilities all of which had received funding from the CEF.

Updates were given regarding Eversley Park Centre, The Community Library, The Old Girls School and the Craft and Food Festival.

The following people make up the Partnership Board for the Western CEF:

#### Selby District Council

Cllr. Bryn Sage, Mel Hobson, Cllr. John Mackman, Cllr. David Buckle, Cllr. David Hutchinson

#### Selby District Council and North Yorkshire County Council

Cllr. Bob Packham

### North Yorkshire County Council

Cllr. John McCartney, Cllr. Chris Pearson

### Community Activists

Howard Ferguson, Jenny Mitchell, David Nicklin, Andrew Pound, Jenny Prescott, Rita Stephenson, Mr Stuart Wroe

## 2018-19 Focus

During the year we will be creating a new Community Development Plan. We will be consulting with all Parish Councils and community organisations that we have worked with. This will help us to shape our focus, future themed events and priorities for funding applications.

We have campaigned on two key issues, flooding and fly tipping. We will continue to keep a watching brief on these two areas and are liaising with a range of partners to have the latest developments.

Promoting the work of the CEF and ensuring increased awareness is ongoing. We will continue to raise awareness through media articles, publicity and events focussed on the needs of our communities.

## How Can You Get Involved?

Information about the work of the CEF, future events and details about accessing funding can be found at [www.selby.gov.uk/cefs](http://www.selby.gov.uk/cefs)

All of our meetings and events are open for the public to attend. Minutes and agendas can be accessed through the CEF website pages.

You can join the CEF mailing list to be sent all the latest news by emailing [cefadmin@selby.gov.uk](mailto:cefadmin@selby.gov.uk)

You can also use the email address to let us know about any issues you feel need addressing in your community, or to suggest ideas for future Public Forums.

We look forward to hearing from you.

