

Eastern CEF Annual Impact Report 2017 -18



Chair's Foreword

I am delighted to have been appointed Chair of the Eastern Area CEF and will strive to fulfil this role with professionalism and a commitment to the Community.

I wish to see this group become more pro-active in area and, to that end, would want members to become more involved in the projects we support with funding.

Many groups come to us with projects which need our support, not only financial support but also to draw on the experience of the CEF members. I believe that site visits to relevant projects would be beneficial to all concerned. The Partnership Board has a wealth of talent and, by definition of you being here, can help and assist applicants in achieving their aims effectively.

In terms of CEF Forums, I want to ensure that we engage relevant speakers who will benefit community groups in practical ways. I am aware that groups just starting out often have a need for straight and simple advice on how to progress, the pitfalls to avoid and their legal and social responsibilities. In some cases it may be that efforts are being duplicated and there may be merits in joining or amalgamating with other similar groups to achieve economies of scale and "Synergy".

I am certain we can continue to improve and strengthen our activities in the community.

Bob Procter – Chair Eastern CEF Partnership Board

Introduction

Community Engagement Forums are a 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.

The Eastern Area CEF commenced in April 2010 and covers a large rural area including the following parishes: Barlby, Biggin, Cawood, Cliffe, Escrick, Hemingbrough, Kelfield, Lund, North Duffield, Osgodby, Riccall, Ryther, Skipwith, South Duffield, Stillingfleet, Thorganby and Wistow

Partnership Board Work

Our Community Development Plan focuses on the following overarching priorities;

- Highlight and act upon local issues
- Support our villages to provide a vibrant range of activities
- Encourage involvement and volunteering in our community
- Address transport issues
- Encourage information sharing between communities, activities and organisations
- Address issues of loneliness and isolation
- Increase activities for young people

Grants Awarded Total for 2017/18 £17,726.40

North Duffield and Skipwith Playing Field Association

£1,811.40 towards a project to install flood lighting and a CCTV system at the North Duffield playing fields.

Selby Tiger Sharks Swimming Club

The application was for £1,660 to cover the costs of various lifeguard and coaching courses, which would enable the swimming club to extend its provision.

“I would like to thank you for giving us the ability to do this and I believe it will really enhance our swimmers prospects in the future.”

1st Cliffe Brownies

£1,560 to provide set up costs for the first year of the new Brownie unit. Monies contributed toward rent, insurance and activities.

“We have been delighted that we have recruited more members than initially anticipated”

Hemingbrough Bowls Club

£5,933 to allow provision to support individuals with difficulties to participate in bowls. The project would help to decrease isolation in the area.

Hemingbrough Hagg Lane Green Conservation Group

£450 for the provision of rustic seating for the Pond 2 Area. The conservation area was used on a daily basis by a variety of people within the community.

Parish of Hemingbrough Historical/Heritage Society

£480 for the transportation of mulch to the site of the Oldways Memorial Woodland Footpath, where it would be spread evenly across the footpath by volunteers.

“Our project was to reinvigorate the already established woodland footpath, thus allowing the community to walk unhindered by the mud created owing to its popularity.

Our mulch donor will continue to keep the area supplied with mulch now and this will mean that in the future we can transport small amounts ourselves to patch any deterioration on the footpath, with additional volunteers coming forward as part of this activity.”

PlayStillingfleet

£1,557 for the provision of a village defibrillator and associated training in Stillingfleet.

Magnetic Arts

£1,000 to fund six art taster sessions in three villages within the Eastern CEF Area which will help to address social isolation and loneliness, ensuring that art sessions were accessible to all.

Bee-Able CIC

£3,275 for the provision of school holiday activities for children in the Eastern CEF Area.

Impact

Hagge Woods Trust Project

“We are very pleased with the new website and very grateful to the Eastern CEF for the opportunity to have this work done. The new website is providing a springboard for our activities in 2018, giving the charity a fresh approach and hopefully a fresh appeal to the local population.

It will now be easy for any family or group to access spotter sheets and guides to give fuller enjoyment of their visit to the wood-meadow and this in turn will hopefully make the charity more appealing in terms of recruiting ‘Friends’ and supporters to help continue our work.”

Kelfield Village Institute

“The completion of this Kitchen and store project has appeared to engage with more community members than before with the evidence in the number of new committee members coming forward to offer their services.

By widening and increasing the scope of the building different activities are being introduced. The idea of the family Pizza night came entirely from one business person seeing the potential of the building and the new facilities available in the kitchen.

Thank you so much again for all your help it means so much and lovely that there is so much community spirit. It means so much as it's not something I have experienced before and love it.”

North Duffield Village Players Community Stage Extension

“The main outcome of this project has been to enhance the North Duffield Village Hall with an extra 4m x 2m extension to complement the existing staging. This improved staging is now readily available for the whole community.

The grant has allowed the continuation of performances including local people to participate in drama, music and also voluntary activities such as stage management, scenery and props making.”

Riccall & District Resilience Plan

“CEF funding has enabled us to purchase the necessary equipment, produce information leaflets, recruit volunteers, and carry out ongoing training. This work is bringing the community together, creating new connections ready to address any challenges as they occur.”

Riccall Village Institute

“Having the new ceiling and lighting installed has enhanced the whole building. The main room looks brighter, cleaner, warmer and bigger. We are not losing heat through holes in the ceiling, lighting is now LED – hence we hope this will reduce the energy cost for running the building in the long run.

Now the room looks better we have had an increase in bookings – this enables us to keep prices reasonable and maintain a high standard. We are now trying to promote the benefits for daytime use of the building.”

Selby Swans gymnastic Academy

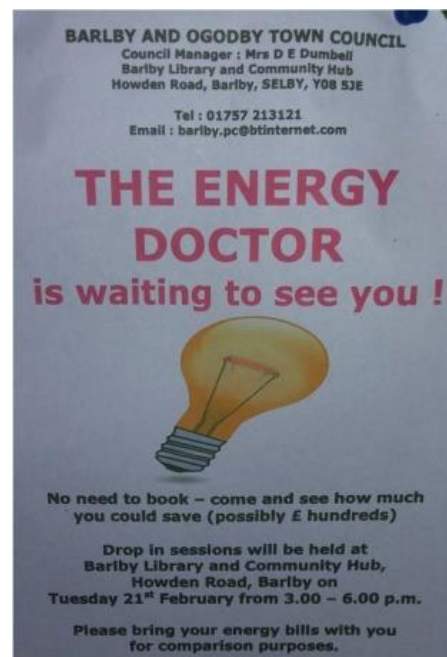
“CEF funding has helped us to fund more coaching hours a week to help us progress. We have added another day a week to our current day, enabling us to add another 65 children to our current 110 children.”

Yorkshire Energy Doctor CIC

“Energy Roadshows - the aim was to help people in the Eastern CEF area to save money on their energy bills and, by doing so, be better able to afford their heating costs and be warmer in their homes.

*Working with Parish Councils and other local organisations we have achieved our objective in delivering advice to households across all 16 villages. In total we have reached 227 residents and saved households **£12,311** by”:*

Action	Saving
Switching tariff	£7,167
Warm Home Discount applications	£1,540
Water bills	£1,205
Debt write-off (energy & water)	£2,399



Cawood Castle Garth Group received funding to develop a series of informative history events which has led to an increased number of participants, new volunteers and further discoveries regarding the rich heritage of the village.

North Duffield and Skipworth Playing Field association received funding for sports flood lighting and CCTV system, This has had a positive impact with no further vandalism or antisocial behaviour since it was installed. This has led to increased confidence in using the area after dusk.

Ryther Village Hall replace ceiling lights – reducing running costs making the hall more sustainable. The improved environment has led to an increase in the numbers of volunteers and community activities taking place.

The Bruff Club received funding to support the provision of an out of school childcare facility in Hemingbrough. There has been increased usage enabling ongoing viability of this much needed service.

Escrick & Deighton Social Club

“Replacing the dated existing kitchen with new modernised appliances in order to increase capacity and adhere to catering standards, in the hope of creating further opportunities to create funds for further community investment.

We are now in a position to begin planning and organising scheduled events for the community now that the renovations are complete. This will be greatly supported by the funds that we envisage will be raised from the additional use of the catering facilities.

The Club continues to be a venue for the successful Escrick Tea Shop. With the improved facilities, the ease of which they can provide a quality weekly event for those that are less capable of travelling outside of the village and is seen as a place of congregation and is open to all ages. Therefore, continuing to address our objective of helping those who are isolated in the surrounding area and is seen as a community hub.

Since the development of the kitchen refurbishment we have created a greater volunteer base which will allow us to extend our current events and thus generating further interest in the Club

itself. There has been a positive spirit within the local community of the Club continuing to a venue for socialising within the village that is family orientated and priced more affordably than other alternatives.”

Selby District Vision

“Our schools project has been a wonderful project for SDV and a great way to reach children and their families through the delivery of 10 primary school sessions. Covering visual awareness, eye health and the prevention message, highlighting how to reduce the risk of unnecessary blindness.

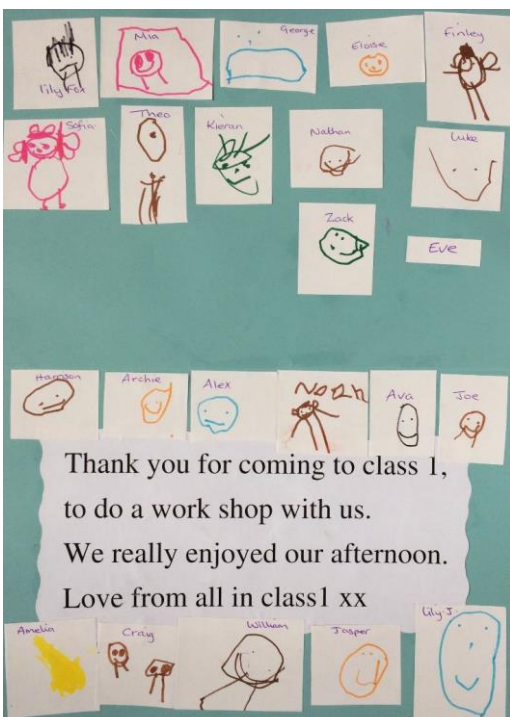
Across our 10 interactive sessions we have delivered workshops to 266 children, ranging from reception age to year 5’s. We also led an assembly at the first school we delivered to, reaching a further 72 children.

A carousel style workshop gave children a first-hand experience of what it might be like to be visually impaired. Practical exploration through challenges and activities, whilst blindfolded or using simulation spectacles, gave the children opportunities to learn about and explore the world of a visually impaired person. Group discussion and support within sessions also allowed time for educational information and questions.

“I liked making a playdough model with the blindfold on, but it was very hard and I had to feel the shapes instead of look at them” Craig age 5

“It has been a pleasure to have you at the school, delivering such a worthwhile opportunity for our children. Thank you.”
Headteacher, North Duffield School

“The children have been so engaged and your interactive session really inspired them and got us all thinking.”
Reception Class Teacher, Riccall School



This project has been extremely successful, and we plan to go on to use it to inform our future work. We have been liaising closely with the Selby District Disability Forum, who are currently running a pilot project to deliver ‘Disability Awareness Sessions’ in schools.

We have shared our learning and experiences from this Eastern CEF project and plan to work together to help them maximise the potential of their pilot and provide local disability awareness opportunities throughout the Selby District, incorporating visual awareness and the sight loss prevention message.”

Public Forums

During the year 4 public meetings have been held providing the opportunities for local 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.

Heritage Event July 2017

This was an exciting outdoor tour of the history of Cawood including the Castle and the Garth.

It also included information about their range of projects, what has been learnt and future events.

Community Developments In Escrick September 2017

This event highlighted the support received through the Eastern CEF and Selby District AVS that had brought local residents together to create a weekly Tea Shop.

We also heard about the developments of the Escrick and Deighton Club, who were redeveloping their kitchen with CEF funding.

Members of St Helens Church discussed their work securing Heritage Lottery funding and what impact this will have on improving access and celebrating the wealth of history within the building.

Developing Riccall Village Institute January 2018

This was an interactive workshop with local residents to explore ideas for the ongoing development of the community building.

Over 40 residents attended the event and shared their thoughts and opinions – many of which are being incorporated into new projects, funding applications and activities. Work has included setting up a community library including a children's area.

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

District Councillors

Cllr Liz Casling, Cllr John Cattanach, Cllr Jim Deans, Cllr Ian Reynolds

District / County Councillors

Cllr Karl Arthur, Cllr Steph Duckett, Cllr Mike Jordan, Cllr Richard Musgrave

County Councillors

Cllr Brian Marshall, Cllr Andrew Lee

Community Activists

Howard Adamson, John Cook, Mike Cowling, Brian Keen, Gillian Little, Bob Procter, Lesley Senior, Kate Urwin

2018-19 Focus

Our plan is to develop a year long programme of events visiting different parts of our CEF area, by planning a years' worth of events in advance we will be able to maximise publicity and utilise local networks.

We have funded a series of community activities including craft activities, historical events and day events for young people. These will be happening at different locations across the area. Further information can be found on our CEF website.

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

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 cefsadmin@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.

The poster features a red header with the text 'Eastern Community Engagement Forum'. Below this, the word 'Opportunities' is written in a large, stylized red font, followed by 'Riccall Village Institute' in a smaller red font. The background of the poster shows a brick building with a green sign that reads 'Where & When?'. A green circular badge on the right side of the poster says 'Free Food and Refreshments'. The text on the poster includes: 'This event include a consultation workshop on how to further develop the Institute to address the needs and ideas of local residents. There have been a range of suggestions made. We need your input before agreeing final plans and funding applications.' and '6.30pm Wednesday 31st January 2018 Riccall Village Institute 12 Station Road, Riccall, YO19 6QJ'. At the bottom, it says 'Also the opportunity to speak to your Councillors, staff from Selby District Council, North Yorkshire Highways, North Yorkshire Police, and other Community and Voluntary Organisations' and 'We provide funding for community groups and organisations to find out more please visit: <http://www.selby.gov.uk/cefs/funding>'. The bottom right corner features the 'Eastern Area' logo with the tagline 'Your Community'.

