



Annual Report 2017/2018

1. What is the report for?

This report aims to update residents of the Selby Big Local area on what has been happening over the last year.

2. A quick reminder about what Selby Big Local is all about

In December 2012 part of Selby Town was chosen to benefit from Big Local national Lottery funding. Selby's Big Local area includes Flaxley Road and Abbots Road estates and part of the town centre. Big Local is about giving residents the chance to take action to make the changes which they want in their local area with £1m made available to spend over 10 years.

Before areas can start spending they need to establish a Partnership of at least eight members and residents must make up at least 51% of the Partnership. Once Selby Big Local Partnership had been established our first Community Action Plan was developed covering 2015-17. The Plan had 4 priority areas:

- Community Involvement and Participation
- Health and Wellbeing
- Opportunities for Young People
- Employment, Skills and Training

This report will describe some of our main achievements over the last year of that first plan.

We have now had our second plan approved for 2018-20.

For more information please visit our website www.selbybiglocal.org.uk

3. What have we been doing?

Community Involvement and Participation

Selby Community Choir continues to meet every two weeks at the Church at the Crossroads on Petre Avenue and gives regular public performances. The choir is for everyone, with no scary auditions, and has over 30 members. Members contribute £1 per session to cover refreshment costs.

We have continued to support three community groups initially funded by the People's Health Trust. Two were focussed on helping older people gain IT skills and one was a collaboration with Citizen's Advice to help Eastern European residents access specialist advice.

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Through our grant programme, this year £4000 was awarded towards the costs of the Creative Café run by Magnetic Arts and Brighter Futures to support mental wellbeing. We also awarded small grants to the Friends of The Unicorn Pub towards the costs of their summer beer festival, Dementia Forward and the Selby District Rail Users Group.

The Partnership is keen to improve access to community buildings, particularly in the Flaxley Road area. We have made an offer which has been accepted on a property in Flaxley Road and are going through all the processes needed before contracts are signed and money changes hands but we are very hopeful that we will have a community centre established during our next plan period.

During the latter part of 2017 and early 2018 we were reviewing our first Plan and preparing our next Community Action Plan. We held drop in events at Selby Library and the Summit and a public meeting at Selby Town Hall to make sure we got plenty of feedback from local residents.

Health and Wellbeing

We have helped Selby Foodbank to publicise their activities more widely to help them attract more support and ensure people know that they are there to help.

We have been working with Community First Credit Union to recruit and employ a part-time outreach worker in the Selby Big Local area. We have now interviewed for the post and Neill Taylor will soon be providing access to credit union savings and loan services in Selby town.

Selby Big Local is a partner in Selby Health Matters and we are working in partnership with Selby District Council to develop a service user-led Selby Mental Health Forum. In January 2018 Selby Big Local hosted a workshop event 'Taking an asset-based approach to health: opportunities for community-led activity in Selby'. This was well attended by a range of local stakeholders and organisations and we will be developing ideas from this day over the next plan period.

Opportunities for Young People

A major piece of work has been the production of a film by young people from Selby Big Local area working with a local film company, Inspired Youth. The film, 'We are Selby' premiered at Selby's Globe Cinema on 24 November 2017 and has led to the young people having further discussions with local councils about their hopes and concerns. The film can be watched on You Tube here:

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Employment, Skills and Training

Our Big Aspirations programme has been delivered for the first time in our three primary schools: Barwic Parade Community Primary School, Selby Community Primary School and Selby Abbey C of E Primary School. The aim is to raise pupils' confidence and aspirations around work and career possibilities as they move onto high school and support the development of life skills. This programme is being delivered by NYBEP Ltd and supported by Selby College.

4. Selby Big Local Partnership

Selby Big Local Partnership was endorsed by Local Trust in January 2016. At least 51% of the Partnership must be residents of the Selby Big Local area but we are keen for resident membership to be well above that minimum to ensure that local people really do have ownership of Selby Big Local. However, it is also good to have representation from other groups and individuals working in the area who can help make things happen so the Partnership has invited membership from Selby Town Council, Selby District Council, North Yorkshire County Council and Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles. We are supported by a Local Trust representative and by our Local Trusted Organisation, Selby District AVS, who manage the money for us and employ our staff.

The table below shows Partnership membership for the 2017/18 period:

Selby Big Local Partnership members		
Name	Status	Organisation (if applicable)
Tom Jenkinson	Interim Chair	North Yorkshire County Council
Anne Riley	Resident, Treasurer	
Kevin Riley	Resident	
Richard Cooke	Resident	
Charlotte Thiell	Resident	
Mollie Hanks	Resident	
Brenda Griffiths	Resident	
Keith Watkins	Resident	
Mel Graham	Resident	
Melanie Davis		Selby Town Council
Caroline Townsend		North Yorkshire County Council
Angela Crossland		Selby District Council
Heather Kennedy (part year: Heather no longer works for IHL)		Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
Tony Appleton		Local Trusted Organisation- Selby District AVS

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We hope to welcome some new Partnership Board members at our AGM in June 2018.

Guidance and support to the Partnership provided by:

- Tony Herrmann - Big Local Representative
- Ruth Tiernan - Community Development Worker
- Bryony Boyle - Partnership and Projects Support Worker

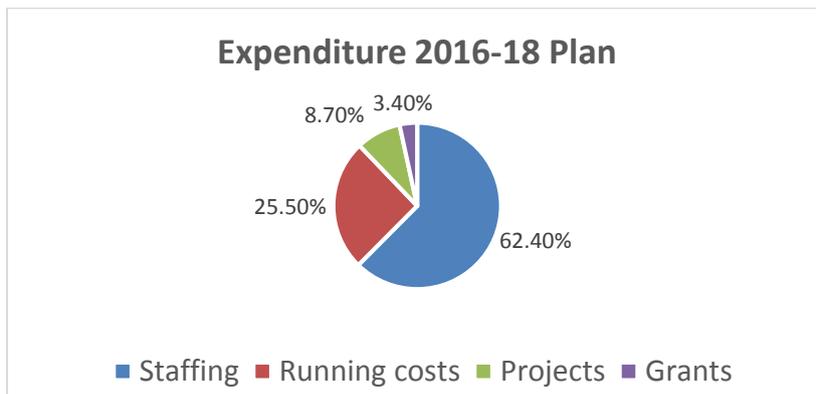
Big Local provides some great opportunities to improve knowledge and skills with free access to some brilliant training sessions and courses for residents. One Partnership member has taken part in a residential training course and we went through some great shared learning as we reviewed the last two years and prepared our new plan.

Residents are welcome to come along to Partnership meetings which are monthly at the moment. We carry out formal election of Partnership members at the AGM but people can get involved at any stage of the year. There will be more and more ways to get involved in Selby Big Local over the next few years even if being part of the Partnership itself doesn't appeal.

4. Accounts

Selby District AVS is our Locally Trusted Organization (LTO) which provides organisational support to Selby Big Local Partnership. Selby District AVS administer the financial systems for the budget and spend allocated to Selby Big Local Partnership although it is the Partnership which decides on how to spend the money.

Our budget for the 2016-18 Community Plan was £295,440 of which £163,296.92 was spent. This represents 16.3% of our original £1million Big Local grant. Below is a summary of our expenditure and the accounts showing detailed spend over the full 2016-18 plan period.



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	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE TO DATE	%	BALANCE
Partnership running costs				
Staff - general				
Recruitment costs	1,000.00	1,039.65	104.0%	-39.65
Laptop/phones	540.00	556.63	103.1%	-16.63
Community Development Worker				
Salary	52,000.00	61,358.94	118.0%	-9,358.94
On-costs	13,000.00	12,759.03	98.1%	240.97
External supervision	2,600.00	473.00	18.2%	2,127.00
Partnership & Projects Support Worker				
Salary	20,800.00	16,484.13	79.3%	4,315.87
On costs	4,000.00	4,442.38	111.1%	-442.38
Consultancy				
Community Skills Consultant	5,000.00	0.00	0.0%	5,000.00
Unforeseen staffing/consultancy	15,000.00	4,789.50	31.9%	10,210.50
STAFFING TOTAL	113,940.00	101,903.26	89.4%	12,036.74
Communications & marketing	20,000.00	14,358.25	71.8%	5,641.75
Running costs	20,000.00	27,228.20	136.1%	-7,228.20
PARTNERSHIP RUNNING COSTS TOTAL	153,940.00	143,489.71	93.2%	10,450.29
Procurement				
Community Development Budget	50,000.00	8,163.70	16.3%	41,836.30
Primary Schools Partnership	7,500.00	4,319.32	57.6%	3,180.68
Mentoring for Young People	10,000.00	0.00	0.0%	10,000.00
Community Wellbeing Projects	10,000.00	503.25	5.0%	9,496.75
Foodbanks/Community Cafes	5,000.00	1,176.55	23.5%	3,823.45
Outdoor Community Spaces	2,000.00	5.00	0.3%	1,995.00
Approaches to Mental Health	10,000.00	71.00	0.7%	9,929.00
Mentoring/Support into Education and Work	5,000.00	0.00	0.0%	5,000.00
PROCUREMENT TOTAL	99,500.00	14,238.82	14.3%	85,261.18
Grants				
You Choose	22,000.00	4,167.00	18.9%	17,833.00
Grab a Grant	10,000.00	1,401.39	14.0%	8,598.61
Existing youth provision	10,000.00	0.00	0.0%	10,000.00
GRANTS TOTAL	42,000.00	5,568.39	13.3%	36,431.61
2 YEAR TOTAL	£295,440.00	£163,296.92	55.3%	£132,143.08

Our LTO, Selby District AVS receives a 5% contribution (of our expenditure) towards Big Local running costs and grant administration, it is paid by Local Trust and does not come out of the Selby Big Local grant.

5. What next?

We will be working hard over the next two years to deliver our Community Action Plan for 2018-2020. Our engagement with local people and groups as we prepared the plan confirmed that we need to focus on the same priority areas but we need to raise awareness of our activities and support more residents to get involved. We hope that as more projects get going that will start to happen but we decided that we

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still need support from employed workers. Bryony Boyle is our Selby Big Local Coordinator who will help us to plan and deliver projects including choosing delivery partners where we need them and helping us understand and measure how well we are doing in the aim to make Selby Big Local area an even better place in which to live and work. Bryony also supports the Partnership and leads on our communications. Ruth Tiernan is our Community Development Worker and will be out and about to find out what ideas people have which Big Local can help with and trying to find people who might like to get more involved in activities or perhaps just want to meet more people and start sharing ideas about making Selby even better.

We have funded Community First Credit Union to appoint an Outreach Worker, Neil Taylor, to give residents better access to Credit Union savings accounts and loans. The Credit Union can also help people get white goods and furniture at affordable cost which we think will be very helpful for those crisis points when the cooker breaks just before Christmas or the washer breaks when a family has just had a new baby. We will be working with Neill to get him set up in two or three local community venues and will be helping him publicise the Credit Union.

Having had an offer accepted to purchase 58 Flaxley Road we are working very hard getting surveys done and identifying costs to refurbish the building as a community centre. We think that having a building which residents can use to deliver activities they want or just as a safe meeting place will be a really great achievement but as with buying a house there is a lot to work through before contracts are exchanged!

As Ruth gets out and about working with residents to develop project or activity ideas we will be able to use funding to make some – or perhaps all – of these happen. In particular, we hoping to get arts and sports projects going to help bring people together.

Young people continue to be a priority and we will be holding an event to learn more about good work going on in other places to provide mentoring or other support to young people. We will continue to talk to the young people who were the stars of the “We are Selby” film as well as with other young people when we look at setting up projects and activities to empower them to be agents of change and to support them as they grow towards adulthood.

We are continuing our “Big Aspirations” programme in our three primary schools and will be celebrating the success of the first year at an event Selby Abbey on the 29th June. We will also be looking to bring a piece of unused land by St James’ Church into community use.

We will continue to work with Selby Health Matters to make people more aware of activities and opportunities already available locally to help them stay both physically and mentally well and we’ll look at developing new activities if residents tell us there

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are things they think would help them manage their own health better. We are building our relationship with local GP practices as key trusted organisations for the community.

We will be getting some help to understand what opportunities there already are in our area for people to improve their skills and get work as well as finding out what challenges there are. If we find things that could be changed to make things better we will work with local organisations to try to get those changes made.

Thank you for your interest and we hope that you will keep in touch and get involved in something which Selby Big Local is doing!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "T. S. Jenkinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'T'.

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