

Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partnership

January 2016

Money management, 1st November 2015 to 31st December 2015

1. Background

1.1. Oldham CAB delivers debt advice sessions on a weekly basis in the Failsworth and Hollinwood District. These sessions alternate weekly between Failsworth Town Hall and Limehurst Library, complementing CAB sessions funded by Oldham Council that also alternate weekly ensuring weekly provision in both.

2. Performance

- 2.1. For the months of November and December we have helped a total of 81 people. This is made up of 39 in Failsworth and 42 in Limehurst. This is the first time demand in Hollinwood has been higher than in Failsworth.
- 2.2. The amount of debt rescheduled for this 3 month period is £18,740. The additional income raised through identifying eligible benefit payments totalled £39,235.

3. Further development

We have been told that the activation of the Freephone access to our Adviceline service in libraries has been delayed and will have been done by Unity by the 18th January 2016. This will ensure free access to from Monday to Friday (possible future extension to Evenings and weekends) within their community and fit seamlessly with the face to face service that will be focused on those that require more complex support.