



# Why promote physical activity?

- Wide ranging health and social benefits
- Directly contributes to 1 in 6 deaths in the UK
- Half of women and a third of men are not active enough for good health
- 22% of adults in Bucks are inactive
- 32% boys and 48% girls are inactive
- A priority for the Health & Wellbeing Strategy



### **Active Bucks**

- Increase physical activity levels of Bucks residents
- Engaging communities to identify what physical activity communities want to participate in
- Utilising the role of members as community leaders
- Providing evidence based and best practice physical activity interventions which deliver the Bucks Physical Activity Strategy
- Develop activities that are sustained past the end of the

project





# **Community engagement**

- May September 2015
- To understand what residents wanted to participate in
- Over 3500 residents have been engaged
- 70% of those were not achieving recommended activity levels
- Countywide recommendations
- LAF level recommendations
- 25 Community Champions recruited so far...







## Local decision making

- Local Area Forums (LAFs) have played an active role:
  - Engaging residents
  - Reviewing recommendations
  - Deciding which activities to commission for their area
- The second year of activities chosen by LAFs are starting between January and March 2017.
- Activities are also being delivered that have been commissioned countywide





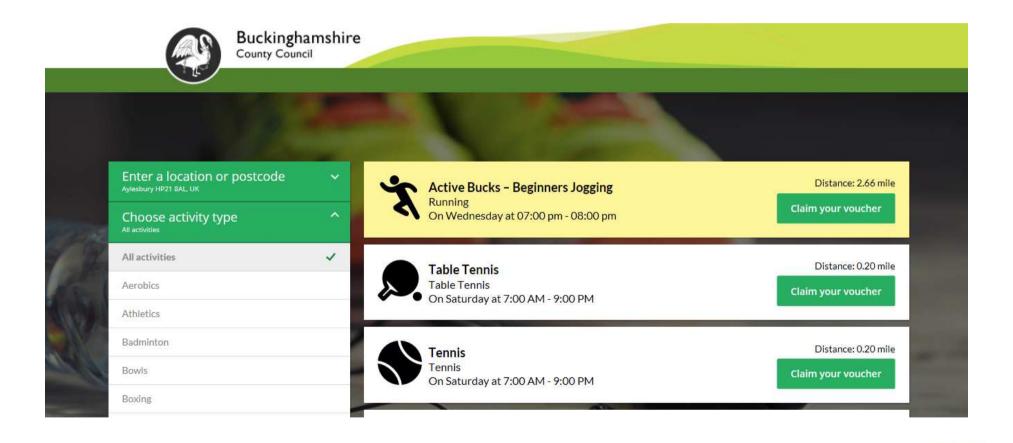


### Some of the activities....

Dance Junior Park Run Social Ballroom Dog Agility Bushcraft Walking Fire fit Quidditch Walk/Jog/Run Live Action **Handball** Role Play Cage Cricket **Buggy Fit** Gardening **NERF Games** Flag Football **Dads and Toddlers Photography** 



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- Launched in June 2016
- Activity Search
- Over 2500 activities across the county offering a first session free, including Active Bucks activities.
- Search for an activity you enjoy within 20 minutes of home/work on a day/time that suits
- 15,000 unique users
- Over 800 vouchers downloaded





#### Results so far.....

- First 6 months of a 17 month programme of activities (May – November 16)
- 49 six month programmes of weekly activity
- 71% of these have been sustained past the end of the funded period
- Over 1750 unique participants
- Over 10,000 attendances
- 79% of participants were not achieving recommended levels of activity at registration
- 39% of participants were inactive



## What residents think....





# **Next Steps**

- Next phase of activity starting January – March 2017
- Activity delivery will complete in September 2017
- Full evaluation report expected February 2018
- Continue to support the promotion of Active Bucks to residents





