



Buckinghamshire Council Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board held on Thursday 24 September 2020 in MS Teams Virtual Meeting, commencing at 7.00 pm and concluding at 8.50 pm

Members present

C Adams, J Brandis, C Branston, B Foster, C Harriss, D Lyons, M Rand and A Waite

Others in attendance

Mr M Bale, P Batting, C Beevers, K Birkby, Ms C Cozens, Mr R Evans, Mr A Eveleigh, Mr R Floud, Mr P Gaskin, Gilbert, Mr A Gordon, Mr P Harper, Ms E Hassall, Ms D Holmes, Mr J Horn, K Ironside, Mr J Knox, Ms B Kolbert, Sgt D Kuttner, Mr J Lewis, Mr K Manuchehri, Mr K Milmer, Mr J Mole, Mr N Morgan, Mr N Payne, Mr D Proctor, Ms S Pusey, Ms K Shaw, Ms T Skates, Mr R Sloan, Mr C Swatton, Mr P Thomas, Mr D Truesdale and Mr M Usherwood

Agenda Item

1 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and ran over the basic etiquette for the meeting.

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllr A Powell, Cllr A MacPhearson, Mr K Brown and Ms A Cass.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were none

4 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on were **AGREED** as an accurate record.

5 Community Board address by Martin Tett, Leader of the Council

A video address was made from the Leader of the Council, Mr M Tett.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f0i722j79hw&feature=youtu.be>

6 Action Plan and Sub Group Updates

Ms E Hassall, Community Board Coordinator, Buckinghamshire Council gave an overview of the presentation appended to the minutes.

The Chairman of the sub-groups introduced themselves to the Board:

- Social Isolation and needs of the most vulnerable- Mr A Waite, Buckinghamshire Council
- Environment and Green spaces- Mr P Irwin, Buckinghamshire Council- Environment & Green spaces.
- Highways and Road Safety- Mr K Birkby,
- Freight Steering Group- Mr M Bale -
- Cycling and Walking- Mr D Truesdale-

It was requested that anyone interested in inputting into the sub groups to contact Ms E Hassall.

ACTION: All Community Board Members

7 Thames Valley Police

Sgt D Kuttner gave an overview of the presentation and notes appended to the minutes.

To confirm if any feedback following the change of speed limit at Scottsgrove as to how successful it had been.

ACTION: Sgt D Kuttner

Any outstanding questions that were missed would be picked up and responded to from the chat offline.

ACTION: Ms E Hassall

8 Transport Funding Applications

Ms E Hassall gave an overview of the report appended to the minutes.

As of next year, there would be an online application form for all funding schemes, the link to the form would be sent out.

ACTION: Ms E Hassall

It was confirmed the deadline for submitting transport scheme applications was 31 October 2020.

There was an in-depth discussion on both funding applications, they were resolved as follows.

Resolved:

The two funding applications were not supported by Buckinghamshire Council, Councillors in their current form.

Haddenham and Long Crendon Waiting Restrictions- The Parish Council were asked to conduct a wider consultation other than with affected residents

Marsh Gibbon Speed Limit Reduction- The Parish Council would not be in a position to fund implementation of any proposals.

9 Community Matters

Cllr C Branston wanted to provide an update on Unity House but had to excuse himself from the meeting. This would be a further update deferred to the November meeting.

Cllr C Harriss gave a brief update on the Unity House Health Centre. The support of the Community Board was required for the representation. Cllr Harriss agreed to have an offline conversation with Cllr G Williams and Cllr A Macpherson as the correct Cabinet Members for the matter and then to follow up with the community board following the discussions.

ACTION: Cllr C Harriss

10 Getting Local People Involved

Members were asked to spread the word locally about the community board and to ensure to get all involved locally.

ACTION: All Members

11 Topics for Future Consideration

There were no topics provided.

12 Date of Next Meeting

25 November 2020, 7-8.30pm.

MS Teams Virtual Meeting

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Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Board Report

**Thursday 24th September
2020**

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Coordinator

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What we have been doing

Since our first Board meeting two months ago, a lot has been achieved in this relatively short space of time, which inspires us as to what can be accomplished in 6 to 9 months or a year from now.

Once our initial board priorities were agreed, we wasted no time in recruiting to 5 Sub Groups and now have Councillors, community groups and residents working together and it's not too late to join in.

Update on our Sub Group priorities

The priorities which we agreed were: Covid Recovery, Environment and Green Spaces, Highways and Road Safety and Travel and Transport

The following sub groups have now met and have established some initial actions. More information will be provided on these at our September Board meeting.

Addressing social isolation and the needs of the most vulnerable (Covid Recovery)

We appreciate that with social distancing still firmly in place, we are limited to how we can reach out safely to those who are isolated so the group had to look to non-contact support and two schemes which have demonstrated their effectiveness at reducing social isolation and supporting our most vulnerable are Street Associations and telephone befriending schemes.

There are currently only two [Street Associations](#) in our area: Ashendon and Westcott. The link provides more information about Street Associations.

We would love to hear from any individuals or organisations who might be interested in starting up or joining a current scheme in their area. We will be providing the opportunity to learn more about either scheme so please contact me if you are interested.

Highways and Road Safety

By far the most common issue appears to be that of speeding traffic or in some cases the perception of it. The first action of this group will be to conduct an audit of all parish councils on the issues they have and what interventions they are applying and their success rates. The findings of this audit will help inform discussion with key partners on what interventions work best in each situation and what realistic support parishes can expect from partners such as Thames Valley Police to enforce those measures.

Environment and Green Spaces

Although there were no single immediate issues to address, there was a collective agreement on the need to provide more opportunity to access a green space in walking distance from home.

We are fortunate in Bucks to have a number of specialist organisations such as [Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust](#), [Lindengate Social and Horticultural Therapy Charity](#) and the local [Nature Partnership for Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes](#) to offer support and expertise so we have contacted them with a view to providing a workshop to help identify some of the projects which could be explored such as Pocket parks, better recycling, planting wildlife corridors and attracting more insects and bees into our gardens. We are probably all aware by now about the strong connection between our mental health and access to nature and with more of us working from home, and connecting to this green resource on our own doorstep, we need to protect and enhance it wherever possible.

Cycling and Walking

Two schemes which have been ongoing for some considerable time are the Haddenham to Thame Greenway, which is an aspirational off-road walking and cycling route between Haddenham and Thame Parkway Station and Thame and the Haddenham to Aylesbury Greenway, building on the success of the Waddesdon Greenway. The first section of this Greenway was delivered in 2018.

The group first want to obtain a more detailed update on progress on both schemes. The group would also like to review Haddenham's Emergency Active Travel Scheme in due course.

Freight Steering Group (Travel and Transport)

Buckinghamshire Council has a countywide Freight Strategy and is applying its objectives to the Waddesdon area. Freight featured highly on the list of concerns for residents, particularly in small rural villages where drivers unfamiliar with local roads and keen to make up time appear to take to the most inappropriate routes causing damage to the environment and footpaths. In some instances, they are unable to manoeuvre out of the tight spot they have got into causing severe damage to trees and buildings.

The Steering Group recommendations will feed into the wider discussions around freight. With the county facing unprecedented levels of growth, there is a need to effectively manage the movement of freight in a way which supports the economy whilst protecting the local environment and communities.

The first objective of the Freight Steering Group is to provide some recommendations on alternative routes for HGVs within the 3 zones within the Waddesdon area and which cover most of our villages and rural routes. Some of this freight is also provided by HS2 and East-

West Rail and a further working group has been set up to deal specifically with issues relating to these two infrastructure schemes.

Funding

A press release went out on 8th September, launching our Community Board funding.

We have three funds:

Community Area priorities = £91,647. This will support local projects that will help improve outcomes for residents and that addresses our board priorities. We can allocate a maximum of 50% of this budget (£45,824) towards transport/highways projects.

Transport Schemes:

We have two schemes: Haddenham Parish Council and Marsh Gibbon Parish Council, who were put forward for consideration from the previous Local Area Forum. Details of these will be circulated for the Board to consider for funding. Schemes wishing to apply for funding for the 2021/22 financial year will need to apply for funding by 31st October 2020 and will be considered at the 5th November Board meeting.

Applications for the following funds can be made at any time throughout the year and decisions will be taken at the following community board meeting.

A Health and Wellbeing Fund = £26,310

This will support local projects that improve the health and wellbeing of residents.

Local Infrastructure fund = £78,681

This will support community infrastructure needs such as to support the upgrade of existing and/or physical and/or social amenities.

To find out how to get involved, to see the criteria for applying for funds or to put in an application visit www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-boards

The link to the online funding application is:

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-and-safety/improving-your-local-community/>

Attachments to follow:

Funding reports for:

Haddenham Parish Council – Waiting Restrictions

Marsh Gibbon Parish Council – Blackthorn Road Speed Reduction

Waddesdenham & Waddesdon Neighbourhood Team



**Inspector
Clare Farrow**



**Sergeant
David Kuttner**



**Police Constable
Tom Chalk**

2 PCs and 3/4 PCSOs based out of Waddesdon Police Base. They work a shift pattern.

In addition there are response officers who work on Buckingham & Aylesbury 24/7 & respond to emergencies across the Vale.



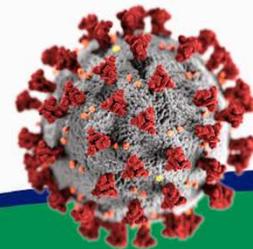
**PCSO
Denise Grayburn**



**PCSO
Ken Stephenson**



**PCSO
Danny Fahy**



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Speeding



Speedwatch is currently on hold due to COVID19. Roads Policing Acting Chief Insp Scott Long is in communication with Op Renew regarding when and how it can safely resume, but unfortunately there is no date decided as yet.

One of the main considerations is the safe reintroduction of the vetted volunteers that do the back office admin work. There has also had to be a review of the Speedwatch roadside activity risk assessment to ensure the safety of our Community Speedwatch volunteers in light of COVID19.

Speed Survey

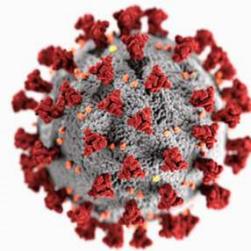
It is important to establish exactly what the problem is, as very often concerns are based on perception rather than fact. Local councils and Community Groups can request a speed survey from the Traffic Information Data Team at Transport for Buckinghamshire. The cost is £494.40 for a 7 day survey. Requests can be made by emailing fbtrafficinfo@buckscc.gov.uk or by phone on [01296 382 416](tel:01296382416).

If there is evidence of speeding or speed related collisions Parishes may [apply for a permanent or moveable vehicle activated speed camera \(VAS\)](#).

What have the local police been dealing with?



Burglaries



Covid-19



Fraud



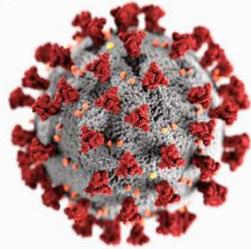
Drugs



Theft from Vehicles/
Thefts



Safeguarding
Domestic Abuse
Child Protection



From 14th September 2020 the rule of 6 was put in place.

There are certain exemptions to this rule which have been advertised.

TVP have an important role to play in helping to reduce transmission of the virus and will continue to police using our approach of **Engage**, **Explain, Encourage** and **Enforce** where required.

Local Priorities?



Drugs



Anti Social Behaviour



Fraud (online etc.)



Theft from Vehicle



Rural Crime



Burglaries

Reporting Crime/ Incidents to Police

999 – emergency incidents/ crimes in action or have just occurred e.g. can see people breaking into a building

101 – non emergency crimes/ incidents e.g. returned home and found shed broken into.

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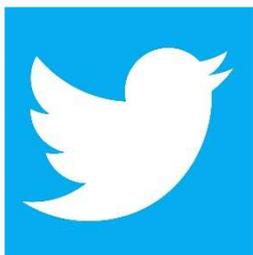
Report online - www.thamesvalley.police.uk/ro/report/ - non emergency crimes/ incidents as above.

Please encourage people to report incidents to us... if we don't know about crimes we can't do anything

Social Media



www.facebook.com/TVPAylesburyVale



twitter.com/tvp_aylesbury



<https://thamesvalleyalert.co.uk/>

Slide 1

The Haddenham & Waddesdon neighbourhood team is currently made up of 2 PCs and 3 PCSOs. They're based out of Waddesdon Police Base and all work a shift pattern. There is not 24 hour coverage from the neighbourhood team; however there are response officers who work out of Buckingham and Aylesbury 24/7 and respond to emergencies/ incidents across the Vale. Acting Inspector FARROW and Sergeant Kuttner are in charge of the Haddenham & Waddesdon team, as well as the teams which cover Winslow and Villages, Buckingham & Villages and Wing & Ivinghoe.

As of September, our Neighbourhood teams adjusted the areas which they cover to align with the new community board areas – this has caused some issues with regards to IT and some other practicalities; however we are getting there. The team have gained Berryfields, which was previously looked after by the Aylesbury North Team. There have also been some other boundary changes with the Buckingham & Villages team.

Issues :

Our neighbourhood PCs often called to support other areas/ operations.

Covid-19 hit the neighbourhood team hard – due to resilience levels across the force, all neighbourhood PCs were aligned to response teams, this left the PCSOs who were often required to respond to COVID breaches. We are now almost back to normal which is good!

Up until the beginning of this week, there was only one PC; however Dean KINGHAM (who used to work this neighbourhood has returned. This is mostly because the size of the area has increased.

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There is a warning that this data is not 100% accurate as TVPs computer systems have not caught up with the change in boundaries as part of the community boards, so some of this data may in fact overlap with other board areas such as Winslow and Villages.

Burglaries – 10 across the area since June 1st. 4 in Stone, 1 in Ickford, 1 in Worminghall, 1 in Kingsey, 1 in Chearsley, 1 in Oakley and 1 in Berryfields. 5 of these were shed breaks and three were garages.

Theft from Motor Vehicles – 6 across the area – 3 in Haddenham, 1 in Brill and 2 in Berryfields.

Thefts – 9 general thefts across the area. Nothing specific – from fuel to a ring doorbell.

Drugs – 3 possession 2 investigations into supply.

58 Domestic Incidents/ crimes (24 or these in Berryfields), 10 Adult Protections, 20 Child Protection, 14 Missing Person, 12 Frauds, 44 assaults, across the area since June.

We've also been dealing with COVID-19 breaches, although don't have the figures, reports of breaches has gone down.

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Waddesdon: Groups of youths alighting school bus in Waddesdon – littering, damage to trees, cannabis use. Patrols have been increased and the school has been notified.

Skate Park, School Lane Waddesdon. ASB/ drug use issues at the location. Deal bags have been found along with empty alcohol containers, some glass bottles have been smashed near to the children's play equipment. Increased patrols and a request made to the CCTV operator who have cameras covering the location to provide images for identification.

Berryfields Estate: ASB at Sainburys with youths loitering/ committing shopliftngs. NHPT are attending the location more frequently at school closing times and the school is being notified.

Berryfields skate parks (all) Reports from the parish council in regards to graffiti. NHPT patrols continue.

Moorcroft Lane, Berryfields. Reports of cannabis use at a block of flats.

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We've all heard about the new Covid-19 rules/ legislation that came into place. TVP received guidance from the college of policing about the practicality of this guidance. The gist of it is that we will continue to police using the engage, explain, encourage and enforce as a final option approach. This is a forever-changing picture so we are having to adapt to it as we go...

I expect that there will be an increase of reported breaches of covid rules; however don't expect it to replicate the amount of reports that we had during lockdown.

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The two priorities that I would like my team to focus on in the area are for them to prevent and reduce shed and garage burglaries, and to focus on rural crime (which is quite general but encompasses the theft of plant and machinery).