



Buckingham & Villages Community Board agenda

Date: Tuesday 12 October 2021

Time: 6.30 pm

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February TBC.

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Buckingham & Villages Community Board minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Buckingham & Villages Community Board held on Tuesday 29 June 2021 in MS Teams Virtual Meeting, commencing at 6.30 pm and concluding at 7.53 pm.

Committee members present

Cllr W Whyte (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr J Chilver (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr C Cornell (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr P Fealey (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr J Jordan (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr A Macpherson (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr H Mordue (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr A Osibogun (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr M Rand (Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr R Stuchbury (Buckinghamshire Council), T Cavendar (Buckingham Canal Society), T Connolly (Thornton), Cllr K Gittens (Calvert Parish Council), Cllr P Hardcastle (Maids Moreton Parish Council), R Edwards (Buckingham Society), Cllr J Harvey (Buckingham Town Council & AVALC), P Hodson (Buckingham Town Council), D Jones (Buckingham University), Cllr C Laurence (Thornborough Parish Council), Cllr T Lightfoot (Tingewick Parish Council), Cllr L O'Donoghue (Buckingham Town Council), Cllr J Riches (Middle Claydon Parish Council), R Scott (Foscote), Cllr R Sloan (Twyford Parish Council) and Cllr P Wright (East Claydon Parish Council)

Officers in attendance

S Adkins, M Dias, C Martin, S Turnbull, C Ward and A Williams

Agenda Item

1 Chairman's Welcome & Appointment of Vice-Chairman

The Chairman welcomed all attendees to the first meeting of the Community Board following the local elections in May and invited all Buckinghamshire Councillors to introduce themselves. The Chairman announced that Cllr P Fealey had been appointed Vice-Chairman of the Community Board.

The Chairman wanted the tone of the meeting to be informal so first name usage was encouraged however Cllr prefixes would be reflected in future minutes of the meetings.

An apology was read out by Mr M Dias, Localism Manager, on behalf of the previous Chairman, Mr C Clare. The apology read: *"I apologise for making an incorrect statement at the last meeting on 23 February: I was indeed aware that Cllr J Harvey had written to the Board on behalf of AVALC and was due to attend. However, I forgot this point during the meeting."*

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Mr C Clare. Cllr A Macpherson would arrive later in the meeting.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

4 Minutes/Actions from Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2021 were **AGREED** as an accurate record.

An update was given to the Community Board on homelessness as this had been requested at the last meeting. The Housing Team were happy to attend a future Community Board or Action Group meeting to explore homelessness further. There was also a brief update on Covid-19 and the vaccination programme.

5 Thames Valley Police Update

Marco Dias, Localism Manager, presented an update from the Thames Valley Police (TVP). The update included the number of reports of anti-social behaviour, burglaries and theft from motor vehicles over the past six months. The Buckingham and Villages Neighbourhood team was going to focus on anti-social behaviour and burglaries as priorities over the next few months.

TVP were not in attendance but had offered to answer questions raised at the meeting. The Chairman asked for questions and the following points were raised:-

- Parishes were concerned with vehicles speeding in the villages. Also the neighbourhood police team did not have a direct contact to Thames Valley Roads Policing teams which needed further investigation.
- Clarity on the Parish Councils placing of '20 is plenty' stickers within view of the highways in 30mph zones.
- Consideration of a 40mph zone being introduced on the Radclive Road between the roundabout and the bypass.
- Whether there had been an increase in the reporting of edible drug usage in the Community Board area.

These points would be referred to TVP for their response.

Action: Mr M Dias

Cllr R Stuchbury asked for an update on a 20 is plenty campaign application on Lacehill. It would be checked whether the application had been submitted and, if it had, the application's current status.

Action: Mr M Dias

The Community Board noted the update and would invite TVP to a future meeting.

6 **Review of 2020/21**

A presentation was given regarding the work of the Community Board during 2020/21. During the year the Community Board priorities had been:-

- Covid-19 Support and Economic Recovery
- Road Safety & Cycles
- Green Space and Communities
- Youth

Four Community Board meetings had taken place and five work groups had been established. 17 projects had been funded which amounted to around £40,000 being allocated which was 16% of the budget. The rest of the budget for 2020/21 had been carried over to 2021/22.

Some successful work from the Community Board last year included:-

- Supporting local voluntary organisations in response to Covid-19.
- Responding to flooding over the Christmas period.
- Partial funding a project entitled 'Sexual Assault and Abuse Support Service-Crisis Councillor' to enable victims of abuse to receive support. This was in response to an increase in referrals following the lockdowns.
- Establishing relationships between the Board and the community (e.g. Parishes and voluntary sector organisations).
- Contributing toward cross-board work (HS2/East-West Rail Working Group).

The Chairman thanked all those that had participated in the Board's working groups.

The Chairman added that the Section 19 Flood Investigation was still ongoing and would provide findings that the Community Board would review in future. All those impacted by the flooding were encouraged to submit their experiences into the investigation if they had not done so already. Cllr T Lightfoot updated that she had met with the River Thame Conservation Group and they had advised that specialist equipment may assist in Tingewick due to the number of listed buildings that had been impacted by flooding. The mobile flood van would be visiting Buckingham during the Summer and it would be investigated whether the van could visit other villages in north Buckinghamshire.

Action: Mr M Dias

Cllr R Sloan raised the issue of historic flooding in Twyford and it was suggested that the local Councillors discuss this outside the Community Board.

7 **Looking Forward to 2021/22**

There would be four Action Groups for the upcoming year and would be chaired as follows:-

- Improving the Environment – Cllr A Osibogun
- Transport and Highways – Cllr C Cornell

- Supporting Economic Recovery – Cllr W Whyte
- Youth – Cllr P Fealey

The Environment Action Group would consider any recommendations from the Section 19 Flood report once it was published. There was the possibility that future projects to assist with flooding may be funded through separate Council budgets or grants. £204,487 budget had been carried over from last year which meant that the total budget for 2021/22 was £434,687 (this included the carry over). There was no option to roll over any budget into 2022/23 so these monies had to be allocated by 31 March 2022. There was overall agreement that health initiatives would be welcomed in future applications.

8 Funding Update

The Community Board received a report which outlined an overview of the budget, a summary of funding applications and their status. Applications for Community Board funding had currently been closed but were scheduled to reopen on Wednesday 30 June. The application website would also contain the funding criteria for 2021/22 however the Community Board Coordinator could always be the first point of contact to discuss potential projects and how requirements could be met. The Community Board could also work on joint-funding projects with Parishes, voluntary sector organisations and the university.

Agreeing funding electronically had worked well in the last year to allow for rapid responses so this would continue. The Community Board would be emailed monthly (or as needed if time sensitive) to seek views on suitable applications received. There was also a small scale, flexible grants pot of up to £3,000 to fund small projects more swiftly. In response to Cllr R Stuchbury's question, Mr M Dias confirmed that applications would take between 4-6 weeks to be considered upon submission to allow due diligence checks, explore collaborative working possibilities and avoid any duplication.

Mr R Edwards provided feedback on his organisation having to spend on their project in order to claim the funds back through the Community Board application process. Mr M Dias confirmed that funds were normally paid in arrears so that evidence of the project's delivery could be seen. Flexibility was possible for smaller organisations or those with significant cash flow issues through payments in advance or split payments (e.g. quarterly). Cllr L O'Donoghue suggested circulating the funding criteria to all Parish and Town Council Clerks so that the message could be spread further.

Action: Mr M Dias

The Chairman encouraged attendees to share the funding process locally and encouraged them to look at the website when it is live: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-and-safety/improving-your-local-community/apply-community-board-funding/>

9 Community Matters & Pre Submitted Questions

One question had been submitted prior to the meeting:-

- a) **Community Board Coordinator Cover (Jacky Dale-Evans, Maids Moreton PC Clerk)** – There was an attempt to recruit during the Coordinator’s maternity leave however an appointment was not able to be made. In the short term, the role was being covered within the team whilst long term options were being considered.

A Council update on home to school transport would be circulated in the minutes.

Action: Mr C Ward

10 Date of Next Meeting

The next Community Board meeting would be in October.

The Action Groups would have dates circulated soon and it was hoped the Youth Action Group would meet before the Summer holidays commenced.

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Funding summary report

Buckingham and Villages Community Board

12 October 2021

This paper provides a summary of the funding applications received, considered, and approved this financial year.

Community Board Budget Overview

The table below details the current budget position for the Buckingham and Villages Community Board.

Budget	Allocated to date	Remaining budget
£434,130	£21,112	£413,018

Funding Applications Status Summary

Project funding under consideration: £130,432.92

Funding applications that have been received by the Buckingham and Villages Community Board and their current status are detailed in the table below.

Funding applications received				
Organisation	Project title and description	Requested Community Board Funding	Contributory funding	Status
East Botolph Claydon Parish Council	MVAS Unit	£2,327.30	£0	Sent to the Board for feedback
Buckingham Town Council	20mph Zone Feasibility Study	£10,359.78	£0	Sent to the Board for feedback
Tingewick Parish Council	Stage 1 and 2 of a new footway on Water Stratford Road, Tingewick. Stage 1: Feasibility Stage and Preliminary Designs,	£5,597.41	£5,597.41	Sent to the Board for feedback

	including trial holes. Stage 2: Detailed design and obtaining quotations			
Thornborough Parish Council	New floor for sports pavilion	£5,000	£0	Sent to the Board for feedback
East Botolph Claydon Parish Council	Refurbishment of the play area, which is now in need of a comprehensive overhaul in improving the structure, the wooden elements, and the paintwork on the equipment in the play area. Initial bid for funding £2,280 but have requested an additional £419.55 to repair the zip wire.	£2,699.55	£0	Sent to the Board for feedback
Thornborough Parish Council	Sir Harry Moore Sports Field and Pavilion Car Parking. When there is wet weather especially the ground becomes slippery and potentially dangerous. The Parish are therefore proposing to remedy this by resurfacing of the parking area at the pavilion	£33,170.92	£1,320	Sent to the Board for feedback
Buckingham School	Dropped Kerbs and Emergency Access: Buckingham School has a long-standing issue with cars parking in front of the entrance which does not allow vehicles to enter or exit. They have therefore requested to undertake a project to install dropped kerbs and emergency access outside the school	£19,439.97	£0	Due diligence stage

	which will deter road users from parking there			
East Botolph Claydon Parish Council	The Parish Council has identified an issue with a junction in the village and has requested funding for TfB to undertake a feasibility study to improve visibility and layout of junction on St Mary's Road	£4,855.29	£0	Sent to the Board for feedback
Buckingham Canal Society	Buckingham Canal Drainage Scheme.	£25,000	Tbc	Due diligence stage
Thornborough Parish Council	Upgrade of 15 streetlights to highly efficient LEDs street lighting.	£11,982.70	£310.10	Due diligence stage
Maids Moreton Parish Council	Curb implementation project. The Pavement on the edge of Southall and Avenue Road raised curb has dropped to the point where vehicles are driving out the verge on a regular basis, causing a huge mud hole to appear every winter. This causes issues as there is no pavement on this side of the road.	Tbc	£0	Application received for consideration - 2022/23 budget
Turweston Village	Refurbishment of Turweston Village Hall: Upgrading and refurbishing the village hall to provide access for all the community including the disabled.	£10,000	£20,000	Due diligence stage
Buckingham Canal Society	Burleigh Piece crossing on the A413 Buckingham bypass, to provide a safer crossing point by installing a	tbc	£0	Application received for consideration - 2022/23 budget

	pedestrian refuge at the A413 Buckingham Bypass near the Boughton Meadow School			
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Funding applications approved				
Organisation	Project title and description	Requested Community Board Funding	Contributory funding	Status
Athletic Sports & Social Club	Flood Crisis Funding – Buckingham Athletic Sports & Social Club	£1,230	£1,230	Funded
Buckingham Canal Society	Wildlife Cameras set up at the Buckingham Canal restored section at Bourton Meadow	£2,950.00	£750	Funded
Twyford Parish Council	Park and Gym Equipment Project: Introduction of a new outdoor gym facility, youth/adult users, refurbishment and upgrade of existing children's playground facility	£8,000	£53,328.00	Funded
Buckingham Youth Clubs	The Youth club plans to run three different trips over the summer holiday.	£2,220.00	£710	Funded
Action 4 Youth	Action 4 Youth is looking to pilot a 12 month 1:1 mentoring project aged 11-17 years from the Aylesbury Vale area	£6,711.60	Contributory funding from 5 other Community Boards	Funded
The Compassionate Friends	Support Group for Bereaved Parents: This funding would cover venue costs for the next year to give the charity 'breathing	£216	£340	Funded

	space' to find more a suitable longer-term meeting space			
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Applications not progressed

None

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Report to Buckingham & Villages Community Board

Date:	29/09/2021
Title:	Speed Limit Reduction - Tingewick Road, Buckingham
Relevant councillor(s):	Caroline Cornell, Patrick Feeley, Robin Stutchbury
Author and/or contact officer:	Nick Reading, Network Strategy Manager, TfB
Ward(s) affected:	Buckingham West
Recommendations:	Statutory Consultation to be undertaken.

1. Summary

- 1.1 Buckinghamshire Council have received a petition requesting a speed limit reduction to 30mph on the Tingewick Road, Buckingham. This response sets out the considerations made by Buckinghamshire Council in preparing its advice.

2. Background information

- 2.1 The Tingewick Road is a single carriageway road in both directions heading west out of the town of Buckingham. The section concerned with this petition is currently subject to a 50 mph speed limit, and extends from a point just west of the entrance to Tingewick Road Industrial Park, and travels a distance of approximately 730 m west to the roundabout with the A421 Buckingham Ring Road.
- 2.2 This section of Tingewick Road is currently subject to a 50 mph limit. Two new housing developments are being constructed either side of Tingewick Road which will change the road environment. There are two access road to the St Rumbolds housing development on the southern side of Tingewick Road and another development planned to the northern side.
- 2.3 As part of the planning application for the developments on Tingewick Road, the speed limit was to be reduced to 30 mph due to the change of use and road

environment. The new housing developments will bring increased vehicular traffic and pedestrian activity.

- 2.4 It has been noted from a recent site visit that two pedestrian refuges have been constructed near to the St Rumbolds housing development which appear to be open for public use despite Tingewick Road retaining its current 50 mph limit.
- 2.5 In evaluating the road for a lower speed limit, Buckinghamshire Council must consider relevant guidance. Requests for speed limit changes can only be formally consulted upon and implemented if they comply with the National Guidance on setting speed limits as set out in Department for Transport Circular 01/2013 'Setting local Speed Limits'.

Requests for speed limit changes must also be supported by the local community, and it is evident from this petition that support is available.

- 2.6 In view of the above, I'm please to advise a statutory consultation is due to commence in mid October 2021 and the publics views will be considered in relation to lowering the speed limit on Tingewick Road to 30 mph.
- 2.7 The consultation will run for 4 weeks. Once the consultation has concluded Buckinghamshire Council will review the findings and a final decision will be published.

3. Other options considered

- 3.1 None identified.

4. Legal and financial implications

- 4.1 None identified.

5. Corporate implications

- a) None identified

6. Local councillors & community boards consultation & views

- 6.1 N/A

7. Communication, engagement & further consultation

- 7.1 N/A.

8. Next steps and review

8.1 N/A

9. Background papers

Buckinghamshire Council follow Department of Transport Guidance when setting local speed limits. A copy of this guidance can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/setting-local-speed-limits/setting-local-speed-limits>

10. Your questions and views (for key decisions)

10.1 N/A

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