



High Wycombe Community Board agenda

Date: Wednesday 27 October 2021

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Via Ms Teams

Membership:

A Hussain (Chairman), A Alam, M Angell, M Ayub, S Barrett, K Bates, A Baughan, L Clarke OBE, T Green, S Guy, D Hayday, O Hayday, I Hussain, M Hussain JP, M Hussain, M Hussain, M Knight, S Raja, N Rana, M Smith, N Thomas, P Turner, J Wassell and K Wood

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To receive any declarations of interest		
4 PINE TREES PETITION (15 MINUTES)		9 - 14
5 RECOVERY & REGENERATION ACTION GROUP (40 MINUTES)		15 - 18
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Overview - Cllr Matt Knight, Mike Dean (10 mins)○ Financial insecurity – Gill Harding (10 mins)○ Food insecurity – Tejal Lovelock (10 mins)○ Town centre regeneration – Chris		

Woodman / Mike Dean (10 mins)

6 CHILTERN RAILWAY UPDATE (10 MINUTES)

(WILLIAM KNIGHTON)

7 COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATE (5 MINUTES)

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action plan, funding update, opportunities to visit groups and funded projects

8 COMMUNITY MATTERS (15 MINUTES)

- Questions
- Updated Public Health profile – Louise Hurst, Public Health
- Consultations

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed

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High Wycombe Community Board

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the High Wycombe Community Board held on Wednesday 14 July 2021 commencing at 6.30 pm and concluding at 8.05 pm via MS Teams

Members Present

A Alam, M Ayub, S Barrett, K Bates, A Baughan, L Clarke OBE, T Green, S Guy, O Hayday, A Hussain, I Hussain, M Hussain, M Hussain JP, M Knight, S Raja, N Rana, M Smith, N Thomas, P Turner, J Wassell and K Wood

Others Present:

Steve Gill, Emily Davis, Gehad Mursi, John Shaw, Penelope Tollitt.

Officers Present

David Sutherland, Nick Graham, Fay Ewing, Iram Malik, Andy Sherwood, Chris Steuart.

1 CHAIRMAN`S WELCOME (CLLR ARIF HUSSAIN)

The Chairman welcomed all those present to the first meeting of the new municipal year and stated that the Board`s two priorities would be economic regeneration and the environment.

2 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor D Hayday.

3 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Board held on 10 February 2021 be confirmed as a true record.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5 PETITIONS

The Pine Trees – Children`s Play Area Maintenance

The Board considered a petition presented by Steve Gill which requested that the Council reconsider its decision of denying support for the maintenance of the children`s play areas on the Pine Trees estate for the safety and wellbeing of the children of the community.

The petitioners wished to see the maintenance of the play area as part of the council tax revenue received from this housing area. It had been further suggested that this area may be covered by a maintenance company to which households already paid a fee and which could incur increased charges to all households on the estate. The presenter also asked that the Special Expenses budget also be explored as a possible option for the maintenance of the play area.

The officer recommendations had determined that maintenance for the area by the Council was not financially sustainable and that a commuted sum would need to be paid by the developer to cover the associated costs. This was in line with council planning policy.

In considering the petition, a member voiced his concern over covering the cost from the Special Expenses budget, as he felt that the residents within his ward would not wish to contribute an additional cost towards the maintenance of facilities in a similar estate to their own.

Following a brief discussion, it was agreed that the High Wycombe Town Committee would be best placed to consider the petition. Members agreed that the matter needed to be resolved and progressed quickly thereby bringing the play area back into use.

RESOLVED: That the Pine Trees Petition be referred to the High Wycombe Town Committee for further consideration and resolution.

Residents Parking Permits – Jubilee Rd Upper Green St, Oakridge Rd, Abercromby Ave.

A petition was submitted by residents which requested resident only parking areas in their streets. Since the introduction of resident parking schemes on other roads it had increased parking on these roads, which had impacted the elderly and those with mobility issues struggling to find spaces near their homes. In addition, it was also having an adverse effect on emergency services trying to gain access and had led to an increase in anti- social behaviour and littering.

The Members considered the report on the issues surrounding parking which recommended that an informal consultation be authorised to establish a fully audited response from residents, and one which took account of the surrounding areas, including a review of roads within A4010, A40 and the A404. The report stated that support for the use of CIL funds to commence the work would be welcomed.

Members were generally in support of the recommendations within the report, but stated that the review needed to go much further with a review across the whole town.

RESOLVED: That the Board agree the officer recommendations with a request for a review of parking across the whole town and for this to be discussed at the Local Infrastructure and Transport Action Group.

6 COMMUNITY BOARD ACHIEVEMENTS 2020/21 AND UPDATED PROCEDURES FOR 21/22

The Chairman presented some slides which highlighted the Board`s main achievements and activities over the past 12 months. The Board was also provided with an update on the current applications that were in the pipeline and that had been allocated funding.

In particular, it was emphasised that it was essential that the total amount of unused budget for the current year needed to be utilised and allocated to viable projects enabling residents to benefit. Members attention was drawn to the deadline for submission of transport applications by the end of September, and Members and the public were encouraged to identify any potential applications.

It was agreed that the presentation slides would be emailed to members for their information.

The Board also received an update from Action4Youth Project which received funding last year. Emily Davis and Gehad Mursi provided an explanation of developments they had put in place. The service offered a multi service drop-in centre and a range of activities for young people aged 13-18. The project would also be providing a service whereby any young person in receipt of free school meals could have access to a hot meal during the month from the 3 August.

7 IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

Environment & Climate Change Action Group

Penelope Tollitt provided an insight into the Bee Squared project which the Wycombe Environment group and High Wycombe Community Board was working on in collaboration with Hazlemere Parish Council. The aim of the project was to increase wildflowers to support biodiversity and pollinating insects. Wildflower seed was purchased, packed by volunteers and distributed across the town. The help of schools was also enlisted and packets of seed handed out through the children.

Members were also informed of some other projects currently under consideration including Solar Streets, which encouraged people to put solar panels on their roofs <https://solarstreets.co.uk/wycombe>. High Wycombe Community Board would encourage and support local householders in accessing schemes, like those on offer from The Green Group / IDDEA, that created bulk discount benefits. Similar projects had been well supported in Frome, Henley, Thame, Marlow and St Albans. The Board supported initiatives such as Solar Streets as a way to promote solar power and renewables to Wycombe residents.

For further information about renewable energy schemes and alternative providers please visit the Energy Saving Trust or Simple Energy Advice websites for Government endorsed advice. Please note that arrangements are with companies and householder directly. Buckinghamshire Council does not endorse any specific commercial product or service mentioned or advised on by any private company. The Board was requested to help promote such schemes and details of a launch event through their networks and contacts:

Launch Presentation and Q&A session via Zoom: [Thursday 22 July at 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm](#)

Register for the Presentation and Q&A session by clicking on the date above.

After registering you will receive a confirmation email with instructions on how to join the meeting.

If you have any questions please contact Info@SolarStreets.co.uk

Members attention was also drawn to the possible opening of a repair cafe in High Wycombe. This was an idea based on taking along a broken object and receiving help in repairing it. This helped to prevent items going to waste when they were repairable.

Conservation Project – John Shaw

The Board received an update from Chiltern Rangers who received Community Board funding last financial year to deliver conservation work in the unparished area. Chiltern Rangers had been working with local community volunteers at the Wycombe Almshouses to transform the grass areas into a wildflower area to increase biodiversity and support pollinating insects. In collaboration with local community groups e.g. Men in Sheds nest boxes for swifts and blue tits had been constructed and put up. Working with local artist Dan Wilson and local students a painting has been erected on the side of the Almshouses to draw attention to the work and provide information on the nesting birds. Cllr P Turner who managed the site at the Wycombe Almshouses expressed his thanks to the Community Board for funding the work, which not only benefitted the environment and biodiversity, but also contributed to the wellbeing of residents.

Environment Projects & Priorities

These priorities were highlighted by David Sutherland, including net zero carbon emissions by 2050, provision of electric vehicles, planting of half million trees and encouraging pollinators.

8 SERVICE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Stay Safe Protect Bucks

Members received an update on council wide matters of interest from the Service Director. Information was provided on the vaccination programme and that all adults over 18 could now get the vaccine which could be booked online. Pharmacists are now administering the vaccine rather than GP surgeries, with a number of drop in clinics continuing the service. Information was also made to the Health On the Move van which would be rolled out across Bucks in areas of low uptake. The van will commence on 24 July. In addition, Members were informed of Vaccine Voices training, which was a 90 minute online session.

Sat 24th July	10am-3pm	Wrights Meadow Centre, Wrights Meadow Road, High Wycombe, HP11 1SQ
Sun 25th July	10am-3pm	Green St Centre, Green Street, High Wycombe
Sun 1st Aug	10am-3pm	Castlefield Community Centre, Wycombe

Home to School Transport

Changes to the system were highlighted. As the current contract had ended it had provided an opportunity to review provision. This would now be undertaken by commercial bus operators who would sell tickets directly to the parents. There would also be some changes to the routes taken.

RESOLVED: That all the information contained within the slides be circulated

9 COMMUNITY MATTERS

RESOLVED: That written answers be provided regarding

- (a) reasons for the drop in the rate of vaccinations in Bucks
- (b) information on monies made available by the government for holiday clubs and food for the duration of the school holidays.

Active public consultations were highlighted and everyone was encouraged to complete the surveys <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/>

Can you help? - Local volunteering opportunities

The Buckinghamshire Volunteer Matching Service currently has a range of volunteer opportunities – from volunteer drivers, to befrienders, mentors and administrators – which are ready to be filled. Roles in High Wycombe Community Board area / countywide include:

- a) British Heart Foundation need help with answering the telephone, administration of warehouse organising at the national charity's store in High Wycombe (British Heart Foundation)
- b) Volunteer with Autism Bucks and facilitate monthly social groups in Aylesbury and High Wycombe for autistic adults and their families (Autism Bucks)
- c) Shopmobility are looking for volunteers to help with the free daily hire of scooters or wheelchairs to enable people with limited mobility to get around High Wycombe town centre (Shopmobility)
- d) Oasis Partnership are looking for volunteers to be Administrators, Art & Crafts volunteers, Activities and Catering Assistants needed in Chesham and High Wycombe (Oasis Partnership)

If you are 18+ years old and are interested in finding out more about the volunteer vacancies which are available in the local area and elsewhere in the county, visit [Buckinghamshire Volunteer Matching Service](#) to complete a short registration form (less than 2 minutes) or call 0300 111 1250.

Community Grow Project

The Grow it, Cook it, Eat it project has started at Desborough allotments and Micklefield Library

Please visit the [website](#) for further information and contact details to get involved. The briefing report will be circulated.

10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was anticipated that the next Board meeting would take place at the end of September/early October. This would be confirmed in due course

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Report to High Wycombe Community Board

Date:	27 October 2021
Title:	Petition report: Children’s Play Area Maintenance, The Pine Trees
Author and/or contact officer:	Sophie Payne / Andy Sherwood / Chris Steuart
Ward(s) affected:	Abbey Ward
Recommendations:	<p>That the Community Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. notes the feedback from the High Wycombe Town Committee in relation to the Petition. ii. notes that officers have, as requested, held further discussions with the developer, which have confirmed that the developer will not provide a commuted sum. iii. notes that the officer response to the Petition remains therefore that the children’s play areas in open spaces 7a and 7b at the Pine Trees should be maintained by and remain with the developer’s management company, which will maintain other elements of the site; and, iv. considers whether to (a) approve that response or (b) refer the matter to the Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure for consideration, who will take into account the views of the Board and the Town Committee in considering a decision on the adoption of the play areas/open space.
Reason for decision:	<p>It is not financially sustainable for the Council to take on the maintenance of play areas/open spaces in new developments without a ‘commuted sum’ being paid by the developer to cover the associated costs. This is in line with the Council’s policy as set out in its Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document. Follow-up discussions with the developer, Taylor Wimpey, have</p>

confirmed that they will not provide a commuted sum to the Council for the maintenance and management of the spaces.

1. Executive summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the meetings and discussions that have taken place in response to a petition received by Buckinghamshire Council in February 2021, as detailed below:-

Title: Childrens Play Area Maintenance , The Pine Trees

Statement:

We the undersigned petition the council to Reconsider its decision of denying support for the maintenance of the children's play areas on the Pine Trees estate for the safety and wellbeing of the children of this community.

Justification:

This is a petition for the local council to support and maintain the children's play areas on the Pine Trees estate as part of the council tax revenue they now receive from this relatively new housing area.

It has been suggested this area may be covered by a Maintenance Company, to which households already pay a fee. This may incur increased charges to all households on the estate.

A: This is not fair on households that do not use the area.

B: The areas are close to the school and open to public access, so not confined to the local residents.

C: The local council is already receiving further revenue from the council tax collections of the new estate.

2. Content of report

- 2.1 Following an initial discussion of the petition at the High Wycombe Community Board meeting on 14 July 2021, it was agreed that the matter should be referred to the High Wycombe Town Committee for further consideration.
- 2.2 A report was presented to the High Wycombe Town Committee meeting on 28 July 2021. The printed draft minutes of that meeting are set out below:

"PETITION REPORT - PINE TREES DAWS HILL

The Board considered a petition which requested that 'the Council reconsider its decision of denying support for the maintenance of the children's play areas on the Pine Trees estate for the safety and wellbeing of the children of the community'.

The petitioners wished to see the maintenance of the play area as part of the council tax revenue received from this housing area. It had been further suggested that this area may be covered by a maintenance company to which households already paid a fee and which could incur increased charges to all households on the estate. The presenter also asked that the Special Expenses budget also be explored as a possible option for the maintenance of the play area.

The officer recommendations had determined that maintenance for the area by the Council was not financially sustainable and that a commuted sum would need to be

paid by the developer to cover the associated costs. This was in line with council planning policy.

In considering the petition, at the Community Board meeting, some Members had expressed their concern over covering the cost from the Special Expenses budget, as he (sic) felt that the residents within his ward would not wish to contribute an additional cost towards the maintenance of facilities in a similar estate to their own. Following a brief discussion, it was agreed that the High Wycombe Town Committee would be best placed to consider the petition. Members agreed that the matter needed to be resolved and progressed quickly thereby bringing the play area back into use.

Members views were sought prior to the Board considering its own response to the petition at a future meeting.

The Presenting Officer provided detailed information on the background.

Members concurred in that swift action needed to be taken but that there was a wider long term issue which needed to be addressed with regards to access to play areas. A strategic overview needed to be adopted to ensure that organisations were held to account and that the Council had the appropriate control to enable it to have adequate facilities in place.

A Member proposed that Bucks Council, Planning and Legal Services establish discussions with Taylor Wimpey regarding the S106 payment which was silent in the 2013 Planning application about any commuted sum payable to the council for the management and maintenance of both the play area and parkland.

Following members' deliberations it was RESOLVED: That

(i) Officers consider initiating a discussion with Taylor Wimpey with a view to agreeing in principle a commuted sum for an appropriate period.

(ii) The report be noted and referred to the High Wycombe Community Board for its further consideration."

- 2.3 Since this meeting was held, Taylor Wimpey have opened up the play areas and they are now in use.
- 2.4 In line with the request from the Town Committee, discussions commenced with Taylor Wimpey to ascertain full details relating to the open spaces to be maintained, in order for officers to calculate and understand the potential costs involved in any transfer of the open spaces, and thereby the level of commuted sum that would need to be negotiated. (The appropriate commuted sum period was considered by Buckinghamshire Council to be 25 years, in accordance with current policy).
- 2.5 In August, officers wrote to Taylor Wimpey with a number of questions and points of clarification. Some of these are still outstanding at the time of writing and therefore it is difficult to provide an entirely accurate figure for the maintenance costs;

however based on the information already available and a further site visit, officers estimate this could reach in excess of £1m over a 25-year period.

- 2.6 On 26 August 2021, email correspondence was received from Taylor Wimpey advising that:

“Following an internal review we have concerns in regards to your proposals for a commuted sum to take the open space at Daws Hill from Taylor Wimpey West London.

The current S106 allows the transfer for the open space to be handed over to either the council or the management company and does not require a commuted sum to be paid for either. Taylor Wimpey West London will not be able to entertain a commuted sum route for the handover of the open spaces if this is the actual proposal from Buckinghamshire CC.”(sic)

- 2.7 A meeting was held on 8 September 2021 involving representatives from Taylor Wimpey and appropriate officers of Buckinghamshire Council from Culture, Sport & Leisure, Planning and Legal Services to discuss the issues. At that meeting, Taylor Wimpey confirmed they would not be able to provide a commuted sum which was in accordance with policy; they advised they might be able to secure approval from the Taylor Wimpey Board for a goodwill gesture, however this would be for a nominal amount.
- 2.8 In the absence of any prospect of a suitable level of commuted sum, the officer response to the Petition therefore remains that the children’s play areas in open spaces 7a and 7b at the Pine Trees should be maintained by and remain with the developer’s management company, which will maintain other elements of the site. Given the wider financial pressures described in the previous reports to the Community Board and Town Committee, the Council is not in a position to adopt additional open spaces and play areas linked to new housing developments without an appropriate level of financial contribution from the developers to use towards managing and maintaining these.

3. Other options considered

- 3.1 Contact with the highways team has confirmed that there is no potential for any highways funding within the legal agreement for the site to be redirected to open space.
- 3.2 There are insufficient funds within the High Wycombe Town Committee Special Expenses budget to cover the ongoing cost of the maintenance of these new play areas and open spaces, and limitations on how that budget can be allocated would prevent its use for this purpose in any event. In order to raise additional funds, the Town Committee would need to make a recommendation to Cabinet and then onto Council to raise additional funding through Council Tax which would, if approved, be

passed on to all residents in the area. Further, a special resolution of the Council would also be required to add this particular play area to the list of items capable of being funded by special expenses. Officers note the concerns raised by a Member of the High Wycombe Community Board at the meeting on 14 July 2021 *“over covering the cost from the Special Expenses budget, as he felt that the residents within his ward would not wish to contribute to an additional cost towards the maintenance of facilities in a similar estate to their own”*. Officers concur with this view; and there would also be concern that this would set a precedent for other similar open spaces created by developers, especially considering the levels of housing growth expected across the county.

- 3.3 The only other option available would therefore be to agree to the transfer to the Council of the play areas/open spaces without any commuted sum from the developer. As set out in the original petition response to the Community Board, this would not be financially sustainable; it does not align with the approach set out in the Council’s Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document, and risks creating a difficult precedent/inconsistency with other developments in the local area.

4. Next steps

- 4.1 The Community Board may either approve the officer response to the Petition, or refer the matter to the Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure for consideration, who will take into account the views of the Board and the Town Committee in considering a decision on the adoption of the play areas/open space.

5. Background papers

- 5.1 Report provided for High Wycombe Community Board meeting on 14 July 2021.
- 5.2 Report provided for High Wycombe Town Committee meeting on 28 July 2021.
- 5.3 Details of the planning application 13/05799/FULEA and associated documents, including the S106 agreement and the Open Space Management Plan, are available on the Council’s website.

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Community Board High Wycombe

Action Group: Recovery & Regeneration

Meeting date: 24 August 2021

ACTION NOTES

Present: Mazamal Hussain, Nathan Thomas, Arman Alam, Mike Dean, Colin Hingston, Chris Woodman, Arif Hussain, Fay Ewing, Joanne Cook, Jacqueline Ford, Rachel Mozley, Matt Knight, Rebecca Nutley, Mahboob Hussain, Melanie Williams, Trevor Snaith , Hannah Tomlin, Gill Harding, Amjad Iqbal, Shanti Priyalatha, Peter Maddox, Jo Belshaw,

Apologies: Lesley Clarke, Jacqueline Roberts, Charmaine Fife

No	Topic	Lead
1	<p>Welcome and Introductions Matt welcomed everyone to the Recovery and Regeneration action group meeting.</p>	Matt Knight
2	<p>Action Group Aims, Structure and Primary Focus Mike reiterated that the Recovery and Regeneration action group are a subgroup of the main High Wycombe Community Board. The aim of the Community Board is to link everyone together ie. stakeholders, residents, community groups, voluntary sector businesses and the council.</p> <p>Currently there are 40 different organisations that have been linked together.</p> <p>The aim of this group is to tackle the three main areas of focus; food inequality, financial insecurity, and economic regeneration.</p>	Mike Dean

<p>3</p>	<p>Initial Progress and Additional Support Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p><i>Food Inequality</i></p> <p>The first meeting for this group is on 6 September and will include organisations such as; The Community Fridge, Empower to Cook, Wycombe Food Hub and One Can Trust. These teams will be coming together to establish if there are any gaps in the current service and how they can address them? Also, to determine any obstacles to prevent them being able to continue to provide their support.</p> <p>Following the report by the University of Sheffield highlighting that High Wycombe has the worst food poverty in the country, the feeling is that a lot of people in this town are under the radar. The group need to get access to these people, and need to get the word out, that there is help available. This group are going to focus on the obstacles and service delivery at the moment and one of those obstacles is a lack of information about the real need.</p> <p>Action: Any councillor or organisation with information in more deprived areas to contact Fay or Rachel</p> <p>The map shows three measures of food insecurity for every local authority in the UK. Click on an area and the infobox has a link to a more detailed discussion of the methodology and the data is available open access.</p> <p>https://shefuni.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/interactivelegend/index.html?appid=8be0cd9e18904c258afd3c959d6fc4d7</p> <p><i>Financial Insecurity</i></p> <p>The Bucks Food Partnership group is now feeding into the Financial Insecurity Program. The pilot approach in High Wycombe is being tested. There are four strands to this;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Food inequality 2. Benefit access, advice and information, not just Universal Credit 3. Debt support 4. Return to work <p>Each of the strands has a lead which isn't within the authority, but the authority will work with the leads to understand and pull material together. Then every 3-4 weeks have a show and tell in terms of what is happening in these spaces.</p> 	<p>Mike Dean</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Economic Regeneration</i> One of the major issues that needs to be looked at is anti-social behaviour in the town and the impact that it is having on whether people want to come and visit. <p>The first step is a conference call on the 2 September, with the second in command of policing in the area, Gideon Springer and the Community Safety Team, Melanie Williams, Bidco and Jacqueline Ford. They will take an example of each of the issues and see what we can do to make a difference.</p> <p>Action: All – If anyone feels they are not involved, has a passion for any of these areas or has a solution for any of these problems contact Fay or Rachel</p> <p>Matt thanked Mike for his energy in connecting people together, making introductions, meeting people and for making a good basis for what the group are trying to do.</p>	
4	<p>Feedback and Agreed Actions</p> <p>Mahboob asked the question about CCTV being installed in parts of the town which are renowned for drug dealing, etc. The suggestion would be taken to the meeting on 2 September.</p> <p>Action: Matt to contact all the councillors allocated to the group to establish which of the smaller groups they would like to be involved in</p> <p>Trevor asked if data can be shared regarding food poverty, as he is aware of people that are in need who haven't been addressed by the council.</p> <p>This is the information that was sent from Megan at Sheffield https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffoundation.org.uk%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2021%2F03%2FFF_Impact-of-Covid_FINAL.pdf&data=04%7C01%7Cfay.ewing%40buckinghamshire.gov.uk%7C9e994ef424e24d0724f708d94d054798%7C7fb976b99e2848e180861ddabecf82a0%7C0%7C0%7C637625507903094707%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C0&sdata=3p5Md7csERmFpwWQRipC8Rmjfp9AdirgK5AmqSJULBM%3D&reserved=0</p> <p>Trevor also voiced his concerns about the parking near the ice cream parlours in Frogmore as this is causing traffic issues.</p>	All

<p>5</p>	<p>Urban Harvest</p> <p>This year they are looking to empower the local community to look at nature and also to look at food and the different routes, where people can go to access certain produce that would otherwise go to waste around their local areas.</p> <p>Urban Harvest and Grow Together have been working on a map/trails to publicise in the High Wycombe area, so that the public can access produce and fruits across the harvest season. Then looking at how they can empower people to look at preserving to prolong the life of any food that they may have grown themselves, have access to or have an abundance of.</p> <p>They would also look at how they can empower community groups to look at how they can empower their members, ie. Youth groups, special needs groups, to engage with other community groups to look at urban harvesting.</p>	<p>Rebecca Nutley</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Date of next meeting 21 September 2021: 1830-1930</p>	



Community Board High Wycombe

Funding summary report High Wycombe Community Board 27th October 2021

This paper provides a summary of the funding applications received, considered and approved since the last Community Board meeting on 14th July 2021

Community Board Budget Overview

The table below details the current budget position for the High Wycombe Community Board.

Community Board Fund 21/22	Allocated to date	Remaining budget as of 27 th October
£628,086.89	£286,387.32	£341,699.57

Funding Applications Status Summary

Funding applications that have been received by the High Wycombe Community Board and their current status are detailed in the table.

Agreed applications	
Community Friendly Fridge (approved pre-election)	£1,298.00
Action4Youth Safety Net / The Junction project (approved pre-election)	£40,000.00
Radio Ramadan Cllr Crisis Fund (approved pre-election)	£3,000.00
Mama Bee Open Door Project - Cllr Crisis Fund (approved pre-election)	£2,000.00
Wycombe Sound Radio Cllr Crisis Fund (approved pre-election)	£2,000.00
Transitions Aspire Youth Offending project	£4,000.00
Wycombe Youth Action #Backtogether project	£7,000.00
Youth Enquiry Service	£10,000.00
Bucks Open Weekend	£5,000.00
TfB Bassetsbury Lane and Chestnut Avenue	£4,773.29
TfB Micklefield Road	£6,875.32
TfB Hillview Road	£12,658.39
TfB Leas Close	£12,656.56
TfB Sheraton Drive bollards	£13,585.90
TfB Parsonage Close dropped kerb	£8,999.18
TfB Chippendale Close bollards	£12,696.89
TfB New Road pedestrian crossing	£9,165.17
TfB Bookerhill Road	£4,139.88

TfB Hicks Farm Rise	£22,906.52
WISE The Hive fencing	£18,000.00
Chiltern Rangers	£49,100.00
Hilltop Community Centre	£8,732.22
Buckinghamshire Libraries TheJunction@TheLibrary	£20,000.00
Chiltern Rangers & Wild Pear	£4,800.00
HWBIDCo	£3,000.00
Total allocated	£286,387.32
Remaining	£341,699.57
Pending applications	
7Roadlight Youth Development project	£6,152.31
OK Our Kids Mistakes and ladders	£5,000.00
Hairoun Day Centre	£10,000.00
Mental Health First Aid	£6,300.00
All Saints Church TBC	£0.00
Wycombe Arts Centre TBC	£0.00
Lighthouse Cressex	£11,600.00
Repair Café TBC	£500.00
Community Friendly Fridge Breakfast Club	£4,475.00
Wycombe Refugee Partnership	£0.00
Upper Thames Butterfly project	£0.00
Urban Harvest	£7,338.00
Karima Outdoor Gym Equipment	£40,000.00
Empower To Cook	£0.00
Wycombe Food Hub Multi Temp Van	£12,000.00
Seerah Today DVA project	£0.00
Aqeel Sports Development	£0.00
Wycombe Mind Hoarding Support Service	£15,000.00
Wycombe Homeless Connection	£9,661.00
P3 Hoarding Support Service TBC	£0.00
Wycombe Food Hub - Enchanted Wonderland	£9,992.00
Mama Bee - Open Door Community Projects	£40,000.00
Wycombe Food Hub - Food Vouchers	£24,000.00
Wycombe Refugee Partnership - Food Vouchers	£20,000.00
Wycombe Food Hub - Hot Food Provision	£9,450.00
Total pending	£231,468.31
Remaining if pending applications agreed	£110,231.26



Community Board High Wycombe

Action Group: Health & Wellbeing

Meeting date: 12 August 2021

ACTION NOTES

Present: Julia Wassell, Karen Bates, Fay Ewing, David Jones, Arif Hussain, Damon Venning, Arman Alam, Paul Turner, Melanie Smith, Emily Davis, Monica Bergh, Jacqueline Roberts, Amber Preen, Rebecca Nutley

Apologies:

No	Topic	Lead
1	Funding applications discussed at Mental Health and Community and Community Cohesion sub-groups which have been agreed to date – See attached Priorities meeting notes	Fay Ewing
2	<p>Outstanding priorities from Mental Health and Community and Community Cohesion sub-groups</p> <p><i>Timetable for action</i> - It was decided at the last meeting that there would be high profile, action-based health & wellbeing work by this action group led up by Arif and backed up by Julia with local activists and Buckinghamshire Councillors.</p> <p>The first event will be World Suicide Awareness Day on Friday 10th September in conjunction with BNU and will be on the High Street as BNU not properly opened up by that point. Event is from 10am – 1pm and will be backed up by the Samaritans. Arif and Karen volunteered to go along to support the event.</p>	Julia Wassell

	<p><i>South Bucks Hospice Butterfly House Hospice</i> – planning launch to raise awareness that their support is not just end of life care but starts from the day of diagnosis. Julia to link David Haggard at South Bucks Hospice with Fay.</p> <p><i>Young Minds Mental Health Day</i>, Friday 9 October. Working with Bucks University, CAMS and YES. This event will be held on the forecourt of the University. Volunteers to help on the day will be welcome. Contact Julia Julia.Wassell@buckinghamshire.gov.uk or Fay HWCB@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</p> <p><i>World Mental Health Day</i>, Saturday 10th October. Again, this event will be in the High Street. Volunteers to help on the day will be welcome. Contact Julia Julia.Wassell@buckinghamshire.gov.uk or Fay HWCB@buckinghamshire.gov.uk</p> <p><i>Macmillan World’s Biggest Coffee Morning 24th September</i> – Julia has organized coffee morning events with business and charities along Easton Street from 10am – 2pm. Arif /Lesley open event. Action: all to organise coffee morning if possible or promote with community groups</p> <p><i>ESOL Classes:</i> Annie to report in 3/4 weeks.</p> <p><i>The Art Trail:</i> Annie to report in 3/4 weeks.</p> <p><i>Feedback from young people about potential priorities</i> – consulting Benson from the Fitness Garden and Monica Bergh from Family Support Service.</p> <p><i>Black History Month:</i> Jacque Roberts is going to take this forward in October. SV2G have been confirming a lot of activities for Black History Month. SV2G have been given 2-year funding from People’s Health Trust and will update next time. Action: Jacque catch up with Fay and provide update at next meeting</p> <p><i>Festival of Mental Health and Wellbeing:</i> This will be held during November instead of October due to a key partner raising funds for Haiti. Event is delivered with a coalition of diversity groups. The Town Hall is a possible location for the event. Option to include NHS Health Checks were on the day.</p>	
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2	<p>New Identified Priorities for 2021/22</p> <p>The impact of long Covid; how can we support, with the help from NHS and support services, people at home with Covid-19 and those self-isolating. One idea was targeting certain areas of Wycombe with leaflets from the Community Board identifying where people could go to for help. Also, by using social media and local radio stations.</p> <p>Action: Fay to speak to Public Health regarding setting up another Covid briefing for early September and information about Long Covid support.</p> <p>First aid training; Could this be more readily available. Arif is taking this forward.</p> <p>Terminally ill residents and their carers.</p>	Julia Wassell
3	<p>Funding Applications Update</p> <p>Fay circulated the funding application from Buckinghamshire Libraries to the rest of the group</p>	Fay Ewing
4	<p>Funding Application from Buckinghamshire Libraries</p> <p>Please refer to the funding application which was circulated ahead of the meeting for comprehensive information about the funding application.</p> <p>The project is in partnership with Action for Youth. It will be a drop in (essentially a youth club) on the second floor of the library and will be available to any young person and staffed by A4Y between 4-9pm, seven days a week. It will have all the facilities that you would expect from a youth club, but the synergies in terms of the library service are that they already have a strong digital offer, so can promote the digital access that they have in terms of bibliotherapy, reading well, books that help wellbeing and mindfulness and the whole range of collections targeted specifically at young people.</p> <p>Together with A4Y they can create a drop in space and using the existing rooms in the library, can have a whole menu of programs and activities delivered by A4Y and by their partners and other providers in the High Wycombe area.</p> <p>Buckinghamshire Libraries are asking for funding of £20,000 for the project. Total cost is £40,000. £20,000 match funding has been</p>	David Jones/ Emily Davis

	<p>identified already. Potential to expand in the future into other libraries.</p> <p>Questions were asked and discussion took place about the Community Board allocating funding to a Council service. Library Service doesn't have the budget to fund this project. Capital funding would be required and falls below the threshold to be viable and considered by the council for capital scheme funding.</p> <p>The group unanimously supported the application but highlighted that this was a one off and the Community Board would not be setting a precedent by funding another Council project.</p>	
5	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>A timetable will be forwarded to the group shortly. Julia encouraged the group to go out and stimulate local organisations to come to the Action Group with what they think their needs are.</p>	
6	<p>Date of Next Meeting Thursday 30th September – 6.30pm</p>	



Community Board High Wycombe

Action Group: Environment and Climate Change

Meeting date: 6 September 2021

ACTION NOTES

Present: Sarfaraz Raja, Fay Ewing, John Shaw, Ellen Hawes, Marten Clarke, Maddy Howe, Imran Hussain, Philip Hynard, Nathan Thomas, Sally Jay, Karen Bates, Stephen Morton, Philip Hynard

Apologies: Lesley Clarke, Arif Hussain, Penelope Tollitt

No	Topic	Lead
1	Welcome Sarfaraz welcomed everyone to the meeting.	Sarfaraz Raja
2	Chiltern Ranges and Wild Pear (Sowing the Seeds to a Net Zero Carbon Buckinghamshire Project) This is a cross board project also working with the Beaconsfield & Chepping Wye and Amersham Community Boards. This project will be starting on the 23 September, working with schools and local community groups in each of these areas, and will involve taking people out into the local woodlands to collect lots of seeds. Chiltern Rangers will then be making large walk in cages so they can grow the seeds on to trees. There will be cages on the school's grounds so the children can look after and nurture the seeds into saplings. They also need to get other organisations in the local community to help them and then work hand in glove to grow them on and eventually plant them out into various projects. The seeds won't be ready to be planted out for 2-3 years, so this is a longer-term project.	John Shaw Chiltern Rangers

	<p>They are in the process of securing a piece of land locally to grow trees on a slightly larger scale, so as they have more requirement and projects, they can provide trees. With local people and volunteers to help grow and nurture them and then plant them out into wild and urban spaces. They will grow well because they are trees that already grow wild in the Chilterns.</p> <p>Sally enquired if Chiltern Rangers had approached all schools, or just a chosen few.</p> <p>In particular, being interested in all things Booker, she wondered about Booker Hill School. They were very enthusiastic about the Bee Squared seeds and have a couple of people interested in growing things and they were also holding classes in the woods at one time. Perhaps a good candidate for tree seedlings?</p>	
3	<p>Solar Streets and Heat Source Pump Installation Update Martin shared with the group his experience of having a heat source pump installed and explained they no longer have gas in the home and that it's all electric.</p> <p>He is currently looking to have solar panels installed and will share this with the group once the installation has taken place.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/domestic-renewable-heat-incentive</p> <p>Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) Help with renewable energy costs for homeowners and landlords through the RHI scheme www.gov.uk</p> <p>Ellen updated the group on Solar Streets. She has received some figures from the Green Group who run the Solar Street Scheme. They have received 48 enquiries about the Wycombe Solar Street Scheme during August. A second launch has not yet been scheduled, but there will be some more promotional activity. Eight quotations have currently been done with these resulting in installations being booked.</p>	Ellen Hawes/ Marten Clarke
4	<p>Repair Café Update This Saturday, 11 September at 10am</p>	Maddy Howe/ Fay Ewing

	Maddie is looking for some volunteers to help out at the Repair Café. Action: All - anyone is interested or knows of anyone who would be interested contact Maddie	
5	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Wycombe Environment are doing a litter pick during September. An email will be sent out to the mailing list inviting groups to inform us if they are doing a litter pick. We will be promoting how to get hold of/book the litter picking equipment. The link will be included on the Wycombe Environment web site so we can easily signpost people there.</p>	Sarfaraz Raja
6	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 4 October - 1845</p>	

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Community Board High Wycombe

High Wycombe Community Board Action Plan

- **Chairman:** Cllr Arif Hussain
- **Vice-Chairman:** Cllr Lesley Clarke OBE
- **Area covered:** Unparished area of High Wycombe
- **Population:** 75,449

This action plan sets out how the High Wycombe Community Board will work with the community to address local priorities and take action. The plan is a dynamic document and can be added to and amended as needed.

Aims:

- To develop good working relationships with the community to understand and address local issues
- To understand what is important to the community board area
- To develop action groups to explore key areas of focus and identify how to take action as a community
- To identify opportunities and projects that meet the community board priorities for funding
- To promote the community board and the community board fund to the local community and encourage engagement
- To support the council in delivering strategic priorities at a local level

Community Board action groups and priorities

- **Environment and climate change** (*council area of focus for 2021/22*)
 - Reduce energy consumption and explore alternative renewable solutions
 - Increase biodiversity and wildlife corridors – Distributing wildflower seeds and reducing verge and public green space mowing
 - Set up and deliver a repair café
 - Explore the development of Wycombe Resource Zone
 - Tree planting

- **Recovery and regeneration** (council area of focus for 2021/22)
 - Address and reduce food insecurity and need for long term support – working in partnership with Bucks Food Partnership and Wycombe Food Response Group
 - Address and reduce financial Insecurity as part of the financial insecurity pilot for debt prevention and advice
 - Town Centre regeneration including addressing and reducing anti-social behaviour to create a positive town centre environment

- **Health & wellbeing**
 - Raise awareness about and improve access to mental health support
 - Raise awareness around end of life hospice care and support
 - Identify impact of and support required for residents experiencing long Covid
 - Understand and work to reduce health inequalities
 - Celebrate and promote diversity and inclusion

- **Local infrastructure and transport**
 - Assess current transport scheme applications to be funded from 2021/22 budget
 - Assess new transport scheme applications to be funded from 2022/23 budget
 - Identify ways to deliver holistic transport solutions in the unparished area e.g. parking review

Aim	Action	Date/ Deadline	Lead	Progress update
Action Groups	Agree Chairman and Vice-Chairman Confirm meeting day / times Invite all members to join action groups Promote meeting dates via mailing list, newsletter and social media	5 th July 1 st November	Arif, Lesley, Fay Fay Arif, Lesley, Fay Fay	Completed Completed Completed To complete
Develop good working relationships with the community to understand and address local issues	Set up a newsletter and facebook page to ensure local residents and community groups are aware of community board activity and how to get involved	1 st Dec	Fay	Newsletter account set up. Newsletter to be circulated after October CB meeting. Facebook account in process with Comms
	Develop a communications and engagement plan	1 st December	Fay	Templates provided by Comms Plans
	Meetings with local VCS groups Identify smaller VCS groups who may need more support accessing the funding application process or those who have not yet been engaged with	Ongoing	Arif, Lesley, Fay	Ongoing meetings as part of general engagement and funding application process
	Engage with local publications / media to promote the work of the boards	Ongoing	Arif, Lesley, Fay Action group members	Promotion on Wycombe Sound Radio – Arif Hussain, Maddy Howe, Penelope Tollitt

Understand local issues	Using Local Area Profiles to identify need – add link to profile here Action group discussions to raise issues	Ongoing	All action groups	
		Ongoing - monthly	All action groups	
	Health inequalities work with Public Health	Ongoing initial discussion 30 th Sept	Health & Wellbeing action group	
	Using Public Health profile to identify areas of need – add link here	Ongoing	Health & Wellbeing action group Recovery and regeneration action group?	
Theme: Environment and climate change				
Understand local issues	Set up action group Invite key community groups			Completed Ongoing
	Hold a themed community board meeting			Completed 14 th July
	Address priorities listed above Insert link to most recent minutes to act as progress report	Ongoing	Environment and climate change action group and Wycombe Environment Fay	
Theme: Economic Recovery				
Understand local issues	Set up action group Invite key community groups			Completed Ongoing
	Hold a themed community board meeting			Delivering 27 th October

	Address priorities listed above Insert link to most recent minutes to act as progress report	Ongoing	Recovery & regeneration action group Fay	
Theme: Health & Wellbeing				
Understand local issues	Set up action group Invite key community groups			Completed Ongoing
	Hold a themed community board meeting			Delivering January 2022 date TBC
	Address priorities listed above Insert link to most recent minutes to act as progress report	Ongoing	Health & wellbeing action group Fay	
Theme: Local Infrastructure and Transport				
Understand local issues	Set up action group Invite key community groups			Completed Ongoing
	Hold a themed Community Board meeting			TBC
	Address priorities listed above Insert link to most recent minutes to act as progress report	Ongoing	Local infrastructure and transport action group Fay	
Work Planning				

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Community Board High Wycombe

Action Group: Local Transport & Infrastructure

Meeting date: 26 July 2021

ACTION NOTES

Present: Fay Ewing, Tony Green, Julia Wassell, Imran Hussain, Paul Turner, Arif Hussain, Mahboob Hussain, Serbert Graham, Mohammed Ayub, Jack Pearce, Nabeela Rana, Steve Guy, Andrea Baughan, Mark Davis, Lesley Clarke, Melissa Humphries

Apologies: Melanie Smith, Matt Knight

No	Topic	Lead
1	<p>Transport Scheme quotes (PIDS x 10)</p> <p>Hicks Farm Rise PID was raised as a concern as Julia's understanding is that there is money to be invested in an additional parking scheme following the development behind Tesco. This to be looked into.</p> <p>The group unanimously agreed all the proposals that were put forward.</p>	Fay Ewing
2	<p>Town wide plan for parking schemes following Parking Petition 14 July</p> <p>Concerns were raised at spending money on feasibility studies, when it is unlikely that anything can be done to alleviate the parking problems.</p> <p>Should the group be looking in a different way to getting all the parking issues done, as Ringway Jacobs are expensive and some of the schemes have been waiting for years.</p>	Fay Ewing/ Tony Green

	<p>There have been suggestions about whether there could be a parking review on a yearly basis and split the High Wycombe area into four areas, where each area would be reviewed every four years.</p> <p>One of the issues around Bassetsbury Lane and Chestnut Avenue, is that people are parking here to either walk along the Rye or walking into town to work. This is also an issue for roads off Amersham Hill, where people are walking to the station and It is happening in other roads adjacent to the town.</p> <p>Lesley proposed that the area that was spoken about at the Community Board meeting, be extended to the whole of the East and West sides of the unparished area and then seek CIL funding to do this review, rather than do feasibility studies that cost quite a lot. It would then be shown that everywhere is being looked at and no areas are being cherry picked.</p> <p>Next steps on moving the parking scheme forward is to speak to Mark and his team to find the best way.</p> <p>Having all the area locations on a map, so they could look at the areas they need to cover would be first. Then they could look at other schemes that are going on, linking up with the other teams to try and get some schemes in at the same time to save costs.</p>	
3	<p>Hilltop Community Centre funding application for kitchen refurbishment</p> <p>Due to new Health & Safety regulations the kitchen needs to be updated as it is very small, and the bar needs to have replacement fire proof shutters. They have raised £70,000 to build an extension and to completely refurbish the kitchen. Due to Covid and the increase in prices and additional regulations required more funds are needed. They are submitting an application for funding for £8,800 which would be used for the extractor system, fire roller shutter and the new sinks that are required.</p> <p>The general consensus was the group would support this application.</p>	Serbert Graham/ Melissa Humphries
4	<p>Agree new actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up the parking scheme with Mark Davis. • Issues around the abandoned vehicles - have a conversation with the Waste Team. • Take forward the funding application for Hilltop Community Centre. 	Fay Ewing

5	Date of next meeting 23 August 2021 - 1830	
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