



**Community
Boards**

Aylesbury Community Board agenda

Date: Thursday 17 February 2022

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: [MS Teams](#)

BC Councillors:

M Winn (Chairman), M Baldwin, S Chapple, A Christensen, T Dixon, R Gaster, T Hunter-Watts, N Hussain, T Hussain, S James, R Khan, S Lambert, S Morgan, A Poland-Goodyer, W Raja, D Summers, D Thompson and G Wadhwa

Town/Parish Councils and other organisations:

A Sherwell (Aylesbury Town Council), A Poland-Goodyer (Coldharbour Parish Council), P Dey (Buckingham Park Parish Council).

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1	Chairman's welcome & introduction Welcome from Cllr Mark Winn, Chairman of the Aylesbury Community Board.	18:00	
2	Apologies for Absence		
3	Declarations of interest To disclose any personal or pecuniary interests.	18:05	
4	Actions from the last meeting To review and sign off the actions notes from the meeting on 12 October 2021	18:10	5 - 12
5	Community Safety Update A presentation from the Buckinghamshire Council Community Safety team To be presented by Chris Geen, Community Safety Team Leader and Serious Organised/Violent Crime Lead	18:15	
6	Thames Valley Police Update To be presented by Insp. James Davies	18:35	
7	Youth Views Survey Results Overview To present and discuss the main findings from the Youth Views survey, produced by Aylesbury Youth Action, The Cloudy Foundation, and the Aylesbury Community Board	18:50	
8	Priorities & Action Group Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing the Lives of our Youth- Jack Pearce • Health, Wellbeing & Community Safety - Cllr Susan Morgan • Economic Recovery- Cllr Susan Morgan • Improving the Environment- Cllr Sarah James • Road Safety, Highways & Infrastructure- Cllr Mark Winn 	19:10	13 - 22

9	Community Matters To address questions from the public. Questions to be submitted in advance of the meeting to aylesburycb@buckinghamshire.gov.uk .	19:25	
10	Funded Projects To be presented by Mark Winn, Chairman of the Aylesbury Community Board.	19:35	23 - 28
11	Chairman's close & date of next meeting April 2022 (tbc).	19:45	

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Aylesbury Community Board minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Aylesbury Community Board held on Tuesday 12 October 2021 in MS Teams, commencing at 6.00 pm and concluding at 7.55 pm. The recording of the meeting is available to view <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gh5ykKMUKgg>
Timestamps for each item are noted beside the minute item title.

Members present

M Winn, M Baldwin, S Chapple, A Christensen, T Dixon, R Gaster, T Hunter-Watts, S James, S Lambert, A Poland-Goodyer, W Raja, D Thompson and G Wadhwa.

Others in attendance

A Sherwell (Aylesbury Town Council), C Martin, D Furze, H Joules, K Ironside, K Gayle, L Lloyd, M Dejoux, M Bergh, J Kay, C Older, B Russell, H Mee, D Robinson, G Horton, S McCarthy, M Harker.

Apologies

S Morgan.

Agenda Item

1 Chairman's welcome & introduction

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Declarations of interest

None.

3 Actions from the last meeting

Action plans were requested from Public Health at the last meeting, and it was noted that these were being worked on and would be made available in the future.

Resolved:

to agree the action notes from the last meeting.

4 Public Health Recommendation Launch (4.15)

This item was taken next on the agenda. Tiffany Burch from Buckinghamshire Council's Public Health team was in attendance to present the update. The following

key points were highlighted:

- Tiffany was now the board's dedicated public health lead, and would attend meetings of the Health & Wellbeing Group.
- Cardio Vascular disease (CVD) and mental health were top health priorities for the board.
- It was suggested that 3 – 4 recommendations of health projects/ initiatives/ groups for the board to help fund be brought back to the board for consideration. The board were advised that plans were currently in development. **Action: Tiffany Burch** to bring back a list of health initiatives for the board's consideration. Concern was raised with regards to the board's unallocated funds which the board were keen to allocate before the March 2022 deadline, after which the unallocated funds would no longer be available to use. It was asked whether, if Public Health drew up a business case for the funds, that unallocated funds be earmarked so that they could be made available for specific health initiatives (currently being drawn up) after the March 2022 deadline. **Action (Mark Winn)** to look into whether earmarking unallocated funds for health initiatives currently in development, with a business case agreed by the board, was possible, and to feedback the outcome to the board.
- It was asked whether the board could fund the purchase of BP measuring machines for residents. Mark would enquire about this and feedback to the board. **(Action: Mark Winn).**

5 Thames Valley Police Update (30.19)

Inspector Graham Horton and PC Sarah McCarthy were in attendance to provide an update on the work of Thames Valley Police. The following key points were highlighted:

- There had been a 9% increase on crimes this year.
- Resources remain a challenge.
- The summer had been particularly challenging for neighbourhood officers responding to front line demand.
- Insp. Horton set out the local TVP priorities for the year which included tackling violent crime, domestic abuse, and motor vehicle theft.
- Concern was raised over a reported increase in sexual offences this year, and Insp. Horton advised that he would review the data and report back to the board.
- The following questions would be responded to in writing:

- (Councillor Poland-Goodyer) Do TVP operate a close pass scheme to report 'punishment passes' of cyclists? Similar to this? <https://www.hampshire.police.uk/news/hampshire/news/appeals/2020/july/close-pass-campaign-a-success-in-basingstoke/> And if not, could we?
- (Bill Russell) What should residents do when they see people on their own electric scooters riding on pavements?

Thanks, were expressed to the officers for their hard work, and for coming along to the meeting.

Written responses to questions published as part of the minutes:

Written response from Insp. Horton to the question received in relation to sexual offences and the increase year on year

These are the figures for the Aylesbury Vale LPA

Rape

2018/19 - 144

2019/20 – 133

2020/21 – 161 This is a 21.1% increase year on year and a 12% increase on 18/19

These figures need to be viewed in the context of improved recording of crime, and an increase in reporting of offences. We believe that there is still under reporting of this type of offence for a number of reasons. It has been a national priority for Police forces to identify hidden harm and to improve reporting - through third parties as an example.

A positive message for the Aylesbury Vale LPA is that we achieved a 240% increase in positive outcomes – more offenders have been brought to justice for rape offences.

Non rape sexual offences have also seen an increase, however there is a reduction on the pre-pandemic number.

2018/19 - 294

2019/20 – 235

2020/21 – 278

Written response from Hants & TVP Road Safety Unit to the question received in relation to the close pass scheme and cyclists

Hants and TVP Road Safety Unit does carry out 'Safe Pass' cycle operations as part of

wider education about vulnerable road users and sharing the roads with everyone. These operations need to be held on roads with a 30 mph speed limit, no current cycle lane/ track provision and where vehicles can be safely stopped at a check site. We work with internal teams and external partners to run the operations which involve a police officer riding a pedal cycle around a pre-determined route. The cycle is fitted with cameras which are recording the journey and when any vehicles get too close or pass inappropriately, a police motorcyclist will then stop the offending vehicle. The driver is then educated about what they have done, the implications and how best they can rectify their driving in future. It is predominantly an educational opportunity and to increase awareness. Subject to adequate resources, an operation within the Aylesbury area would be possible.

An online form can be completed for driving allegation or collision depending on the circumstances, which include cycling - this enables TVP to then request footage. This has been in place since 2018. [Report a road traffic incident | Thames Valley Police](#).

Written response from Hants & TVP Road Safety Unit to the question received in relation to electric scooters on pavements

The issue of e-scooters, and particularly privately owned scooters, is one that causes many problems and reporting offenders is one such issue. Unless the incident is filmed and the witness knows the rider with sufficient detail we are very unlikely to be able to identify the offender and deal. If officers happen to be in the vicinity at the time of an incident they will intervene and deal. Operations are conducted to tackle the issue of illegal e-scooters which help to raise the profile of the issue however, this is only effective for the time the operation is in action. We would dissuade residents from intervening themselves due to risk posed by the e-scooter itself and they would never really know who may be riding them. Whilst riders have bought e-scooters for legitimate and well-meaning reasons (eco-mobility, congestion avoidance and cost), there will be a percentage who use them wilfully and to facilitate criminal activities, especially in busy urban environments. We would keenly discourage members of the public intervening directly.

6 Youth Outreach in Aylesbury (50.16)

Karl Gayle gave a presentation on the Community Youth Ventures (CYV) mobile outreach unit project, funded by the board, which was designed to be a youth club on wheels. It was noted that the project continued to be supported by the Early Help Service at Buckinghamshire Council. A video of some of the activities for young people was shown to the board, and members were pleased to see young people involved in these activities, and that the bus was going to the kids, which increased accessibility of the activities. The following key points were highlighted:

- It was noted that, in the winter months, activities would take place inside e.g., sports halls/ marquees/ the bus, so that activities could continue.
- It was suggested that the report on outcomes and findings relate back to the project's aims and objectives so that the board could easily understand how

aims and objectives were met.

- It was asked how reductions in anxiety, stress and improvement in mental health were identified. Members were informed that conversations with young people in-person and regular (non-virtual) contact helped to identify improvements, as well as the nature of bringing communities and young people together.
- In response to a question on how the project could be expanded, it was noted that funding had been sought from LEAP for a project in Prebendal.
- In response to a question as to how unmet need was identified, members noted that having a physical presence in communities was important to identifying unmet need.

Thanks, were expressed for all the hard work of the team working to help young people in Aylesbury.

7 Priorities & Action Group Updates (1:04:14)

An update was given on the priorities and action groups. There were 6 priorities and 3 action groups as well as a number of task and finish working groups.

Enhancing the Lives of our Youth - Amy Jenner

- The board were still promoting completion of the app youth survey <https://cloudyfoundation.co.uk/youth-survey/> that was discussed at the last board meeting.
- A fair on health and wellbeing was due to take place at The Grange School in November. Members would then look to produce a toolkit that other schools can use.

Improving the Environment - Cllr Sarah James

- Lots of guest speakers had attended the group. Members were encouraged to suggest any further guest speakers they would like to attend.
- The group were looking at where they could have living walls.

Road Safety, Highways & Infrastructure- Cllr Mark Winn

- The group had 2 task and finish groups.
- Members had worked together to shortlist feasible parking projects which had now been passed to Transport for Bucks (TfB) to prepare budget estimates, and recommendation reports for each project would be shared with board in early 2022.

- A schools working group was exploring holistic solutions in Turnfurlong. **Action (Mark Winn):** to look into whether St Mary's School can be involved in this project. *Nb. after the meeting, a written response was provided to Cllr Poland-Goodyer to advise that St Mary's was included in project discussion but was separate to holistic working group as this focused on the Turnfurlong area.*

Economic Recovery - Cllr Susan Morgan

- 3 people were now on the 'be your own boss' programme.

Health & Wellbeing and Community Safety - Cllr Susan Morgan

- The action groups had been combined as lots of similar conversations were happening in the groups.

The following key points/ further updates were then highlighted:

- It was asked how the board could help single women meet people to reduce social isolation and loneliness. **Action (Amy Jenner)** to look into this and explore further.
- A concern was raised about some community groups for older people discontinuing due to the covid-19 pandemic. **Action (Amy Jenner)** to look into this.
- Amy had visited the Monday Club at the Fairford Leys Community Centre to explore opportunities to support them there.
- Members were encouraged to spread the word about the board, and signpost groups to apply for funding to make their ideas a reality.
- Wednesday 12 October would be the launch of the Vineyard Storehouse Community Garden, which was part of the county-wide Grow It Cook it Eat It Public Health Project. All were welcome.

8 Community Matters (1:27:28)

One public question had been received and responded to, and was included within the [agenda pack](#) at page 21.

9 Funded Projects (1:30:43)

An update was received on funded projects. The following key points were raised:

- Concerns were raised over the with regards to the board's unallocated funds which the board were keen to allocate before the March 2022 deadline, after which the unallocated funds would no longer be available to use.

- Members noted that the covid-19 pandemic had limited opportunities and so previously unallocated funds had rolled over into this year; next year's budget for the board would be smaller. There were projects in the pipeline but members were asked to encourage people to come forward with funding applications for initiatives/ projects that could make a difference to the town.
- It was reported that, at present, charities/ groups were focussing on delivering their core functions, and not additional projects. Members noted that delivery partners were going through a challenging time owing to the pandemic, and how to address these challenge were being looked into.
- It was asked if the council could review ways to spend the money before it was no longer available to use.
- It was also reported that, the community at large, was not used to being in the position of coming to the council for funding. It was a learning curve for council on how to get message out there, and for the community to understand they can apply for funding.
- The funding application form had been updated and streamlined so that organisations could apply for multiple boards in one go, rather than submitting individual applications for each board.
- The board were only able to fund constituted organisations, however if there was a need and a vision, the board would provide support to help make it happen.
- Members were encouraged to attend the next Communities and Localism Select Committee meeting to raise the issues discussed relating to community board funding. **Action (Amy Jenner)** to circulate the meeting details of the Communities and Localism Select Committee to the board. Further information on select committees, including meeting details: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/your-council/get-involved-with-council-decisions/select-committees/>
<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=345>

10 Chairman's close & date of next meeting

Date of next meeting tbc.

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Priorities & Action Group Updates
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Our Priorities



Enhancing the lives of our youth



Improving the Environment



Road Safety, Highways & Infrastructure



Economic Recovery



Health & Wellbeing



Community Safety

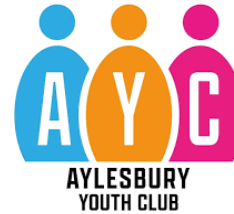
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Feeds in to all action groups

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Results – Task &
Finish Group



Aylesbury Youth Club and
linking with Community
Youth Team on Youth
Provision

A4Y Mentoring
Project



Greening Up Youth
Concern Project



Health & Wellbeing
Fair at The Grange
November 2021



Schools Mental Health
First Aid project

Improving the Environment:



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Aylesbury Wombles
charity number: 1196941



Supporting the
Aylesbury
Wombles



Exploring ways
to reduce waste

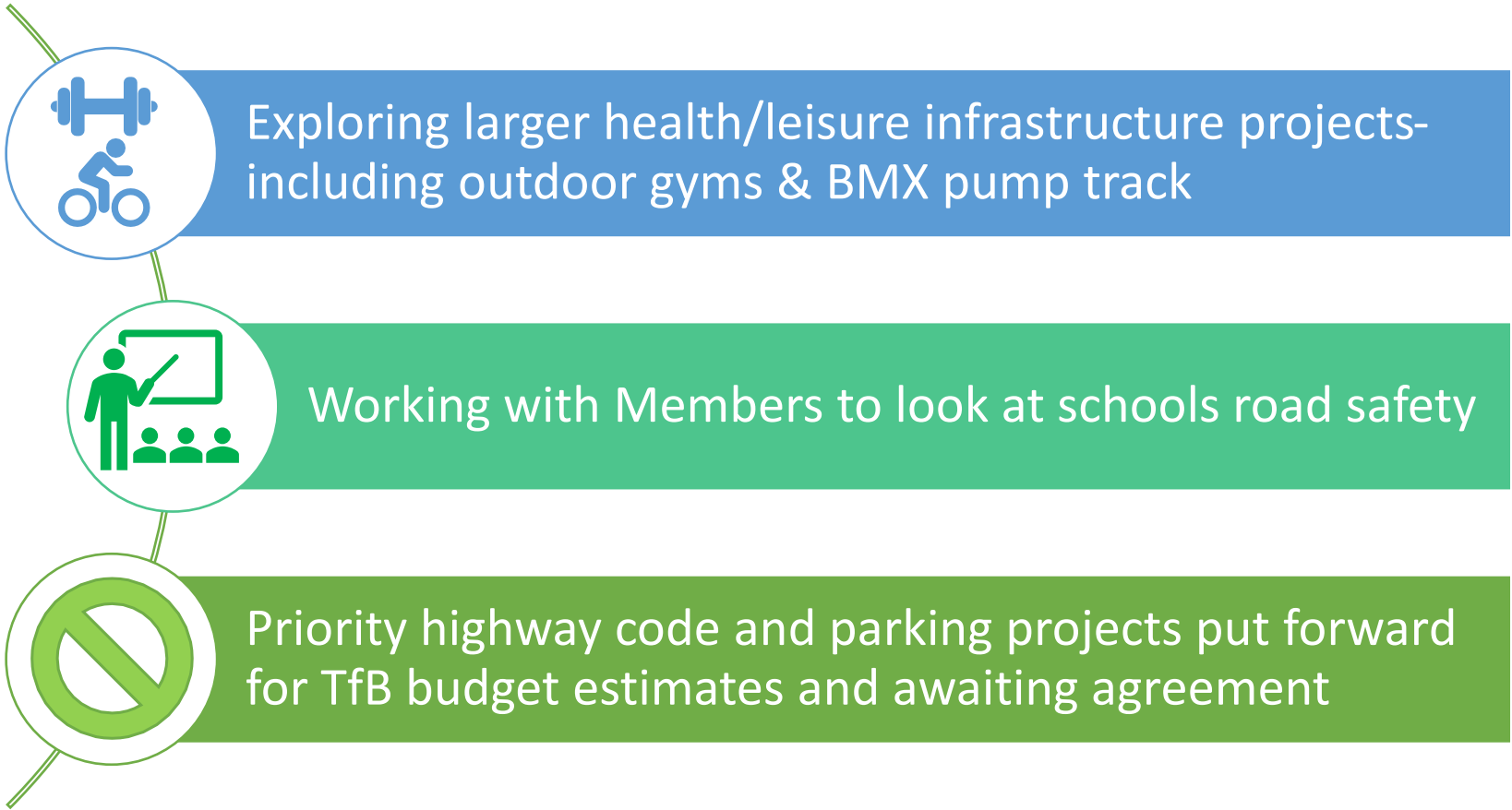


Tree Planting



Water refill
stations/shops
offering refills

Road Safety, Highways & Infrastructure



Economic Recovery



Working with Town Centre Team for Welcome Back Funding opportunities



Be Your Own Boss project funded and 3 have joined



BBF sharing information on current economic landscape and discussion around a range of recovery projects



Walking non-town centre shopping areas to look at possible improvements

Action Group sharing ideas



Working with Economic Development Team on short term bus station improvements and improvements to train station

Health & Wellbeing and Community Safety

H&WB Fair @ The Grange –
toolkit for schools

Working with Public Health on
Cardiovascular Disease project and tackling
obesity

Supporting Active Communities
pilot in Aylesbury North West

Launch of new Public Health
recommendations

Supporting Community Engagement Team with
Health Connectors Pilot in Quarrendon

Promoting Buckinghamshire Council &
partner initiatives and Adult Learning
Courses

Supporting Aylesbury Food Cycle Working
Group



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Agenda Item 10- Funding Update

Budget

Financial Year	Budget	Allocated	Remaining
2021/22	(As of November 2021) £403,897	£150,119	£253,778

Budget Allocations

Projects funded 2021/22

The Aylesbury Community Board has allocated funding towards the following projects (to 9th February 2022):

Project/Organisation	Project Summary	Priority Theme	Funding Allocated
Womble Wagon Aylesbury Wombles	Purchase of an electric van to support the Wombles in their work cleaning up local green spaces and collecting litter from roadsides, parks rivers and beyond.	Improving the Environment	£6,000
CHAT Children's Respite Care	Respite care for families of 11 children in Aylesbury with special needs who had been referred to CHAT. Each family received 40 hours of respite care, to be split in a way which best suited their needs.	Health and Wellbeing	£8,800
Schools Mental Health First Aid Buckinghamshire Mind	A multi-board project to provide training for school staff to become mental health first aiders, in response to the increased need for mental health support for young people as a result of the pandemic.	Health and Wellbeing/ Enhancing the Lives of	£4,555

		our Young People	
Festival of Lights Holy Cow Community Events	Event held Saturday 13th November 2021 at Aylesbury Museum & Queen's Park Arts Centre. The festival aims to encourage residents to aim for a better quality of physical and mental wellbeing- through residents taking part in an interactive program of events and workshops aimed at all ages	General	£1,275
Coldharbour Parish Council	Purchase of projector and screen to enable paper free and COVID friendly community events	General	£410
Youth Mentoring Action4Youth	A 1:1 mentoring project over 12 months for 11-17-year olds in the Aylesbury Vale Area. 1-2 hours per week for 10-12 weeks, for young people with low self-esteem, low confidence, low-level ill mental health and behavioural issues.	Health and Wellbeing / Enhancing the Lives of our Young People	£10,067.40
Youth Worker Seed Funding Aylesbury Youth Club	Seed funding for new universal youth provision operating from the Grange School's Youth Space, provide people aged 11-18 with a place to meet, take part in activities and learn new skills. Funding will be used to employ experienced youth workers.	Enhancing the Lives of our Young People	£2,500
Greening Up Youth Concern Youth Concern & Chiltern Rangers	Transformation of Youth Concern site to make useable as a COVID-safe place for low-level social work and emotional support. The design includes a small wildlife haven consisting of 200 hedgerow trees, wildflowers, pollinator patches and Bat & Bird boxes. Accessible beds for those with mobility issues will be creates and young people will create nature inspired artwork to be showcased around the site.	Enhancing the Lives of our Young People	£8,068

Projects Funded 2020/21

Project/Organisation	Project Summary	Fund	Funding allocated
Youth Views Aylesbury Youth Action & Cloudy Foundation	Youth Views will work with young people to design and execute a research project that help the Community board, and partners, better understand their needs and help shape a direction to work towards supporting young people-based around their views	Community Area Priority	£8,000
Aspire Mentoring Transitions UK	A support project for local young people at risk of offending and criminal exploitation. 4 young people within the Aylesbury Community Board area will be able to join the programme.	Community Area Priority	£4,000
Youth Outreach Unit Community Youth Ventures	CYV received funding to purchase the purchase and renovation of a youth bus which will provide regular visits to parts of the area where there is little or no youth provision in the evenings or across the weekend. The provision offers young people a safe place to go where they can share their worries in a calm settled environment with professionally trained staff. This project has started but is currently on hold due to COVID-19 restrictions.	Community Area Priority	£15,027
Tree of Light 'A time to reflect' video Florence Nightingale Hospice Trust	Funding was allocated to FNHC to enable them to create and produce a secular 'A Time to Reflect' film service available online, aimed at anyone who has used the NHS service in Buckinghamshire this year.	Health & Wellbeing	£1,800
LGBT+ Friends and Family Hub Healthy Living Centre	HLC received funding towards the set up of a specialist LGBT+ hub to provide a safe space for the LGBT+ Community in Aylesbury and the surrounding area.	Health & Wellbeing	£4,375
Crisis Counsellor Aylesbury Vale and Milton Keynes Sexual	Funding was allocated towards a 'Crisis Counselling service' for 14 months to provide short terms support to those affected by sexual	Health & Wellbeing	£10,696

Assault & Abuse Support Service	assault and abuse, in response to increased need for support services during COVID-19 lockdown restrictions.		
Street Wardens Buckinghamshire Council- Community Safety	A one year pilot project to employ two full time Street Wardens in the Aylesbury Community Board area, to work with PCSO's and other local partners to help manage and reduce Anti-Social Behaviour and provide a reassuring presence to the local community, including retailers, other businesses and visitors to Aylesbury Town Centre and Coldharbour and Buckingham Park Village Centres.	Local Infrastructure	£58,446
COVID-19 Emergency Support St Peter's Church	Supporting the Aylesbury Churches Community Christmas Carol event- this was unfortunately cancelled due to new COVID-19 restrictions which were announced just a few days before the event- costs were still incurred by event organisers.	Health & Wellbeing	£1,322.40
COVID-19 Emergency Support Vineyard Storehouse	With an increase in demand, and reduced supplies, funding was allocated to provide additional food purchases and delivery support for vulnerable residents	Health & Wellbeing	£4,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support Bedgrove Volunteers	Funding used to support the Bedgrove Volunteers to continue to support their local community throughout the pandemic. Funding covered costs for PPE, and the set up of Covid helpline and shopping service.	Health & Wellbeing	£2,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support Space	To help maintain an online service to enable to Space to continue to provide a service to vulnerable individuals during lockdown.	Health & Wellbeing	£1,219
COVID-19 Emergency Support Southcourt Baptist Church	Funding was required to Bridge the Gap to support the provision of food & essential supplies to vulnerable residents during lockdown.	Health & Wellbeing	£2,000

COVID-19 Emergency Support Aylesbury Mosque	Funding was required to provide food & essential supplies to vulnerable residents during lockdown.	Health & Wellbeing	£2,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support Hindu Temple Trust	Funding was used to provide support to vulnerable families, including food provision.	Health & Wellbeing	£1,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support Bernwode Bus	Funding supported Bernie's Foodbank drive- to promote donations to local foodbanks, and then collect and distribute donations.	Health & Wellbeing	£3,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support The Oasis Partnership	Funding was required to help feed and house the homeless during the Covid-19 crisis. The money was used to supplement housing, advice, counselling and feeding vulnerable people, who are adversely affected by the crisis.	Health & Wellbeing	£2,000
COVID-19 Emergency Support Healthy Living Centre	Design and production of COVID-19 guidance leaflet available to Aylesbury Residents as a clear and easy guide to keep with them for reference.	Health & Wellbeing	£806
COVID-19 Emergency Support SeeAbility	Funding was used to introduce technology and contact-free digital activities to ensure that vulnerable disabled people supported by SeeAbility could continue to keep in touch with their loved ones.	Health & Wellbeing	£1,891.92
COVID-19 Emergency Support Citizens Advice	Funding was used to offer support and advice across a range of service, including financial, to individuals affected by lockdown.	Health & Wellbeing	£2,400
COVID-19 Emergency Support Aylesbury Town Centre	Along with Aylesbury Garden Town, funding was provided for the design and instalment of a large planter to act as a road closure, to support local businesses to be able to trade outdoors.	Health & Wellbeing	£500

*Please note that the Rothschilds Foundation allocated COVID-19 Emergency Support match funding to each Community Board for schemes funded through the Cllr Crisis fund- as this figure was a lump sum, it has not been reflected against each individual scheme.