



## Communities & Localism Select Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday 19 April 2023

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: The Oculus, Buckinghamshire Council, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury HP19 8FF

### Membership:

M Harker OBE (Chairman), A Waite (Vice-Chairman), A Alam, S Barrett, P Bass, P Cooper, P Drayton, G Hollis, M Hussain JP, M Knight, F Mahon, C Oliver, G Smith, M Stannard and L Smith BEM

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<b>1 Apologies for absence / Changes in membership</b>		
<b>2 Declarations of Interest</b>		
<b>3 Minutes</b>		<b>5 - 12</b>
The minutes of the meeting held on 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 to be confirmed as a correct record.		

**4 Public Questions**

Public questions is an opportunity for people who live, work or study in Buckinghamshire to put a question to a Select Committee.

The Committee will hear from members of the public who have submitted questions in advance relating to items on the agenda. The Cabinet Member, relevant key partners and responsible officers will be invited to respond.

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**5 Town and Parish Charter**

**14:10**

**13 - 28**

The Committee will receive an update on the work that has been taking place to promote and implement the Council's Town and Parish Charter following its adoption in July 2022.

**Contributors:**

Cllr Steve Bowles, Cabinet Member for Communities  
Roger Goodes, Service Director, Partnerships, Policy & Communications  
Simon Garwood, Senior Policy Officer

**6 Safer Buckinghamshire Strategy**

**14:50**

**29 - 62**

The Committee will consider the Safer Buckinghamshire Strategy, a partnership strategy which will be considered and approved by Cabinet in May 2023. Members will have the opportunity to discuss the priorities that have been identified and to understand the next steps, including how an action plan will be developed in order to implement the strategy effectively.

**Contributors:**

Cllr Steve Bowles, Cabinet Member for Communities  
Gideon Springer, Head of Community Safety, Buckinghamshire Council

**7 Community Resilience Update**

**15:25**

**63 - 66**

The Committee will receive an update on the ongoing

work of the Resilience service, with particular focus on their work with town and parish councils who wish to develop community resilience plans.

**Contributors:**

Cllr Steve Bowles, Cabinet Member for Communities

**8 Work Programme**

**15:50**

The Chairman will remind members that a Work Programming discussion will be arranged via MS Teams in May.

Work programme suggestions are welcomed and can be put forward to the Chairman or Kelly Sutherland, Scrutiny Manager at any time.

**9 Date and time of the next meeting**

The next meeting will take place in June – exact date to be confirmed shortly.

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