



Beeches Community Board agenda

Date: Tuesday 26 July 2022

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: [Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting](#)

BC Councillors:

D Anthony (Chairman), D Dhillon (Vice-Chairman), G Sandy, K Ashman, N Naylor, P Kelly, R Bagge, T Hogg and T Egleton

Town/Parish Councils and other organisations:

Burnham Parish Council, Dorney Parish Council, Farnham Royal Parish Council, Stoke Poges Parish Council and Taplow Parish Council

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Beeches Community Board minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Beeches Community Board held on Tuesday 26 April 2022 in Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting, commencing at 6.00 pm and concluding at 7.40 pm.

BC Councillors present

D Anthony (Chairman), D Dhillon (Vice-Chairman), G Sandy, K Ashman, N Naylor, P Kelly, R Bagge and T Egleton

Town/Parish Councils and other organisations present

John Carey (Burnham Parish Council), Edwina Glover (Burnham Parish Council), Paul Rowley (Farnham Royal Parish Council), Marilyn Rolfe (Farnham Royal Parish Council), Roger Worthington (Taplow Parish Council), Monica Bergh (BC Lead Practitioner Youth VCS) Emily Davies (Public Health Practitioner), Sue Beach (Burnham Youth Club)

Others in attendance

A Chapman, A-M Kenward, C Saunders and Vincent

Agenda Item

1 Chairman's Welcome

Councillor David Anthony welcomed everyone to the meeting. He provided an update on the Proud of Bucks Awards and offered congratulations to this year's recipients.

- The Best Adult category was won by Andrew and Wendy Strathee.
- The Best Group category was won by Burnham Beeches Rotary Club.
- A Highly commended was awarded to Stoke Poges Good Neighbours Scheme.

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Simon James (Service Director Education Buckinghamshire Council), Cllr Jill Dax (Dorney Parish Council), Cllr Carol Linton (Burnham Parish Council), Ruth Senior (Dorney Parish Council and Taplow Parish Council), Helen Mee (Clare Foundation), Becca Nutley (Community Youth Ventures) and Eve Chason (Community Safety, Buckinghamshire Council).

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 26 January 2022 were agreed as an accurate record.

4 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5 Guest Speaker

The Chairman welcomed Emily Davies, Public Health practitioner at Buckinghamshire Council, to the meeting. Emily described the latest element of the smoke free and tobacco control strategy- the smoke free parks and playgrounds scheme, which was designed to make communities and environments where children gather healthier and cleaner. She stated how they were capitalising upon a shift in perception of smoking since 2007, as well as the growing evidence of health benefits, to make more open areas smoke free.

Other councils around the country had been successful in implementing the initiative, and a previous pilot scheme in 2015 in Aylesbury was positively received. The idea was to expand this scheme to include more parks and playgrounds, in order to make smoking less visible and acceptable to young people.

Emily listed a number of benefits of this scheme, including less second hand smoke, less young smokers, a change in attitudes to smoking, protecting the environment and financial savings through not having to clean up smoking waste.

She described the local approach of the scheme, whereby signage would be posted around parks and playgrounds, politely asking those in the area not to smoke. This would be a voluntary ban and would not have enforcement. Public Health would coordinate the campaign and develop a communication plan to inform and engage residents. Public Health would provide the signage and installation for free but sought the support of the Board to identify suitable locations and promote the initiative. Emily then stated how a toolkit would be developed to share with Boards, which would include FAQ's, examples of signage and other ways Boards could offer support.

Emily also informed the Board of another initiative, Smoke Free Sidelines, which had been backed by the Berks & Bucks Football Association. A number of free resources were available for local clubs who choose to participate, such as posters and other assets. The goal of the initiative was to prevent smoking on the side-lines of football pitches where young people were playing.

Members of the Board questioned Emily on details of the initiative and expressed both concern and support for it.

A Member expressed support for the initiative and commented on the difficulties with direct confrontation of smokers in inappropriate places. Also expressed was the hope for more mandatory anti-smoking initiatives, and an assurance parish councillors would help identify locations.

Emily responded to questions about the signage designs and costings by describing the involvement of schools and youth clubs, who would help to design an

appropriate sign, and reiterating that Public Health would be funding the signage. She also stated that a behavioural specialist would be involved to ensure the usefulness of the sign, and that the local stop smoking service would be advertised on the signs.

Further details were requested by a Member on the cost of both the pilot and the entire project, and if funds could be used better elsewhere. Emily said that she did not have the exact figure but would find out and send to the Board.

The apparent lack of enforcement was raised by Members, as well as the prevalence of vaping, and the possible ineffectiveness of the initiative due to this. A Member commented upon the possibility of the funds being redirected to other projects such as licensing and prevention of purchasing cigarettes. The usage of schools to inform young people as a potentially more effective method was raised, as well as the existing deterrents on cigarette packs. Emily replied by saying that a combination of initiatives was necessary when tackling tobacco control. This was just a pilot scheme, and its effectiveness would be reviewed after a year to gauge any changes to public behaviour, however it had been effective elsewhere.

The Chairman also commented in response to the last point, saying that polite advice would be effective and respected.

6 Service Director Update

The Community Board Coordinator presented this item in the absence of Simon James.

Andy highlighted important aspects of the update, such as Support for Ukraine, with a particular focus on Ukrainian refugees and their arrival in Buckinghamshire. Prior to the Board meeting, Andy had met with the Sponsor Liaison, and 14 families had been matched with Beeches families, with two having arrived, six due to arrive in the next two weeks, with a total of 45-50 guests expected in Buckinghamshire. Locally, three children had started school in Farnham Common, and were settling in well, with lots of praise for the school community being received and passed on by the Board Coordinator.

Andy presented various other updates, such as information on the Jubilee and bin collection changes. Further details of these updates were available to view on the agenda reports pack of the meeting.

Two comments were received on the update. One addressed the large fee for planting a tree on Bells Hill with Stoke Poges Parish Council, which seemed at odds with the waiving of street closure fees; the other was regarding the new bin collection contract and emphasised the importance of weeding and clearing rubbish around the pavements and road. The Board Coordinator stated that he would follow up both comments after the meeting.

7 Community Board Development

The Chairman, Cllr David Anthony, described the initial autonomy that the Boards had enjoyed, in particular regarding working groups and priorities. For a period this had been replaced with certain specific action groups, but now autonomy on these matters had been restored to the Boards. The Chairman stated that there had been a reduction in the budget of the Board, and that a contribution was now expected from those who apply to the Board for funding, and that no more than £15,000 could be allocated to a single grant.

The Chairman stated that the main purpose of the Board was to be an interface between people and the Council, and, as well as allocating funding, the Board can make representations to Council departments, service directors and cabinet members based on the needs of the community.

The Chairman requested comments and feedback on future meetings of the Board, including whether they should be held in person.

One Member asked if there were new formal documents which would act as terms of reference or schemes of delegation for Community Boards. In response to this, the Chairman stated it was an emerging system, and that, at a full council meeting, terms of reference for Community Boards were proposed to be added to the constitution.

In response to both the Chairman's request and the update, a Member stated that they encouraged face to face meetings, as it allowed greater participation from members of the public. In addition, the Member welcomed the relaxation of the rigid working groups and said that the Board's lower budget meant that the Board could now focus more on community initiatives that would improve quality of life in the Beeches area.

A number of Members voiced support for keeping the current format of virtual meetings, including: the ease of attendance in comparison to in person meetings, saving attendees time and money due to no need to drive to remote locations, ensuring member attendance and a reduction in the environmental impact with less driving.

A suggestion was made that one widely publicised annual meeting be held for the Board in person, which would communicate the benefits, delivered projects and achievements of the Board, whilst the rest would be held virtually.

This suggestion was taken by the Chairman and was agreed by the Board to be their format going forward.

8 Action Groups

The Chairman proposed a reorganisation of the action groups, and invited the Chairmen of the Action Groups to give updates on their respective groups.

Infrastructure and Highways Action Group

Councillor Ralph Bagge, began by commenting on the slow speed of the production

of Project Initiation Documents. He followed this by describing the progress of the project to install lights and road markings on the A355, with the lights having already been installed.

Councillor Bagge then proceeded to inform the Board that there was design work in progress for the projects listed below:

- A footway extension at Blackpond Lane, Farnham Common.
- Drop kerbs at Templewood Lane, Farnham Common.
- Waiting restrictions at Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges.

The Action Group Chairman then stated that the dropped kerbs for Lincoln Hatch Lane, Burnham Common, had been handed to construction.

He described the agenda of the next action group meeting on the 11 May, with applications from Dorney, Taplow and Burnham Parish Councils being discussed, as well as all of the PIDS. These PIDs included:

- A Road Safety Project at the junction of Taplow Common Road and Cliveden Road.
- Two speed limit changes on sections of the A355
- Pedestrian cyclist safety work at Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges.
- A request for red road surfacing and lights outside Lent Rise School
- Hollybush Hill, Stoke Poges, for a speeding problem.

Improving the Environment Action group

Councillor Dev Dhillon updated the Board. He informed the Board that Wycombe Environment Centre had been awarded funding to support a Refresh Hub which was now open. In addition to this, Councillor Dhillon told the Board that the group has been exploring the idea of ballot boxed shaped litter bins, as well as coordinating with local schools and rotary clubs to help inform on how to improve the environment.

The Action Group Chairman continued by telling the Board that there was a proposal for water fountains in Burnham, as well as a Bee Project. Farnham Parish Council was eager to get involved with the water fountain scheme, and will soon submit an application.

He encouraged attendance at upcoming meetings, in order to help share and develop more ideas. Cllr Dhillon proposed the use of various methods to reduce environmental impact, with an emphasis on little things and common sense. This included the potential joint purchase of solar panels between Boards, and he also described the possibility of funding from central government due to the current energy prices.

Economic Development Action Group

The Chairman of the Economic Development Action Group, Cllr George Sandy, informed the Board that the group had found there was very little to be done in this area. Due to this, he stated that with the assent of the Chairman and officers the funds would instead be redirected to children and older people's services.

Wellbeing Action Group

Cllr Trevor Egleton gave an update to the Board on the work of the group. An application by Farnham Royal Parish Council, in support of a storage shed for local Girl Guides, had been recommended to the Board by the action group and was now in the final stages of approval, with an answer expected shortly after the Board meeting. A further funding update was given in regard to playground renovations by Stoke Poges Parish Council, a request which Councillor Egleton believed would become common.

Councillor Egleton updated the Board on an offer from Buckinghamshire Culture to provide additional local activities in support of their £10,000 funding for the countywide Roald Dahl Whizz Fizz Fest in local libraries during the summer. He stated that events were scheduled for Burnham Library on the 27th July, but the group had asked if Farnham Common community library could also be involved.

The Action Group is keen to promote the Learning and Sharing Together Jubilee resource. [Learning and Sharing Together Webpage](#). Cllr Egleton urged the Board to continue discussion about local rights of way, as it was beginning to be flagged up in local neighbourhood and parish plans. He was pleased highlight two projects, a dementia group called Bluebell Memories at Farnham Common Village Hall, and the countywide review of the Movers and Shakers initiatives, which he believed were worthwhile for helping the older and isolated residents.

Councillor Egleton thanked members of the action group for their regular participation in meetings, as well as the extensive involvement of the wider community in the group.

Reorganisation

The Chairman thanked the Action Group chairmen for their updates and introduced a reorganization of the action groups, with the economic development action group being discontinued, while maintaining the Infrastructure & Highways, Improving the Environment and Wellbeing groups continuing and Councillor George Sandy taking over from Councillor Trevor Egleton as Chairman of the Wellbeing Action Group as Trevor was standing down. The Chairman proposed that the group have a new focus on helping younger and older people.

Following this, the Chairman introduced Monica Bergh, lead practitioner for youth in

the voluntary and community sector at Buckinghamshire Council. She provided the Board with a broad overview of the situation for youth locally, in particular highlighting a number of issues and difficulties facing them, including a lack of funding for universal youth provision; the importance of community groups in this field, and the problems they face with funding, staffing and resourcing; challenges facing training of youth workers, and a lack of places for youth to turn to, combined with large numbers of young people needing support.

A range of possible measures were discussed, including Council support for youth clubs and negotiations with prospective funders to aid them; new youth work opportunities being identified and supported; utilising the Board as a tool to identify youth projects, issues of concern and to encourage engagement; and a wider participation strategy for young being developed by the council and others.

One Member stated there were extensive outside groups already existing, such as the Scouts and Girl Guides, who could provide youth activity and support, rather than council funded initiatives. In response, Monica stated that they already were seeking to allocate funds and support to existing groups and that more specialised and extensive support was required than had been needed in the past. In addition, a Member voiced their support for local youth clubs, and the value of the work they do.

Another Member suggested that the action group look into the formation of a youth council, as an inexpensive and useful way to determine the wants and feelings of young people. This had previously been proposed and worked on, and the Board Coordinator Andy Chapman confirmed there was existing progress to work with. This received support from Members, but would need support from adults, not just young people.

It was agreed that the Board Coordinator would organise a meeting between Monica Bergh, Burnham Youth Club and Councillor Sandy following the meeting, to help direct the attentions of the action group.

9 Funding and Applications Update

Andy Chapman presented a brief update, with a full summary having been circulated prior to the meeting.

£141,229 had been allocated by the Board to local projects last year, though many of these were only started recently. Project updates would be circulated to the Board as they progressed.

It was stated that the Beeches Community Board budget for 2022/23 is £100,388, and that, other than in exceptional circumstances, a maximum amount of £15,000 could be allocated per project, with an expectation of contributory funding towards projects costing more than £1000 .

10 Community Event

The Board Coordinator notified the Board of the upcoming Almost The Donkey

Derby event on 28 May in Burnham, put on by the Burnham Beeches Rotary Club. The Board will have a stall at the event, and it would be an opportunity for the Board to meet residents and inform them of the achievements and work of the Board. He invited all who wished to help to attend on the 28 May.

11 Community Matters

It was noted that there was only one consultation relevant to the local area at the time of the meeting, and that any specific consultations will be circulated to Members by email. Consultations are available to view at <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/>

In addition, Councillor Dhillon gave a brief update on the progress of yellow lines around the Burnham Beeches area, which had been frustrated by funding issues, but was now being looked into by cabinet member Steve Broadbent. Councillor Dhillon stated that any further updates would be presented to the Board.

12 Action Plan Update

It was noted that following the action group reorganization and with the assent of the Action Group Chairmen, priorities would be reviewed and updated at the next meeting of the Action Groups.

The Chairman gave his thanks to everyone for their attendance and contributions.

13 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26 July 2022



An update for Community Boards from Buckinghamshire Council Summer (July to September 2022)

Support for Ukrainian guests continues across the county – further help is still needed

Over the last few months there has been an outpouring of support for our Ukrainian guests from our communities, alongside the work that we at the council are doing. We now have over 1,100 Ukrainian guests with more than 600 still expected to arrive.

The community boards have been central to our efforts and have achieved so much across the county. Highlights include:

- More than 60 people gathering at a local pub to welcome and make new friends and share stories.
- Working with the community to put together welcome packs including food parcels, toiletries, vouchers from supermarkets and cafes, free eye test, donated gifts, clothing, toys, tech equipment, and SIM cards.
- Coffee mornings with talks covering a wide range of subjects including trauma, fraud, banking and life in the local area.
- Weekly lunch sessions where professionals help support both the host families and Ukrainian friends with various issues.
- Helping to secure funding for Ukrainian professionals – so far funding has been secured for a doctor and an accountant to take the relevant exams to practise here in Buckinghamshire.
- English classes.
- A social event led by a group of Ukrainian guests to celebrate summer solstice.
- A weekly yoga class led by one of the Ukrainian guests.

There's a dedicated area on our website for anyone who would like to know more about how they can help/get involved – check out [‘Helping Hand for Ukraine’](#)

Support with food, bills and finances – Helping Hand and Holiday Activity Fund

As we approach the summer holidays, this is a timely reminder that we have support available for families and individuals in need, those on low incomes and those who are experiencing a financial emergency or crisis.

Our Helping Hand team can help if you – or someone you know:

- are struggling to afford food

- cannot keep on top of your bills
- are in debt
- are struggling to pay for essential goods in your home.

Find out more about our Helping Hand team and how they can [support with food, bills and finances](#). Our #backontrack scheme offers practical advice and support for people experiencing money difficulties: [Money problems - advice and support if you are struggling to make ends meet | Buckinghamshire Council](#)

Using the Government Household Support Fund, the Helping Hand team will be providing £50 Digital Food Vouchers to eligible children and young people to support families over the summer holidays. These vouchers will be distributed through schools in July.

We also have our Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme for children who receive benefits-related free school meals. Further information can be found at [HAF information for families | Family Information Service \(buckinghamshire.gov.uk\)](#)

Waste and recycling missed bins and garden waste charges

1 Missed bins

Unfortunately in some pockets of the former Chiltern, South Bucks and Wycombe district areas of Buckinghamshire the recent change of bin collection days caused greater than anticipated disruption. This was due to both residents and crews getting used to the new bin collection days.

Following a difficult few weeks, an [open letter of apology was issued from Cllr Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council](#) and additional measures put in place.

By the end of day on Tuesday 5 July, Veolia were due to have picked up any remaining missed collections, and from this point on, the overwhelming majority of missed collections reported should be collected the following day (as per business as usual arrangements).

Background

September 2020: Veolia took over the waste contract for the former Chiltern and Wycombe district areas (previously held by Serco).

November 2021: Veolia took over the waste contract for the former South Bucks district area (previously held by Biffa).

May 2022: Buckinghamshire Council and waste contractor, Veolia, made some vital improvements to bin collection rounds in the former Chiltern, Wycombe and South Bucks district areas. The round reorganisation, which was implemented from Monday 9 May 2022, was contractually required and agreed by Buckinghamshire Council and Veolia to ensure an efficient

collection service operates in the south of the county. The new rounds undertake a 'zonal' approach to collections which keep collection vehicles closer together on collection days and introduce a more balanced and deliverable resource profile across all waste streams. The new approach allows for greater efficiencies, as roads which breach previous district boundaries can now be collected on the same day by the same crew.

2 Garden waste charges (for boards in the Wycombe area)

In view of the disruption experienced by the round reorganisation, the start of the new garden waste subscription arrangements has been moved back to Monday 26 September.

From that date we will offer a single chargeable 'opt-in' garden waste collection service, at a cost of £50 per bin per year (or reusable bags for properties not suitable for wheeled bins).

This means anyone who has previously received free collections of garden waste will now have to subscribe, paying an annual fee to continue receiving fortnightly kerbside garden waste collections from the council.

Our household recycling sites continue to provide free disposal of garden waste for anyone not wanting to pay for the subscription service.

Find out more regarding the [garden waste changes](#).

More information on how the service works can be found at [Buckinghamshire Council's Arrange a garden waste collection pages](#).

Community boards will be at the county show on 1 September

The Bucks County Show is happening on Thursday 1 September at Weedon Park on the outskirts of Aylesbury for the first time since 2019, before the lockdown.

This action-packed one-day event includes a whole range of summer activities for all the family, from the traditional livestock competitions, horse of the year show and showjumping, freestyle motorcycle display, to the gentler arts of home and garden skills.

Buckinghamshire Council will be having one big combined stand highlighting that we are one unified organisation supporting residents in so many different aspects of their lives.

Of course the community boards are central to that support. The managers are working together to plan the community board stall that will raise their profile, show some of the many successful projects carried out and encourage people to get involved with their communities through the boards. There will also be fun activities for the younger visitors!

Update on the £150 council tax energy rebate

Over 80% of the £150 council tax rebates to help offset rising fuel costs have been paid to eligible households. There is also an additional discretionary £25 Helping Hand top-up which Buckinghamshire Council is paying to householders who are on specific benefits.

Anyone who pays their council tax by direct debit should have received their rebate automatically. Anyone who pays by another method is required to claim their rebate – details can be found at <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/council-tax/150-council-tax-energy-rebate/how-to-claim-the-council-tax-energy-rebate/>

Claimants have until August 2022 to supply their bank details enabling the council to pay directly into their bank account. There is funding available for all eligible properties.

From Monday 1 August householders will not be able to supply their details and all those households that have not claimed will receive a £150 voucher instead, which can be cashed at any post office.

Bucks Online Directory

A reminder that the Bucks Online Directory is a great place to publicise any community events, support groups, activities and services to local people. And please do share the link with anyone who may benefit from the information provided:

[Find activities, groups and services near you | Bucks Online Directory | Buckinghamshire Council](#)

Current and upcoming consultations

Buckinghamshire Council consultations

A reminder that current consultations and surveys from Buckinghamshire Council are available to view on our website <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/>

Where appropriate, we also list NHS consultations and surveys as well.



Community Board Beeches

Action Group: Infrastructure & Highways

Meeting date: 8 June 2022 at 6pm via MS Teams

AGENDA and NOTES

No	Topic	Lead / Documents
1	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>George Sandy kindly took on the role of Chairman in Ralph Bagge's absence</p> <p>In attendance: George Sandy (Buckinghamshire Council), Edwina Glover (Burnham Parish Council), Marilyn Rolfe (Farnham Royal Parish Council), Roger Worthington (Taplow Parish Council), Carol Linton (Burnham Parish Council), Jill Dax (Dorney Parish Council), Ruth Senior (Taplow and Dorney Parish Councils), Kirsten Ashman (Buckinghamshire Council), Danielle Roberts (Dropmore Infants School), Stephen Baker (Dorney School), Eloise Roberts-Durrant, Mrs Streete (Dropmore Infants School), Imogen Hasted, Andy Chapman (Board Manager)</p>	Chairman
2	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Ralph Bagge</p>	Manager
3	<p>Notes and updates from previous meetings</p> <p>Noted and agreed</p>	Notes from 9 February
4	<p>Update on current schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blackpond Lane – footway extension <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Status – Design Work in Progress • Templewood Lane – dropped kerbs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Status – Handed to Construction 	Chairman/Manager

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A355 Farnham Common – school signage and lining works <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Works completed ● Lincoln Hatch Lane, Burnham – dropped kerbs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Status – Handed to Construction ○ TfB have issued a request for an extra £2,000 in the light of increased materials costs. To be discussed by Burnham Parish Council. AC to liaise. ● Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges – waiting restrictions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Status – Design Work in Progress <p>AC advised that other Boards were also seeing requests for additional funding for older projects, due to increased materials costs since quotes were first obtained, and on some cases due to fuel cost increases. AC to monitor and liaise with TfB.</p>	
5	<p>Project Initiation Documents for 2022/23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A355 Farnham Common - 50mph to 30mph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB recommend speed surveys and assessment at a total cost of £1,562.00 ○ Group recommends the project to the Board for funding; AC to confirm contribution by FRPC ● A355 Farnham Royal to Farnham Common - 40mph to 30mph <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB recommend speed surveys and assessment at a total cost of £1,970.00 ○ Group recommends the project to the Board for funding; AC to confirm contribution by FRPC ● Taplow Common Road/Cliveden Road junction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB cost feasibility study and road safety audit at £5,838.65 – does not include design, quotation process or implementation. ○ It was agreed that the most straightforward and effective solution would be to change the layout to be a T junction – not currently proposed within the TfB PID. ○ Taplow PC receives regular reports of close calls ○ AC to liaise with TfB on options to change the brief ● Hollybush Hill speeding – road markings and signage 	Chairman/All

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB cost the project initiation and design at £3,060.64 and the full implementation at £4,491.64 – a total of £7,552.28. ○ Group supportive of recommending the project to the Board but acknowledges it is expensive; AC to discuss contributory funding with Stoke Poges PC ● Lent Rise School lights and road markings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB costs the feasibility and design work at £3,091.05 and anticipates the implementation would cost £15,884.28 – a total of £19,785.33 ○ CL would consult with Parish Council re financial contribution ○ It was suggested that existing Section 106 monies might be available for this project – AC to contact school ● Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges – cyclist and pedestrian safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TfB costs the feasibility study at £4,915.64 – does not include design, consultation and implementation ○ Group recommends the project to the Board for funding 	
6	<p>Schemes to consider/submit to TfB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MVAS – Dorney Parish Council and MVAS – Taplow Parish Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was stated that studies show that MVAS are the most effective and cost effective approach to tackling localized speeding. ○ RS has confirmed locations for both areas with the Local Area Technician. JD spoke of the increased speeding issues near the bridge. ○ Quotes from Swarco were reviewed and the group agreed to recommend the schemes to the Board for funding ● MVAS – Burnham Parish Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Parish Council has been updating a previous application, discussing locations with the Local Area Technician and acquiring quotes from provider. Group to consider application. ● Dropmore Infants School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parents and Headteacher described the situation with parking, speeding and pedestrian experiences 	Chairman/Manager

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The group invited an application that would be considered for forwarding to TfB for assessment and costing. AC to continue to liaise. 	
7	<p>Agree actions to take forward</p> <p>As above</p>	Chairman
8	<p>Dates of next meetings</p> <p>13 July 2022; 14 September 2022; 16 November 2022</p>	Manager
9	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>None</p>	Chairman



Community Board Beeches

Action Group: Wellbeing

Meeting date: 25 May 2022

ACTION NOTES

(high level notes for the purpose of tracking/monitoring activity)

Present:

George Sandy (Chair), Dev Dhillon, Nick Naylor, Carol Linton (Burnham Parish Council), Jackie Slater (Burnham Parish Council), George Chapman (Burnham Beeches Rotary Club), Monica Bergh (Lead Practitioner for Youth Work), Becca Nutley (Community Youth Ventures), Shirley Shaw (Learning and Sharing Together), Rachael Small (Lent Rise School), Sue Beach (Burnham Youth Club), Debbie Hulme (Family Support Service), Aldo Simone (Trading Standards), Joy Maisey (Terence Higgins Trust), Ellis Brickley (Royal British Legion), Tim Angellier (Scouts), Andy Chapman (CB Manager)

No	Topic	Lead
1	Welcome and Introductions	Chairman
2	Apologies for absence Ralph Bagge, Eve Chason, Hayley Casey, Emily Davis	Manager
3	Notes from previous meeting 23.3.22 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Noted	Manager
4	Project and funding updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">Almost the Donkey Derby: the meeting was reminded that the Burnham Beeches Rotary Club event would be taking place on 28 May. The Board had provided funding to support the event and would have a stall for promotion and to engage with residents.Girl Guides Storage Shed – it was reported that the Board had agreed funding of £2,675.99 for the purchase of a storage shed for Farnham Common Girl Guides	Manager



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active in the Community: work on the floodlight upgrade had begun and a report has been requested for the next meeting • Virtual Dementia Tour Bus: Thanks were offered to Burnham Park Hall for hosting the event. Although not all spaces were taken, those who took part reported finding the experience illuminating and insightful and it was pleasing that, as well as individual residents participating, a number of local organisations had sent representatives. 	
5	<p>Applications and proposed projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whizz Fizz Fest Library Tour – further details of the summer children’s literature event for 5 – 10 year olds and their families were provided. In response to the group’s enquiry, it had been confirmed that the event would not be at Farnham Common library this year but would be at Burnham library on 27 July, along with a linked activity trail available for all for the following week – all funded by Buckinghamshire Culture. Information was provided on three optional additional activities that could be funded by the Board, including a craft workshop and a street entertainer. AC to provide further detail when available. • Bluebell Memories Dementia Support – an update was provided on the new fortnightly sessions held at Farnham Common village hall. Discussions are underway on a potential funding application to help the venture grow. AC to liaise with Sue Strange and the Community Board funding panel on next steps. • Stoke Poges PC Playground Equipment – as an update to previous discussions, the final costings were made available for a range of proposed improvements to Bells Hill and Plough Lane Recreation Grounds – either £4,500 or £5,940 for Bells Hill and either £13,839 or £15,279 for Plough Lane (depending on the quantity of zip wire matting purchased) . It was felt that this was a large amount of money, recognizing a total Board budget this year of £100,388. AC to liaise with applicant and explore alternative funding sources. • Burnham Royal British Legion PRIDE event – Ellis Brickley, club secretary, presented information on the proposed event, to be held on 23 July. It was acknowledged that no similar events are held in the area. The group expressed a willingness to support the 	Chairman



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	project, subject to sight of costings and further detail. AC to liaise with Ellis and to present information to the group.	
6	<p>Discussion – Young People in Beeches</p> <p>The Chairman introduced a discussion on how the Board might support partners and local groups to help improve the lives and life chances of young people, particularly those not already engaging with existing services and activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue cautioned against seeing all young people as an issue, stressing that the vast majority are delightful, smart, intelligent and charming and that only a small proportion are difficult to engage with. It was acknowledged that some young people are not able to access things that others can, perhaps for reasons of a complex background, and that for some the education system can be inflexible and not practical enough. • Monica highlighted a need to have systems in place for young people who struggle to fit in and for more informal ways to engage – the importance of hearing directly from young people to better understand their world. How are we going to find them and hear what they are saying? What conversations are already happening? Monica advised that a new participation worker, to work directly with Community Boards, is expected to be in post in July. • Carol mentioned promotion of support in Chesham and suggested a similar local approach. Debbie advised that the courses, to support with mental health and anxiety, are available online but that a presence in Burnham would be ideal. Joy highlighted the need to include consideration of suitable mental health support in any planning. • Becca provided information about the work of Community Youth Ventures delivering street-based youth work where young people hang out, in partnership with organisations like the Family Support Service and youth clubs. The CYV mobile outreach unit could be available to support a local project in the summer. • Rachael stressed the importance of including the pupil voice – to get ‘hard to reach’ young people to engage would require a system and a focus on understanding what children want. Lent 	Chairman/All



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	<p>Rise School runs a successful peer mentor scheme supported by Bucks Mind and others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ellis, from a scouting perspective, suggested talks and activities for young people – youth led, youth shaped, youth run. • Joy highlighted that those on the margins were at risk of exploitation, such as county lines, and that the influence/reach of social media should not be underestimated – being at home was no longer a refuge from bullying. Joy stated that up to 50% of those who are being exploited or abused are not yet known to services. Opportunities to make changes existed, trust should be built first, especially with vulnerable children – talk in an open, friendly way – and listen. • Dev agreed with the need to reach out and meet the young people • George appreciated the contributions and the willingness expressed to work together • Is there a common theme? Joy – ‘fear’ – of not knowing what the future holds, of being out socially (inc knife crime), of not looking a certain way or having the ‘right’ clothes, of not having money. Without the necessary support, the risk of a gang being seen as family is very real. • Debbie suggested that while the situation can appear overwhelming there are things that can be done, and recommended starting with one focus. She offered use of the Family Centre youth room and kitchen. • Sue 	
7	<p>Agree actions to take forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above 	Chairman/All
8	<p>Dates of future meetings – 27 July 2022, 28 September 2022, 23 November 2022. All at 6pm on Teams</p>	Coordinator
	<p>Any other business</p>	Chairman/All



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Action Group: Improving Our Environment

Meeting date: 4th May 2022 at 6pm on Teams

AGENDA and NOTES

No	Topic	Lead
1	<p>Welcome and introductions</p> <p>In attendance: Dev Dhillon, Carol Linton (Burnham Parish Council), Zoe Hatch (Burnham Parish Council and Taplow Parish Council), Andy Chapman (CB Manager)</p>	Chairman
2	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Kirsten Ashman, Rachel Horton-Kitchlew (Taplow Parish Council), Paul Bunce (Burnham Parish Council), Aidan Carlisle (Burnham Parish Council), Alan French (Burnham Beeches Rotary Club)</p>	Community Board Manager
3	<p>Action group priorities</p> <p>The ongoing priorities for the group were restated as: to understand local issues, to host a themed Community Board meeting, to address littering, to discourage single use plastic, to encourage biodiversity</p>	Chairman
4	<p>Funding update</p> <p>It was noted that the Beeches CB budget for 2022-23 is £100,388. Changes to the funding criteria include a request for contributory funding towards projects in excess of £1,000 and a ceiling, except in exceptional circumstances, of £15,000 per project. A small grants fund is in development and an update will be provided when available.</p>	Community Board Manager
5	<p>Project proposals and updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bike to Burnham – bike racks 	Chairman

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drink Well Burnham – water fountains <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CL and ZH provided an update from the parish council, including on the transition to a new parish clerk. It was acknowledged that the two original applications had not contained sufficient detail and that Burnham PC wished to review the proposals before proceeding further • Eco Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ZH introduced a proposed scheme from Burnham PC which would make an assessment of the current environmental impact of council activities, including management of open spaces, office procedures, fossil fuel use, and identify potential cost and carbon footprint savings. It was noted that the provider, 3 Acorns, had worked successfully in partnership with Chesham Town Council. The total project cost was anticipated to be in the region of £4,000 and a funding application would be submitted in due course. It was stated that Taplow PC was also keen to engage the same provider, and that a project there would be at a lower cost. AC to liaise. • Bee Squared – Taplow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ZH provided an update on the wildflower seed distribution scheme. There was scope for extending the project to other areas. A bee information booklet was in production; the project was looking to work with more youth groups • Solar Panels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DD had met with the Chairman of the Wycombe CB to find out more about their project. It is anticipated that in time equipment will become more affordable, and that government grants/support to companies increase, but it was acknowledged that current concerns about inflation and the cost of living could be a deterrent at the present time. 	
6	<p>Topics for future discussion</p> <p>It was asked whether churches could apply for project funding. AC advised that both St Peters and St Nicolas had successfully applied for Board funding.</p>	Chairman

	<p>ZH asked whether Community Boards could compile recommendations on trusted local companies. DD counselled that a colleague had promoted a company which subsequently collapsed and that promoting some companies over others can be problematic.</p> <p>It was agreed that increasing community engagement should be a priority. Keeping meetings on Teams was seen as preferable as participants would not need to travel. It was recognized that messaging needed to be honest and to reflect reality, but should also emphasise hope through action.</p>	
7	<p>Agree actions to take forward</p> <p>As above</p>	Chairman
8	<p>Any other business</p> <p>None</p>	Chairman
9	<p>Dates of next meetings – 6th July 2022, 7th September 2022, 9th November 2022</p>	Community Board Manager

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