



## Beeches Community Board agenda

Date: Tuesday 15 November 2022  
Time: 6.00 pm  
Venue: Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

### **BC Councillors:**

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

### **Town/Parish Councils:**

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 July 2022 in MS Teams, commencing at 6.02 pm and concluding at 7.47 pm.

### **BC Councillors present**

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

### **Town/Parish Councils and other organisations present**

H Baldwin (Homes for Ukraine Lead Officer), J Carey (Burnham Parish Council), J Dax (Dorney Parish Council), D Hulme (Community Coordinator, BC), C Linton (Burnham Parish Council), H Mee (Clare Foundation), M Rolfe (Farnham Royal Parish Council), R Worthington (Taplow Parish Council)

### **Others in attendance**

R Binstead (Democratic Services), A Chapman (Community Board Manager), C Lemon, R Venher, R Western-Kaye

### **Apologies**

E Brickley (Burnham Royal British Legion), T Egleton (Buckinghamshire Councillor), P Harper (Bucks & Surrey Trading Standards), S James (Service Director, Education), N Jeffries (Taplow for Ukraine), P Rowley (Farnham Royal Parish Council), R Senior (Dorney Parish Council and Taplow Parish Council), A Simone (Bucks & Surrey Trading Standards)

## Agenda Item

### **1 Chairman's Welcome**

Councillor David Anthony, Chairman of the Beeches Community Board, welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Dev Dhillon for his service as Vice-Chairman of the Community Board and welcomed Councillor Nick Naylor as the new Vice-Chairman.

### **2 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26 April 2022 were agreed as an accurate record.

Matters arising:

Andy Chapman, Beeches Community Board Manager, informed participants that the tree planting guidance would be made available in the minutes [here](#). The document would include information regarding the process and fees.

It was noted that the Waste Team had been informed of the additional need for waste to be picked up around litter picking collections.

### **3 Declarations of Interest**

None.

### **4 Guest Speaker**

Harriet Baldwin, Sponsor Liaison Area Lead Officer, was present to give an update on the Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme. The presentation slides referred to in this meeting would be appended to these minutes, with some key points below:

- As of the 22 July 2022, the Beeches area had 26 sponsors and a total of 54 beneficiaries, 42 of which had already arrived.
- 10 Sponsor Liaison Officers were active within the Beeches Area, providing support to the hosts and beneficiaries on top of their usual full-time roles.
- Challenges included travel around Buckinghamshire and housing options after the initial 6 months. It was explained that the Council was looking at developing support for rented housing and had a “bank” of sponsors for rematching.

Cathy Lemon (Host for Homes for Ukraine Scheme) and Romanna Venher (Ukrainian guest) were invited to share their experiences.

### **5 Service Director Update**

Andy Chapman, Beeches Community Board Manager, presented the item. This included information on:

- The Helping Hand and Holiday Activity Fund, to support families and individuals with low income. For more information, please contact Andy Chapman on: [andy.chapman@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:andy.chapman@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)
- Missed bin collections. It was explained that the Chair of Burnham Parish Council was still in correspondence with relevant parties on behalf of all affected residents. An issue was raised with incidents being reported as resolved when not in actuality, however it was noted that these were being addressed when escalated.
- Bucks Online Directory to publicise local services, activities, and support groups. It was agreed that Joanne Fowler, Active Communities Officer, would be invited to attend either the following Community Board or Wellbeing Group meeting to discuss how members could encourage local groups to register.

- Emails would be sent to residents regarding the annual canvas and entitlement to vote. Residents should look out for emails from [elections@canvas.buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:elections@canvas.buckinghamshire.gov.uk) with the subject “electoral registration response required”.

Councillor George Sandy reported an incident in Taplow whereby an unsuitable for large vehicles sign had been removed.

## 6 Action Group Updates

### a) Infrastructure & Highways

Councillor Ralph Bagge updated the Community Board on the Infrastructure and Highways action group. He thanked Councillor George Sandy for chairing the previous meeting on Wednesday 8 June 2022. Members were informed of the following points:

- Costings provided by Transport for Bucks (TfB) for schemes and recommendations proposed for next year. This included Mobile Vehicle Activated Signs (MVAS) for Dorney Parish Council and Taplow Parish Council, which has been recommended for funding and had been circulated to board members for decision.
- Transport for Bucks (TfB) had reported an increase in material costs and that it could not deliver some projects against its initial costing forecast. TfB had been in discussion with the board regarding covering additional expenditure so the projects can proceed.
- Changes to the scheme for highways projects next year. The contract with TfB was ending and a new framework would be in place from April 2023. As such, TfB would not be progressing pending schemes, as these would be delivered under a new contractor. New projects would not be started until the new contract is in place, however it was confirmed that the board was still able to approve projects but costings may be reviewed next year.

In the discussion that followed, the below points were raised:

- Councillor George Sandy recalled an initiative in the early 90s to collect funds from residents of Taplow village for traffic calming schemes. It was decided that 2 of the 3 speed bumps would not be installed and so residents were eligible for a partial refund. It was suggested that the remaining funds not issued in refunds could be used towards MVAS in Taplow.
- Members requested an update on the status of projects and an indication of projects that had gone over the initial costings. Councillor Dev Dhillon emphasised the importance of completing schemes within a timely manner to avoid cost increases.
- Members were informed of the implementation of a RAG (Red-Amber-Green) rating for projects, with green being projects TfB were confident in

completing in 2022. Projects categorised as green included the dropped curbs in Lincoln Hatched Lane, Burnham and Templewood Lane, Farnham Common. Both projects mentioned had increased costs, which were with Parish Councils for consideration. Amber projects included the Blackpond Lane, Farnham Common footway extension, due to additional costs of £31,000. Red projects included Rogers Lane, Stoke Poges waiting restrictions, indicating that TfB may not be able to deliver the project before April 2023 due to issues with traffic regulation orders.

- Concern was raised over the breakdown of costs. It was confirmed that the current supplier was endorsed by Buckinghamshire Council and had been checked to be competitive.
- Jill Dax, Chair of Dorney Parish Council, enquired into the installation of 2 posts. It was agreed that a breakdown of costs for the initial quote would be looked into and to explore an alternative supplier for installation.
- The possibility of a funding roll-over due to projects put on hold.
- Richard Western-Kaye, Snowball Farm, raised concerns of speeding on the southern end of Dropmore Road, connecting to Dorney Wood Road. It was advised that the issue be raised with the Parish Council, who could work with the Board to explore options. John Carey, Burnham Parish Council, highlighted the issue of enforcement. The matter would be passed to the Infrastructure and Highways action group for consideration.

#### b) Wellbeing

Councillor George Sandy presented the update for the Wellbeing action group. The following points were raised:

- How the Board could 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 such as Scouts and Brownies. It was noted that the Community Youth Ventures mobile outreach unit would be available during the summer holidays on the 24th, 25th, and 26th of August.
- Carol Linton, Burnham Parish Council, expressed concern over the Burnham Health Promotion Trust being unable to lease the local community centre to relieve pressure on the health centre and support "Care & Share".

#### c) Improving Our Environment

Councillor Dev Dhillon presented an update for the Improving Our Environment action group. Members noted the following:

- The Burnham Parish Council application for water fountains had been withdrawn.

- The Eco Audit was expected to cost Burnham Parish Council roughly £4,340 and Taplow Parish Council £1,900. It was expected that combining the projects could help lower the cost.
- To encourage litter picking activities, equipment such as litter pickers and gloves would be donated to Burnham Parish Council and Lent Rise School from the Welcome Back Fund. These would be available for community use.
- Councillor Dev Dhillon encouraged members of the community to attend future meetings to help give feedback on how to improve the environment.

## **7 Funding and Applications Update**

Andy Chapman, Community Board Manager, presented the funding update. It was noted that there was £94,787.01 remaining in the budget, however there were 2 MVAS applications in the pipeline awaiting approval from members. It was explained that the board could continue to approve projects, which would then be granted to the new contractor.

The Board were informed that Stoke Poges Parish Council had reviewed the Hollybush Hill scheme. It was decided that the cost was disproportionate to the benefit and the application had been withdrawn.

Buckinghamshire Community Boards launched a small grants scheme to provide funding of up to £1000, suitable for community and voluntary groups. Timescales had been advertised as a 3-day turnaround, to ensure that small amounts of funding could reach communities quicker. Further information is available on the [Council website](#). This would be appropriate for a range of projects including but not limited to: equipment, training, project costs, community events, and activities.

## **8 Community Matters**

Members were reminded that live consultations can be viewed on the [Your Voice Bucks website](#). The Local Plan for Bucks consultation, looking at housing and economic development matters, would be open until 11 September. The Bucks Design Awards, allowing individuals to nominate their favourite new build or open space, would be open until 18 September. Feedback was given on a variety of previous community board funded projects including:

- Virtual Dementia Tour bus to understand what it's like to live with dementia, which received positive feedback. Andy Chapman thanked Sue Strange from Bluebell Memories for her support.
- Active in the Community project to upgrade the floodlights and equipment at Burnham Grammar School for community use in the evening, weekend and holidays. Bookings for January to March 2023 were up by 35% from last year.

- GLL organised dementia-friendly seated exercise classes in Stoke Poges. Attendance numbers had been steadily increasing.
- Refresh project opened beginning of June 2022 to open a recycling and reuse site in the Chilterns shopping centre, High Wycombe. They had employed a part time worker to help boost their service and were looking to move to a bigger premises. It was noted that the membership scheme was in the process of being implemented, which would give more accurate feedback on the benefits to Beeches residents.
- Councillor Paul Kelly requested an update on the Bucks Mind project.

Councillor David Anthony, Chairman, gave an update on the Neighbourhood Policing Forum. Communities were asked to submit priorities, identifying speeding and fly tipping as high priority. Home domestic burglaries were identified as a reduced priority to previous years.

Members reported traffic disruption issues in Farnham and Burnham was reported, with lorries not using approved routes from HS2 and Burnham Golf site.

**9 Action Plan Update**

It was noted that a new Communications plan would be developed for Community Boards in the summer. Councillor David Anthony would liaise with the Chairmen of the action groups to finalise this.

**10 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 15 November 2022 at 6pm



# Ukraine Sponsorship scheme

- Public invited to 'sign up' if they are willing to host an individual or family for a minimum of six months (Homes for Ukraine scheme)
- Visa Scheme launched - allows Ukrainians to come to the UK for up to three years if they have a named sponsor under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme
- The visa scheme places requirements on the Council to provide coordinated support including education, housing checks and safeguarding. The Council will receive £10,500 per person
- The council does not match sponsors and guests, our checks are to help us understand key needs. The council checks do not hold up the visa process.

# Council response

- 21 team members working full time within the central project team
- 115 staff members undertaking the sponsor liaison role on top of their day job
- 650 home safety checks undertaken by Environmental Health
- 1,383 DBS checks requested by the business support team on adults within sponsor households
- Work being undertaken by a variety of teams across the council including education, Children's safeguarding, Adults, Housing, customer services, finance.
- [ukrainesupport@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:ukrainesupport@buckinghamshire.gov.uk) mailbox set up to answer queries on a daily basis

Community Board	Sponsors	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries Arrived
Amersham	37	88	50
Aylesbury	27	60	31
Beaconsfield and Chepping Wye	61	148	107
<b>Beeches</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>42</b>
Buckingham and Villages	26	69	43
Chesham and Villages	36	88	64
Denham, Gerrards Cross and Chalfonts	65	164	118
Haddenham and Waddesdon	56	118	83
High Wycombe	41	116	52
Missendens	33	81	59
North West Chilterns	64	180	139
South West Chilterns	75	182	131
Wendover	32	92	56
Wexham and Ivers	8	23	7
Wing and Ivinghoe	22	65	36
Winslow and Villages	33	97	60
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>1634</b>	<b>1075</b>

# In the Beeches Community Board area

- Community welcome and support
- Good engagement with schools
- Better Connected Beaconsfield
  - Employment workshops
  - English conversation
  - Lifts schemes
- Support from Taplow 4 Ukraine

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## CAFÉ UKRAINE

Зустріч української громади  
у Беконсфілді  
з метою соціалізації і надання підтримки,  
особливо тим, хто приїхав нещодавно  
з України



Gathering of Ukrainian community  
in Beaconsfield

for socializing and providing support  
especially for newly arrived Ukrainians

Every Monday  
9:30-11:30 am  
at the Dove Café, St Thomas Church,  
Mayflower Way, Holtspur, HP9 1UF



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# Welcome Cathy and Romanna



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# Current challenges

- We are fast approaching the initial six months for our first guests and there are lots of questions about housing.
  - The council is looking at the various options available and talking to sponsors and community groups about the numbers expected to want to end their arrangement at six months.
- Difficulties with availability of school places in some parts of the county. Working closely with the school admissions and school transport teams to find solutions
- Travel around Buckinghamshire continues to be a challenge, particularly in the more rural areas

# Rematching

- Where hosts or guests want to end their agreement early, the council has a team working on rematching
- We are developing a bank of sponsors who have been through the relevant checks to enable us to rematch guests quickly where there have been breakdowns in their original relationship
- We know that rematching will increase as we near the end of the initial six months

# Helping Hand: Support for Ukraine

- The emergency appeal is administered by Heart of Bucks
- We advocate funding applications for guests, for up to £500 per family
- The types of things that have been funded are
  - Interpreter training courses
  - Exams for people to convert qualifications (e.g. nursing)
  - Clothes for children's school uniform
  - School trips
  - Conversion of qualifications







## SUPPORTING CHARITIES, VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY GROUPS AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

- **Improving access to funding:** we offer a range of funding support including roundtables with funders, signposting to latest funds, access to funding directories (Bucks Funding Search and Grantway), tips on writing a successful grant and information on other sources of funding.
- **Providing resources and tailored support:** we offer guidance and advice to help local charities run their group or get started. You can request support or find lots of online guidance and resources on our website.
- **Training and advice:** we facilitate training to groups in Buckinghamshire covering topics such as safeguarding, funding and governance and how to recruit and manage volunteers, as well as expert coaching.
- **Finding volunteers:** we support groups with volunteer recruitment, developing volunteering policies, role descriptions and volunteering strategies. We also promote general and expert volunteer vacancies, including trustee roles. The Buckinghamshire Volunteer Matching Service has been placing volunteers with groups and organisations since Spring 2020.
- **Connecting the voluntary sector and facilitating cross-sector partnerships:** through both place-based and interest-specific peer support networks. We are part of a number of policy groups in Buckinghamshire and neighbouring counties to ensure cross sector collaboration in areas such as healthcare and community led housing, making sure that the voice of the voluntary sector is heard and taken into account.

For more information about these services for not-for-profit organisations, visit our website at [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/)

## KNOW A CHARITY OR VOLUNTARY GROUP THAT NEEDS OUR HELP?

Our VCSE Support Service - funded by Buckinghamshire Council - can help with all aspects of running a charity or voluntary group including leadership, funding, governance and volunteer recruitment and management, with priority given to those with income of less than £100,000. Complete our simple form to let us know at [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/request-for-support/](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/request-for-support/)

## HELP WITH SECURING VOLUNTEERING ROLES

We signpost potential volunteers to new opportunities, including through the Volunteer Matching Service and our I want to volunteer resources.

## HELPING TO BUILD RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

- **Helping people without access to transport:** we answer calls on our [Community Transport Hub hotline](#), connecting people with volunteer-run transport schemes in their area. 73% of callers need help to attend medical appointments.
- **Helping people stay connected and live independently:**
  - Our [Handy Helpers](#) team has completed thousands of tasks in the homes of vulnerable Buckinghamshire residents, including general maintenance, preventive measures and practical tasks.
  - As well as providing our established cohort of clients with a garden clearance & maintenance service, our [Gardening and Wellbeing](#) project supports them to be active participants in their wellbeing by empowering them to explore what they 'can do' for themselves/ others in their community.
  - The [Community Growing project](#) supports communities to develop sustainable community food growing projects. We have established a site in Wycombe and are due to set up a site in Iver in 2022.
  - Our [Pub Lunch Club project](#) helps address social isolation for our older residents. We are working with a number of communities to relaunch Pub Lunch Clubs that were suspended during lockdown and to launch new clubs.
  - Our [Ukraine Community Support project](#) provides networking, information and support to dozens of community groups across Buckinghamshire which are working to welcome Ukrainians and enable them to thrive with in Buckinghamshire's communities.
  - We use our expertise and local knowledge to champion Buckinghamshire's communities; in 2022 the **Bucks Rural Life** project will use data and community research to provide insights into the needs and experiences of the county's rural communities.
- **Supporting key community assets:** volunteer-run community buildings, such as village halls, community centres, sports pavilions and church halls are a vital part of community life and very often at the heart of rural communities. As the Rural Community Council for Buckinghamshire and member of Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE), we offer a [Community Buildings Service](#) providing light touch advice and information to community building management committees.

For more information about these services, visit our website at [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/community/community-projects/](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/community/community-projects/)

## HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

- To find out more about our work supporting the voluntary sector and communities in Buckinghamshire, visit [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk)
- If you know of a charity or community group that needs our help please let us know complete our simple form at [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/request-for-support/](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/charities-groups/request-for-support/)
- Book on our workshops and training sessions for not-for-profit organisations at <https://communityimpactbucks.org.uk/events/>
- Sign up to be notified by email about latest advice and guidance for the voluntary sector, funding opportunities and future events at [www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/membership/](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/membership/)
- Call or email us: 0300 111 1250 / [info@communityimpactbucks.org.uk](mailto:info@communityimpactbucks.org.uk)
- Community Board Co-ordinators have a designated point of contact at Community Impact Bucks:
  - North – Frankie Hockham [frankie@communityimpactbucks.org.uk](mailto:frankie@communityimpactbucks.org.uk)
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## **An update for Community Boards from Buckinghamshire Council Late Summer (September 2022)**

**Buckinghamshire Council Update  
September 2022**

### **Help in these difficult times**

As we move into autumn there's one issue above all others that stands out and that, of course, is the current cost of living pressures, especially where energy and food bills are concerned.

This is impacting everyone; businesses, residents and particularly those who are already struggling. For some households the prospect of what winter will bring is extremely worrying. Many people are in need now and want to know what extra support is coming in the winter months.

The council is taking a range of actions to help residents with the cost of living and it's a package of support that will continue to develop over the coming months.

The community boards have a critical role to play in this, both in helping to identify areas of need and supporting the provision of help. Work is already underhand looking at how best boards where it is appropriate can help with this work.

### **Support available to those who need it:**

#### **Helping Hand**

The council's Helping Hand team offers advice, help and information to people who need it, including financial help to cover the food and energy costs to households in crisis, as well as helping with paying for other essentials like sanitary items and nappies. The team is available to help individuals or families in need, those on low incomes and those who are experiencing a financial emergency or crisis.

Our Helping Hand programme provides support to local individuals and families who are experiencing financial hardship. They can call the team on 01296 531 151 or use the [online contact form](#). You can read more about the help available on the [dedicated section of our website](#).

The Helping Hand team is issuing Post Office vouchers to some 8,000 pensioners in Buckinghamshire who are in receipt of Council Tax reduction or who have previously been supported by Helping Hand; this will ensure there is support available to those who need it most.

### **‘Welcoming Spaces’**

We will be joining forces with other organisations across Buckinghamshire to create a network of welcoming spaces this winter, to assist when the weather turns colder.

Starting with council libraries, these locations will provide a warm, welcoming and supportive space for anyone who needs it. Anyone who comes in from the cold will be welcomed and will be guaranteed respect, dignity and warmth; the aim is to offer a friendly ear and, overall, to create places that help people save on their heating bills and that also offer advice and support. This is an example of an area where community boards can play a key role in working within their communities to identify potential welcoming spaces and help set them up.

### **Information and advice**

Our fantastic network of volunteer groups and charity organisations plays a vital role in providing community support and specialist advice and information. We have created a [‘Cost of Living’ section on our website](#) to make it easier to find advice and information. You can also search our [Family Information Service website](#) for more information on the wider support and advice available to any households that need it.

There are a number of great community projects that offer help in different ways. For example, take a look at the [‘Grow It, Cook It, Eat It’ project](#) that the council supports and we have already seen being developed through community boards. This includes a range of initiatives that help with the cost of food, ensure food isn’t wasted and has a number of health and environmental benefits. Local initiatives like this play a vital part in the overall general support available to residents who need a helping hand.

There is also the support on offer from central government this winter. This is the current package:

- Eligible residents in receipt of disability benefits will receive a £150 cost of living payment from 20 September.
- All households in Great Britain will receive a £400 discount on their electricity bills this winter, applied in six monthly instalments, automatically coming off bills, starting in October.
- In addition to this, households on means tested benefits including Universal Credit, Pension Credit and Tax Credits will receive a Cost of Living payment of £650 this year.

**You can find out more about these payments on the government’s website [here](#) and access wider information about the overall support available to households via [their website](#) – this contains information on transport and childcare costs too.**

In addition, the websites of the main energy providers contain valuable tips about how to save energy in the home.

## **Highways – a new contract and what it means for community boards**

Maintaining and improving the roads in the county is one of the issues that matter most to residents and is a top priority for Buckinghamshire Council.

As you will be aware, Buckinghamshire Council will be starting new highways contracts in April next year and this will have an impact on community board projects currently in the pipeline. It is also an opportunity to build in a delivery model with community boards in mind.

### **The current situation**

Across all the community boards there are currently about 58 projects which have been agreed and funding committed but are yet to be completed by the outgoing contractor (Transport for Bucks, TfB). The status of these approved projects is as follows:

- 22 projects are rated Green and are scheduled to be completed by the end of March next year
- 10 projects have been rated as Amber and delivered to a gateway stage ready for the new contractor to take forward eg. design, feasibility
- 26 projects are rated as Red and are under review but may not be started at all because of their complexity or the time to implement overlaps with the change in Highway's service provider.

All Amber and Red projects continue to be reviewed with TFB to determine if any can be delivered under the current contract by March 2023. Updates will be provided if the situation changes. Furthermore, the Highways service will work closely with our new service provider to determine if they are able to deliver any amber and red projects prior to the contract start date in April 2023.

There are also about 55 projects that have been proposed with PIDs drafted for which no decision to proceed has yet been taken. These projects will not be taken forward until the new contract has started to ensure that they are priced correctly by the new service provider and firm timescales can be agreed for implementation.

Boards can still reserve funding for these schemes from the current 2022/23 budget, but the final prices will need to be confirmed with our new service provider. You can also continue to discuss highways priorities and solutions.

Balfour Beatty Living Places has been awarded the new highways maintenance contract and the new consultancy contractor will be Atkins. The council will be working with the new contractors and outgoing contractors Ringway Jacobs to ensure a smooth transition to the new arrangements under the name Buckinghamshire Highways.

## **Looking Forward**

As advised already, given the changes to the highway service, Boards should not accept any additional applications highway schemes in 2022/23 and no further projects should be submitted for consideration for 2023/24. Community Boards will be consulted on the development of a new protocol and process for Highway schemes during the transition to the new contract ready for April 23, please therefore keep any new schemes on hold pending the new process for taking these forward.

The new highways working arrangement will include a community-based design delivery model for small schemes specifically for Community Boards to develop their local highway schemes. We will also provide greater clarification on which highway schemes are appropriate for Community Boards to bring forward.

Additionally, and to further help support Community Boards, a 'menu of options' will be developed for small highways schemes that show the indicative prices and implementation timescales for a range of suitable small local highways schemes to better inform the Boards in decision making.

Any partners currently with a live scheme on the RAG list will continue to receive communication from the TfB/project technician and their Community Board Manager, and community boards, Highways and TfB will continue to work closely during the transition.

While we appreciate the delay to delivering schemes will be disappointing, the new approach being adopted does highlight the commitment to the work of the Boards in delivering local highway improvements in the new contract.

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

Arrivals from Ukraine are still coming into our county with 700 hosts now offering accommodation to over 1,200 Ukrainian guests.

We continue to work hard to make sure the families can access schooling, work, finance, practical items, English language lessons and emotional support through our Helping Hand for Ukraine scheme – further details at [A Helping Hand for Ukraine | Buckinghamshire Council](#).

We recognised the significance of Ukraine Independence Day (24 August) as everyone reflected on their personal journey and loss. The summer break also brought the challenge of keeping our younger guests occupied and this year we offered free holiday activities and food on the HAF scheme and Boredom buster bags from our partners LEAP.

We also continue to work with our voluntary sector colleagues and local community groups, now with an eye on the new challenges coming up. We also have over 150 staff in sponsor liaison roles, in addition to their day jobs, who keep regular one-to-one contact with sponsor households.

We recognise that Ukraine families living in Buckinghamshire will be concerned about what happens when their current sponsorship arrangements come to an end. This is especially a concern for those families that have settled into communities and schools. In some locations, it will be challenging to find alternative accommodation locally due to a lack of availability and high housing costs. We want to help our guests from the Ukraine as much as we can and are looking at solutions which will require all tiers of government, the private and voluntary sector to work together. Options being considered include:

1. Extend with sponsor – If both parties are happy to stay together then once agreed the guests can continue living in the same area and keep their local support network.
2. Rematch with a new sponsor – The Council will help the guests rematch with a new sponsor home or the guests can find their own rematch, although this could mean they would need to move to a different area which would impact on their support networks including schools/employment.
3. Private rental – Guests can look at renting privately if they can afford this. High rents across the south east make finding affordable housing difficult for many. Some guests may be eligible for a Local Housing Allowance to help meet rental costs and we will help them find out if this support is available to them. The Council may also be able to help with a deposit guarantee and one month's rent upfront. Again this could mean guests having to move to a different area if there is no affordable private rental accommodation locally.
4. Social housing – All guests are eligible to apply to join the Council's housing register. However, there is a very high demand for social housing in Buckinghamshire, so depending on the type and size of property they are looking for, there is likely to be a long wait for a property.

On top of the housing issue, there is the cost of living crisis hitting us all – the impact on both hosts and guests is already evident so we are working with central Government to make sure Bucks' residents' voices are heard; tangible, long-term solutions are found; and we can continue to support both our residents and our guests.

## **Waste and recycling missed bins and garden waste charges**

### **Missed bins**

Unfortunately, in some pockets of the former Chiltern, South Bucks and Wycombe district areas of Buckinghamshire, disruption as a result of re-organising waste rounds continues. Although on average 99.6% of bins are being collected successfully every day since the start of the reorganisation, there are still a significant number of bin collections being missed every week.

Our contractor Veolia continues to work at bringing service levels up to the standard that we expect. The council is continuing to hold Veolia to account for delivering greater progress and meeting the required standard and is closely monitoring the service.

We continue to ask any residents experiencing pockets of poor service to report missed bins on the council website ([www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/missed-bin](http://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/missed-bin)) as soon as they can.

### **Garden waste charges**

New garden waste subscription arrangements began on Monday 26 September. A campaign has been running to raise awareness of the change and the need to subscribe to the service to have garden waste collected from this date. The service is now 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.

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

### **Community Boards success at County Show**

The county show was a fantastic success for the community boards, it was a great opportunity to reach a huge number of residents and also other organisations that we could network with in the future.

The main themes coming through were lack of activities for young people, better bus services including community buses, speeding and litter issues. In addition, we managed to sign up more residents to receive our newsletters.

In summary, it was a great event for us to attend.

### **Town and Parish Charter**

Buckinghamshire Council's Town & Parish Charter was agreed and published on our website in July. This charter is founded on our respect for all councils in Buckinghamshire as independent, democratically accountable bodies and has one simple aim – to articulate and demonstrate our commitment to working together to serve the people of Buckinghamshire.

Community boards have a great record of working with our local councils and this charter is essential reading – you can view it at [Town and Parish Charter | Buckinghamshire Council](#)



## **Better enforcement for moving traffic offences**

Buckinghamshire Council is one of a handful of local authorities in England outside of London to have successfully applied for powers to enforce moving traffic offences (MTOs) that were previously only enforceable by the police. These offences are where drivers ignore restrictions in place at a location – for example driving through a no entry sign, making banned turns, entering a yellow box junction without a clear exit or driving on bus or taxi routes.

The new enforcement powers will make use of automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) technology at 14 locations across Bucks. The locations were listed as part of a consultation about support for the council's plan to apply for the powers from February to April 2022; they are places where restrictions have been in place already for some time for road safety reasons or to prevent traffic congestion.

The locations where cameras will start to be installed from December will be highlighted through council communications. Signage will be erected well in advance at the camera locations to give drivers plenty of notice of the enforcement powers.

The cabinet decision can be seen at

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MIId=17388&x=1>

## **Local Heritage Listings**

Buckinghamshire Council is one of 22 local authorities to receive funding to develop a Local Heritage List as part of a national initiative to improve the provision and standard of locally held Lists of Non-Designated Heritage Assets (NDHA). The list seeks to identify locally significant assets and celebrate their contribution to local identity and character.

Developing this list provides a rare opportunity for Buckinghamshire residents to nominate important assets around the county that are not currently listed but that have significant heritage interest. By adding these heritage assets to a Local Heritage List we can ensure their local importance is recognised and taken into account in the planning process.

Once on the list, these assets become known as Non-Designated Heritage Assets (NDHAs). They differ from those sites that have statutory protection and national designations, such as Listed Buildings, Scheduled Monuments and Registered Parks and Gardens.

Working with a team of volunteers, we are currently assessing over 2,000 nominations ranging from mileposts, street art and open spaces to historic buildings, water mills and chapels. We intend to adopt a phase one local list this winter, with a phase two in 2023. For more information visit [Home - Buckinghamshire's Local Heritage List \(local-heritage-list.org.uk\)](https://www.local-heritage-list.org.uk) or email [localheritagelist@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:localheritagelist@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

## Current and upcoming consultations

### **Money Matters - Have your say on Buckinghamshire Council's spending priorities for 2023/24**

We are working hard on spending plans for next year. With a really challenging economic climate, with rising energy costs, interest rates and inflation, it's more essential than ever that you tell us how you want your money to be spent.

The costs involved in providing our services have risen sharply due to higher inflation. This makes setting the budget and balancing the books extremely challenging this year.

In considering your response, take time to reflect on the wider needs of the whole of Buckinghamshire in addition to the specific priorities for yourself, your family, your immediate community, your business or your organisation.

You can tell us your views in one of the following ways:

- Complete the online survey at [Money Matters: Have your say on Buckinghamshire Council's spending priorities for 2023/24 - Your Voice Bucks - Citizen Space](#)
- Complete, and return, [a printed version of the survey \(PDF 0.27MB\)](#)

You can pick up a paper copy of the survey in one of our [Council Access Points](#), including libraries.

If you have any questions about this activity, please email us at [consultations@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:consultations@buckinghamshire.gov.uk).

**Please tell us your views by midnight on Sunday 20 November 2022.**

## **Dorney Lake Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) consultation 2022**

**We want to hear your views on our proposal to extend an existing Public Spaces Protection Order at Dorney Lake for a further three years.**

We have a key role to play in helping make local places safe to live, visit and work in. Tackling anti-social behaviour continues to be a high priority for us and our partners.

Public Spaces Protection Orders are aimed at ensuring public spaces can be enjoyed free from anti-social behaviour. They provide us with legal powers to deal with a particular nuisance or problem in a defined area.

More detail on the PSPO and information on how to submit your views can be found here [Dorney Lake Public Spaces Protection Order \(PSPO\) consultation 2022 - Your Voice Bucks - Citizen Space](#)

**We want to hear from residents and organisations around Dorney Lake as well as those who visit the area. Please tell us your views by midnight on Monday 28 November 2022.**

### **Proposed changes to home to school transport from September 2023 consultation**

**We want your views on proposed changes to council-run school bus charges (Spare Seats scheme), our Home to School Transport Policy (0 to 25 year olds) and our Post-16 Transport Policy Statement for 2023 to 2024 to make them easier to understand.**

More detail on the policy and the proposed changes, along with information on how to share your views, can be found here [Proposed changes to home to school transport from September 2023 consultation - Your Voice Bucks - Citizen Space](#)

**Please tell us your views by midnight on Sunday 4 December 2022.**

#### **Buckinghamshire Council consultations**

All 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.

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## Community Board Beeches

Action Group:  
Wellbeing

Meeting date: 28

September 2022 at 6pm via MS Teams

### AGENDA and NOTES

In attendance: Cllr George Sandy (Chairman), Paul Rowley (Farnham Royal Parish Council), Shirley Shaw (Learning & Sharing Together), Rachael Small (Lent Rise School), Monica Bergh (Family Support Service), Debbie Hulme (Community Coordinator), Krissie Hutton (Youth Participation Coordinator), Aldo Simone (Trading Standards), Andy Chapman (Community Board Manager)

No	Topic	Lead
1	Welcome and Introductions	Chairman
2	Apologies for absence  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cllr Ralph Bagge, Carol Linton (Burnham PC), John Carey (Burnham PC), Jackie Slater (Burnham PC), Ruth Senior (Dorney PC &amp; Taplow PC), Louise Hayday (Burnham PC), George Chapman (Rotary Club), Sue Strange (Bluebell Memories), Pei Harper (Trading Standards), Joy Maisey (Terence Higgins Trust), David Alder (Neighbourhood Watch)</li> </ul>	Manager
3	Notes from the previous meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreed</li> </ul>	Wellbeing Action Group 27.7.22
4	Project and funding updates, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Farnham Common Girl Guides – Storage Shed</b> – AC passed on the thanks to the Board that had been received from the Guides. The shed has been erected and is in use.</li> <li>• <b>Community Youth Ventures – Outreach Project</b> – AC advised that the sessions had taken place, supported by PCSOs, the Family</li> </ul>	Manager

Support Service (FSS) and Terence Higgins Trust. The project evaluation had been received, highlighting elements of the project which the action group could develop, including the evidenced view of the young people contacted that they would appreciate the opportunity to share their views on the provision of services and activities locally. Group members echoed the view that young peoples' voices should be sought and listened to, and discussed opportunities to collaborate on such a piece of work. DH reminded the group that the FSS oversees the Burnham Family Centre and wishes to link their 'youth room' with the youth club and others to complement the existing services by offering, for example, support around mental health, anxiety, healthy relationships. AS offered to provide information on scams and online safety issues that affect young people. The room can be booked for free by charities and groups. Young people could be invited to help co-design the youth space and its services. In her role supporting youth work, MB introduces statutory services to voluntary partners and suggested that the Board could support the youth club's ambition to expand. KH advised that one option could be to commission a consultant to survey young people, but cautioned that it should not be a short-term project and should be innovative to be effective. It was agreed that to be worthwhile it would be preferable to already have engaged with local providers of services and activities, group leaders etc to seek their views on an approach that had the best chance of reaching as wide a cohort as possible so that the results would be most useful. KH suggested that the Board host two events - a practitioner event to collaborate on designing an engagement plan, to be followed later by a 'youth summit', perhaps hosted at the youth club. Youth ambassadors could then join the group to help develop the generated ideas into projects. DH advised that there are six youth workers currently working in the Chiltern & South Bucks area – they could help with delivering events. PR recommended working with local schools and it was confirmed that family support workers are attached to schools. GS asked about the status of after school clubs and RS confirmed that teachers are supporting after school and weekend activities. It was noted that many secondary age pupils go elsewhere for activities. It was agreed that a proposal should be developed, looking to host an event for practitioners, in January at the

	earliest. AC to work with others on identifying invitees and designing an agenda.	
5	<p>Applications and proposed projects for discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bluebell Memories – Dementia Support Group</b> – sessions are popular and well-supported. The application to help fund expansion of the offer is on hold</li> <li>• <b>Singing Mamas – pre- and post-natal support</b> – project on hold due to applicant’s organisational changes</li> <li>• <b>Dorney Playground Management Committee – Megaswing</b> - the applicant is in receipt of information on additional funding sources – update awaited.</li> <li>• <b>Burnham Beeches Rotary Club – Christmas Food Parcels</b> – at GC’s request, AC presented information on the plans for this year’s project, noting that after approval for Board funding last year’s project had in fact been funded by Helping Hand monies, meaning that this is eligible for Board funding this year. Due to current cost of living pressures, it is anticipated that last year’s total of 170 parcels will increase to 300, to be gifted to families identified by Farnham Common and Burnham schools and Care &amp; Share. As well as food, parcels to also contain an atlas, a dictionary, fresh produce from Men’s Shed and a family board game on the theme of personal safety. Intention is to apply to the Board for £5,000 towards project cost of £9,235. SS recommended speaking with Burnham Lions re possible duplication. <b>AC to follow up.</b></li> <li>• <b>Friends of Burnham Library</b> – small grant enquiry for a rug for the children’s area and noticeboard for promotion. AC updated that no further information had been received – <b>AC to follow up.</b></li> <li>• <b>Learning &amp; Sharing Together</b> – SS updated on the successful LaST collaboration between Perry House and St Peter’s school - after linking online during Covid they have just had their first face-to-face session. A new project is in development between the Monday Club at the Methodist Church and Lent Rise School, and LaST would like to apply to the Board for funding. The meeting was interested in receiving an application and RS stated that the school is looking forward to the project. <b>AC to liaise with SS.</b></li> </ul>	Chairman / All
7	<p>Agree actions to take forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As above</li> </ul>	Chairman / All
8	Date of next meeting – 23 November 2022, 6pm on Teams.	Manager

9	<p>Any other business/topics for future discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Farnhams Orchard Day feedback</b></li></ul> <p>AC updated on the Board's attendance at the event at The Dell – including potential to support Burnham Men's Shed with first aid training and discussions with FC Guides and Wild Women of the Woods.</p> <p>PR discussed the ambition to run electricity into the site to support the hosting of more events – SSE had quoted approx. £1,500. <b>PR and AC to liaise.</b></p>	Chairman/All
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## Community Board Beeches

### Beeches Community Board Action Plan 2022-23

#### Introduction:

The Beeches Community Board covers the parishes of Burnham, Dorney, Farnham Royal, Stoke Poges and Taplow. The aim of the Board is to improve outcomes for residents through ensuring strong connections between Buckinghamshire Council and the local community. This will be achieved by ensuring that Board members are able to make recommendations on local issues, and that they can influence the Council's service design and delivery in the local area. The Board will also work in partnership with a range of local stakeholders to find solutions to local concerns.

This action plan sets out how the Beeches Community Board will work with the community to address community priorities and take action on local issues.

#### 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, and to actively seek out local organisations that can deliver these projects in partnership with the Board
- To promote the Community Board and Community Board funding to the local community and encourage engagement
- To support the council in delivering strategic priorities at a local level

#### Community Board Priorities:

- Improving the environment



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- Support tree and wildflower planting across the Board area
- Discourage the use of single use plastics
- Support active travel schemes
- Reduce litter in public areas and encourage recycling
- **Infrastructure & Highways**
  - Improving road safety
  - Supporting active travel
- **Wellbeing**
  - Provide opportunities for all residents, with a particular focus on young people, older people and vulnerable residents
  - Identify projects which can support residents to improve their mental wellbeing
  - Identify and support projects targeted at increasing physical activity
  - Combat loneliness and social isolation
  - Expand intergenerational projects

Aim	Action	Date/ Deadline	Lead	Progress update
Develop good working relationships with the community to understand and address local issues	Seek new, and develop existing, contacts and networks. Build relationships with key local groups and organisations. Share		Manager	Regular communications by email, with updates on funding proposals and decisions, partner news, Council information etc. Manager in regular contact with parish clerks and other partners, liaising with funded groups and



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	Board, Council and partner updates with the wider Board membership regularly			with potential applicants, exploring opportunities for collaborations.
	Develop a communications and engagement plan		Manager	Discussion underway with BC Comms team re support for CBs – report anticipated summer 2022 – will use to inform Beeches Comms Plan
	Meetings with community groups and parish councils		Manager/Buckinghamshire Councillors	<p>Chairman attended Farnham Royal parish Council annual meeting. Manager attended Burnham Parish Council annual meeting. Councillors regularly attend parish meetings and promote the Board.</p> <p>First joint meeting held with parish clerks. To arrange regular meetings to share updates, concerns etc.</p> <p>Manager invited to present to Rotary Club meeting, November.</p>



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	Engage with local publications to promote the work of the boards		Manager	<p>Updates have previously been circulated in The Farnhams magazine and Stoke Poges News.</p> <p>Manager to review local publications list and seek Members input for articles</p>
Understand local issues through conversations, social media, local press	Attend local events in person	Ongoing	Manager/Board Members	<p>Identify community events to attend throughout the year, prioritising as necessary for reasons of capacity and cost.</p> <p>Attended this summer:</p> <p>Almost the Donkey Derby</p> <p>Burnham Village Fete</p> <p>Pending:</p> <p>Community Orchard Day</p>
	Develop CB Facebook page; monitor local Facebook pages – join		Manager	<p>Facebook page has 207 followers (August 2022) – further promotion and posting strategy to be part of a refreshed communications plan.</p>



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	pages and share appropriate posts			Member of several local groups; posts are shared
	Promote partners' surveys and engagement exercises; review findings		Manager/Councillors	Promoted South Bucks Police Issues Forum survey and public meetings – July and September Promoted Community Safety annual survey
	Use resident feedback to inform areas of focus for the board area		Manager/Councillors	Prepared A5 leaflet for use at events, to seek resident's views and priorities.
	Discussions in action groups on local issues, agenda items on Community Matters		Chairman/Action Group Chairmen	All Community Board meetings to include an item on community matters, with an invitation in advance to local residents to raise matters of concern.  Action groups confirmed for 2022-23 – Supporting the Environment, Infrastructure and Highways, Wellbeing.



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				Wellbeing to include a focus on young people and older people.
<b>Theme: Improving the environment</b>				
Understand local issues and concerns	Further develop action group; review and increase membership and identify key partners/community groups to invite			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manager/action group members to promote the group and identify other stakeholders who may wish to attend going forward.</li> <li>- Attending Community Orchard Day 24/9 to promote action group and encourage participation by interested residents/groups</li> </ul>
	Hold a themed community board meeting	Autumn 2022/Spring 2023?	Chairman/Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- November Board meeting to be themed around environment?</li> </ul>
Address the problem of littering in the community board area	Explore installation of information boards		Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Previously discussed at Action Group</li> <li>- To revisit?</li> </ul>



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	showing the time taken for items to biodegrade			
	Explore the possibility of installing “ballot box” style litter bins in local parks/open spaces		Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Previously discussed at Action Group</li> <li>- To revisit?</li> </ul>
	Improve access to litter picking equipment	Summer 2022	Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 20 sets of litter pickers, hi-vis jackets, gloves and bag holders received via Welcome Back Fund – delivered to Burnham Parish Council and Lent Rise School for community use.</li> </ul>
Discourage the use of single use plastics	Work with local parish councils to explore how water fountains could be installed in community spaces		Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Burnham PC project on hold</li> <li>- Farnham Royal PC to revisit?</li> </ul>
Encourage biodiversity in local green spaces	Identify areas where wildflowers could be introduced on roadside			



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	verges, opportunities for “rewilding” local green spaces or planting wildflower meadows			
	Identify areas that would be suitable for tree planting and explore the possibility of new community orchards			- Revised tree planting guidance raised at July Board meeting and to be circulated with minutes
<b>Theme: Infrastructure and Highways</b>				
Work with TfB to progress Community Board Transport Schemes		Ongoing		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2022 PIDs reviewed by action group. Recommendations to submit some to Board for considerations; others to be revised in consultation with applicants.</li> <li>- TfB advise that three older projects require extra funding due</li> </ul>





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				<p>to increased costs – funding agreed by Board and Parish for two; one to be paused.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TfB introduced RAG rating to reflect confidence in completing existing schemes before contract handover</li> </ul>
Promote Active Travel	Develop an Active Travel Strategy for the Board area		Manager/Action Group Chairman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To revisit - Action Group Chairman keen to develop during 2022-23.</li> </ul>
	Work with parish councils to identify areas where bike racks could be installed			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Burnham PC application on hold; other locations to be identified</li> </ul>
Theme: Wellbeing				



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Tackle social isolation and improve overall wellbeing of older people	Explore re-establishment of Movers and Shakers or other similar activity groups for older people to socialise and become more active		Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- M&amp;S support currently under review by Community Engagement team.</li> <li>- Funding provided to new dementia friendly gentle exercise classes in Stoke Poges</li> </ul>
	Work with schools to establish new intergenerational projects to tackle social isolation and facilitate learning		Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Promotion of Sharing &amp; Learning Together intergenerational project, including resource pack.</li> <li>- Action group to explore opportunities for collaboration.</li> </ul>
	Consider projects to promote dementia awareness		Manager/Action Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Funding provided for GLL/Better dementia friendly exercise classes.</li> <li>- Second visit of Virtual Dementia Tour bus funded in May 2022.</li> <li>- New Bluebell Memories group started in Farnham Common – funding application to Board to support expansion pending</li> </ul>



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<p>Engage with and support young people</p>	<p>Explore ways of encouraging young people to engage with the Board to ensure their views are represented</p>		<p>Action Group, Manager, partners</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Youth Council previously explored and scoped – may be more effective to identify two young people to be representatives on the overall Buckinghamshire Youthvoice Executive Committee who could then attend Board meetings.</li> <li>- 9/9 Board invited to partner with Family Support Service and Youth Service to explore local opportunities for co-design of youth services</li> <li>- Engaged with new Youth Participation Coordinator for joint work on youth ambassadors – to link to proposed youth summit</li> </ul>
	<p>Establish a youth outreach project to engage with 'hard to reach' young people</p>		<p>Action Group, Manager, partners</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Youth Ventures funded to deliver two pilot outreach sessions, August 2022 – also attended by police, family support service and Terence</li> </ul>



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				<p>Higgins Trust. To be reviewed by action group 28/9.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Action Group propose youth summit early 2023 to work with service providers, youth clubs etc to map effective engagement plan and develop local youth survey</li> </ul>
Encourage projects to promote good mental wellbeing	Establish projects which will support young people's mental wellbeing in schools		Action Group/Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two projects with Bucks Mind to support mental health in schools funded 21/22 - Mental Health First Aid training for staff and Mental Health for Key Stage 1 pupils - ongoing</li> </ul>
<b>Work Planning</b>				
Track and monitor action group tasks and projects	Action tracking sheet to be developed and kept up to date for each action group		Manager	To be refreshed for 2023.



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	Investigate implementation of an online tool for tracking action group and Board progress		Manager	Escalated to Management Team - need to explore what tools could be used across the different Community Boards if there is appetite. Trello looks most likely.  Update awaited. On hold.
Develop a calendar of meetings for all Community Board and Action Group meetings	Calendar of meetings to be drawn up for 2022-23 and circulated to Board members. Meeting invites to be sent out for the year.		Manager	Calendar of all 2022 dates compiled, including parish dates – needs updating with 2023 Parish dates

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