



## Communities & Localism Select Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday 22 November 2023

Time: 10.00 am

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

### Membership:

S Bowles (Chairman), A Waite (Vice-Chairman), A Alam, S Barrett, J Chhokar, P Drayton, G Hollis, M Hussain JP, M Knight, F Mahon, C Oliver, N Rana, G Smith, M Stannard and L Smith BEM

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<b>1 Apologies for absence / Changes in membership</b>		
<b>2 Declarations of Interest</b>		
<b>3 Minutes</b>		<b>5 - 10</b>
The minutes of the meeting held on 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 to		

be confirmed as a correct record.

#### **4 Public Questions**

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

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

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#### **5 Opportunity Bucks Update**

**10:10**

**11 - 28**

The Committee will receive an update on Opportunity Bucks – the Council’s local ‘levelling up’ initiative which is supporting residents in ten specific wards in Aylesbury, Chesham and High Wycombe.

##### **Contributors:**

Cllr Arif Hussain, Cabinet Member for Communities  
Cllr Angela Macpherson, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing  
Matt Everitt, Service Director, Business Intelligence and Community Support

#### **6 Devolution Update**

**11:15**

**29 - 44**

The Committee will receive an update on the Council’s approach to devolution of services and assets.

##### **Contributors:**

Cllr Arif Hussain, Cabinet Member for Communities  
Roger Goodes, Service Director, Partnerships, Policy and Communications

#### **7 Work Programme**

**12:00**

**45 - 46**

The Committee will discuss the work programme and note the items for the next meeting.

##### **Contributors:**

All Committee Members

#### **8 Date and time of the next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 10am.

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