



Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Board Report

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First meeting of the Board

This first meeting is designed to set the tone and expectation of the Board. It is the first step in a journey which hopes to see the communities which encompass this Board, enter diverse and productive dialogue on what they need to enable them to flourish and particularly so as they navigate out of the current Covid 19 crisis. We acknowledge the tremendous effort and community spirit which has already achieved so much in such a short space of time and it is upon that united and resolute determination to make our communities a better place that the Board seeks to hear from and engage with all community stakeholders.

Priorities

In order to do this the Community Board needs to identify the key factors and issues that are important to the community.

Subgroups will be formed with representation from a wide group of stakeholders who have a vested interest in their community whether these be residents, statutory or voluntary sector partners or Members.

With time being a scarce resource between the creation of the Board and the first meeting, Members have been asked for their views on issues within their own wards and parishes and these have formed the initial priorities. It is expected that other priorities will be added as further engagement takes place.

Funding

There are 3 funding streams allocated to the Board, each with a different purpose and funding formula, which takes account of local statistics around deprivation, population levels and number of new homes.

Further background information is provided on the funding criteria and application process.

Buckinghamshire Council's Covid-19 Crisis Fund (known as the Councillors Fund)

The Council established a fund of £250k to allow Councillors in the community boards to support local voluntary and community groups in responding to the needs of vulnerable residents during the current crisis.

The principles were:

- To support local communities in responding to the needs of vulnerable residents.
- All other alternative funding options have been pursued.
- That there is a clear audit trail for the use of these public funds.

A maximum of £2,000 could be awarded by individual groups.

£13, 155 was allocated to the Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Board.

The following schemes received funding.

Young Carers Winslow - Supporting children and their parents who were facing particularly difficult situations. Support included 1:1 and group support for children and their parents. Face time playing interactive games, the provision of food and specialist dietary requirements, furniture and clothes. One family stated that the service had been a lifeline for their family.

Bernwode Bus – Supporting the efforts of local support groups and the Aylesbury hub by providing supplies and transport solutions for food drops, prescription deliveries, hospital transport etc. Providing supplies to those in need. Covering Waddesdon, Berryfields, Ashendon, Westcott, Quainton and Grendon Underwood.

Berryfields Community Fridge - providing support and assistance to vulnerable residents and people in need. The fund will be used to further efforts and build a Community Fridge for those who are not eligible for food banks.

Marsh Gibbon Support Group – emergency cash grants have been hand delivered to those in urgent financial need.

Waddesdon Wednesday Club - who are providing food and supplies, telephone befriending, hot meal deliveries donated by Waddesdon Manor for Westcott, Quainton, Upper Winchendon and Waddesdon.

Plants for over 70's - providing plants and bedding to residents who are self-shielding in order to improve mental health, encourage physical activity, ease loneliness and social isolation and promote general wellbeing. In conjunction with Waddesdon Cricket Club.

Twyford Support Group - helping with the costs of supporting the local shop with its delivery services alongside the wider voluntary work and local foodbank store.

Ludgershall Friends Support Group - To provide continued support throughout lockdown extension for vulnerable and isolated residents in the Ludgershall area. This includes 'meals on wheels' for 20 elderly people and provision and delivery of fruit and veg parcels to 35 vulnerable people.

Calvert Helpers - strengthening what the support group can offer residents, as well as reimbursing volunteers' expenses.

Brill Meals - To support the Bernwode community lunch club who are providing meals to vulnerable residents in the area.

Board Priorities

The following topics have been raised as priorities for the Board and these have been grouped around a possible subgroup:

Covid Recovery

Supporting economic recovery (and championing the Enterprise Zone of Westcott, Silverstone and Woodlands)

Addressing social isolation

Addressing the needs of the most vulnerable.

Environment and green spaces

Highways and Road Safety

Community Speed watch/speeding issues

TTRO's and impact on local communities

Travel and Transport:

Freight Forum (Buckinghamshire Council has already begun work on scoping of a countywide Freight Strategy. The Forum would feed into those wider discussions)

Emergency Active travel proposals

The Haddenham and Thame Greenway and Haddenham to Aylesbury Greenway Scheme (See Appendix C)

Expressions of interest for the subgroups will be requested at the meeting. The Board Chairman will then appoint Chairs of each of the groups.

Attachments:

Appendix A - Waddesdon & Haddenham Neighbourhood Police Teams

Appendix B – Reopening Buckinghamshire High Streets

Appendix C – Haddenham Greenways Update

Please see additional attachments in the body of the email:

Online Etiquette

Presentation slides on Creating Community Conversations

Funding Criteria

Local Insight Data