



Buckingham & Villages Community Board

29th June 2021



Agenda

- 1 Chairman's Welcome & Appointment of Vice-Chairman**
- 2 Apologies for Absence**
- 3 Declarations of Interest**
To disclose any Personal or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- 4 Minutes/Actions from Previous Meeting**
- 5 Thames Valley Police Update**
- 6 Review of 2020/21**
End of year review with the Chairman.
- 7 Looking Forward to 2021/22**
 - Supporting Buckinghamshire priorities at a local level, key focus areas for 2021/22: Economic Recovery, Environment and Climate Change
 - Update on Action Groups
- 8 Funding Update**
To be presented by the Marco Dias, Localism Manager.
- 9 Community Matters & Pre Submitted Questions**
Opportunity for Residents and Members to raise issues
- 10 Date of Next Meeting**
October TBC

Homelessness Update

If you find someone rough sleeping you can contact StreetLink (with consent from the applicant) via <http://streetlink.org.uk> or phone 0300 500 0914, who will notify our dedicated Outreach workers.

If you see anyone you believe to be under the age of 18 and or are concerned about the health or welfare of anyone that you see sleeping rough please call 999.

During Office hours you can contact our housing team on the following numbers/online portal:

Tel: 01296 585168

Online self referral form: <https://hpa2.org/refer/AVDC>

Out of Hours is via call handler service - 0800 999 7677

The Housing Team would be happy to attend a Community Board or Action Group meeting to explore this matter further.



Stay Safe, Protect Bucks

Key message update for Community Boards

June/July 2021

- If you're meeting with family and friends, please continue to remember the rule of 6 or two households indoors, or up to 30 people outside
- Please continue to protect your loved ones – remember hands, face, space and fresh air to help stop the spread
- Regular testing will help us to control emerging variants. Rapid/ Lateral Flow Testing is only for people who are displaying no symptoms and can be done either at home or at a test centre
- If you have symptoms or if your LFT result is positive, you must self isolate immediately and arrange for a PCR test as soon as possible

COVID-19 vaccination update

Who can get the vaccine?

- All adults **aged 18 and over** can now get the COVID-19 vaccine. [Book online here](#) or call free 119
- Anyone **aged 18 - 39 will be offered an alternative vaccine to AstraZeneca**. Currently these vaccines are Pfizer or Moderna. Anyone in this age group should expect to wait between **8-12 weeks between doses**.
- If you are **aged 40 and over, or in an at risk group ([cohorts 1-9](#))**, you will receive the **AstraZeneca vaccine** and can expect an **8 week gap between doses** unless otherwise advised by a clinician.
- You will have the **same vaccine for both doses**.

How you can get the vaccine in Bucks?

- You can get a vaccine via your **GP, pharmacy** or at the **Mass Vaccination Centre** at Stoke Mandeville Stadium, Bowls Centre. You can find out more about where you can get a vaccine on the [council webpage](#). As you know there is a huge drive now across the country to get as many people vaccinated before the 19 July. Getting fully vaccinated with both doses is really important now as variants pose a risk. The latest data shows how being vaccinated can really help lower the risk of hospitalisation and serious illness or death if you do manage to contract the virus.
- Over the next month or so **some GPs are stopping vaccinating** as they return to normal practice work. This is because they were only ever due to vaccinate those most at risk in Phase 1 of the vaccine rollout.
- **Pharmacies are going to take over vaccination** in many of these areas.
- There are also a number of **drop-in clinics** popping up across the county. These allow eligible people to just **turn up without appointment** and get vaccinated with either their 1st or 2nd dose. [Bucks CCG updates webpage](#) is the best place to find out where clinics are planned and also for all other vaccine news



- Starting **Friday 2 July Health on the Move** vans will be rolling out 7 days a week across the Bucks, Oxon and Berks (BOB) region. They will be initially visiting key areas in the county where take up is low and to make it easier for people to access vaccines. Initially people will need to book a slot via the National Booking System, but we will swiftly be moving to a drop-in model once more established.
- **You can help us by sharing the links to the webpage where the weekly van schedule will eventually sit - it will be on the [CCG webpage](#)**
- The Health on the Move vans will offer other outreach health provision: Health Checks, flu vaccination etc. and the testing team will also be linking up to offer advice and support to people who come along for a vaccine.

Other vaccine news

- Finally, the new **Vaccine Voices** training is starting next week. This is a **90-minute online training session** for anyone keen to **share the benefits of vaccination within their communities**.
- We hope to get lots of different people to sign up and act as advocates across the county and with lots of support and advice in the form of a toolkit and the training session, we hope to really build up trust and an good ear at a ground level. Please email me for more info and details on how to share.

Thames Valley Police Update

Over the past three months (90 days) there have been had 33 reports of Anti-Social Behaviour, 9 burglaries (8 dwellings 1 business) and 7 theft from motor vehicles (3 of these involved the theft of tools).

This is an increase on the previous three months period, when there were 10 reports of ASB, 2 burglaries (1 dwelling 1 business) and 9 theft from motor vehicles.

It is worth noting that we were in a stricter lockdown back then and the weather was significantly worse, which somewhat explains the increase in ASB numbers. It is also worth noting that in previous months ASB may have been recorded as a Covid breach.

The Buckingham and Villages Neighbourhood team are going to focus on the following priorities over the next few months: Anti-Social Behaviour and Burglaries

In relation to the ASB - officers will be (and have been) conducting plain clothed patrols (on top of uniformed patrols) of the parks in order to prevent anti-social behaviour (which often also incorporates drug use and low-level public order offences).



Community Boards

Who's involved?

- Buckinghamshire councillors
- Local businesses
- Health colleagues
- Voluntary & Charity Sector organisations
- Places of worship
- Parish councillors
- Thames Valley Police
- Community Associations
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Residents
- Schools

Key Contacts



Charlie Clare
(Chairman)



Warren Whyte
(Vice-Chair)



Sophia Comer
(Coordinator)

Population Stats

- The population is over **24,880**
- There are **4,975** young people
- There are **667** clinically extremely vulnerable people
- There are **4295** over 65's
- There are **1,027** Educational Establishments
- **9%** of children are living in poverty
- **2%** of households lack central heating
- The overall crime rate is lower than average
- **12%** of people have a limiting long-term illness
- **15%** of people have no qualifications
- **41%** of people aged 16-74 are in full time employment

Community Board Stats

- **4** Community Board meetings held in 2020/21
- **5** Local priorities/ working groups established
- **17** projects funded
- **16.2%** of budget allocated

Top 5 Successes

Supported local voluntary organisations in response to Covid by funding Foodbanks to ensure local residents were provided for during the pandemic

Responded to the flooding over the Christmas period and set up an emergency crisis fund for those who had been affected

Partially funded a project entitled "Sexual Assault and Abuse Support Service- Crisis Councillor" to enable victims of abuse to receive support in response to an increase in referrals following the Covid-19 lockdowns.

Built relationships in the community with key organisations such as local councils and VCS organisations to enable better partnership working in the Community Board

Contributed to cross-board initiatives such as the HS2/EWR Working Group

Community Board Priorities



Covid-19 Support and Economic Recovery



Road Safety & Cycleways



Green Space and Communities



Youth

Working Groups

The Board set up a working group to address each priority. An additional cross boarder working group was established with the other Community Boards areas in the north of the county to collaborate on issues relating to East West Rail and HS2.

"The Buckingham and Villages Community Board is here so that residents can help direct local funding to the projects you care about. We work with Parish and Town Councils, as well as local charities and most importantly – residents who care about where they live and want to help make a difference. I'm so excited about what we can achieve by working together to invest Buckinghamshire Council money into the projects we are excited about"

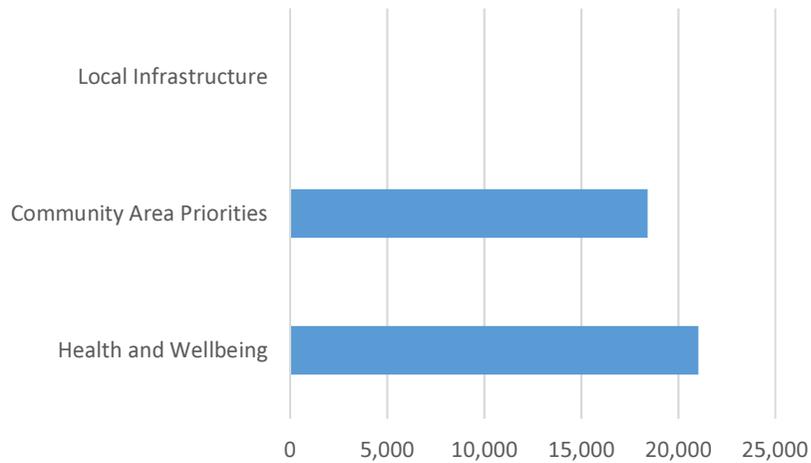
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Next meeting:

Tuesday 29th June, 6:30pm – 8pm

Budget Breakdown

2020/21 Expenditure to Date



Total budget for 2020/2021
£243,120.00

Funding allocated so far
£39,460.00

Project Summaries

SAASS are a local sexual abuse support service who will be setting up a pilot crisis counselling service for 14 months, in response to increased need for support services due to Covid-19. Their referral rates have increased significantly with new service users presenting more complex experiences and needs. Many are in crisis following a lockdown in which they experienced traumatic sexual assault and abuse events



Although the Christmas parade could not happen this year due to Covid restrictions, local businesses dressed their windows to bring some festive cheer to Buckingham High Street whilst abiding to current restrictions that were in place.

Get Involved

We welcome anyone to get involved, come along to our working groups, share ideas and get involved with shaping the work we do. It's all about being creative, understanding the needs in the area and developing projects that will make a real difference. Contact our Community Board Coordinator to find out more.

2020/21 In Review

	Highlights & Board Focus	Projects Funded
April- May 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cllr Crisis Fund launched in response to the first lockdown• Supporting local VCS groups in supporting vulnerable residents during lockdown	
June- July 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First meeting – 7th July 2020	Councillor Crisis Fund - £5,406
August- September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second meeting- 15th September 2020• Key topics included an update on a local initiatives from the Town Council, Buckingham Activity Group (BAG)	



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October- November 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Third meeting- 10th November 2020• Key topics included an update on the newly purchased BART Bus.• Community Crisis fund launched in response to the second lockdown to provide voluntary organisations with financial support	Parish of the Claydons – Food provision £2,000
December 2020- January 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flood Crisis Fund Set up quickly with £10,000 ring-fenced for the response	Buckingham Town Council - #BuckingAllWrappedUp £1,000 Bart Bus – Shopping Trip Pilot £240 Buckingham Christmas Parade - Best Dressed Window £1,000 AVMKSAASS - Support Service Crisis Counsellor £741 YC2 - Activity packs for young carers £741 Claydon Community Café – Hot meals to families in need £1,000
February- March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fourth meeting- 23rd February 2021• Key topics included Covid-19 Update and a joint Flooding Update provided by the Environmental Agency and Buckinghamshire Council Flood Team	Maids Moreton Parish Council – Bramble Clearance £2,700 The Buckingham Society – Information Board £2,200 Bucks Business First - Business Start up Training £3,000 Tingewick Parish Council – Flood Crisis Funding £3148.73 Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council - Flood Crisis Funding £242.80 Men in Sheds - Flood Crisis Funding £1,306.33

Looking Forward to 2020/21

Budget

Amount carried forward from last year: £206,487
Budget for 2021/22 (including carry forward): **£434,687**
All funds must be allocated by 31st March 2022

Highways cap for 2021/22: £57,050
The deadline for TfB applications for 2022/23 funding
is 30th September 2021

Action Groups

-  Improving the Environment
-  Transport and Highways
-  Supporting Economic Recovery
-  Youth