



## Community Board Aylesbury

### 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



Cllr Mark Winn  
*(Chairman)*



Cllr Susan Morgan  
*(Vice-Chair)*



Amy Jenner  
*(Coordinator)*

### Population Stats

- Our population is over **75,000**, with over **16,000** young people under 15, and **9,490** aged 65+
- **19.1%** of children are living in income deprived households or poverty
- **23.8%** of adults are physically inactive
- **46%** of people aged 16-74 are in full time employment
- **87%** of our community are satisfied with it as a place to live
- Over **13,000** people are at higher risk of food poverty
- Our area has a **higher** than county average rate of domestic abuse related incidents & crime
- We have a **higher** than England average of diverse communities

### Community Board Stats

- **4** main community board meetings held in 2020/21
- **5** Local priorities/ working groups established
- **10** projects funded
- **36%** of budget allocated 2020/21



## Top 5 Successes

1. Youth Views- our Youth action group has worked together to develop the Youth Views project to enable young people to share their views about the things that matter to them.
2. Environment Action Subgroup- meeting monthly, this group is made up of more than 20 passionate community members who are keen to influence environmental change. Through this group we have been able to develop a number of project and are working with partners to look at opportunities for managed wildflower planting in agreed locations.
3. Providing funding and advice to a number of local organisations and community groups, including the Aylesbury Hindu Temple Trust & Vineyard Foodbank, to help enable them to support the community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic
4. Partnership working with Thames Valley Police- main board meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> will include a TVP Drop In session for members of the community to engage directly with our TVP colleagues
5. Sustainable Smart Swaps- developed by the Environment group, this campaign has brought Sustainable Aylesbury's vision to life- through educating the community on how small changes can make a big difference

## Community Board Priorities



Heath & Wellbeing

COVID-19 Economic Recovery

Community Safety

Road Safety, Highways & Infrastructure

Improving the Environment

Enhancing the Lives of our Youth

### Working Groups

The board set up an action group to address each priority. Each group has met either monthly or 6 weekly and is made up of local partners including Buckinghamshire Council Councillors, Town & Parish Councillors, Council representatives, residents, charities, community & voluntary groups, local businesses.

*'I am grateful to everyone who has been involved in the Aylesbury Community Board journey so far. The board has funded a wide range of projects including the production of the Tree of Light remembrance video for Florence Nightingale Hospice, funding for pop-up volunteer groups to help residents isolating during the COVID-19 pandemic, a youth bus & supporting activities, and Youth Views- a project that enables young people to tell us what they like about their community and what they think is missing to help shape our Aylesbury.'*

*We have started to see what can be achieved and the ideas and discussions coming through our action groups have been interesting and inspiring- we are excited to explore with members of our diverse community how we can move forward in key areas to ensure our community continues to thrive'*

*- Cllr Mark Winn, Chairman*



**Next meeting:** 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021- 18.30-20.30 MS Teams

## Budget Breakdown



Total budget for  
2020/2021  
**£333,938**

Funding  
allocated so far  
**£120,326**

## Project Summaries



**Cloudy  
Foundation**

Youth Views is working with young people to design and execute a research project that will enable the Community Board to better understand their needs, to inform the Community Board and to help shape a direction to work towards supporting young people- based around their views. The project offers the opportunity to engage with a wide range of young people including those from targeted vulnerable groups to ensure their voice is heard.



A pilot project to introduce two full time Street Wardens to Aylesbury to support the prevention of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and disorder in the town. Street Wardens will work closely with Buckinghamshire Council's Community Safety & Town Centre teams, and Thame Valley Police, helping ensure that our Town is a welcoming and safe place for residents and visitors

## 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.



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# 2020/21 In Review

## April- May 2020

### Highlights & Board Focus

- Cllr Crisis Fund launched in response to the first lockdown to providing funding to help enable organisations to provide emergency support to the community
- Supporting local voluntary groups & charities through lockdown providing advice & signposting.

### Projects Funded

Funding allocated to a variety of partners to deliver COVID-19 support, including emergency food provision & mental health support in our community:

- £1,322 - Aylesbury Churches Community Christmas
- £4,000 - Vineyard Storehouse
- £2,000 - Bedgrove Volunteers
- £2,129 - Space Aylesbury
- £2,000 - Southcourt Baptist Church
- £2,000 - Aylesbury Mosque
- £1,000 - Aylesbury Hindu Temple Trust
- £3,000 - Bernwode 'Bernie' Bus
- £500 - Town Centre Road Closure Planters
- £2,000 - Oasis Partnership
- £806 - Healthy Living Centre
- £1,891 - SeeAbility
- £2,400 - Citizens Advice

\*supported by contributory funding from Rothschilds Foundation

## June- July 2020

- Launch of Community Boards
- **First meeting- 21st July 2020**
- Overview of boards aims, objectives & vision
- Reflection of support across the Community during COVID-19 Pandemic

## August- September 2020

- **Second meeting- 29th September 2020**
- Exploring collaborative working activity
- Thames Valley Police update



# 2020/21 In Review

## October- November 2020

### Highlights & Board Focus

- **Third meeting- 17th November 2020**
- Homelessness presentation & discussion
- Subgroups set up and first meetings arranged

### Projects Funded

- Community Youth Ventures- Youth Outreach Bus- £15,026
- Florence Nightingale- Tree of Light video- £1,800
- The healthy Living Centre- LGBT+ Family and Friends Café- £4,375
- Aylesbury Vale & Milton Keynes Sexual Assault & Abuse Support Service- Crisis Counsellor- £10,696

## December 2020- January 2021

- Continuation of subgroups and development of project ideas
- Partnership working with Aylesbury Garden Town & Aylesbury Town Council around Wildflower planting opportunities
- COVID-19 Public Health community briefing

- Aylesbury Street Wardens- £58,446

## February- March 2021

- **Fourth meeting- 9th March February 2021**
- Aylesbury Hindu Temple Trust & Florence Nightingale Tree of Light projects presented
- Development of Youth Views project

- Aylesbury Youth Action- Youth Views- £8,000
- Transitions UK- Aspire Mentoring- £4,000

