



Amersham Community Board minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Amersham Community Board held on Thursday 15 July 2021 in Virtual Teams Meeting.

Committee members present

J Barnes (Amersham Action Group/Amersham TC), S Catanach (Amersham TC (Clerk)), D Conway Read (Chesham Bois PC), L Daly (Coleshill PC), M Dormer (BC Cllr), M Flys (BC Cllr), R Funk (Little Chalfont Community Association), B Gallagher (Little Chalfont PC), J Gellman (Chiltern Open Air Museum), M Harker (Amersham Action Group / Amersham Retailers Group), G Harris (BC Cllr), J Herbert (Coleshill PC), D King (BC Cllr), N Magrath (Sustainable Amersham), R Matthews (BC Cllr), P Matza (Amersham & District Residents Association), P Milliner (Amersham TC), R Newall (Amersham Action Group), V Patel (Little Chalfont PC), D Pinkney (Amersham TC), B Poole (Voices and Choices), T Reading (Metroland Life), M Roberts (Amersham TC), M Rosales (Big Community Take Away), S Rouse (BC Cllr), S Salwa (Everyone Active), D Silverstone (Little Chalfont PC), J Steadman (Everyone Active), M Tett (BC Cllr), L Walsh (BC Cllr), J Waters (BC Cllr) and G Whitehead (Chiltern Open Air Museum)

Others in attendance

G Allison, M Bosman, P Carroll, R Kenchington and J Sexton

Officers in attendance

M Bergh, R Binstead, R Goodes, D Hulme, K Wager and L Wright,

Agenda Item

1 Apologies/Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies were received from Mr M Armstrong (Amersham Action Group), Ms A Brown (Amersham Retailers Group), Cllr T Butcher, Mr P Clark (Friends of Amersham Health Centre), Ms I Livarski, (Chiltern Rangers), Mr C Morgan (Local Resident), Ms D Rutter (Chiltern Foodbank), Ms S Simmons (Action4Youth) and Sgt D Walsh (Thames Valley Police)

2 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED

Minutes from the meeting held 18 February 2021 were AGREED as an accurate record.

3 Introductions

The Chairman welcomed attendees to the meeting.

4 Areas of Focus and Action Group for 21/22

Ms L Wright, Community Board co-ordinator, and Ms R Matthews gave a presentation, a copy of which would be appended to these minutes.

The four action groups had been set for the year ahead.

- Environment
 - Ms N Magrath, Sustainable Amersham, gave an overview of their work.
- Economic Regeneration
 - Ms J Barnes, Amersham Action Group, gave an overview of the groups work.
 - The Chairman asked for a task and finish group, working alongside the Economic Regeneration Action Group, to focus on how the Amersham on the Hill market could be supported.
- Health and Wellbeing
 - Mr M Rosales, Big Community Takeaway, gave an overview of their work.
- Transport
 - The Chairman encouraged members of the board to feedback areas of concern so they could be discussed by the task group.
 - Mr G Allison asked for volunteers to help man Community Speedwatch
 - The Chairman noted concerns raised about the behaviour of drivers outside St Georges School which had led to several near misses involving children. The Transport Action Group would begin investigating possible solutions.

5 Community Board updates

An update on funding applications made to date were circulated with the agenda.

6 Community Matters

Ms L Wright, Community Board Co-Ordinator, referred to the updates circulated with the agenda.

A written question had been received about the Chilterns Lifestyle Centre. The question and its response would be published online when available.

Cllr M Harker spoke about Bucks Open Weekend which had been organised at very

short notice. In Amersham on 24 July 2021 local retailers would be encouraged to take part in a storytelling themed event with balloons and signs outside their shops. There would be music, a fancy-dress contests for children and a Alice in Amersham retail trial to promote local businesses.

- 7 Date of the next meeting**
30 September 2021, 7pm