



Community Board Missendens

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



Peter Martin
(Chairman)



John Gladwin
(Vice-Chair)



Liz Charleston
(Coordinator)

Population Stats

- The population is over **15,000**
- **18.7%** of the population are under 16
- **25.5%** of the population are over 65
- There are **11** schools in the Board area
- There are **509** clinically extremely vulnerable people in the Board area
- **5%** of children are living in poverty
- **1%** of households lack central heating
- Overall crime rate is lower than average
- **7%** of people have a limiting long-term illness
- **14%** of people have no qualifications
- **37%** of people aged 16-74 are in full time employment

Community Board Stats

- **4** Community Board meetings held in 2020/21
- **4** Local priorities/ working groups established
- **19** projects funded
- **23%** of budget allocated



Top 5 Successes

1. Wycombe Women's Aid received funding to address increased need during the pandemic. Funding supported 43 children living in a refuge and pay for increased outreach worker hours.
2. Supported the Make Lunch Club in Prestwood to operate during the pandemic, delivering 30 hot lunches during school holidays to vulnerable families.
3. Citizens' Advice received an award which will pay for dedicated support for residents in the Board area. The dedicated caseworker will offer help and advice on housing and debt support for those who need assistance
4. Provided funding for Misbourne Area Youth group which enabled them to continue with on-line group sessions to provide this needed support to young people in the area during the pandemic.
5. An award to Holmer Green Village Society enabled work to start on the conversion of an unused field to a sensory garden which will be constructed by the community for the community with accessible access for all.

Community Board Priorities



Transport & environment



Health & wellbeing



Young people & families



Community safety

Working Groups

Working groups have been set up to address each priority. We have over 30 local residents currently involved, representing the voice of their community and facilitating recognition of the Board locally.

The Young people and Families group are actively recruiting young people to join to ensure that the youth voice is heard in their community

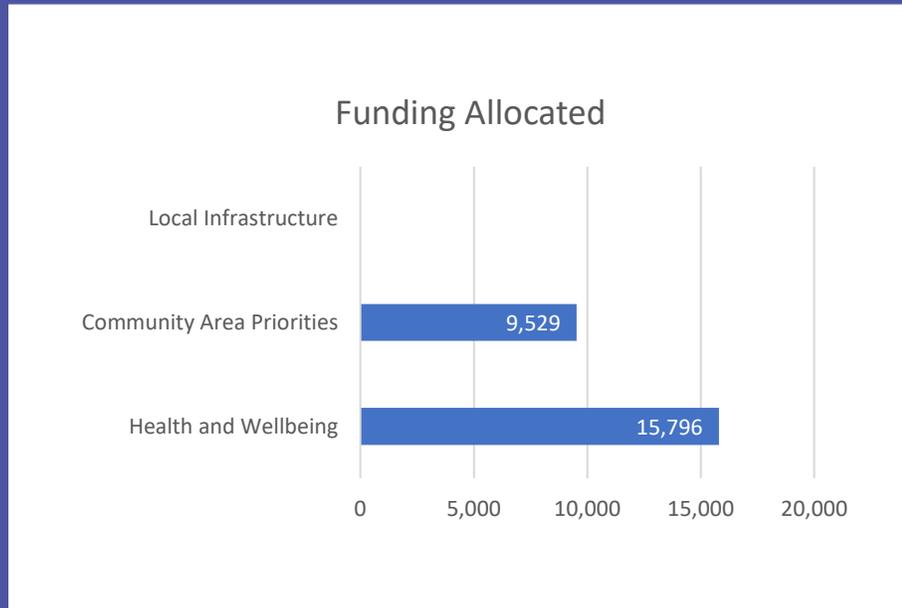
'We have had a challenge to establish the new Board in the midst of the COVID pandemic. This would not have been possible without the great help and support of our community. We have seen the terrific work of our local volunteers during COVID and that spirit has come through in the Community Board. We have already been able to help a number of valuable causes and we are passionate about our work and developing projects that can make a real positive difference for our community.'

- Cllr. Peter Martin



Next meeting: 22nd July 2021, 7pm

Budget Breakdown



Total budget for
2020/2021
£111,045.00

Funding
allocated so far
£25,325.00

Project Summaries



Holmer Green Garden is being created for the community from a disused field in the village with a lot of the work being carried out by local residents. The garden will contain many different areas including sensory and wildlife sections and will be accessible to all. Ideas for its design were sought from all areas of the community and villagers of all ages are involved.



The Citizens Advice Bureau has seen an increase in the number people seeking help with financial insecurity and who need advice with benefits. Support from the Board will enable a caseworker to dedicate 1 day per week to helping residents in our Board area. They have helped over 40 people with problems ranging from advice on benefits, to support with access to food and housing

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.
- Supporting local VCS groups in supporting vulnerable residents during lockdown.

Projects Funded

- For the Love of Scrubs - £2000 –created 750 scrubs bags, 180 crocheted ear protectors, 123 face masks and 538 scrub suits.
- Restore Hope - £2,000 – for emergency food provision
- Wycombe Women’s Aid - £2,000 – for outreach worker and support for children in a refuge
- Family Support at Holy Trinity Church, Prestwood - £750 – to enable the Make Lunch Club to operate in lockdown
- The Source HP16 - £865 – local paper and vital source of local information for the community
- Road Farm - £1,000 – for provision of an area for mental health recuperation
- Missenden Walled Garden - £1,283 – to provide a safe environment

June- July 2020

- Launch of Community Boards
- **First meeting- 7th July 2020**
- Key topics included presentation from Public Health Buckinghamshire presenting information relevant to the Board area.
- Discussion of priorities for the area

August- September 2020

- **Second meeting- 15th September 2020**
- Presentation from Citizens Advice Chief Officer Emma Burgham on the rise in people requiring assistance and support
- Presentation from Bucks Business First Managing Director, Phillipa Batting on support available for local businesses
- Welcome from Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council



2020/21 In Review

October- November 2020

Highlights & Board Focus

- Working groups meeting virtually to discuss priorities and possible projects using information from Public Health and local statistics
- Relationship building – community, partners and local groups
- Community Crisis Fund was launched in response to the second lockdown

Projects Funded

December 2020- January 2021

- **Third meeting- 1st December 2020**
- Introduction and presentation from Board Champion Ms E Quesada, Service Director of Adult Social Care Operations, Adults, Health and Housing on her role and vision for role of the board
- Local 'Proud of Bucks' award presented to a volunteer who set up and co-ordinated a volunteer support group for the community.

- Prestwood Events Group- £1,184 – supporting the village at Christmas
- Restore Hope - £1,000 – for provision of emergency food parcels for local families
- Little Missenden PC- £345 – supporting local traders
- Great Missenden Traders Group - £500 – supporting local traders
- Holmer Green Village Society- £75 – to provide a Christmas activity for the village, children and adults taking part
- Lantern Club- £50 – ensuring that the elderly received a Christmas parcel
- The Source HP16- £523
- Chiltern Dial A Ride - £500 – support to enable provision of free transport to vaccination clinics

February- March 2021

- **Fourth meeting- 9th March 2021**
- Updates from all working groups
- Discussion around some potential projects for the Board to consider

- Citizens Advice - £5,000 – for provision of a dedicated caseworker for the area
- Holmer Green Sports Association - £2,500 – for security equipment upgrades to tackle local ASB
- Misbourne Area Youth - £833 - for continuing online sessions with young people, to address mental health issues
- Holmer Green Village Society - £5,000 – for the community garden

