



Community Board
Wendover and
Villages

Wendover and Villages Community Board Action Plan

Introduction:

The Wendover and Villages Community Board covers the following areas: Aston Clinton, Bierton, Buckland, Broughton, Drayton Beauchamp; Halton, Hulcott, Kingsbrook, Stoke Mandeville, Wendover and Weston Turville.

This action plan sets out how the Community Board will work with the local community to address community priorities and take action on local issues.

The Board will support the Council's corporate priorities including areas of focus around the Environment and Economic Regeneration. In addition to this, the board will engage with community groups and organisations, businesses, residents, and Parish Councils to understand locally driven priorities.

Aims

- To develop good working relationships with the community to understand and address local issues
- To understand what is important to the community board area
- To develop action groups to explore key areas of focus and identify how to take action as a community
- To identify opportunities and projects that meet the community board priorities for funding
- To promote the community board and the community board fund to the local community and encourage engagement
- To support the council in delivering strategic priorities at a local level

Community Board Priorities

Environment and Climate Change: To encourage sustainable projects and initiatives that tackle the environment and climate change concerns that directly affect the area of Wendover and Villages. Looking at ways to reduce our carbon footprint, increase biodiversity and transform local infrastructure.

Economic Recovery and Regeneration: To support businesses, organisations and individuals by evaluating their needs to encourage sustainable economic growth and be a place where people want to do business.

Highways and Transportation: To work on local issues and initiatives to improve road safety, cycling and walking. To address specific parking, speeding and highways issues and support broader objectives to help reduce carbon emissions from transport.

Health and Wellbeing: To support the community around physical, behavioural, social health and wellbeing, e.g. obesity, social isolation, lack of physical activity, lack of uptakes of health checks, physical activities for young people.

Aim	Action	Date/ Deadline	Lead	Progress update (Sep 21)
Theme: Environment and Climate Change				
Develop an understanding of local issues and solutions	Hold a themed Community Board to highlight current activities, project ideas and linking in with interested organisations and generate interest locally for action groups.	July 21	Michelle Parker	Complete
	Set up action group and invite key community groups and interested parties to keep identifying priorities and project ideas to deliver solutions.	July 21	Michelle Parker	Complete
	Promote the action group to the wider community to encourage more inclusive involvement from local residents and partners and gain ideas and further engagement with projects	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	Action group activities and meetings promoted through Facebook and other publications

Stakeholder Mapping of local environment issues	Engage with the Forestry Commission to look at working with Wendover Woods on environment projects	Sept 21	Michelle Parker	Ongoing
	Discover interested groups to build connections in Community Board and opportunities for partner working	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	Ongoing
	Work with Chiltern Conservation Board to explore opportunities to work in partnership to support delivery of key environment projects that will have a positive impact on local community and meet our environment priorities.	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	Initial meeting held with Claire Ready from CCB to explore possible projects we could work in partnership to deliver. Next steps meeting to be organised.
Supporting and developing projects that reduce littering in the area.	Promote and define projects that help reducing waste and provide appropriate recycling/	October 21	Michelle Parker	Ongoing
	Develop and promote a programme of litter picking community events with local schools, parishes, and community groups	October 21	Michelle Parker	Ongoing
Supporting project initiatives that increase Biodiversity	Opportunities to support the tree planting / community orchard initiative within Buckland Parish Council	October 21	Carol Paternoster	Currently working with Chiltern Rangers to develop a plan of what trees and layout is required.
	Support to identify areas, ownership, maintenance and permission within Wendover to plant more trees	Ongoing	Climate Action Wendover Wendover Parish Council Michelle Parker	Meeting to take place to work together a plan as to how to identify areas and also acquire more mature trees for planting.
	Explore with Chiltern Society the Wildbelt Project to develop a programme to bring national, regional initiatives together that can be delivered at a local area.	October 21	Michelle Parker	Application has been received and circulated for support from the Community Board.

Electronic Vehicle Charging	Explore further the possibility of an e-gulley pilot within Wendover	October 21	Climate Action Wendover Michelle Parker	Work with Climate Action Wendover to establish next steps linking in with the Buckinghamshire Council service areas to understand Council policies and approval process.
	Explore further the possibility in implementing EV Community Charge points by Wendover Library	October 21 - ongoing	Climate Action Wendover Michelle Parker	Discussion to take place on next steps given the research already undertaken to determine the possibility with this project.
Identifying projects within the service, partners to reduce food waste and raise awareness, education on recycling and behaviour change.	Set up a conversation with café owners within the area to look at working together on a project to reduce the use of single use coffee cups and plastic bottles. Linking in with Amersham Community Board as this is a project they are also exploring.	November 21	Michelle Parker Parish Councils	In progress
Theme: Economic Recovery and Regeneration				
Identity local needs and projects	Set up action group and invite key community groups and identify key lead for the action group	Jul 21	Michelle Parker	Action group has been set up however it requires further identification of key individuals to drive forward initiatives
	Promote the action group within the local area and wider community to identify project ideas and project leads	Sep 21	Michelle Parker	Ongoing, shout-outs via FB for interested parties / ideas.
	Obtain data from partners on the Wendover and Villages to enable targeted action based on the local need. Help understand needs and projects to address that could be developed, support, expanded in partnership with the Community Board	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	Ongoing – once discussion taken place can establish whether there is a local need for specific projects and how the Community Board can support.

	Discussions with Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust, DWP and CAB to understand local needs and being clear of what they currently offer	Oct 21	Michelle Parker VAHT CAB DWP	
Support projects that help to generate footfall in town and village centres	Walk around the area with parishes to establish parts of the area that require upgrading, could make more appealing to visitors, look at what is missing and what could be made better.	Oct 21	Michelle Parker Richard Newcombe Donna Wilkinson	Information and thoughts to be fed into action group or to be picked up by Welcome Back Fund
	Liaise with lead for Welcome Back Fund to identify projects that didn't meet their criteria however could be supported / funded by the Community Board.	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	
	Develop a resident survey to gain views on what would make the area more appealing.	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	
Explore with partners the areas need and project ideas to develop skills and employment opportunities	Support John Colet Secondary school to find local businesses for work experience places for 2022	Dec 21	Michelle Parker	
	Develop a programme and skills workshops with partners to deliver within the area e.g. DWP, BBF, CAB, school careers officers.	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	
Theme: Transport and Highways				
Understand local issues and projects to address them	Promote action group to the wider community to capture areas of concern	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	Inform via communication channels (Facebook, newsletter and articles in local publications)

				on action group dates and ways to get involved.
Work with TfB to progress Community Board Transport Schemes	Set up action group to meet at least 3 times a year	June 21	Michelle Parker	Complete
	Pro-actively work with Parish Councils to submit applications to address their road safety concerns within the area	Ongoing	Michelle Parker Parish Councils	Promoted the deadline to Parish Councils for TfB applications for 30 September.
	Discuss issues raised and possible solutions with the Local Area Technician	Ongoing	Michelle Parker LATs BC Cllrs Parish Councils	Where schemes / issues are identified, working collaboratively together to obtain the best solution and approach.
Theme: Health and Wellbeing				
Understand local issues	Set up action group and invite key community groups and partners	Oct 21	Michelle Parker	In progress
	Action group to review the updated Public Health Profile to identify issues at a local level and identify priority projects to deliver in the area.	Oct 21	Michelle Parker	In progress
	Hold a themed Community Board to highlight current activities, project ideas and linking in with interested organisations.	Nov 21	Michelle Parker	In progress, identify key areas to explore in themed Health and Wellbeing Community Board
	Investigate possibility of providing CPR training and Defibrillators across the local area to schools, residents etc. Need to determine need and appetite	Sept 21	Mike Collins	Spoken with British Heart Foundation to see what can be offered
Supporting projects that improve physical activity	Work with LEAP to understand physical activity levels to address social isolation and mental health issues within the area	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	Providing a Youth Outreach Programme in Oct half-term based around activities – which is

				available to young people 10-17 years old
Improving outdoor spaces for exercise and play	Working with parishes to identify areas locally that could be improved within the area and develop projects to address these	Dec 21		
Developing the Community Board				
Community Engagement and raising priorities of the Community Board locally with residents and partners	Develop a Communications and Engagement Plan	Sept	Michelle Parker	Complete
	Develop content and produce a regular newsletter.	Ongoing, Oct, Jan, April	Michelle Parker	In progress
	Set up Facebook page and utilise to promote the Community Board events, action groups, projects and how local residents can get involved. Also linking in with local organisations to promote their activities	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	Regularly post content on FB, either Community Board focussed, Bucks Council initiatives or local activities within the area,
	Develop a schedule of upcoming events within the area that are an opportunity to promote the Community Board	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	In progress
	Obtain a Community Board Wendover & Villages specific banner and create 'event' kit working with other CBs.	Oct 21	Michelle Parker	TBC
	Develop a list of hyperlocal publications to promote the work of the Community Board and how residents can look to get involved	Sept 21	Michelle Parker	In progress

	Work alongside Parish Councils to identify key opportunities to work in partnership to address local issues in the area and deliver projects to address them	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	In progress
	Complete a mapping exercise of what is currently happening within the area and key contacts to identify links and opportunities to collaborate	Ongoing	Michelle Parker	In progress
Work Planning				
Develop a schedule / forward plan for Community Board meeting 'themes' and discussions		Ongoing	Mike Collins Michelle Parker	Themed CB meetings for each areas of focus: July: Environment & Climate Change (Complete) Nov: Health and Wellbeing Feb: Economic Recovery
Track and monitor action group tasks and projects		Ongoing	Michelle Parker Chairs of Action Groups	Updates to be provided at Community Boards and Action Groups as appropriate