

Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board held on Thursday 4 November 2021 in MS Teams Virtual Meeting, commencing at 6.33 pm and concluding at 7.59 pm.

BC Councillors present

A Waite (Chairman), C Branston (Vice-Chairman), M Caffrey, P Gomm, P Irwin, J Jordan, A Macpherson, I Macpherson, F Mahon and G Smith

Apologies

Chair of Oakley Parish Council and Chair of Westcott Parish Council

Agenda Item

- 1 Chairman's Welcome and introduction to the Community Board The Chairman welcomed the members and guests to the Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Board.
- 2 Notes from the 30th June meeting That the Minutes of the meeting held on 30th June, 2022 be approved as a correct record.
- 3 Declarations of Interest

None

4 The Queen's Green Canopy

Hon Mrs Milly Soames, Deputy Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire informed the Community Board of the Queen's Green Canopy (QGC), a tree planting initiative to honour Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. Launched in May 2021, everyone was encouraged to plant trees during the planting season between October to March 2021 and in 2022. Members noted the planting of a tree on the roof of the YMCA in Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire as part of a coordinated project with Bridgeman and Bridgeman. Hon Mrs Soames encouraged Members to share the project on social media.

The presentation slides referred to in this meeting would be appended to these minutes, with some key points below:

 The QGC had partnered with a variety of organisations, including the Woodland Trust, Trees for Cities, and the Forest Canopy Foundation, who had significant tree planting experience.

- Members noted the QGC Ambassadors, including Peter Rabbit to encourage younger people to get involved.
- The Woodland Trust was providing free saplings to any school who applied for the QGC initiative.
- Buckinghamshire Council were undertaking a project to map veteran trees.
- The QGC had been working with Lindengate to explore the possibility of a long-term sapling nursery and incorporating wild meadow seeds in the planting for 2022.
- The Hon Mrs Soames encouraged people to log their tree planting using the QGC <u>interactive map</u>.
- Members noted the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend in 2022, which would provide an opportunity for communities to come together to celebrate the Queen's 70 years of service.

5 Lets Get Active - how the Community Board is working with Public Health to support our physical and mental wellbeing

Ms Layla Ravey, Public Health Practitioner for Physical Activity, discussed how the community board was working with public health to support resident's physical and mental well-being. As such, Public Health had developed health profiles individual to each Community Board alongside a set of recommendations. These can be viewed on the <u>Health and Wellbeing Buckinghamshire Council website</u>. The recommendations suggest ways in which the Community Board can support residents to lead healthier lives, such as develop and fund community programmes.

Ms Elaine Hassall, Community Board Coordinator, informed Members that the Environment and Health and Wellbeing action groups had met and identified the perception of conventional physical activity as an obstacle. Activities including litter picking and nature walks were suggested as ways to get residents out in the community and active.

Members noted some opportunities to get residents more active including:

- Simply Walk, who were encouraging Parish Councils to start up level 1 walks up to 45 minutes. Each walk required 4 volunteers and training would be provided.
- Public Health were meeting with Buckinghamshire Council archives to develop walks focused on topics such as photography and history.
- Providing more allotment space
- Train the Trainer to offer a 2-day intensive course for community members. This would provide the skills and equipment needed to deliver on a minimum of 3 different 5-week courses in the local community over a year to develop

cooking skills.

- Whole systems approach to obesity, to tackle obstacles across all areas including pavements and street lighting.
- 6 Combatting Litter ways in which the Community Board can help tackle litter Ms Hassall introduced the item and highlighted the detrimental effect of litter on wildlife as well as our own health and wellbeing. Councillor Phil Gomm, Chair of the Health and Wellbeing action group, brought forward the potential for litter picking groups to hold events once a month to bring the local community together.

The first guest speaker, Tracy Walker from the Waddesdon Wombles, explained that the group had been established 2 years ago and had been inspired by the Aylesbury Wombles. Ms Walker informed Members that the Waddesdon Wombles consists largely of families with children, but they were starting to see more elderly individuals get involved. The litter picking group would go out into the community once a month and during lockdown, they had about 30 individuals in attendance. The equipment was lent by the Aylesbury Wombles, who had supported the Waddesdon Wombles through their Aylesbury Wombles on Tour event up to Waddesdon. Roughly, the Waddesdon Wombles collect 10 bags a month. Moreover, the litter picking group had been approached by local pubs, which had been advantageous at improving community engagement and encouraging more elderly individuals to attend.

In response to the question: 'How do you start a litter picking group', Ms Walker explained that it can be useful to approach an established group to help with equipment. In addition, being visible to members of the public when on a litter picking walk, engaging in conversation, and a social media presence. It was later mentioned that groups on new estates could contact the developers for equipment such as high visibility jackets.

The Members then heard from Ms Carol Clifford from Berryfield Pickers. This litter picking group was based on the Berryfields estate and started in April 2021. The group consists of a range of individuals from families to retired people and collected 42 bags in the first week. The group had developed an award of 'Litter Picker of the Week' to encourage younger participants and had child-friendly equipment available. The response from schools had been positive, as the children's litter picker equipment aided in dexterity, hand-eye coordination, and promotes responsibility. Members noted the issues faced by the Berryfield Pickers, as the land wasn't adopted yet. Individuals were having difficulty with disposing of the rubbish and had to rely on it being placed in their personal waste bins.

Further to discussions on how the Community Board can support these groups, it was suggested the Buckinghamshire Waste Team could lend equipment for the short-term and the Board could explore small grants to enable groups to have their own equipment, subject to approval. Members also noted the possibility to help with a publicity campaign to discourage littering. This could include posters at

strategic littering points and implementing more recycling bins for cans and bottles.

7 Community Board and Funding update

Ms Hassall gave an update on the Community Board and project funding. Members noted the 3 key funding aims: volume, diversity, and geography. The presentation slides referred to in the meeting would be appended to these minutes. Members were encouraged to speak to the Chair and Ms Hassall regarding any project ideas.

In the discussion that followed, the following points were raised:

- The Proud of Bucks Awards to celebrate and recognise community contribution by local individuals, groups, and organisations.
- All projects put forward for Community Board funding must meet a set of requirements. More complex projects would be sent to a funding panel with the relevant service director and Cabinet Member to discuss. Projects would often take 4-6 weeks before they were circulated to Community Board Members to undergo scrutiny. Furthermore, Councillors were able to challenge projects.

8 Community Matters

None

9 Topics for future consideration

Councillor Waite, Chairman of the Community Board, informed Members of a potential project called the 'Library of Things'. This would be a lending library with a collection of objects which residents can loan. Such objects include kitchen appliances, recreation equipment, and musical instruments. These items would be useful to residents in the area and could potentially be expanded to the loaning of larger items available to community groups such as tables, chairs, and gazebos. Members noted the need to form a group of volunteers to help steer the project forward, a suitable venue, help building relationships with repair centres, and other grant providers to help steer the project to be self-sufficient in the future. Members were encouraged to contact the Chair and Coordinator for any queries.

The Community Board were also informed of future youth engagement projects and the launch of a pilot project to reach out to local schools and help them design and deliver projects into the community.

10 Date of next meeting Wednesday 9th February 2022 at 6.30pm



THE PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022

Project background

- Climate emergency and global Covid-19 pandemic
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- The Queen has planted more than 1,500 trees all over the world
- The QGC has been formally signed off by
 Her Majesty <u>The</u> Queen and the Prime Minister.



Why trees?

- They benefit health
- They benefit the environment
- They boost wildlife
- They strengthen communities
- They grow the economy
- They protect the future

What is The Queen's Green Canopy?

"Cuir craobh airson an Iubaili"

"Plant a tree for the Jubilee"

"Plannu coeden ar gyfer y Jiwbilî"

- Thank The Queen for her exceptional service
- Celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee
- Promote the importance of trees to the environment
- Communities, charities, schools, youth groups, councils and landowners will be planting trees across the UK to create a lasting legacy in honour of The Queen's leadership
- Encourage the planting of healthy trees in tree planting season that will thrive in their environments
- There will be a particular focus on supporting urban anthe most disadvantaged communities to plant trees



Our Patron



HRH The Prince of Wales

The Team



Project Board led by Sir Nicholas Bacon, Chair

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Executive Teamled by Col Dan Rex, Chief Executive

- Samantha Cohen
 Co-Chair, Cool Earth
- Lord Field
 Trustee, Cool Earth
- Geraint Richards
 Head Forester, Duchy of Cornwall
- Matthew Owen Director, Cool Earth

- Edward Barker Tree Planting Director, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- Sam Richards Special Adviser, 10 Downing Street

- Ruth Evans
 Development Director
- Marnie Gaffney
 Head of Communications
- Jake Bufton
 Digital Communications
 Officer
- Alice Lord
 Project Manager

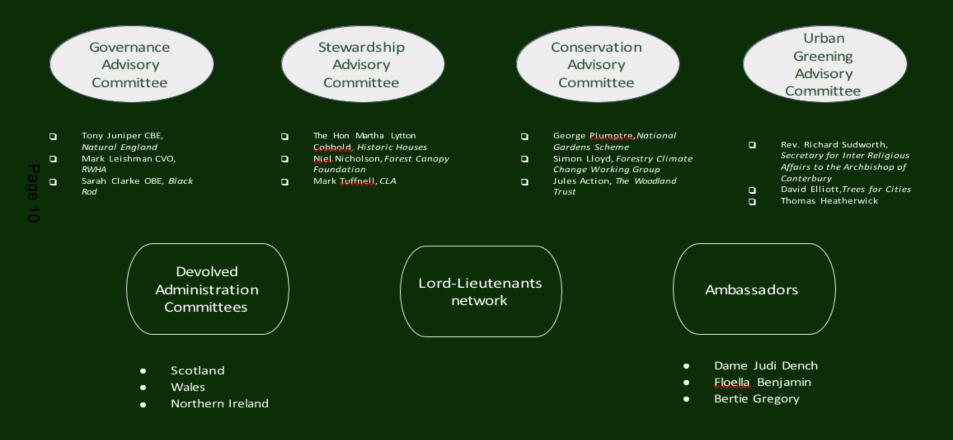
David Corbin
 Policy Lead

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- Anna Sambrook Fundraising Officer
- Sophie Kisnorbo Executive Assistant
 - Ellie Owen Project Coordinator

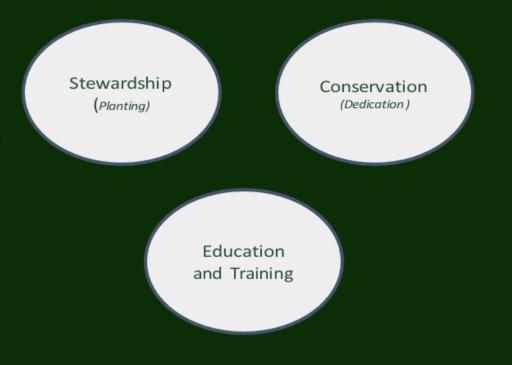
Governance and Advisors



Our <u>Ambassadors</u>



How?



Official Partners

- The Woodland Trust in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales
- Trees For Cities
- Forest Canopy Foundation
- Royal Horticultural Society
- Cool Earth
- DEFRA

and an extensive network of Delivery Partners and Friends

Whips and saplings in schools and communities



Community woodlands and groves



Stewardship

Planting trees

- Plant Healthy Certification
- UK and Ireland Sourced and Grown (UKISG)
- The right tree in the right place
- Quality over quantity

Majestic avenues



Iconic institutions

- The National Trust
- The Crown Estates
- Historic Houses
- Duchy of Lancaster
- Inter-faith network

Large celebration trees



Conservation

Dedications



Ancient woodland at Coed Nant Gwernol



Veteran tree: Major oak, Sherwood Forest. Reputed to be the hiding place of Robin Hood

Education and training









Funding and donations





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The Queen's Green Canopy is fundraising to support vital tree planting through delivery partners, such as Trees for Cities.

We have also secured corporate support from Platinum Supporters to cover our core costs.



Bridgepoint

Members of the public can *Gift a Tree for the* Jubilee, donating for:

Trees for Cities and Schools - donating to deprived urban areas and urban schools

Trees in Memoriam - offering people the opportunity to remember loved ones.





Donations will go towards supplying trees.

We will encourage local fundraising for community tree planting projects.



Timeline

To build interest and maintain momentum in the lead up to the official Platinum Jubilee celebrations in June 2022, there will be a phased campaign.



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TREE PLANTING SEASON

October to March

The best time to plant trees is from October to March, which is when you can pin your Jubilee tree to the QGC map. Upload your planting and inspire others to get involved.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTS

- Fritish oak trees support an estimated 2,300 species, an incredible variety of wildlife
- A mature tree can absorb up to 150kg of CO2 a â
- UK Green spaces remove up to 1.3 billion kg of air pollutants each year
- Well-placed trees can help cool the air between 2 and 8 degrees in urban communities













TIPTON JUBLEE TREES PLANTED



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JUBILEE TREES PLANTED





How groups in Buckinghamshire can get involved

- Details about 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee' and The Queen's Green Canopy's key delivery partner The Woodland Trust can be found at <u>www.queensgreencanopy.org</u>
- Apply for a grant for tree planting and community Platinum Jubilee
 celebrations

Groups located in the Unitary Authority Area of Buckinghamshire can apply to Heart of Bucks <u>www.heartofbucks.</u>

Groups located in the Unitary Authority Area of Milton Keynes may apply to Milton Keynes Community Foundation <u>www.mkcommunityfoundation.co.uk</u>

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend 2022

An extended bank holiday, from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June, will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate this historic milestone. Across the four days the celebrations will include public events and community activities, as well as national moments of reflections on The Queen's 70 years of service.





Thursday 2nd June The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour) Lighting of Platinum Beacons

Friday 3rd June Service of Thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral

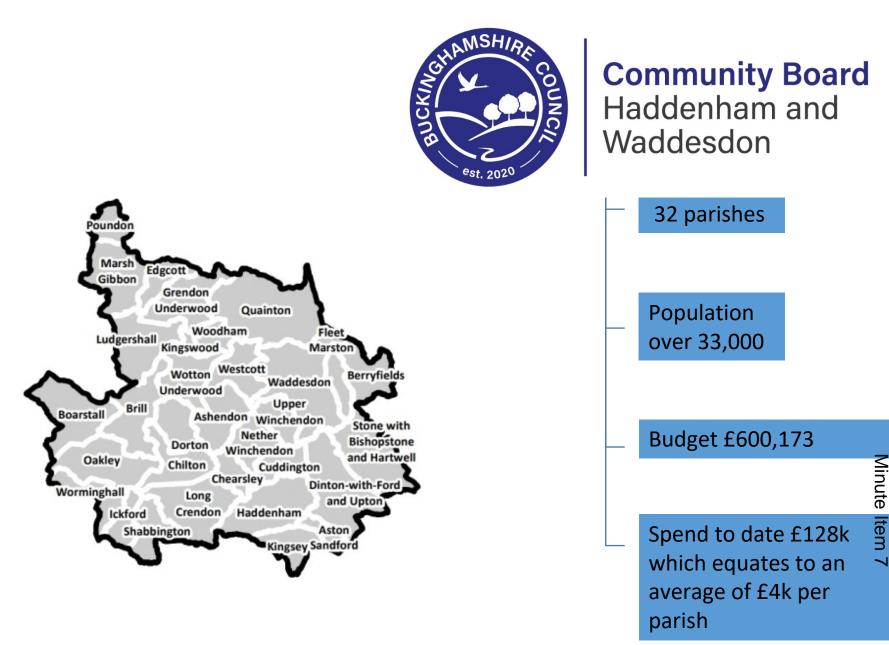


Saturday 4th June The Derby at Epsom Downs Platinum Party at the Palace

Sunday 5th June The Big Jubilee Lunch The Platinum Jubilee Pageant



More details of this central weekend will be announced on <u>www.royal.uk</u> and reflected on the Buckinghamshire Lieutenancy website <u>www.buckslieutenancy.org/platinumjubilee22</u>



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Action Group priorities currently being explored

Environment

- Reduce litter
- Promote cycling/walking

Health and Wellbeing

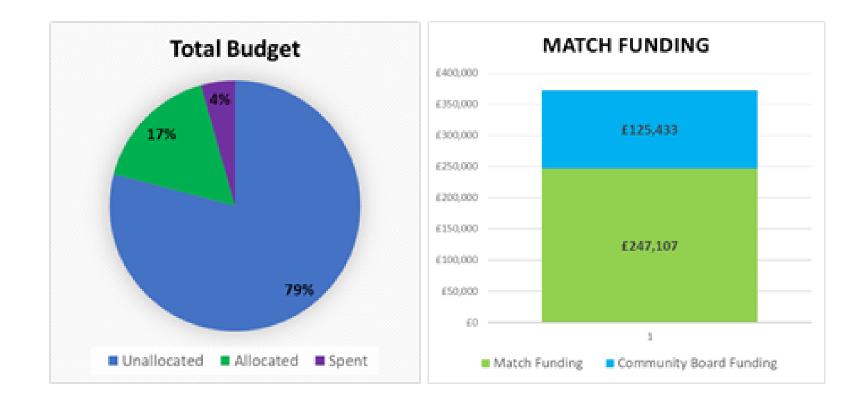
- Promote the importance of physical activity
- Increase our allotment capacity

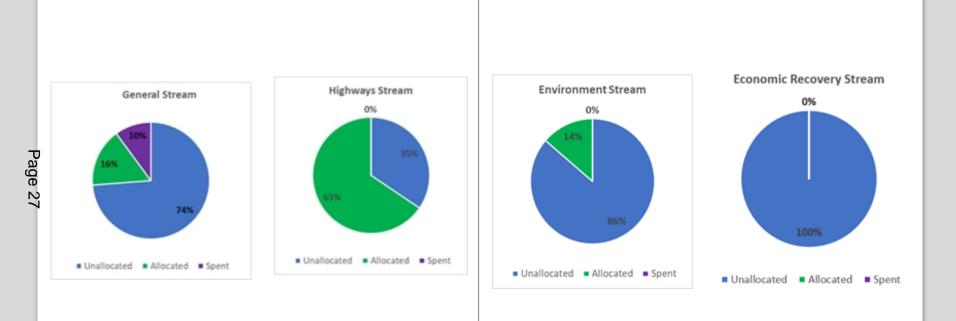
Category of projects funded

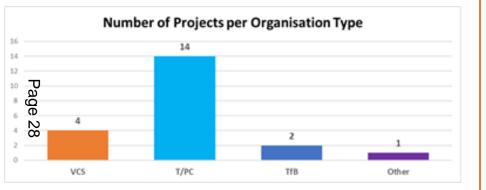
Highways and Road Safety	Health and Wellbeing	Environment
Speeding	Mental health	Litter picking
Cycleways	Community cafes	Wildflowers
Access paths	Playgrounds and parks	Ponds
Road safety	Special educational needs	Community gardens
	Food bank deliveries/parcels	Wildlife hubs
	Community Transport	Trees and orchards

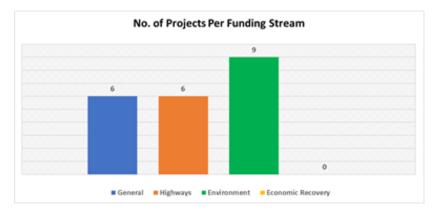
Our funding aims: Volume, Diversity, Geography

Funding Overview









Funding applications received between 30 th June to 4 th November				
Organisation	Project Title and Description	Amount of Funding requested from CB and any match funding	Funding Decision (Approved, Not Approved, awaiting decision)	
Ashendon Parish Council	Speed Reduction Project – to purchase a Speed Indicator Device to help reduce the speed of vehicles entering the village.	£4960	Approved	
Ashendon Playing Fields Association	Ashendon Children's playground – to upgrade and purchase accessible play equipment.	£20,000 £94,924 to be raised by through other sources.	Approved	
Bernwode Community Bus -	Reconnection Project – to purchase a second bus and to fund discounted trips and excursions for local groups.	£29,000 Just Giving £4,976	Approved	
Berryfields Parish Council	Berryfields Bookswap project – to purchase an all weather bookshed to provide children's books for the local community to borrow and swap.	£454.80	Approved	
Berryfields Parish Council	Multi Use Games Area	£25,000	Awaiting decision	
Bucks Mind Mental Health Charity	Mental Health First Aid – to provide 10 members of staff in local schools with MHFA training. This is a multi board application.	£2475	Awaiting decision	
Brill Parish Council	Brill Playground Refurbishment- to update the playground with all age accessible equipment.	£10,000 £127,000 through fundraising	Approved	
CHAT Charity	Multi board application to provide grants for families of Special Educational Needs Children.	£1600	Awaiting Decision	
Chearsley Parish Council	Horse Chestnut Junction realignment – Preliminary Design stage	£9532	Approved	
Chearsley Parish Council	Stockwell Pond restoration – to restore the ancient village pond and make it safe.	£8,000 £8,050 by the Parish Council	Approved	
Cuddington Parish Council	Plant a Tree for the Jubilee – to plant a commemorative mature tree.	£2942.90 £500 contribution by the Parish Council	Awaiting decision	
Cuddington Parish Council	Speed Reduction Project – to purchase a movable Speed Indicator Device to help reduce the speed of vehicles entering the village.	£3675.00	Approved	
Dinton with Ford and Upton Parish Council	Dinton Parish Orchard – to create a community orchard of apple and pear trees.	£1100 £1100 contribution by the Parish Council	Awaiting decision	

Organisation	Project Title and Description	Amount of Funding requested from CB and any match funding	Funding Decision (Approved, Not Approved, awaiting decision)
Kingsey Community	Speed Reduction Project – to purchase a speed indicator device.	£8286.40	Awaiting decision
Kingswood Community	Kingswood Speed Reduction Project – to fund a Transport for Bucks Feasibility study into measures to reduce the speed of traffic through the village.	£3834.36.	Approved
St John the Baptist Church Stone	Stone Community Café in the park - to provide professional catering equipment to support café volunteers with the increased demand of the service.	£1200	Awaiting decision
Stone with Bishopstone and Hartwell Parish Council	Speed Reduction Project – to purchase two speed indicator devices, one for each village to reduce the speed of traffic entering the village.	£3930. £3930 Contribution by the Parish Council	Approved
Upper Winchendon Parish Council	Speed Reduction Project – to purchase a second speed indicator device	£4063 £111 contribution by the Parish Council	Awaiting decision
Waddesdon Parish Council	Working with the Community – to purchase benches at strategic points in the village for residents to rest on.	£1,000. £90 Contribution by the Parish Council.	Approved
Waddesdon Wombles	To equip the Waddesdon Wombles litter picking group with its own equipment and resources.	£1000	Approved
Buckinghamshire Council Planning, Growth and Sustainability Service	Waddesdon Greenway Extension – to fund design and planning activities to leverage delivery funding.	£20,000	Approved

Role of Community Board members

Respond	Spread the word	Make a difference
to requests to approve funding and support the projects you want to see delivered in our communities.	to residents and grass root organisations about our priorities and how they can work with us.	chat with the Chair/CBC about your project ideas.

Environment and Health and Wellbeing

- Exploring the concept of a Library of Things to reduce items going to landfill.
- Bernie benches
- Working with schools to help deliver local projects.