



## North West Chilterns Community Board Action Plan 2022/23

### Introduction

Community Boards are at the heart of the council's ambition to be a council that understands and responds to the needs of our communities – empowering and enabling them to come together with the council and the people, organisations and groups that have the skills and passion to make changes and improve things where they live.

Community Boards provide the opportunity to refocus, and reinvigorate how we all – the council, partners, residents, charities, businesses and community organisations – work together for the benefit of Buckinghamshire. We share the common goal to improve the lives of the people who live and work in Buckinghamshire and there's no doubt that we are stronger, better and more effective in doing that when doing it together.

The North West Chilterns Community Board covers the following town and parish areas:

- Bledlow-cum-Saunderton
- Bradenham
- Downley
- Ellesborough
- Great and Little Hampden
- Great and Little Kimble
- Hughenden
- Lacey Green
- Longwick-cum-Ilmer
- Piddington and Wheeler End
- Princes Risborough

- Radnage
- Stokenchurch
- West Wycombe

This action plan sets out how the North West Chilterns Community Board (NWCCB) will work with the local community to address community priorities and take action on local issues.

The NWCCB will address those matters that mean the most to our local community, using data and local intelligence to help it determine the priorities our board will focus on. We will involve residents, partners, local groups and organisations in understanding what the local issues and priorities are.

Furthermore, the board will link those local issues to our corporate priorities around improving the environment and supporting economic recovery, including activities around transport and road issues and community resilience, which for example, will look at ways it can support our young and older people and implement preventive measures around crime and antisocial behaviour.

These priorities will help us determine where we take action and allocate funding to improve the local area. An overview of each one is detailed in the section below.

The overall aims of the NWCCB are therefore:

- 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 for 2022/23

**Community Resilience:** To support the community around physical, behavioural, social and environmental health and wellbeing, as well as crime and antisocial behaviour.

**Economic Regeneration:** To support businesses, organisations and individuals by evaluating their needs to improve economic competitiveness and prosperity.

**Environmental and Climate Change:** To seek and support schemes that have a sustainable and lasting effect on the North West Chilterns area, improve the built or rural environment, reduce the impacts and increase awareness of climate change, and reverse environmental damage

**Transport and Road Issues:** 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.

### Community Board Action Plan - Tasks

Aim	Action	Proposed completion date	Lead	Progress update / completion date
<b>Develop good working relationships with the community to understand and address local issues</b>				
Raise the profile of the Board locally and encourage active engagement from local residents and stakeholders.	Develop a communications and engagement plan.	31.08.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> A South Team plan is currently being drafted.
	Continue to meet with community groups, town and parish councils.	2022/23	Jackie Binning	
	Engage with local publications to promote the work of the boards: i) Agree publications. ii) Agree publication timescales.	31.10.22 31.10.22	Jackie Binning	

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	iii) Create plan and engage accordingly.	2022/23	Jackie Binning	
	Continue with the newsletter to ensure local residents and community groups are aware of community board activity and how to get involved.	2022/23	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> Next one due by 31.08.22.
	Continue to update the NWCCB page of the BC website (when appropriate).	2022/23	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> Last updated on 30.05.22 – all information at present is current.
	Attend local engagement events to promote the board and encourage involvement and project ideas	Ongoing	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> <b>Those carried out / planned so far</b> Board annual event – 11.06.22: <b>Complete</b>  Stokenchurch Village Fete – 11.06.22: <b>Complete</b>  Bucks County Show – 01.09.22  Kop Hil Climb – 25/26.09.22

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Agree the areas of focus for the NWCCB.	Identify the priority areas for each action group agreed.	27.07.22	CB Chair / Vice Chair and Chairs of Action Groups	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> All groups agreed have agreed their priority areas. To finalise with the Board at the next CB meeting on 27.07.22
<b>Priority: Community Resilience</b>				
Understand local issues and agree priority objectives / aims.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to hold action group and invite key community groups and residents.</li> <li>• Agree the frequency of action group meetings.</li> <li>• Create a plan to progress priority actions.</li> </ul>	30.04.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete: 24.06.22</b> All Action Groups set up. Frequency every 4 to 6 weeks. Action plan created and regularly followed up
<b>Agreed objectives:</b>				
Road safety around antisocial behaviour (this may at times link with the Transport and Road Issues Action Group).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obtain data from Community Safety – act on where appropriate.</li> <li>• Continue to build relationship with Thames Valley Police.</li> <li>• Agree other solutions (if required) and support projects and initiatives that help address these objectives.</li> </ul>	31.03.23	Valerie McPherson	<b>Update 19.07.22:</b> Discussions had with Community Safety on producing a regular update. Oliver Brixey to attend an action group meeting on 12.09.22 to present the latest crime figures/data.
To consider drug issues within County lines, drug trafficking in rural and urban areas.				

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To consider matters around exploitation, including domestic violence, modern slavery, young person's grooming, and school children used as drug runners or mules.	As above.			
To consider matters around rural crime.	As above.			
To evaluate solutions around cons and scams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to build relationship with Trading Standards and Thames Valley Police.</li> <li>• Agree other solutions (if required) and support projects and initiatives that help address this objective.</li> </ul>	31.03.23	Valerie McPherson	
To train and educate young people who are at risk of offending/reoffending.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree solutions and support projects and initiatives that help address this objective.</li> </ul>	31.03.23	Valerie McPherson	
To consider issues around social isolation and loneliness, dementia, disability and food poverty (detailed in our Public Health profile).	<p>Projects agreed – carried forward from 2021/22:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intergenerational Nature Walks</li> <li>• Grow to Give (food project)</li> <li>• Themed Bench project</li> <li>• Horse Therapy</li> <li>• Party in the Park (annual CB event on 24.06.23)</li> </ul> <p><b>Some projects link with the above aims.</b></p>	31.03.23	Valerie McPherson	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delivered project: Virtual Dementia Bus Tour Experience.</li> </ul>	20.05.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> <b>Project delivered.</b> Received very positive comments from those that attended.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To consider project around Autism. Feedback received from those who attended the Dementia Bus Tour said this would be helpful.</li> </ul>	31.12.22	Jackie Binning	
Support other local projects and initiatives that address our community resilience priority.	To consider local project ideas and funding applications to the board that help improve community resilience.	31.03.23	Valerie McPherson	See Budget spreadsheet for 2022/23 (Community Board Manager holds copy).
<b>Priority: Economic Regeneration</b>				
Understand local issues and agree priority objectives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to hold action group and invite key community groups and residents.</li> <li>Agree the frequency of action group meetings.</li> <li>Create a plan to progress priority actions.</li> </ul>	30.04.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete: 24.06.22</b> All Action Groups set up. Frequency every 4 to 6 weeks. Action plan created and regularly followed up

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<b>Agreed objectives:</b>				
<p>To seek schemes and initiatives that support local businesses (urban and rural).</p> <p>To prioritise schemes and initiatives that help achieve the Council's Climate Change and Air Quality Strategy</p>	<p>To monitor the following projects initiated during 2022-23:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risborough Area Community Bus – Social Media Campaign.</li> <li>• Visit Bucks – Marketing and Promoting “Local”</li> </ul>	30.09.22	Matthew Walsh	
	<p>Support all businesses that the group are made aware of to survive and prosper. Action to be agreed on an ad hoc basis.</p>	31.03.23		
	<p>Broadband - As well as specifically reviewing our own Board's needs, we will work with Buckinghamshire Council, Town and Parish Councils and organisations to define the areas where Broadband needs to be improved.</p>	31.03.23	Matthew Walsh	
<p>Support other local projects and initiatives that improve economic recovery and prosperity locally</p>	<p>To consider project ideas and funding applications that seek to support and address economic regeneration.</p>	31.03.23	Matthew Walsh	<p>See Budget spreadsheet for 2022/23 (Community Board Manager holds copy).</p>
<b>Priority: Environmental and Climate Change</b>				
<p>Understand local issues and agree priority objectives.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to hold action group and invite key community groups and residents.</li> </ul>	30.04.22	Jackie Binning	<p><b>Complete: 24.06.22</b> All Action Groups set up.</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree the frequency of action group meetings.</li> <li>• Create a plan to progress priority actions.</li> </ul>			Frequency every 4 to 6 weeks. Action plan created and regularly followed up
<b>Agreed objectives:</b>				
To seek and support schemes that have a sustainable and lasting effect on the North West Chilterns area, improve the built or rural environment, reduce the impacts and increase awareness of climate change, and reverse environmental damage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree the Bee Squared project, ready for Spring 2023.</li> </ul>	31.03.23	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> Discussions had with the High Wycombe and Beaconsfield and Chepping Wye Community Boards to deliver a joint project.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To agree next steps with the Chiltern Conservation Board concerning the proposed Hedgerow project.</li> </ul>	31.08.22	Matthew Walsh / Jackie Binning	
Support other local projects and initiatives that benefit, promote and address the environment and climate change.	To consider project ideas and funding applications that support/address environmental and climate change.	31.03.23	Robert Carington	See Budget spreadsheet for 2022/23 (Community Board Manager holds copy).

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				<b>Update 26.06.22:</b> Work continues to find partner organisations to support the aims and objectives of this group.
	To continue to work with Buckinghamshire Community Energy (BCE) and any other organisation (where applicable) to promote environmental solutions and obtain potential funding applications.	31.03.23	Jackie Binning	<b>Update 26.06.22:</b> The group have linked up with the National Enterprise Partnership and will be contacting other organisations regarding various potential projects.
<b>Priority: Transport and Road Issues</b>				
Understand local issues and agree priority objectives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to hold action group and invite key community groups and residents.</li> <li>• Agree the frequency of action group meetings.</li> <li>• Create a plan to progress priority actions.</li> </ul>	30.04.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete: 24.06.22</b> All Action Groups set up. Frequency every 4 to 6 weeks. Action plan created and regularly followed up
<b>Agreed objectives:</b>				
Local schemes for next year 2022/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support Town and Parish Council's to submit applications for September 2022 deadline.</li> </ul>	30.09.22	Jackie Binning	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review PIDs in January 2023 and agree projects the CB will fund next year.</li> </ul>	31.03.23		
<p>Initiate areas of focus around road safety, cycling, walking, reducing car dependency (new for 2022/23), highway issues and objectives to help reduce carbon emissions from transport. Review highways issues (ie parking and speeding) that are important to local people.</p> <p><b>All actions detailed below are linked to this aim.</b></p>	<p>To implement the draft A4010 Strategy. Agree with Buckinghamshire Council and link with Local Transport Plan 5 (LTP5) and the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP).</p>	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	<p><b>Update 24.06.22:</b> Various meetings were had during 2021/22 with BC Directors and officers and local Councillors to promote the draft A4010 Strategy, and to recommend it be linked with LTP5 and the LCWIP. Progress to be monitored during 2022/23 as work is still ongoing by Buckinghamshire Council to complete the LTP5 and the LCWIP.</p>
	<p>To respond to adhoc highways concerns and complaints.</p>	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	<p>Ongoing – the groups Transport &amp; Road Issues Overview Spreadsheet manages these (Community Board Manager holds copy)</p>

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	To agree a map of proposed new cycling routes and problem areas and submit to Transport Policy Officers.	31.08.22	Jim Stevens	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> It was agreed during a Transport and Road Issues Action Group On 17.05.22 that further work and key routes needed to be defined, particularly with the imminent new housing developments (this is an opportunity to ensure the appropriate cyclepaths are included within these developments).
	To work with Chiltern Railways to improve rail links and rail services.	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> Various meetings were had in 2021/22 between William Knighton (Chiltern Railways), the Chairman of the Transport & Road Issues Action Group and local BC Councillors. The last meeting was held on 15.06.22 concerning our latest initiative around reducing car

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				dependency. Meetings will continue in 2022/23.
	<p>To reduce car dependency and promote sustainable alternatives where feasible – (new objective for 2022/23).</p> <p>To work with BC officers and other third parties on this initiative.</p>	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	<p><b>Update 19.07.22:</b>  Meetings to discuss have been had as follows:  <u>Chiltern Rail</u> on 15.06.22 (as detailed above)  <u>BC – Bus Services</u> on 07.06.22 with the Passenger Transport Manager and Passenger Transport Lead Officer  <u>BC – Policy</u> on 07.06.22 with the Transport Strategy Manager and Transport Strategy Officer.  Action notes created for all meetings which will be followed through to completion.</p>

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To promote cycling and cycleways.	When cycle routes agreed, promote through various comms channels.	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	
To review issues relating to HS2	To review HS2 funding applications Tranche 2 – agree those that meet the HS2 funding criteria and review those that don't and consider board funding.	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	
	To respond to adhoc HS2 complaints.	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	<b>Update 24.06.22:</b> One complaint carried forward from 2022/23 – ongoing.
To manage petitions received by the NWCCB.	To ensure the correct procedures are followed for petitions submitted to the board.	31.03.23	Jackie Binning	
Adhoc funding applications.	To consider any application in regards to transport and road issues.	31.03.23	Jim Stevens	See Budget spreadsheet for 2022/23 (Community Board Manager holds copy).
<b>Work Planning</b>				
To progress the Community Board schedule.	Develop a schedule for Community Board meetings.	29.04.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete – 29.04.22</b>
	27.07.22 – develop a meeting agenda.	19.07.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete – 19.07.22</b>
	01.11.22 – develop a meeting agenda.	October 2022	Jackie Binning / Chairman / Vice Chairman	

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	07.02.23 – develop a meeting agenda	January 2023	Jackie Binning / Chairman / Vice Chairman	
	Schedule monthly meetings with Chairman, Vice Chairman and Service Director.	20.05.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete – 20.05.22</b>
	Schedule meetings with Chairman, Vice Chairman and Action Group Leads.	08.07.22	Jackie Binning	<b>Complete – 08.07.22</b>
	Track and monitor action group tasks and projects.	31.03.23	Jackie Binning	Ongoing

19<sup>th</sup> July 2022