



# Aylesbury Community Board Meeting

16th November 2023

Please help yourself to water and take a seat of your choice





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18:00 Welcome  
18:10 TVP update  
18.25 Unit 33  
18:40 Healthwatch Bucks  
18:55 Community Board  
update  
19:30 Community Matters  
19:55 Thank you and Close



Welcome from the Community Board  
Chairman - Cllr Mark Winn



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## Item 6: TVP update

### Update & question time

Sgt Clare Farrow, Thames Valley Police



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## Item 7: Unit 33

### **Presentation and questions delivered by:**

Gemma Thomas, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS  
Trust

# Health on the High Street

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## Unit 33

- Opened in Friars Square Shopping Centre on 26/09.
- 1 year pilot.
- 877 people have entered the unit to 31/10 (includes colleagues, contractors etc).
- Engagement event to coincide with Community Action Day on 25/10.



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## Unit 33



Services operating in Unit 33 include:

- Health Visiting
- Immunisation
- Veterans Drop in Session
- Age UK Drop in session
- Public Health services including a health kiosk where residents can check their height, weight and blood pressure

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## Initial Public Feedback

- Positive about the concept & location.
- Requesting information on primary care – struggling to get an appointment, How do I book an appointment on line? How do I order prescriptions online? How do I book a health check?
- Requesting signposting information i.e. what exercise is suitable for me as an older person to do?
- Seeking health advice i.e. constipated children, how do I book a follow up 2 year check (as requested by nursery).
- People are keen to do health kiosk, a small number don't have email address or don't want to put email address in. (We are looking to get BP monitors so they can still take BP reading).

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## Next Steps / Questions

- Ongoing communication with partners to expand service offer i.e. social prescribing and Be Healthy Bucks.
- Continue promotion and communication to relevant people and groups – can you support us?
- Are there any other services or groups you think we should be linking up with and/or operate within Unit 33?

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## Item 8: Healthwatch Bucks

**Presentation and questions delivered by:**

Melanie Humble, Healthwatch Bucks



# Healthwatch Bucks

Volunteering

**healthwatch**  
Bucks

# Who we are

- **We are the independent champion for people who use health and social care services**
- **We're here to find out what matters to people and help make sure their views shape the support they need**
- **Nationally and locally, we have the power to make sure that those in charge of health and social care services hear people's voices**

# What we do

- We **listen** to the views of local people
- We **influence** the right people – policymakers, decision makers and service providers
- We help to **improve** the way local health and social care services are commissioned and delivered.

# In 2022/23 we...

Listened to **1,328** health and social care experiences that were shared with us by local people

Provided help and support to people who asked for it through **159** signposting requests

Published **7** reports on local health and social care services

Attended **232** meetings with key stakeholders, to represent the interests of Buckinghamshire residents

Benefited from the support of **21** generous volunteers who gave **1,910** hours to help us make health and social care better for people in our community.



# New volunteering programme

## Aims:

- to build a diverse group of volunteers
- to attract volunteers from underrepresented communities
- to help volunteers gain skills and experience to boost their CV
- to help volunteers gain knowledge that may benefit the health and wellbeing of their families and community

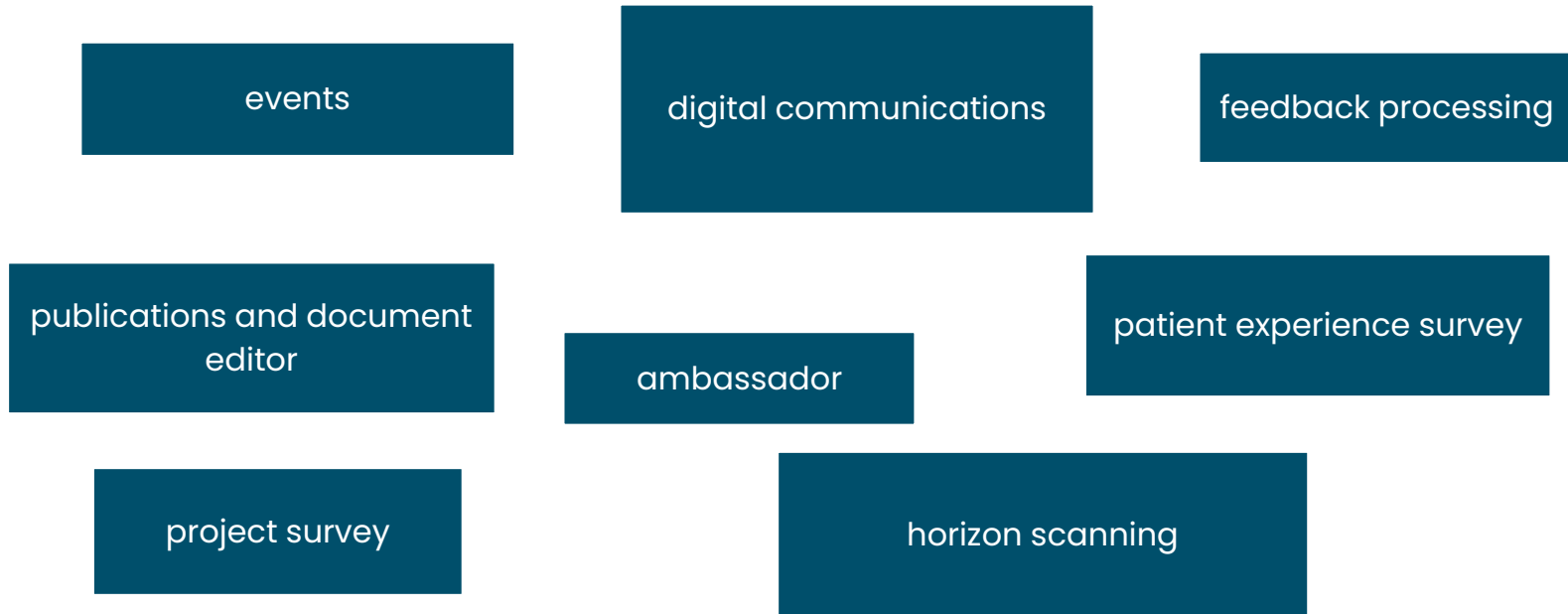
# Our volunteers will ...

- gain skills to boost their CV
- gain experience in a flexible role to suit them
- make a positive difference
- feel valued and part of a team
- gain confidence and self-esteem





# Volunteer roles



# Contact us to find out more..

- in person: today, or at one of our upcoming events
- on the phone: call Melanie on **01494 974201**
- visit: **<https://bit.ly/3Om5CEm>**
- email: **[volunteering@healthwatchbucks.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@healthwatchbucks.co.uk)**
- scan:





### **Support residents to come together and increase community spirit within their local neighbourhood through the delivery of community-based initiatives**

- Community Safety Days of Action
- Elmhurst Family Day
- Friars 30th
- Hale Leys monthly engagement
- Canal Basin bike marking event
- Development of Prebendal Farm Community Event
- Supporting projects to bring the community together
- Supporting, problem solving & feeding back to other services



## Item 9: Engagement





### **Provide opportunities for residents to develop new skills**

- Games Club idea development with Dave
- Working with AYA interns
- BCG Dementia Event
- Development of Bedgrove Skatepark application

### **Develop a volunteering strategy for Aylesbury**

- Partnership meetings and conversations
- Working with CIB to develop ideas
- Working with Amersham & Villages CB as shared priority

### **Support exploration around the physical and environmental impacts of vaping**

- 2 meetings held to explore possibilities- Michelle



### **Influence behavioural change to improve road safety around our schools**

- Aylesbury East and South-East school road safety campaign
- Developing ideas for Aylesbury West

### **Supporting Opportunity Bucks priorities identified by Ward Partnerships in Aylesbury North, North-West and South-West**

- Working with Op Bucks Team
- Supporting Ward Partnerships
- Supporting Economic Regeneration Team
- Public Health Bike Libraries



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## Item 9: Funding Update

**Budget: £196,770**

**Allocated to date: £24,974**

- £1,994 Only Me
- £15,000 Queens Park Community Project
- £1,000 Ardenham Lane Allotments- Wildlife Garden
- £2,000 Coldharbour Community Garden
- £3,545 Go Play Hot Lunches
- £991 Coldharbour Community Essentials
- £1,000 75th Windrush Anniversary - The Caribbean Community Lunch Club
- Culture Awareness Event

**Pipeline = £40,000**





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## Item 10: Community Matters

**Questions received in advance to the Community Board**

**Buckinghamshire Council Update- in agenda pack**

**Opportunity Bucks Update- Helen Cavill**

**Savernake Road Petition**





# Thank you!

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