

Minute item 5 – Workshop / Table discussions

Summary of flipchart paper notes from all tables with table of discussion notes.

Environment and climate change ideas included:

- Focusing on improvements to the public realm, encouraging everyone to take ownership/pride in community spaces with litter picking, installation of closed bins, education about impact of litter.
- Reduce, reuse, recycle, education and behaviour change, and more awareness of what individuals can do to reduce waste.
- Nature and biodiversity projects such as wildflower planting, bug hotels, and caring for important habitats in woodland and chalkland/chalkstream, improving water quality.
- Air quality, anti-idling and sustainable travel such as more e-charging points and promoting walking/cycling to school or even a school community bus.
- More information around how to cope with flooding.
- And more generally, better communication, social media use and promoting what was happening locally.

Health and wellbeing ideas included:

- Better promotion of existing services and working with charities to access funding.
- Improving support for young people including SEND, such as family days for neurodiverse, and Early Years provision.
- Increasing more physical activity and social connections to improve overall wellbeing such as through walking/active travel and improved access to green spaces. Add to HWCB comms plan, promotion of Better Points and work with Active in the Community Stay active, stay connected project to identify gaps in provision.
- Better promotion of where to go for help with specific concerns such as blood pressure checks or support for domestic violence.
- Supporting with mental health such as MHFA at events, drop in centres, or promoting safe spaces.
- Focus around food through teaching cooking in schools and encouraging healthier food choices for families and young people.
- Feedback from Louise Hurst BC Public Health who could not attend workshop. Priorities for HW are cardiovascular disease, mental health and children/early years.

Recovery and regeneration ideas included:

- Celebrating the vast number of community spaces in the area, promoting these more and highlighting the support available in the area.
- Considering investment in skills and employment opportunities and promoting skills-based clubs and activities.
- Promoting the history and culture of the town and considering events and exhibitions to attract visitors.
- A focus on high street regeneration with improvements to the market and support for businesses with access to vacant premises.
- Tackling anti-social behaviour through education and highlighting the impact of certain behaviour.

Local infrastructure and transport ideas included:

- Improving air quality by delivering an anti-idling campaign with schools and reducing congesting by improving sustainable transport options.
- Promoting, enabling, and improving sustainable and accessible transport options. – promotion via HWCB comms plan?
- Potential to offer free or reduced parking on Sundays to encourage visitors to town centre and increase economy.
- Changing behaviour to reduce speeding – day and night speeding and use of modified cars
- Changing behaviour to reduce pavement parking and improve accessibility and encourage walking.
- Improving public toilet access to promote inclusivity and encourage visitors to the town centre.
- Promoting the chalk stream, raising awareness and educating community on how to preserve and care for the river and wildlife it supports by working with local stakeholders e.g. Revive the Wye, Chiltern Rangers;
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Appendix 1:

Environment and climate change:

Theme	Working Well	Gaps	Project Ideas	Stakeholders
Public Realm	Litter picking groups – growth potential; Tidying of green areas; High street is looking cleaner; Bins are more visible; Less rough sleeping	Promote pride of place – target adults and work with schools to change behaviour; Waste and litter supporting rat problem	Target area for litter – West Wycombe Road Encourage pride in your street; Wombles better promotion and how to get involved or set up own group ; Tackle Nox waste – education campaign; More litter education in schools; Investment in	WMEEG; Chiltern Rangers; Wycombe Wanderers (football boots); HW Bid Co; Young people;
Reduce, reuse, recycle	Food waste and redistribution; Vibrant HRC; High Heavens shop; Repair cafe; Council promoting recycling; Refresh shop & Repair cafe; Tiny forests in Totteridge/Booker ;	Bulky waste - cost of HRCs – leads to fly-tipping; Cost of garden waste recycling; Review HRC opening hours; Local recycling banks; Wasteland unused – Red Kite Plastic waste; Knowing how to do more, cook from scratch and understand impact of ultra processed foods Education – what happens to our recycling?	More visible recycling bins; Library of things; Chiltern Wood recycling; School uniform swap; Football boot swap; Intergenerational activities – involve early years; Collect unused household goods – redistribute to older people; Grot squad; Review costs.	Responsibility to take-away food outlets (waste)
Nature/ biodiversity	Wildlife activities; Bee Squared; Hospital Stroke Garden; Funges Meadow;	Public Realm, more than just trees	Explore other habitats – chalkstreams, woodland, chalk-grassland Wildflower planting evolved to bulb planting £2000 funding expired, WEP planting bulbs around wards with Red Kite support; Reduce grass cutting; Communal gardens;	

			Sensory gardens; Bug hotels; Pollinating; Raising profile of river, green spaces and wildlife they support	
Sustainable travel	Pick me up bus; Zip scooter (mixed views); More e-charging for cars becoming available Walk to school weeks; Air Quality monitoring, Mill brook School; School travel plans – some lapsed and need reinvigorating; Better Points;	Cost and availability of buses; How do we reduce pollution? More solar power, more car charging Safe cycling (issues with car – pavement parking and potholes); Lack of cycle lanes;	e-charging, adoption in town centre; School children’s community bus; Reduce car use and congestion and improve air quality, develop air quality project with Our Sands Residents Association, potential for further sensors and locations.	
Other	Hospital reducing carbon footprint	Flood management – issue with graves being flooded and on the flood plain; Disconnect between positive behaviour and bigger picture	Provide information of where to go in case of flooding; Resilience information and signposting; Energy Fair to support residents convert to renewable energy, reduce bills and reliance on fossil fuels.	
High level:		Lack of communication and awareness; Education and behaviour change Town Council	Involve young people, Improve social media; Calendar of events & activities (3 monthly)	

Health and wellbeing:

Theme	Working Well	Gaps	Project Ideas	Stakeholders
Existing support (promotion & funding)	Great NGOs; Variety of activities & clubs; Self-started groups w. common interest; Passionate people; VCSE collaborations;	Defunding of essential effective services Lack of charity funding – big risk; Need more joined up working	Community directory (BOD) – referral routes - more signposting More volunteers; Collaboration Navigating;	Movers and shakers Cultural groups - African /Caribbean Chinese

				DOSTI – Asian women’s group
Young people	Wycombe arts centre; Music therapy;	SEND provision; Y.E.S - needs funding	Early Years care; First aid courses; Martial arts; Neurodiverse family nights out;	Catch22 Autism Bucks
Wellbeing	Wellbeing days for older people; Movers and shakers; Wycombe leisure centre; Vibrant library and youth service; Wycombe district Dementia action;	Wellbeing is for ‘other people’ – not taking ownership; Preventative measures – access and awareness; Promote physical activity, social connections, increasing knowledge & skills and encourage people to give back;	Encourage more walking Active travel; Better maintenance and more seating in parks/green spaces	
Health services & advice	Pharmacists (prescriptions, advice, jabs); Free health screening in library; Accessible sexual health centre; South Bucks Hospice; CB Defib project	Transitions from hospital to home; GP lack of modern technology; No A&E; Poor access to GP/dentist; Life expectancy varied based on location; Lack of public toilets (issues with drug users); Pavement parking impeding access Cardio-vascular health – reduce air pollution and improve diet	Gentle intro to good wellbeing; Raise awareness – where to get help e.g. domestic violence; Better use of noticeboards, Wycombe sound, GP promotion; Blood pressure monitors;	
Mental Health	Social & Mental Health Support - Men’s Motor Vehicle Club - Coffee & Conrods; Mensnap photography; Awareness is increasing; Lived experience of service providers;	Men’s suicide prevention; Stigma in accessing services; Access to therapy on low income; Cost of living; Self referral waiting lists too long; Support for young mums;	Raise awareness about safe spaces; Self defence for women; Housing first; Mental Health First Aider at local events; Drop in centres (twilight cafes, provide transport);	

	Festival of wellbeing – Bucks Mind			
Food	Hills community café supporting isolated individuals One Can food program team; cooking courses aimed at men; Cooking on a budget courses;	Too many McDonald's; Focus on healthy diet and drinking water; More HAF school holiday provision;	Community kitchen – encourage schools to teach pupils to cook; Promote healthier food options; Fruit for kids; Combine with environment action – 5 ways to wellbeing;	Empower to Cook; Vegan chef

Recovery and regeneration:

Theme	Working Well	Gaps	Project Ideas	Stakeholders
Community spaces and support	Well connected area; Good geographic location; Nice scenery/greenery; Community buildings/spaces – WAC, Hilltop, WM, MCC; Allotments; Conservation zone (White Hart Street); Street Angels	Feelings of safety – due to begging and homelessness; Sense of Community; Pride of place; Bureaucracy; Framework for climate friendly initiatives; Better placement of rubbish bins;	Re-branding - Town Magazine; River Wye – open up and take down fly-over; Management of hanging baskets; Tackle deprivation; River- deculvert; More youth activities (night café and skate park); Coordinated litter picks	BID Residents/visitors Businesses; Chiltern Rangers; Feedback; Green Futures
Skills & Employment	Food support Cooking on a budget; Library displays of things to do and access to technology; Adult Learning courses;	Digital exclusion; Cost of living – knowing where to go for advice and support; Longer lives - poorer health / late retirement; Jobs – lack of flexibility / childcare arrangements	Investment in skills and training; Housing legal advice – homelessness prevention; More promotion of clubs and skills based activities;	Wycombe Homeless Connection
Culture	Frogfest; Desborough Carnival;	Lack of tourism focus; Absence of art and culture;	Programming in small venues; Jobs in creative industry to	

	Festival of Wycombe; Ethnically diverse (celebrate)	Heritage not well known; Identity of place/destination;	organise small events Celebrate history of businesses and people coming to the town pre and post war; Pop-up exhibitions; History walks; More visitor/tourism leaflets and promo; Encourage artisan	
High Street Regeneration	Improvements being seen; Independent businesses – Front Room & Catch22; Pedestrianised H/S	Lack of businesses; How has govt. high street fund been used? High rents; Services relocate to avoid hefty payments, leaves shops vacant for years; Estate agents holding onto empty shops;	Neighbourhood plan and vision – for whole town not just centre; Encourage entrepreneurship; Short-term leases; Fast-track solution for empty premises; Shop fronts policy book; Improvements to the market;	BIDCO – more activity
Anti-social behaviour	Town Centre partnership	Fly-tipping and rubbish; Pavement parking; Drink and drugs; Shoplifting; Street hygiene;	Education – impact;	TCP; Bidco; Nick Adkins TVP – Street Wardens

Local infrastructure and transport:

Theme	Working Well	Gaps	Project Ideas	Stakeholders
Sustainable travel and air quality	Pick Me Up bus, not if time critical; Community buses; Bus price cap; e-scooters and e-bikes; Wycombe Wanderers match day transfers from station to ground;	Cycle lanes and storage; Affordable, reliable public transport, more reliable to drive door to door; Unreliable and inaccessible Bus services and Park & Ride;	Increase / improve cycle lanes, create safe bike roads; Provide Cycle storage; Car share schemes; Improve lighting, cut back overgrowth and collect litter on footpaths and	

	Trains good but expensive; Potential for better connectivity with Thames Valley with Marlow Studios proposal;	Evening buses to support night time economy; Promotion of sustainable travel options e.g. pick me up; E-scooters licensing, safety, insurance, helmets and fines; Disconnection between bus and train station;	subways to encourage walking e.g. Benjamins footpath and subway between Council offices and The Rye; EV charging; Air quality and anti-idling project with schools; Promote and encourage reduction in short car journeys and public transport options;	
Speeding		How to reduce speeding especially at night and modified car use	Safe car meets and building intergenerational relationship and responsibility; Effective reporting to Police;	Hellfire Motor Club; TVP Community Speed Watch
River, roads, street furniture, car parks and green spaces	Fix my street	Regular car park cleaning to encourage use and town centre visitors; Potholes and road maintenance; Lack of taxi point at hospital; Pavement parking and parking infringements; Lack of disabled parking spaces; Accessible paths and equipment in parks and green spaces;	Remove flyover and deculvert river / Revive the Wye; Free Sunday and cheaper parking to encourage shoppers; More enforcement; More disabled parking spaces; Accessible paths and equipment;	

Public toilets		Lack of public toilet access in town centre but also wider unparished area;	Community toilet scheme;	
Other			Buckinghamshire citizens card for young people; CCTV in target ASB areas	