



# Community Board Haddenham and Waddesdon

## Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Board Report

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## Introduction

Welcome to our May 2024 Community Board meeting update.

Since our November meeting, the following activities have taken place.

- **Health & Wellbeing:** We continue to work with older people groups to investigate addressing the disparity of digital confidence among this cohort.
- Working with Waddesdon Hall and the Helping Hand Service to look at how we can further support those that use the food larder and fridge, which utilises supermarket and donated food to eliminate waste and support those struggling.
- **Road safety:** Launched our road safety poster competition to schools.
- **The Environment:** Held our first Green Living event at Buckinghamshire Railway Centre. We now have the promotional material and banners to hold these elsewhere in the CB area. Please let us know if you want to provide a venue.
- Held our **Parish Workshop** on 30<sup>th</sup> January at Chearsley Village Hall. We were asked to collate parish responses to the Government's biodiversity action plan requirements. We only received one action plan from Shabbington Parish Council, which they are happy to share, and which is attached. Our next meeting is hosted by Cuddington PC on 16<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30 pm.
- Contributed to the overall **Community Board annual report.**, which will be circulated in May.

We continue to respond to partner requests for information, resources and contacts. Just to give a flavour of some of the items:

- Sent out information about the Community payback scheme – to utilise those on community service, to help with a range of local projects.
- Sent out details of the Waddesdon Zone Freight strategy consultation – for responses.
- Kept partners updated with our bi-monthly newsletter.
- Signposted partners to Heart of Bucks and other funding streams relevant to their projects such as for LED lighting upgrades and to address rising core costs.
- Met with Councillors from Haddenham and Chilton to discuss project ideas.
- Advised on the work of the Natural Environment Partnership and provided information on how to start up a community allotment.
- Met with those who projects and services align with our priorities and helped them either to submit a funding application or provided ideas to promote their projects and services further.

## **Project update**

### **Library of things**

The Library is up and running and ready to receive hirings. There is now an extensive list of items to hire – both second hand and new. Please visit the website [I'd Like To Borrow – Reuse – Repair – Repair \(idliketoborrow.com\)](https://www.idliketoborrow.com) to hire, volunteer or donate items.

### **I'd Like a bike**

We are looking for second hand adult and children's bikes which will be refurbished and passed on to care leavers, refugees and others, for who access to a bike will help them to travel to work, school or play. The Charity I'd like to Borrow is running the project, which links in with a repair cafe at Buckinghamshire Railway Centre.

### **Road Safety Poster Competition**

From the entries received, we have judged around 5-6 to have met the criteria. Twenty-five posters are currently being printed to be displayed on lamp posts around our schools to remind drivers to keep within the speed limit. Posters from Stone CE School and Dinton Primary were the entries chosen. We are working with the Active Travel Team to award one of the schools, a voucher to contribute towards their Active Travel aims.

The following projects were supported during the 2023-24 financial year.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>CB priority</b>
Waddesdon and Westcott churches WIFI	St Michael and all Angels	Health & wellbeing
Ukrainian workshops – multiple schools	Stephen Spender charity	Health & wellbeing
Worminghall - Village Hall toilet block refurbishment	Worminghall Village Hall	Health & wellbeing
Brill - Training Aids for Defibrillator	Brill PC	Health & wellbeing
Quinton Pub	Community Action Group	Health & wellbeing
Secondary Schools Supergirl's STEM project – multiple schools	Aylesbury Youth For Christ	Health & wellbeing
Waddesdon - Horticultural Society Outreach tables	Waddesdon Horticultural Society	Health & wellbeing
Waddesdon - Cricket Club Intergenerational Pools and Games Club	Waddesdon Cricket Club	Health & wellbeing
Waddesdon – Dungeons and Dragons club	Waddesdon Church	Health & wellbeing
Haddenham – Board Games Club	Board Games Club	Health & Wellbeing
Waddesdon - Heritage Orchard	Waddesdon Parish Council	The Environment
School Road Safety Poster competition	CB project	Road Safety

Oakley – Youth Club	Oakley Parish Council	Health & wellbeing
Quainton - Green Living Event	I'd Like to Borrow	Health & wellbeing/Environment
I'd Like a bike project (refugees, care leavers and Helping Hand recipients.	I'd Like to Borrow	Health & wellbeing

If you have identified a need in your community which relates to one of our priorities, please email us at [hadwadcb@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:hadwadcb@buckinghamshire.gov.uk) or contact Elaine, our Community Board Manager on 01296 383348, in the first instance to discuss your proposal. We will tell you if your project meets our priorities and suggest ways in which we may be able to help or link you in with other resources and expertise.

## Communication

With a CB as large and diverse as ours, communication is always a challenge but as a reminder, we have the following communication points:

- Dedicated webpage [Haddenham & Waddesdon Community Board | Buckinghamshire Council](#).
- Our bi-monthly newsletters are on our webpage and the latest newsletter for March-April is [here](#).
- Our Facebook page has gone up to 680 followers – an increase of 35 since November and the link is [here](#).
- BC Councillors receive a regular update on Community Board progress.

## Review of Community Board Priorities

Throughout the year at various engagement opportunities, we canvas residents about our priorities and at our November main Community Board meeting, we provided a workshop and asked attendees to discuss and consider what their community needs were that were in line with our priorities of health and wellbeing, road safety and the environment. Please find attached results. We have updated this with what is currently available and suggested ways forward for others.

Achieving our priorities does not always necessitate funding and can be gained through collaboration with others and seeing what has worked well in other communities or Board areas and adopting a similar approach.

The Community Board is not a funder in the traditional sense but if we believe projects align with our priorities and would not be able to take place without our specific support, then we will consider supporting these financially. We can also help communities to source the most suitable funding or delivery partner and link them in with others who have experience on similar projects to gain knowledge and expertise.

At our 16<sup>th</sup> May meeting we wish to present our defined priorities for the coming year.

Our proposed 2024-25 priorities will promote the following:

**Green and Clean** – promoting our green spaces and keeping them clean.

**Community support and belonging** – supporting those in need and fostering community identity.

**Enhancing where we live** – what’s missing from our community that would improve it.

## **Buckinghamshire Council update**

Please find attached the latest update.

## **Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) Pilot**

A pilot of this service for Aylesbury has been extended into our CB area of Hartwell and Bishopstone. Please see attached briefing for more information.

## **Attachments:**

Shabbington Parish Council Biodiversity Action Plan

Workshop results from 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Latest Buckinghamshire Council update – to follow

DRT Aylesbury update for Community Board – Feb 24