

Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe

Local Area Forum



• Local Area Plan •



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The purpose of the Area Plan

The purpose of the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Area Plan is to set out a clear list of local priorities that need to be addressed in order to improve the social, economic and environmental conditions within the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local community area over the next two-three years.

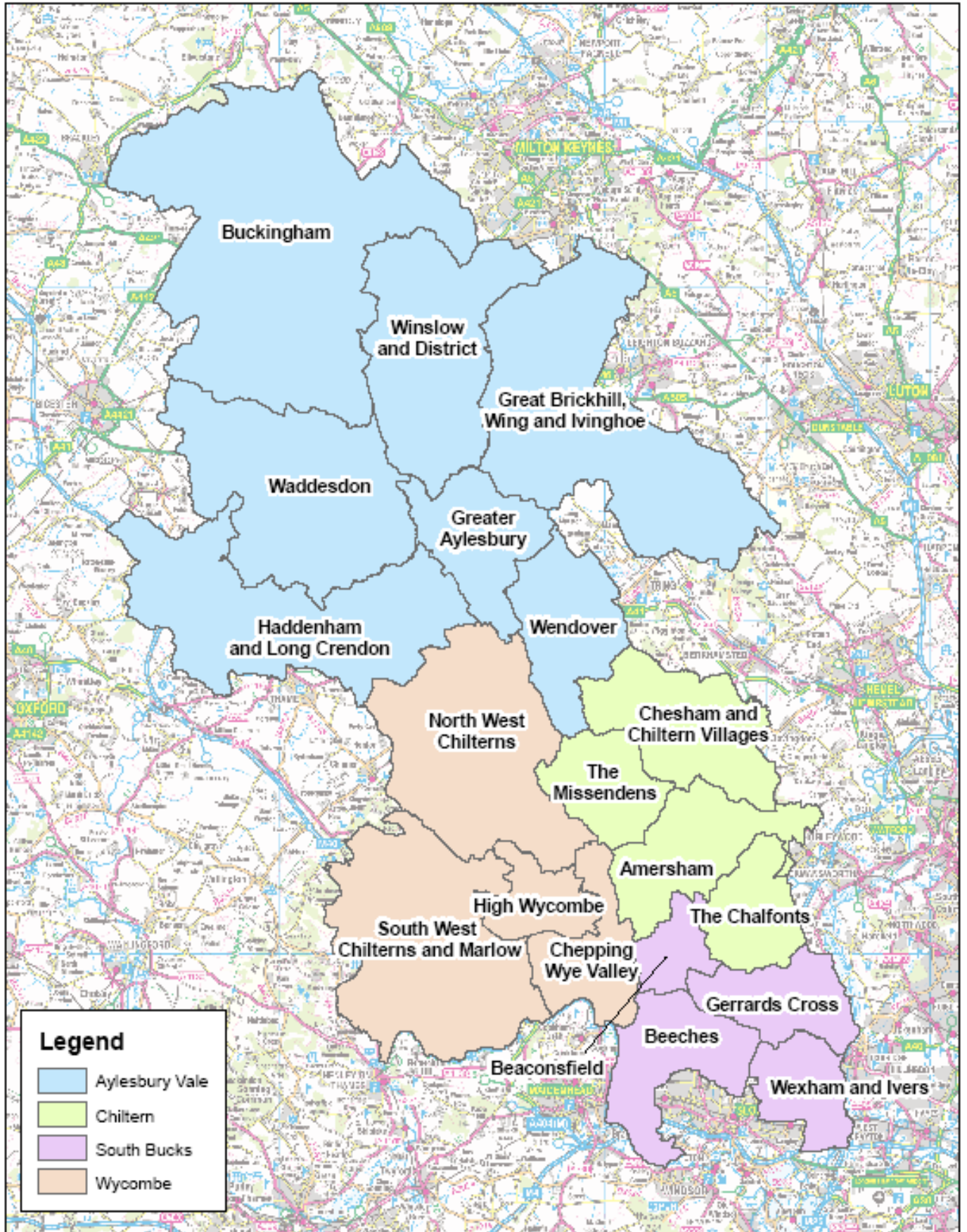
In some instances, the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area Forum will be able to directly impact on actions to address one or more of the priority themes through allocation of its delegated budgets. For most of the priorities within the area plan, it is likely that the main role of the Local Area Forum (LAF) will be to act as a coordinating body and catalyst for action, with the LAF taking an investigative, supportive, developmental, championing and monitoring role.

The area plan should be regarded as an initial set of commitments, which can be added to in the



Drayton Parslow

light of emerging opportunities, rather than a fixed agenda that must be adhered to rigidly over the next two-three years. The LAF will work closely with partner organisations to seek progress on the priority themes within the area plan.



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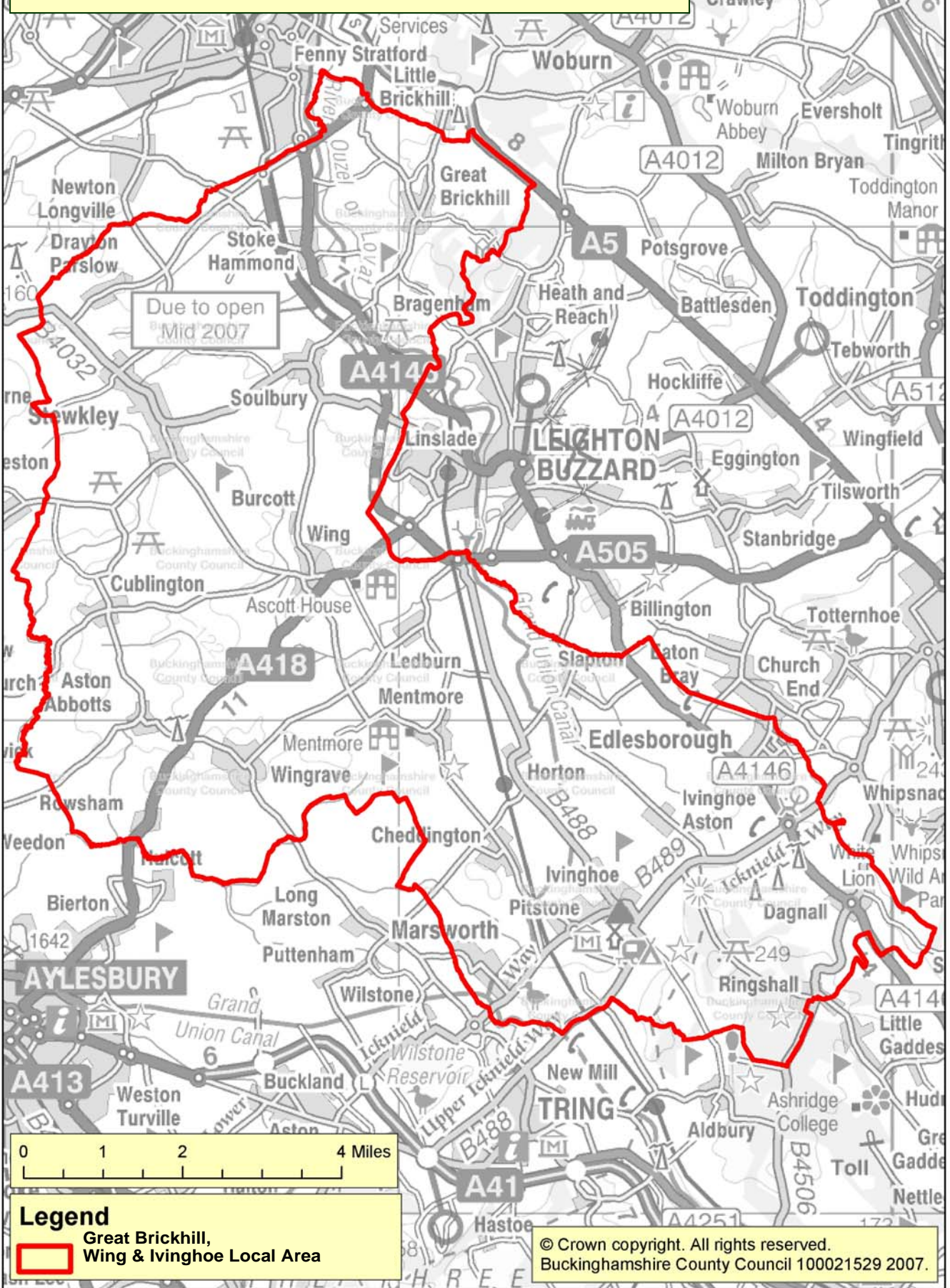
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Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area



The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area Forum and the work undertaken on its priorities

The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local area is covered by sixteen parishes (see page 8), which form the Local Area Forum.

Local Area Forums are meetings where local county, district and parish councillors, along with representatives of the police, fire and rescue and other public or voluntary/community sector partners, meet to discuss local residents' needs and priorities.

One of the first tasks for each Local Area Forum was to determine priorities for the local area plan. To this end, the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe LAF held a local area planning workshop in March 2009. Five top priorities were chosen to be taken forward for action. These included More accessible transport in the villages, HGVs are an issue, Footpaths between villages, More provision for young people and Support for older people.

Some of these have continued to be priorities in a priorities refresh undertaken in February 2012 but others, eg HGVs are an issue are not.

HGVs are an issue

This is one of the priorities not taken forward in the refresh undertaken in February 2012. The

The issue of HGVs using inappropriate rural routes is being considered by the LAF's Freight Quality Partnership



Great Gap walk was one of the new footpaths created to provide a means of walking safely between villages

'HGVs are an issue' priority is now being tackled through a pilot LAF Freight Quality Partnership, which has brought together freight companies, local agencies and parishes to develop solutions so that HGVs are better routed.

Footpaths between villages

Great Gap footpath

A right of way was created to link the village of Great Gap with Ivinghoe and also to link with the wider rights of way network to create a circular walk. The LAF funding was used to lever other sources of funding including Community Chest and Awards for All.

Cheddington footpath

Construction of the Cheddington footpath was undertaken over a number of years. The final phase received LAF support and funding, with letters of support from local parishes, residents, young people in nearby villages and school children. This enabled additional funding to be sought from Comma and for the footpath link to the canal and nearby villages to be completed.

Aston Abbots footpath: phase 1 and 2

Aston Abbots is a small parish but with the support of other LAF members to access the

LAF delegated budget, phases 1 and 2 have now been completed. The parish is now working to seek funding for the final phase 3, which will take the footpath to the crossroads.

The LAF has agreed to keep footpaths as a priority, and linked this with cyclepaths.

More provision for young people

The LAF part-funded the sports cage, which is used within the parishes, as part of a package of activities funded by the LAF or can be hired by parishes/youth organisations at a reasonable rate.

The LAF-funded activities have included Aylesbury Vale Youth for Christ (AVYFC) running holiday and evening activities in the parishes for young people—and also activities run through AVDC including the skateboard park.

The LAF has also contributed towards the funding of the Pitstone Youth Café.

The LAF has agreed to keep Activities and facilities for young people aged 11+ as a priority for action.

More accessible transport in the villages

The LAF funded work to encourage community cars schemes to develop in the local area. Two



The LAF part-funded the popular sports cage and made a contribution towards the cost of starting a youth café in Pitstone



new volunteer car schemes were taken forward by local communities in Dagnall and Pitstone.

Now the revised priorities have been set (see page 13 for more information), a number of subgroups will be developed to look at developing solutions to meet the priorities. The subgroups will report to the LAF.

The LAF will also consider agenda items and information linked to the priorities, alongside other items of interest or relevance to the local area—including the strategic priorities, not requiring action by the LAF.

LAF meetings are open to residents and local community groups and held throughout the area, with previous meetings in Stewkley, Wing, Ivinghoe and Edlesborough.

The Forum times and dates can be located at www.buckscc.gov.uk. Click on 'Committees' and then 'Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area Forum'.

For more information on this local area, 'like' the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local area page on Facebook.

Can you spare just a few hours a week...

...to help a local person who needs to get to GP or hospital appointments, visit friends or get to the shops.



You drive your own car and your petrol costs are paid—so there should be no expense on your part.

You decide how much time you can spare. An hour or so a week is all that is needed for this interesting and rewarding activity

If you are able to help out with this community car scheme to help people in Pitstone and Marsworth, please contact

Dave Clifford on 01296 660023
email: davidxclifford954@btinternet.com
or Sally Hussey on 01296 421036

Supported by Community

The Pitstone Car Scheme was one of two car schemes funded through the LAF, with work undertaken in the local area to encourage volunteers to come forward and make it happen

The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area Forum membership

The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local community area covers three divisions of the County Council. The County Councillors take the role of Chairman (rotating) at the LAF meetings:

County Councillors in the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local community area		
Great Brickhill	Brenda Jennings	Tel: 01525 270610 Fax: 01525 270169 Email: bjennings@buckscc.gov.uk
Ivinghoe	Avril Davies	Tel: 01296 668152 Email: acdavies@buckscc.gov.uk Email: adavies@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk
Wing	Netta Glover	Tel: 01296 688357 Mob: 07967 285166 Email: nglover@buckscc.gov.uk Email: nglover@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

The local community area falls within the Aylesbury Vale District. The Vice-Chairman for each meeting is taken from one of the following district councillors:

District Councillors in the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe local community area		
Cheddington	Corry Cashman	Tel: 01296 668565 Email: c.cashman@zen.co.uk
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Stewkley	Janet Blake	Tel: 01525 261288 Email: jblake@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk Email: janetlawferblake@tiscali.co.uk
Wing	Netta Glover	Tel: 01296 688357 Mob: 07967 285166 Email: nglover@buckscc.gov.uk Email: nglover@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk
Wingrave	Peter Cooper	Tel: 01296 681250 Mob: 07860 258833 Email: pcooper@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe LAF also comprises the following parishes which, in addition to the County and District Councillors,

are also voting members. The LAF currently uses the proportional representation voting system (this may be reviewed shortly).

Parish council	Parish chairman	Parish clerk
Aston Abbotts	Peter Shorrocks	Paul Bruton
Cheddington	R Grant	Stefanie Purnell
Cublington	Hugh Vale	Sheila Thorogood
Drayton Parslow	David Perry	Sue Mordue
Edlesborough	Kevin Cabbage	Lin Sargeant
Great Brickhill	Barbara Wight	Karen Barker
Ivinghoe	Karen Groom	Lisa McCarthy
Marsworth	Bob Kennedy	Dawn Slade
Mentmore	Marc Sharman	Maxine Hayes
Pitstone	Bob Saintey	Laurie Eagling
Slapton	Brian Williams	Mrs M Godsland
Stewkley	Paul Smith	Sue Mordue
Stoke Hammond	Mrs K Brown	Mr J A Spires
Soulbury	Victor Wright	Mr J A Spires
Wing	Margaret Crutchfield	Ms L Brook
Wingrave with Rowsham	M Curry	Deborah Martin

Local Area Forum representatives

There are a number of representatives from the County and District Council at the Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe Local Area Forum. These are:

Representative	Name	Contact
<p>Chairman The LAF operates a rotational system for the Chairman (who is a County Councillor), with the meetings held in the Chairman's relevant ward area</p>	<p>Avril Davies Netta Glover Brenda Jennings</p>	<p>Tel: 01296 668152 Tel: 01296 688357 Tel: 01525 270610</p>
<p>Vice-Chairman The LAF operates a rotating system for the Vice-Chairman (who is a District or Parish Councillor), who is chosen by the relevant Chairman TBC</p>	<p>Janet Blake Neil Blake Corry Cashman Peter Cooper Avril Davies Netta Glover Chris Poll</p>	<p>Tel: 01525 261288 Tel: 01525 261288 Tel: 01296 668565 Tel: 01296 681250 Tel: 01296 668152 Tel: 01296 688357 Tel: 01296 663737</p>
<p>Lead Area Officer (County) The Lead Area Officer is a County Council senior manager who works with the Locality Manager to provide senior management support to the LAF.</p>	<p>Trevor Boyd</p>	<p>Tel: 01296 382074 Email: tboyd@buckscc.gov.uk</p>
<p>Lead Area Officer (District) The Lead Area Officer from Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) is also a senior manager who works with the Locality Manager to provide senior management support and commitment from AVDC to the LAF.</p>	<p>Jon McGinty</p>	<p>Tel: 01296 585251 Email: jmcginty@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk</p>
<p>Locality Manager The Locality Manager progresses both the Local Area Plan and issues raised. The Locality Manager also works with local parishes and a wide range of partners on projects to benefit local communities.</p>	<p>Jackie Wesley</p>	<p>Tel: 01296 383839 Email: jwesley@buckscc.gov.uk</p>
<p>Thames Valley Police representative The representative from Thames Valley Police is the Inspector for the area, who works with the Locality Manager to provide commitment and support from the Police.</p>	<p>Emma Garside</p>	<p>Tel: Email: emma.garside@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk</p>
<p>Democratic Services Officer The Democratic Services Officer is responsible for the meeting administration and note taking and organises the LAF meetings/agendas.</p>	<p>Karen Jones</p>	<p>Tel: 01296 383627 Email: kljones@buckscc.gov.uk</p>

Service area representatives

The following County Council service areas have local representatives working in your local community area, who will be in regular attendance at the LAF drop-in sessions:

Service	Contact	
Adult Social Care	Karen Adamson	Tel: 01296 383847 Email: kadamson@buckscc.gov.uk
Transportation	Transport for Buckinghamshire Main number for reporting highways issues, etc.:	Tel: 0845 230 2882
	Local area technician: Paul Foot	Tel: 01296 383421 email: pfoot@buckscc.gov.uk
	Transport localities team leader : Ann-Marie Davies	Tel: 01296 383426 Email: amdavies@buckscc.gov.uk

Representatives from the Police also regularly attend the LAF meetings and the local neighbourhood police team will be available at many drop-in sessions. The Neighbourhood Police team includes PCs Jared Levens, Frank Callaghan and Steve Brisley and PCSOs Paula Boston, Tina Hobson, Jackie Dodson, Chris Baker and Natalie Hall.

For more information telephone 101.

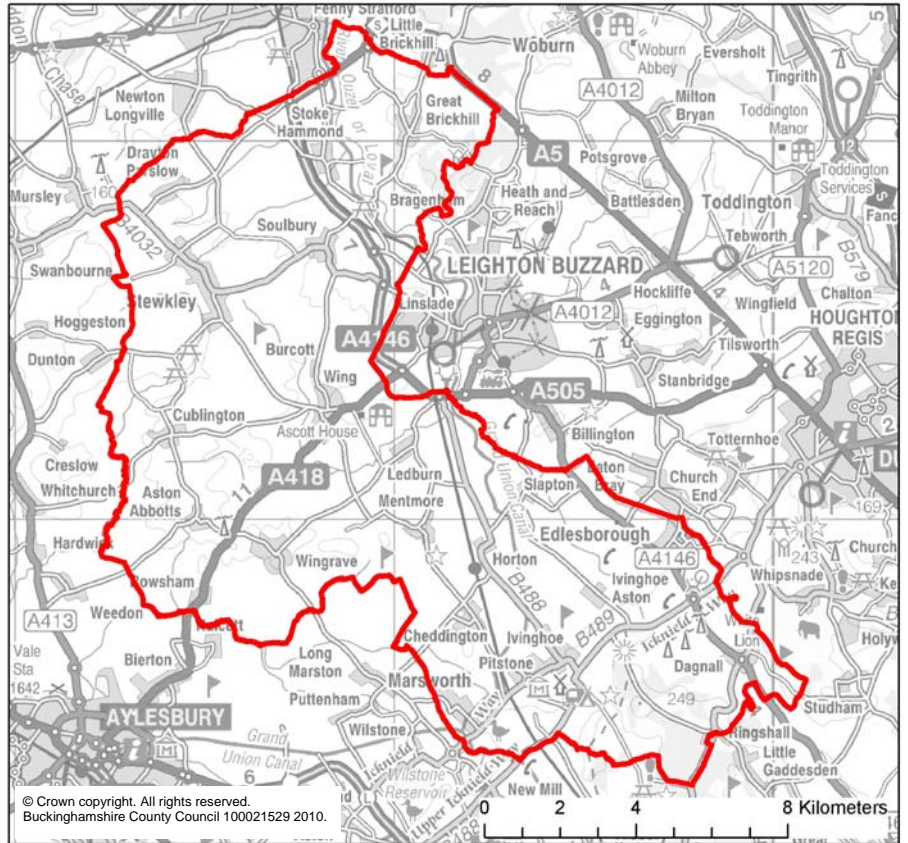


The drop-in sessions before Local Area Forum meetings involve representatives from Transport for Buckinghamshire and the Police

Local Area Profile



Great Brickhill, Wing and Ivinghoe



General characteristics

Total population:	2001	2007
% Bucks:	17,857	18,679
	3.7%	3.8%

Age structure

	Area % 2007	Bucks Index	%Change from 2001
0 to 4 yrs	6%	99	-8%
5 to 10 yrs	8%	107	4%
11 to 19 yrs	12%	101	14%
20 to 39 yrs	21%	88	-13%
40 to 59 yrs	32%	112	8%
60 to 74 yrs	14%	103	26%
75+ yrs	6%	82	22%

Household composition

	Area % 2001	Bucks Index
Single occupant adults	10%	80
Couples [^]	23%	115
Couples with children ^{**}	30%	111
Lone parents ^{**}	4%	86
Households with nondependent children	10%	102
Pensioners	20%	91
Other (e.g. students)	2%	64

[^] No children, or children have left home.

^{**} Household has a dependent child. Includes 'other' households with children that are not lone parent households.

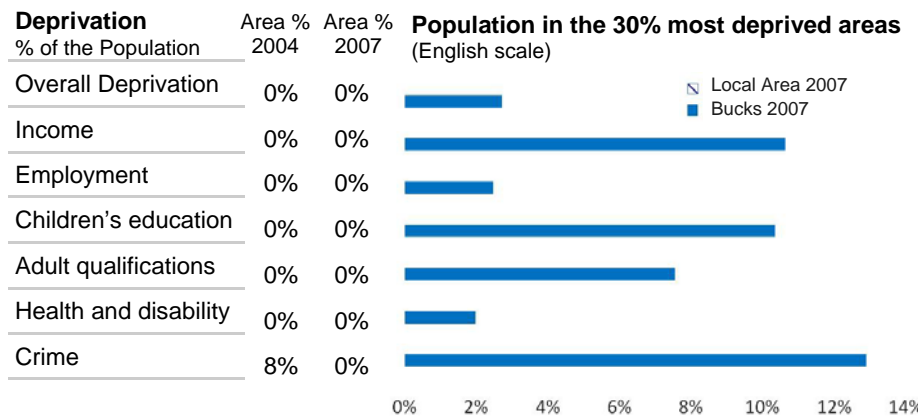
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	Area % 2010	Bucks Index	%Change from 2006
Wealthy Professionals	9%	82	36%
Village Wealthy Commute	13%	177	28%
Well-off Managers	11%	174	-35%
Affluent Greys	6%	121	-2%
Flourishing Families	21%	149	10%
Urban Professionals	4%	28	828%
Secure Families	26%	154	-14%
Settled Suburbia	4%	58	-5%
Moderate Means	2%	22	37%
Hard Pressed	3%	31	1879%

[#] based on households

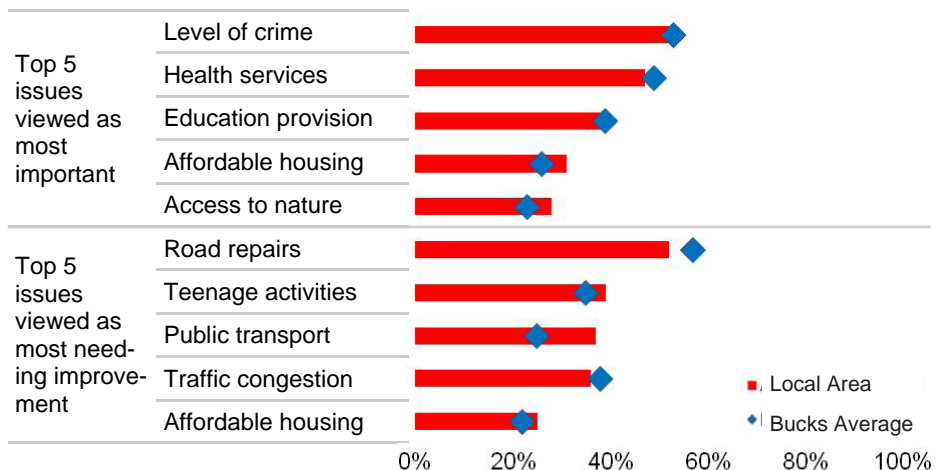
% Change: Shows the % increase/decrease of the number of people in each demographic group.

General characteristics



Resident priorities in the local area (2010)

The graph below shows what residents feel is most important and what is felt to be in most need of improvement in their local area (based on 137 people).



Index: An index of 100 shows an equal proportion of people in the area when compared to the county average. An index of 50 shows that there are half the proportion, and an index of 200 shows twice the proportion.

Local Area diversity

Ethnicity

	Area % 2001	Bucks Index
White	98.5%	107
Mixed	0.6%	48
Asian	0.3%	7
Black	0.2%	19
Chinese/other	0.3%	47
Black / Minority Ethnic	1.5%	19

Ethnicity of Pupils

	Area % 2010	Bucks Index
Black / Minority Ethnic	2.8%	14

Pupils first language

	Area % 2010	Bucks Index	%Change from 2009
English	98.9%	114	-1.2%
Panjabi (any type)	<0.3%	N/A	N/A
Urdu	0.0%	0	N/A
Pashto/Pakhto	0.0%	0	N/A
Polish	<0.3%	N/A	N/A
Tamil	0.0%	0	N/A
Chinese (any type)	0.2%	69	25.0%
Gujarati	<0.3%	N/A	N/A
Bengali (any type)	<0.3%	N/A	N/A
Arabic (any type)	0.0%	0	N/A
French	0.0%	0	N/A
Other languages	0.6%	16	-16.7%

	2009	2010
Number pupils (Bucks schools)	2,628	2,595

Local Area safety

	Area 2009	Area 2010
Burglary (domestic)	74	82
Theft from vehicle	142	100
Deliberate fires	15	14
Accidental fires—dwellings	8	6

Perceptions of local area

	Area % 2008	Bucks Index
Feel safe in day	95%	103
Feel safe after dark	76%	133

	Area % 2010	Bucks Index
People from different backgrounds get on well	94%	110
Respect / consideration of other people is a problem	14%	74
Parents take enough responsibility for children	58%	119
Satisfaction with local area as a place to live	89%	104
Providing unpaid help	54%	102

Travel and environment

	Area 2008	Area 2009
Killed or Seriously injured	16	24
Slightly injured	54	45

	Area 2010
Pothole repairs*	497

*geographic area approximate fit to local areas

For more information contact:

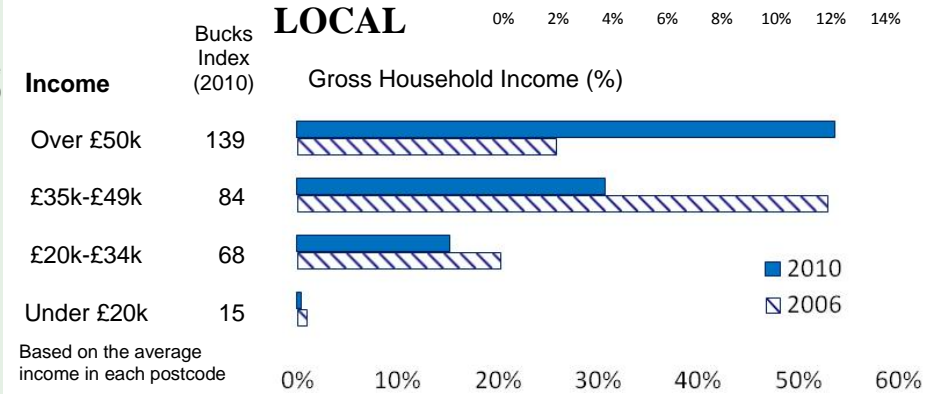
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Economic situation

Benefit claimants

	Bucks Index	% change from	Benefit claimants in 2009 (%)
Job seekers allowance (unemployed looking for work)	87	109%	
Lone parent claiming (income support, child <16)	66	13.0%	
Disability living allowance (contribute to cost of disability)	90	6.1%	
Pension credits (minimum income for those 60+)	107	-0.5%	



Health, well-being and lifestyles**

Early Death Rates

	NHS Bucks Index	Age standardised mortality rates (per 1,000 population - 2005-2009)
All causes of death (under 75s)	97	
Cancer deaths (under 75s)	113	
Circulatory deaths (under 75s)	95	

— = 95% Confidence Interval

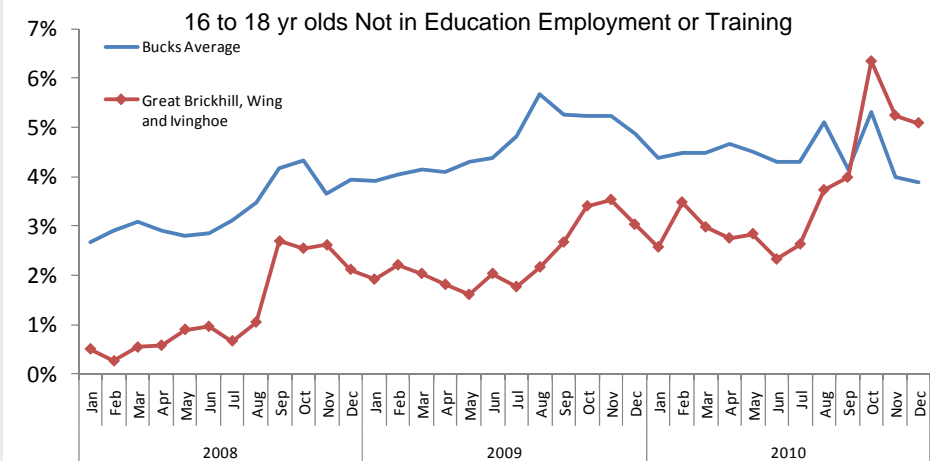
	NHS Bucks Index	Area 2005-2009	Confidence Interval (95%)	
Age standardised per 1,000 people			Upper	Lower
All Emergency Admissions (EA)	78	4875	5209	4559
Circulatory Diseases EA	88	416	514	334
Respiratory Diseases EA	82	571	696	466
First Outpatient Attendances	97	323	331	315

	Difference from NHS Bucks	Area 2005-2009	Upper 95% CI	Lower 95% CI
Life expectancy (at birth)	0.6 yrs	81.2 yrs	80.3 yrs	82.2 yrs

**NHS Bucks does not cover all of the area covered by this Local Area

Education and young people

	2009	2010	Bucks Index (2010)
5+ A*-C grade GCSE's	68%	63%	98
Special Education Needs	2.1%	2.4%	74
Pupils claiming & receiving Free School Meals	2.7%	3.0%	52








The Great Brickhill, Wing & Ivinghoe area priorities

The priorities for the area were identified at a workshop held in February 2012. Prior to the workshop, residents and local organisations were surveyed on their issues and concerns and this information was given to workshop attendees (and is also available in a separate document).

The following priorities were identified at the workshop. These top actionable priorities will be worked on by the LAF and also updated on a regular basis as these are taken forward. LAF budgets will be allocated to the actionable priorities.

Sustainable Community Strategy

The priorities are linked to the five broad themes of the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS). The links to each theme are shown by the following colour coding:

-  Sustainable environment
-  Health and wellbeing
-  Cohesive communities
-  Thriving economies
-  Safe communities

Top actionable priorities: to be worked on locally by the LAF and community groups

-  **Speeding through the villages**
-  **Activities and facilities for young people aged 11+**
-  **Footpaths and cyclepaths between villages**
-  **More accessible transport required in the villages, inc. community**
-  **transport schemes**
-  **Reduce social isolation for older and vulnerable people in the community**
-  **Encouraging volunteering in the community**

Strategic priorities: the LAF will monitor and lobby on behalf of these priorities

Road and pavement improvements required

HGVs are an issue

Shortage of local housing

Support for young families

Luton Airport issues

Not to be taken forward by the LAF for funding or targeted work (review as required)

Support for community ventures, eg community libraries

Improvements to the environment and countryside projects

Anti-social behaviour

Support for local businesses

Priority: Speeding through the villages

Current situation	Speeding is a priority for both the Wing South and Wing North neighbourhood Police teams. Speeding was also identified as a number one priority for residents who responded to the Local Area Forum survey on local issues and concerns ahead of the prioritisation workshop.
Work being considered/taken forward	A subgroup is being set up to look at issues surrounding this priority. A number of proposals are being considered, including a community speedwatch campaign, posters and car sticker competition and campaign, mobile speed awareness signs and the potential for a LAF-funded mobile vehicle-activated sign.
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	LAF subgroup comprises (so far) representatives from: Stoke Hammond Parish Council (Representative is the subgroup Chairman), Stewkley Parish Council, Wingrave with Rowsham Parish Council, BCC Locality Services, BCC Road Safety, Thames Valley Police.

Priority: Activities and facilities for young people aged 11+

Current situation	<p>A gap analysis is currently being undertaken to assess where there is a need for additional non-structured activities (eg youth clubs) for young people or where further diversionary activities would be of benefit.</p> <p>At the Local Area Forum priorities refresh workshop attended by young people, it was noted that young people would like a skateboard park in Pitstone and Cheddington.</p> <p>Also it was noted that parishes would welcome further opportunities for youth engagement including youth councils/forums.</p>
Work being taken forward	<p>The gap analysis is being completed.</p> <p>As with previous years, the LAF will be asked to fund a range of diversionary activities for young people in the parishes—including a potential young people’s consultation event in Stoke Hammond.</p> <p>Following on from the LAF priorities workshop, parishes were invited to attend a workshop looking at best practice for engaging with young people and setting up youth councils/forums. Work may be commissioned by the LAF to develop this provision further if required.</p>
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	<p>Aylesbury Vale Youth for Christ (AVYFC) - linking with youth clubs and also activities in the parishes.</p> <p>Action4Youth are working with youth clubs and also linking with AVDC ref taking forward work with youth forums/councils.</p>

Priority: Footpaths and cyclepaths between villages

Current situation	A number of footpaths have been created—most linking with LAF funding or assistance—but there is still a need for a number of other footpaths and cyclepaths in Aston Abbots, Marsworth, Pitstone, Stewkley and other parishes.
Work being taken forward	A subgroup may be formed on this to review how work can be taken forward to develop solutions other than LAF funding. Considerations could include whether a funding workshop can be developed around this specific issue, etc.
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	A number of parishes have indicated an interest in setting up a subgroup.

Priority: More accessible transport required in the villages, inc. community transport

Current situation	Community transport schemes have been developed in Pitstone and Dagnall. At the priorities refresh workshop, young people identified a need for a youth bus in Cheddington and the surrounding area. Public transport needs differ between parishes, so the merits of a community transport solution would need to be considered for each.
Work being taken forward	With the forthcoming Rural Transport Fund, there is the opportunity for parishes to join together to develop solutions to meet needs. Also, the youth bus idea could be taken forward if the young people and LAF members support this option. The youth bus could be used by other groups—including older people’s groups—during the day.
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	Jon McGinty, AVDC, has agreed to explore the viability of a youth bus and take this forward.

Priority: Reduce social isolation for older and vulnerable people in the community

Current situation	<p>Older and vulnerable people have limited opportunities to meet people in small parishes where transport and activities are limited.</p> <p>Work has been undertaken previously with Community Impact Bucks to increase capacity to support older and vulnerable people and reduce social isolation—but this work was not taken forward post-workshops.</p>
Work being taken forward	<p>An analysis of what is available—activities and groups—in the parishes and the available means to access local transport is required. More detailed evidence of need in the parishes is also required.</p>
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	

Priority: Encouraging volunteering in the community

Current situation	<p>Volunteers are needed in the parishes for a number of schemes/clubs including youth clubs, community car schemes, the new community-run libraries and other local organisations.</p> <p>Parishes need to be supported in encouraging residents to come forward and volunteer and also the best practice for recruiting and retaining volunteers.</p> <p>Work has taken place to encourage volunteering for specific projects—through the LAF or by individual parish councils (Pitstone has a volunteer leaflet)—but still the need for volunteers outweighs supply in many parishes.</p>
Work being taken forward	<p>LAF members were invited to undertake a workshop on recruiting and retaining volunteers (commissioned through Community Impact Bucks). There was little response.</p> <p>Other work could be undertaken to provide practical information and advice on volunteering or volunteering opportunities—or to link with existing organisations, etc.</p>
Partner agencies and/or subgroup members	