

Wycombe

Local Community Partnership



• **Local Area Plan** •

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The purpose of the Area Plan

The purpose of the High Wycombe 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 High Wycombe local community area over the next three years.

In some instances, the High Wycombe Local Community Partnership 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 Community Partnership (LCP) will be to act as a coordinating body and catalyst for action, with the LCP 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 light of emerging opportunities, rather than a fixed agenda that must be adhered to rigidly

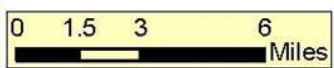
Over the next three years. The LCP will work closely with partner organisations to seek progress on the priority themes within the area plan.

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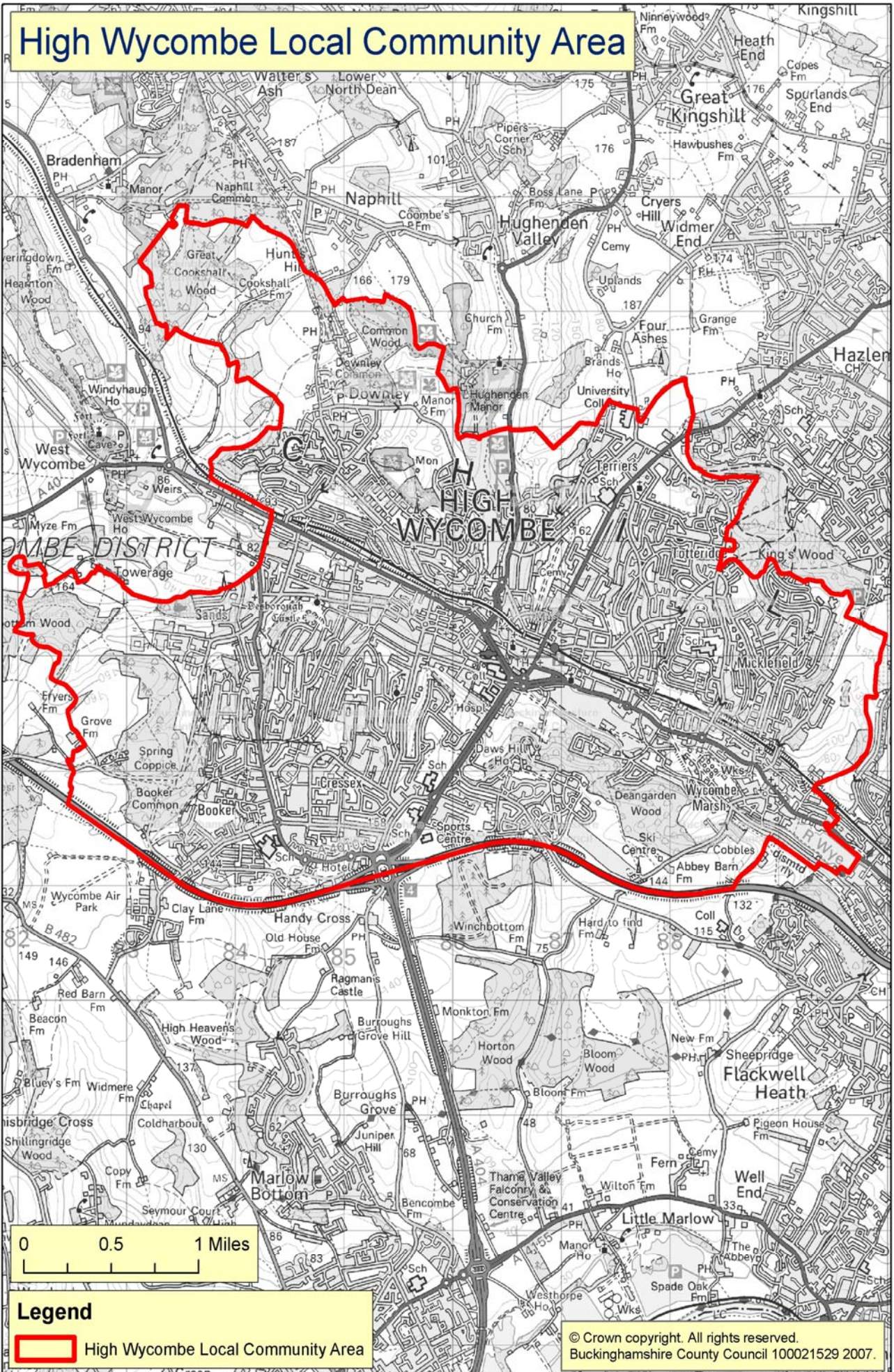


	Local Community Areas (19 off)
	Aylesbury Vale District
	Chiltern District
	South Bucks District
	Wycombe District

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High Wycombe Local Community Area



The High Wycombe Local Community Partnership membership

The High Wycombe local community area covers seven divisions of the County Council. The County Councillors take the role of Chairman at the LAF meetings:

County Councillors in the High Wycombe local community area		
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The High Wycombe LCP also comprises the following parishes which, in addition to the County and District Councillors, are also voting

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

Parish council	Chairman/Clerk	Nominated representative(s)
High Wycombe Town Council		
Downley Parish Council	Mr C G Hamilton, Clerk	

The LCP welcomes memberships from other partners/local groups and resident attendance. The following organisations are members of the Local Community

- Partnership:**
- Bucks Fire and Rescue
 - Bucks PCT
 - Thames Valley Police

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The High Wycombe Local Community Partnership

The High Wycombe local community area is covered by two parishes. In each of the local community areas, a Local Community Partnership (LCP) is being implemented.

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

One of the first tasks for each Local Community Partnership is to determine priorities for the local area plan. To this end, the High Wycombe LCP held a local area planning workshop in February 2010.

Previous meetings have looked at:

Census 2011

Nuisance parking

New Community Stadium proposals

Chiltern Railways—line and station improvements

Winter maintenance and community resilience

Developer Contributions (s106 funding)

Town Centre Partnership plans

Energy from Waste

And regularly receives Petitions from residents on local concerns and issues.

Future meetings will look at ways of developing actions to meet the LCP's priorities. The priorities are shown on page 18, and the subsequent section describes the progress so far in addressing these.

The meetings are open to the public.

The LCP times and dates can be located at www.buckscc.gov.uk. Click on 'Committees' and then 'High Wycombe Local Community Partnership'.

Local Community Partnership representatives

There are a number of representatives from the County and District Council at the High Wycombe Local Community Partnerships. These are:

Representative	Name	Contact
Chairman	Lesley Clarke	Phone: 01494 451448 Fax: 01494 451448 Email: lmclarke@buckscc.gov.uk
Vice-Chairman	Arif Hussain, Wycombe District Council	Telephone: 07973 743731 Fax Number: 01494 676636 Email: arif_hussain@wycombe.gov.uk
Lead Area Officer (County) The Lead Area Officer is a County Council senior manager who works with the Locality Services Area Coordinator to provide senior management support to the LCP.	Graham Winwright	Email: gwinwright@buckscc.gov.uk Tel: 01296 383110
Lead Area Officer (District) The Lead Area Officer from Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) is also a senior manager who works with the Locality Services Area Coordinator to provide senior management support and commitment from AVDC to the LCP.	Charles Meakings	Email: Charles_meakings@wycombe.gov.uk
Locality Services Localities & Communities Manager The Localities & Communities Manager progresses both the Local Area Plan and issues raised at the LAF. The Manager also works with local parishes and a wide range of partners on projects to benefit local communities.	Madeleine Howe	Tel: 01494 475378 Email: mphowe@buckscc.gov.uk
Democratic Services Officer The Democratic Services Officer is responsible for the meeting administration and note taking and organises the LAF meetings/agendas.	Clare Gray	Tel: 01296 383610 Email: cgray@buckscc.gov.uk

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 LCP drop-in sessions:

Service	Contact	
Adult Social Care	Karen Adamson	Tel: 01296 383847 Email: kadamson@buckscc.gov.uk
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	Transport localities team leader :	Si Khan Tel: 01494 475320 Email: srkhan@buckscc.gov.uk
Youth Service	Senior practitioner:	Peter Roberts Tel: 01494 452226 Email: peroberts@buckscc.gov.uk

Representatives from the Police also regularly attend the LCP meetings and the local neighbourhood police team will be available at many drop-in sessions. The Neighbourhood Police team includes:

Inspector Tim McGirr, Sgts Steve Why, Matt Myers, Carol Horne, PCs Andrew Gilbert, Colin Bedford, Steve van Niekerk, John Gibson, Tom Kenney, Mark Martin, Raja Yousaf, PCSOs Marc Pulley, Emma Buckle, Bushra Sheikh, Nick Steenburgen, Lee Abrahams, Amy Burwash, Mark Franza, Natasha Blake, Deborah Thomas, Elena Avraam, Ben Eustice, Emma Martin, Daniel Crisp, Nigel Flynn, David Del Monte



The drop-in sessions will involve representatives from Adult Social Care, Transportation and the Police

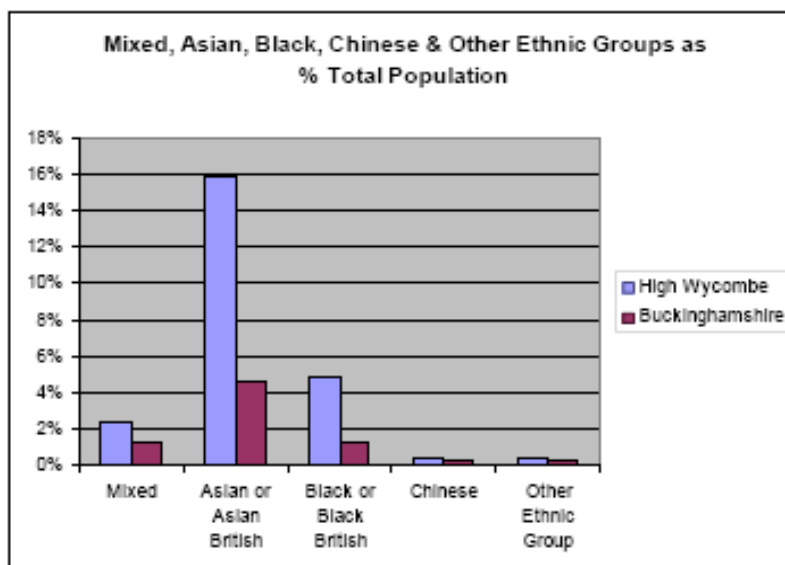
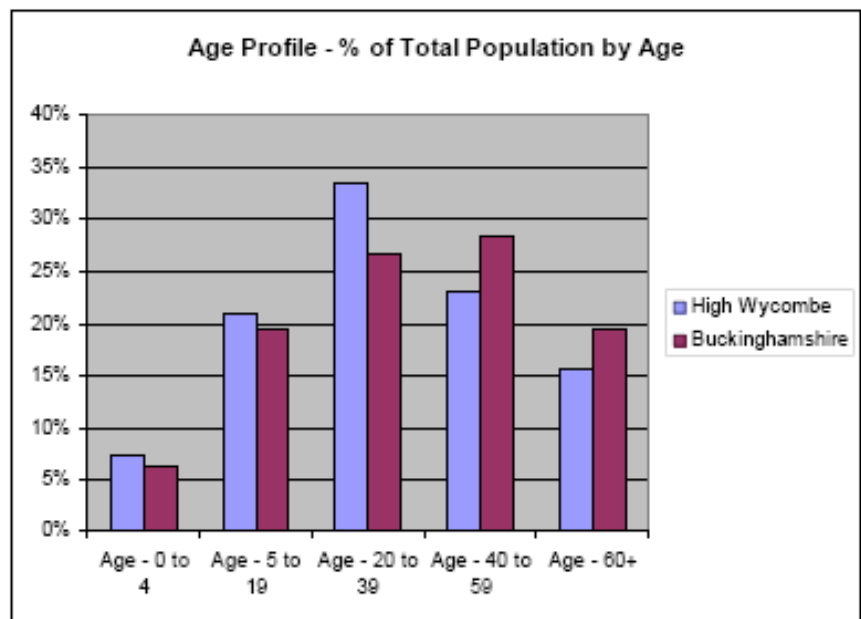
About the High Wycombe local community area

The information set out below is taken from the High Wycombe local community area profile (2008).

Population and household characteristics

68,900 people live in this Local Community Area in 26,100 households. High Wycombe is the second largest of all Local Community Areas which vary in population from 7,900 to 69,300.

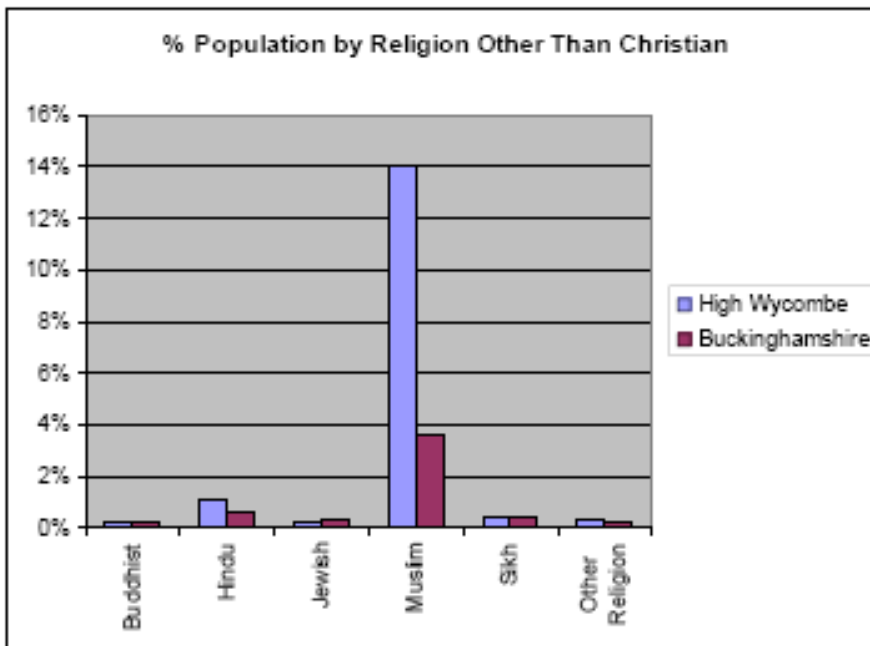
High Wycombe has one of the youngest age profiles of all the Local Community Areas and is the most urban as 99% of its population lives in urban areas and 91% of its land area is classified as urban as well.



High Wycombe's population has the lowest proportion of people from the white ethnic group, 76% compared with the average of 92%.

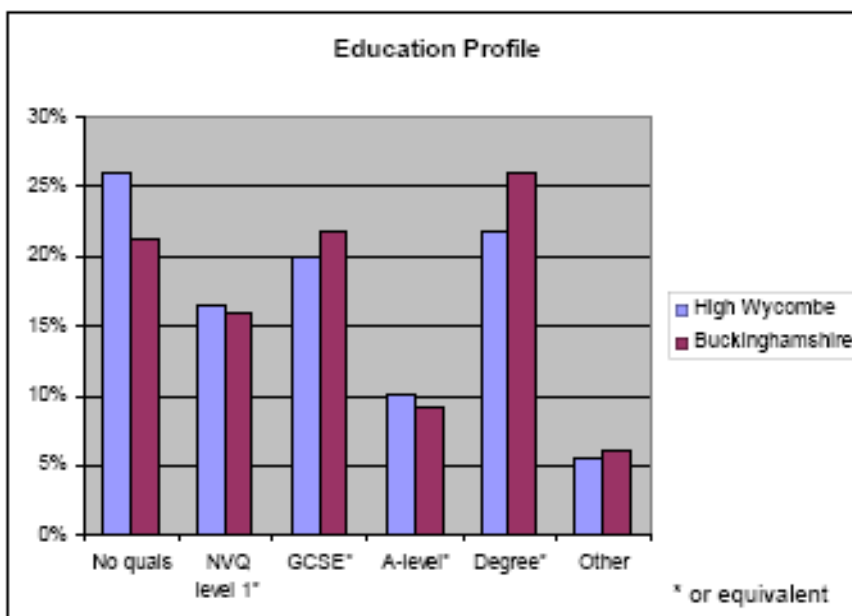
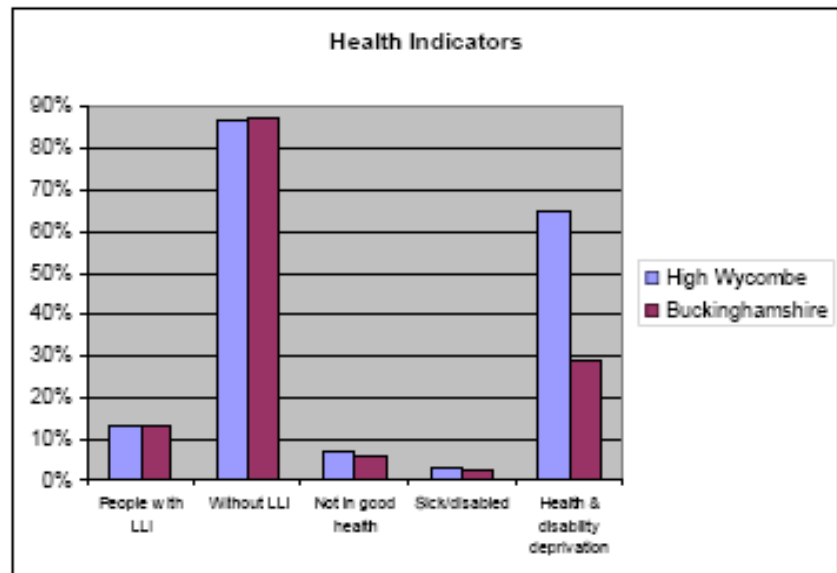
High Wycombe is the most ethnically diverse of all Local Community Areas and has greater than average proportions of people from all of the non-white ethnic groups but especially greater proportions of people from the Asian and Black ethnic groups.

14,200 people are from Asian or Black ethnic groups. The Asian ethnic group accounts for 16% of the population and is the highest proportion of all Local Community Areas. The same can be said for the Black and Mixed ethnic groups accounting for 5% and 2% of the population respectively.



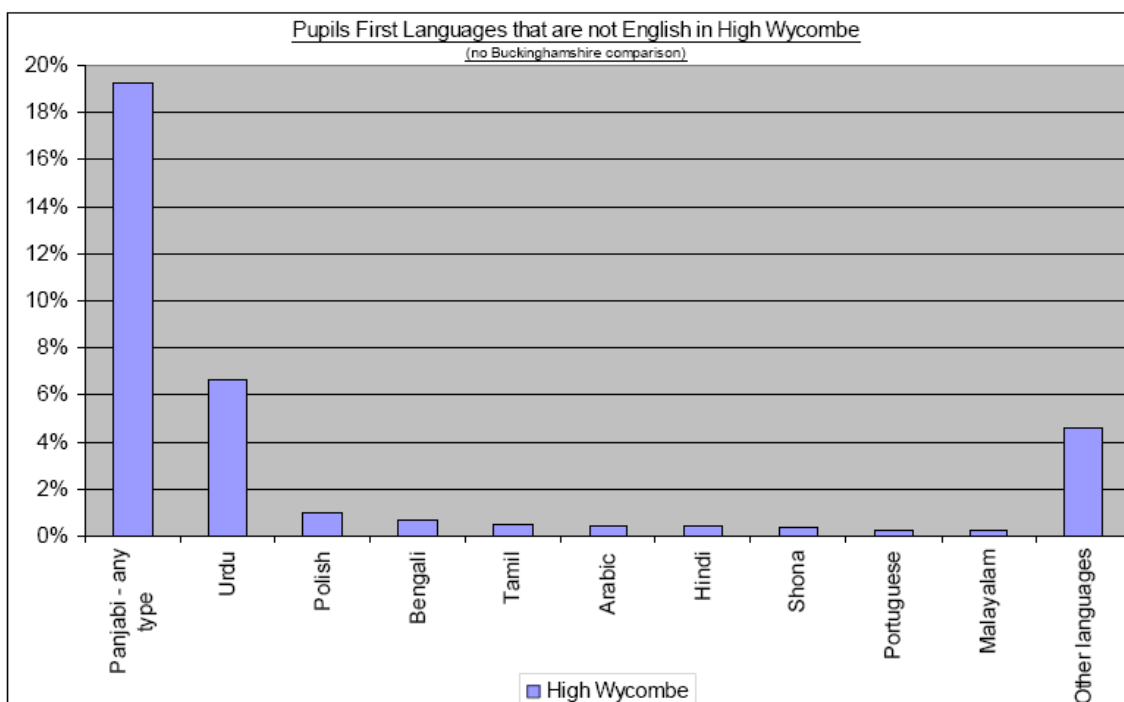
In terms of religious faiths, 59% of the population are Christian, the lowest proportion of all Local Community Areas. High Wycombe has the highest proportion of people of Muslim religious faith, 14%, almost 10,000 people and over three times the average proportion of 4%.

The health of High Wycombe's population is worse than average with a greater than average proportion of people feeling they are 'not in good health' and over double the average proportion of people living in areas affected by health and disability deprivation. High Wycombe is the most disadvantaged Local Community Area in terms of this latter measure.



The educational profile of High Wycombe is one of the lowest of all the Local Community Areas. Over a quarter of the population has no qualification; the lowest proportion of all Local Community Areas. High Wycombe has one of the lowest proportions of people qualified to degree level (22%). The proportion of pupils achieving 5 or more A*-C grade GCSEs is 58%, below the average of 68%.

English is the first language spoken by 66% of school pupils living in this community (that also attend a Buckinghamshire school). Non-English first languages that are spoken by at least 20 pupils in this community are shown in the graph below.

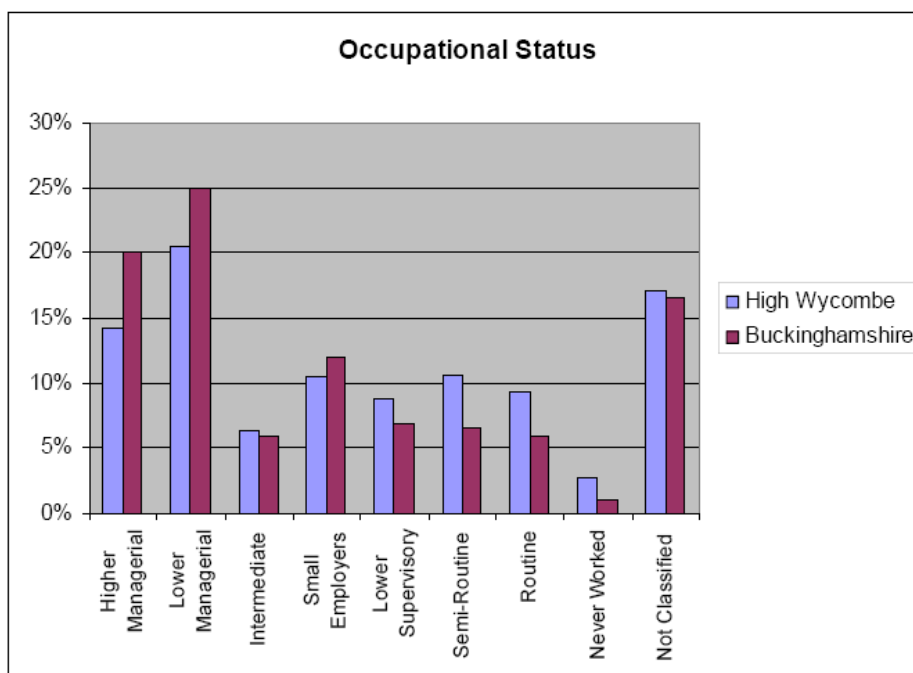


This information may also help to provide an indication of the languages spoken by all people in this community.

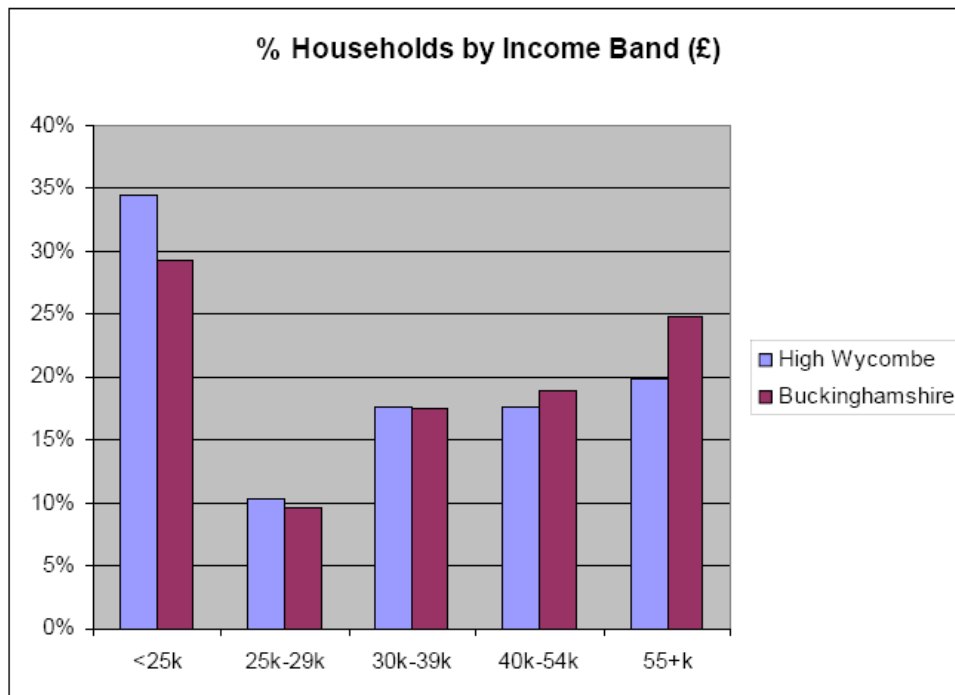
High Wycombe has the highest unemployment rate of all Local Community Areas at 4%. A greater than average proportion of High Wycombe's population is employed in Intermediate occupations, Lower Supervisory, Routine and Semi-routine occupations. However, more than one third of the population is classified as having Higher and Lower Managerial & Professional Occupational status. Occupational Status is shown in the graph below.

The occupational status of High Wycombe is also reflected in the income and acorn profiles.

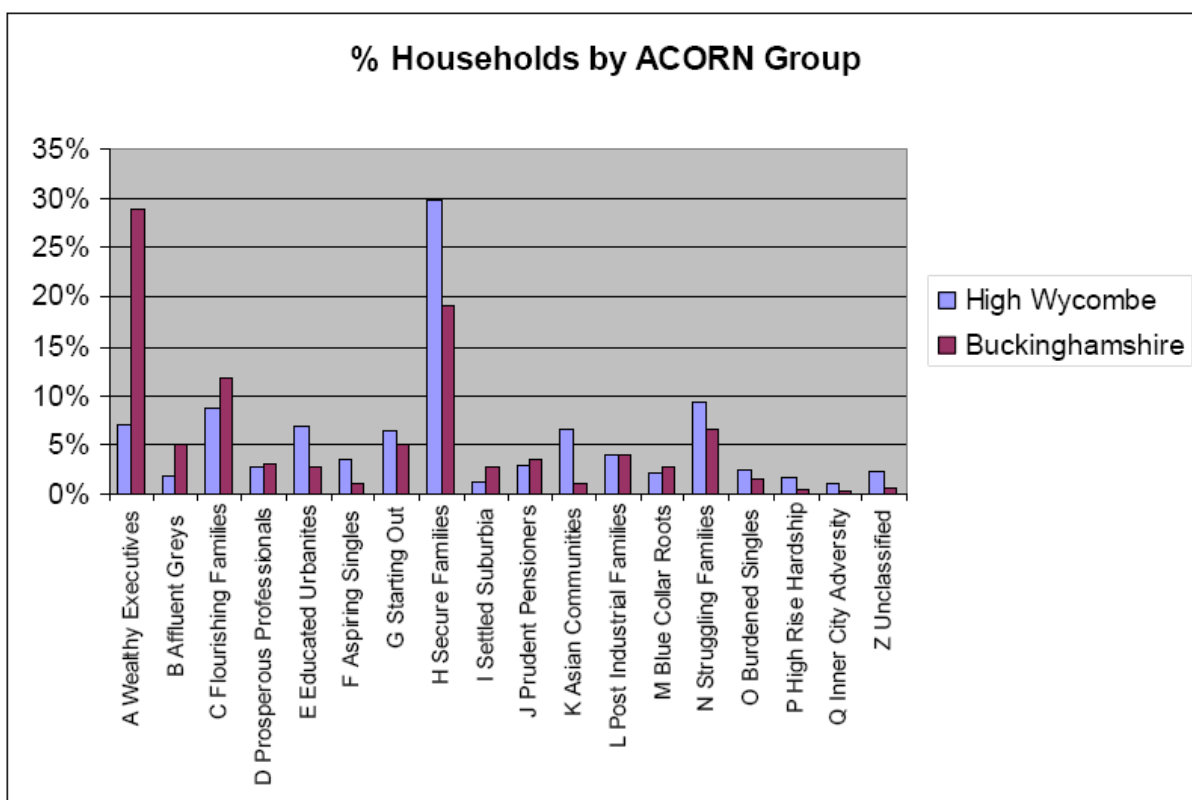
High Wycombe's average household income is £38k which is below the Buckinghamshire average of £42k and is the lowest of all the Local Community areas.



The graph below shows the proportion of households in each income band and compares these to the county average.



High Wycombe’s acorn profile is typified by the middle ACORN group ‘secure families’ which alone accounts for almost one third of all High Wycombe’s households and is well above the average proportion of 19%. The next largest acorn groups in High Wycombe are ‘struggling families’ (9%) and ‘flourishing families’ (9%). High Wycombe has above average proportions of ‘educated urbanites’, ‘aspiring singles’, ‘starting out’ and ‘Asian communities’ and those of the lower acorn groups

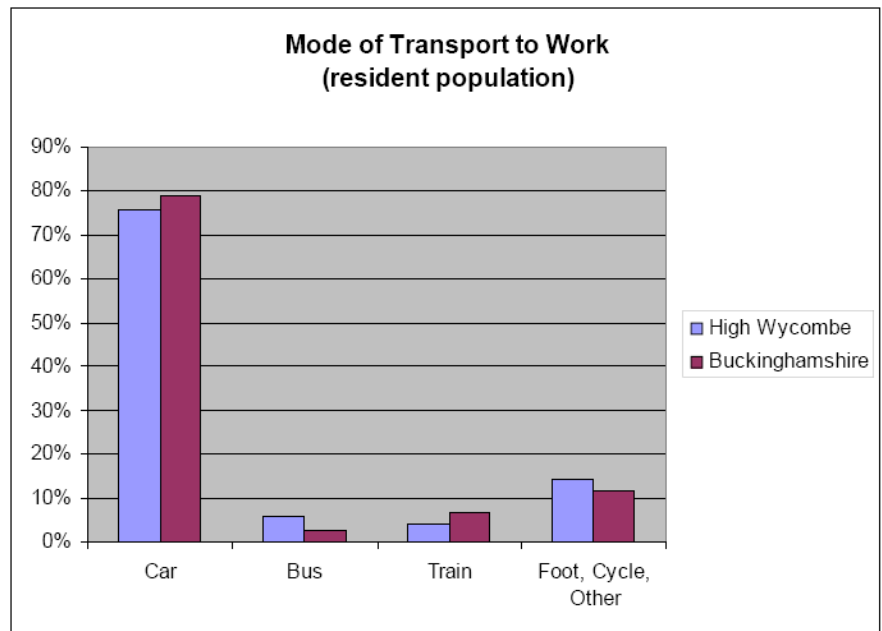


The car ownership levels in High Wycombe are below average with 81% of households owning 1 or more cars, compared to the average of 87%. High Wycombe has above average proportions of households with no cars, 19% compared to the average of 13%.

Although travelling to work by car is clearly the most used form of transport in High Wycombe, higher than average proportions of commuters travel to work by bus and also by foot, cycle or other means. It is perhaps surprising that travel by train is not more highly represented given that this Local Community Area has a mainline railway station.

High Wycombe has relatively more single person households, lone parents and households with children, and relatively fewer pensioner households than the Buckinghamshire average.

High Wycombe has the lowest home ownership levels of all the Local Community Areas (69%) and the highest proportion of homes rented from the council or housing association. High Wycombe also has above average proportions of homes rented privately, 12% compared with the average of 10%.

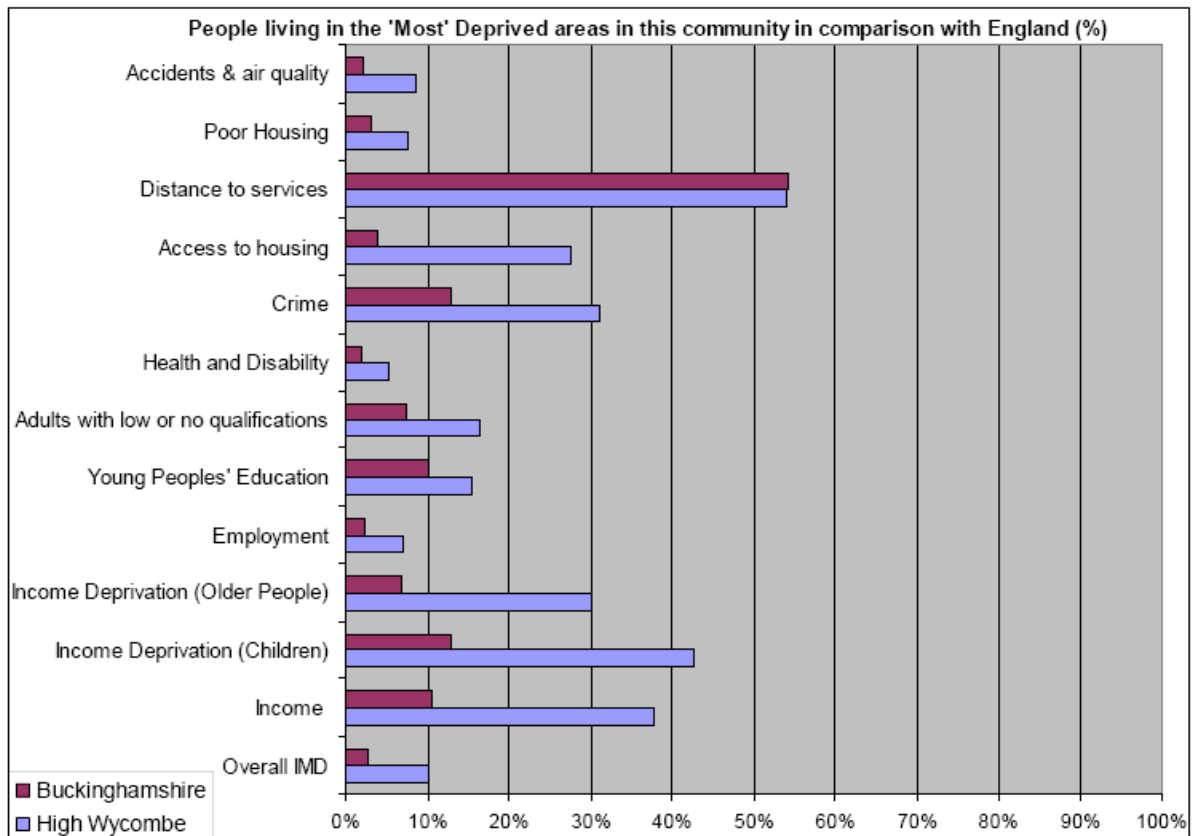


The graph opposite shows the proportion of people living in the 'most' deprived areas of this community. A number of types of deprivation are shown along with an overall measure of deprivation.

This community has higher proportions of people (than the Buckinghamshire average) living in the 'most' deprived areas affected by every type of deprivation except geographical distance to services.

This community also has the highest proportions of people out of all 19 communities living in the 'most' deprived areas affected by:

- Overall deprivation
- Income deprivation (affecting all people, children and older people)
- Access to housing



Indices of Multiple Deprivation (2007). All lower level super output areas (LLSOAs) in England are ranked on a scale of 1-10 (1 = most deprived). The Buckinghamshire LLSOA's have then been extracted for this analysis. The proportion of people living in the 'Most' deprived areas (ranked 1-3) within this community area shown above. Please note that relevant age groups may be used for specific indicators. Please see the accompanying excel documents for more details.

The High Wycombe area priorities

The priorities for the area were identified at a workshop held in February 2010. The priorities were taken from parish plans, Service Excellence events, LTP2 and other relevant information, before additional priorities were added by the parishes.

These priorities were assessed during the workshop and the following priorities were identified. The following pages describe progress so far in addressing the priorities. This will be updated on a regular basis as the priorities are taken forward.

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

High Wycombe Local Area priorities identified	Additional information (see Appendix A for more detailed information on original issues)
Children and Young People	Facilities and activities for young people: young people need safe places to hang out especially in the evenings. Parents of children with disabilities struggle to find appropriate holiday care for their children. Local children can't get into local schools. Little funding for after-school clubs.
Support for businesses	Support for businesses especially the vibrancy of the High Street, smaller/independent shops and the promotion of High Wycombe as a visitor and retail destination
Health	Concerns generated by the relocation of many hospital services to Stoke Mandeville. Identified local need for more Doctors' surgeries, Pharmacies and Dentists in Downley, Disraeli, Castlefield, Wycombe Marsh.
Transport and roads	Cheaper public transport and better road maintenance. Need for a review of some bus routes to allow better access to services (e.g. GP surgeries) in town centre from outlying areas such as Downley. Also desire for later running services. Speeding on local roads and rat running. Given hilly geography of the town there is a need to clear footpaths and smaller roads in in periods of snow. Need for more grit bins.

Community facilities	A lack of community facilities e.g. community centres, in some parts.
Crime and anti-social behaviour	Drug dealing and use in specific areas across the town. Young people gathering in groups, drinking alcohol and riding quad bikes. Lack of police on the streets.
Affordable housing	More affordable homes including family homes in addition to flats. A housing development policy that recognises issues such as existing congestion and pressure on services in an area already and avoids the building of flats. When planning is granted it puts pressure on local infrastructure like roads and schools in an already densely crowded area. Consideration to be given to 3/4 bedroom houses and not flats if there is a need to build
Older people	Older people feeling isolated. Need more local day centres or more available transportation.
Environment	Need for more community clear up days . Residents have concerns with rubbish being left in parking bays, items being left outside houses, abandoned cars and no space for green bins in some parts of the town. Certain areas are regularly littered and damaged e.g. graffiti , alleyways, open spaces etc
Parking	Anti social parking is an issue across the town. Cars park inconsiderately and even dangerously in residential areas causing problems for drivers and residents. Verge parking is a particular issue.

Theme	Issue	Initial service/partner response	Contact	Responses Received	Actions completed/achievements
COHESIVE COMMUNITIES		<p>Potential projects:</p> <p>Town coffee spot for young people – late afternoon/early evening e.g. on way home from school. Already happens on Mondays – Youth for Christ and All Saints. Potential use for closed Coffee Republic on White Hart Street? Longer term aim to open longer hours and become a drop-in centre for all sections of the community. Would be good to replicate in some residential areas.</p> <p>Conventional community centres needed in Disraeli, Marsh, Abbey, Bowerdean, Terriers & Amersham Hill – requires funding</p> <p>Low/no cost conference for leaders of young people to encourage local volunteering. Wycombe Youth Action and Action 4 Youth already training volunteer youth workers/leaders</p> <p>Youth Shelters – well lit to allow young people to meet with friends</p> <p>Anneka Rice type projects to get projects completed in one week.</p> <p>Community Payback schemes</p> <p>Linking businesses to community projects e.g. 4C Partnership, Lions, Rotary, Round Table, Freemasons</p> <p>Community/project workers on the ground – shared funding?</p> <p>Involve corporate sector – have open day for businesses to open their doors to the public to come in a view their activities and similar for voluntary sector to enable general public to understand what goes on in their community.</p> <p>Better communication across span of activities available for young people to join in with. Carry out a participatory appraisal. Map activities and who is delivering what. Involve schools in this. Keep notice boards up to date.</p> <p>Promote Youth Opportunity Fund – ends March 2011.</p> <p>Small, dynamic, constructive working party to look at engaging Muslim young people – taking account of culture.</p>	<p>Madeleine Howe, BCC</p> <p>Graham Storer, Community Alliance</p> <p>?Elaine Jewell, WDC</p> <p>Sally Anthony, Wycombe Youth Action Lynda Cockerell, Action4Youth</p> <p>Probation/Community Safety Partnership</p> <p>? 4C Partnership / Community Impact Bucks</p> <p>BCC Youth Service/ Wycombe Youth Action</p>		

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THRIVING ECONOMY		<p>1. Proper pedestrianisation of the High Street including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic management plan – bus routes taxi ranks access rights <p>Public realm strategy – removal of street clutter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Branding Link with BNU on projects such as historic murals for empty shop fronts and encourage Spatial Planning students to look at Town Centre refresh. <p>2. Frogmoor – frontages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> big screen for events focal point: heritage with BNU furniture/arts and design linkage better use of space <p>3. Plastic bag free zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - awareness raising business sign-up <p>4. Trade local/encourage local purchasing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pay invoices on time business to business <p>5. Attract business to Town Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WDC’s Local Development Order Attractive and diverse long term shops/businesses Encourage owners of empty shops to make shopfronts more attractive Bus re-direction – remove “bus only” route Smaller buses Maximise uniqueness of historic buildings Move taxi rank back to Corporation Street Café society <p>6. Explore role of Bucks Economic and Learning Partnership (BELP) & how it could benefit the town.</p> <p>7. Look at relationship with Business Parks on outskirts of town</p>	<p>Si Khan, BCC</p> <p>Melanie Williams, HWTCP</p> <p>?WDC</p> <p>Wycombe LSP – Environment Subgroup</p>		

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SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT		<p>Potholes and road maintenance:</p> <p>This is a continuing concern but public should be aware that BCC are working on this. Need to keep up good communication.</p>	Si Khan, BCC		
		<p>Buses:</p> <p>Need to publicise the new Transport Service Information Centre on the website for highways issues including bus services. Also information on bus route performance.</p>	Andy Clarke/Dave Roberts, BCC		
		<p>Development Policy and Planning:</p> <p>Need for a housing development policy that recognises issues such as existing congestion and pressure on services in an area already, and which avoids/discourages the building of flats. When planning is granted it puts pressure on local infrastructure like roads and schools in what may be an already densely crowded area. Consideration to be given to 3/4 bedroom houses and not flats if there is a need to build.</p> <p>National government policy should discourage houses and flat development without adequate parking facilities. Tougher approach by local council to development applications without adequate parking – response required. Especially for imminent development. Rigorous enforcement of permitted planning conditions.</p>	Jerry Unsworth, WDC	<p>From Jerry Unsworth, WDC: Housing development policy is already set out in the Wycombe Development Framework (WDF) and, to a certain extent, in the older Wycombe Local Plan. Both have been subject to full public consultation. To ensure local needs are addressed, policy presently seeks a mix of housing units on larger sites - to include a proportion of smaller units alongside larger ones and incorporating affordable housing. The type and size of units proposed also responds to market demand and this has reduced in respect of flats.</p> <p>The WDF also contains policies which require new development to address the impact on the transport network and other infrastructure pressures, including schooling. To support this there is supplementary guidance on Developer Contributions which also went through public consultation. Schemes are implemented using funds collected in line with the strategies of the relevant implementation authority/ agency. The impact of a proposed development on infrastructure requirements/ contributions is assessed at the planning application stage.</p> <p>Our local policies are influenced by any changes in government policies and these are under review. We will therefore take stock of changes at a national level and any subsequent change to local planning policy would, as before, involve public consultation.</p>	
		<p>Gritting of footpaths:</p> <p>Only 20 men in whole of Wycombe district for road gritting. Can grass cutting term contractors be redeployed to fill grit bins when grass is not growing? Could Community Payback be used to fill bins? Encourage Residents Associations / Neighbourhood Watch etc to help with clearance – BCC could deliver the materials.</p> <p>Publicise where it has happened already especially sharing of four-wheel drive vehicles. Generate community spirit/approach.</p>	Si Khan/Eric Meek, BCC	<p>It will be important to note that the process for setting housing development policy is via in the Local Development Framework.</p>	
		<p>Rat-running in residential areas:</p> <p>New development should consider the design of roads to deter rat-running e.g. Starblocks. Homezones – could this concept be promoted?</p>	Si Khan, BCC		

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SAFER COMMUNITIES	Amjad Iqbal, BRAG Mandeep Bhogil. Homes Group Sue Burke, BCC TVP	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour:</p> <p>Definition/Perception</p> <p>Location – Bowerdean Road shops</p> <p>Action -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education • Police patrols • Environmental improvements e.g. more lighting • Clean-up days • Identify potential funding sources for work e.g. Bucks Community Foundation <p>Partnership working between organisations e.g. Residents Association/ TVP/DAAT</p> <p>Responsibility:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Bowerdean Residents Action Group (BRAG) prepared to take the lead.</p> <p>Domestic Violence</p> <p>Location – Lance Way estate</p> <p>Action –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and communication through public events/community messages/BCC and WDC websites • Police – protective services – PVP team • Wellbeing – ambassadors to be trained and send message out to the community. Obtain funding to train service users in this role. <p>Seek funding to educate perpetrators and victims</p>			

Theme	Issue	Initial service/partner response	Contact	Responses Received	Actions completed/ achievements
HEALTH AND WELLBEING	Juliet Brown, Buckinghamshire Hospitals NHS Trust	<p>Concern over health services moving away from Wycombe Hospital to Stoke Mandeville:</p> <p>Need to address perception - myth busting. Need to identify the problems / what are the perceptions? Communications is key – use Bucks Times / Parish magazines / local groups. Involve people in discussions.</p>			
	Children and Young People's Trust	Activities for children with disabilities		<p>Aiming High for Disabled Children is a programme under the Children and Young People's Trust with the vision that all families with disabled children should have the support they need to live ordinary family lives. The link to the relevant pages on the BCC website is below:</p> <p>http://www.buckinghamshirepartnership.gov.uk/partnership/CYPT/aiming_high/ahdc.page This gives a wealth of information for parents and families of disabled children.</p>	
	David Cowell/ Madeleine Howe, BCC	<p>Older People feeling isolated:</p> <p>Day Centres – many of these may close in the medium to long term. Need to publicise the Day Services Consultation.</p>			
	?Graham Storer, Community Alliance	<p>Need for informal groups like 'Movers and Shakers' to spread the successful models and showcase what is happening.</p> <p>Need to publicise better what is available.</p>			

Original responses prior to prioritisation workshop

Prior to the local area planning workshop in March February 2010 all the parishes in the Chesham and Chiltern Villages local community area were invited to submit individual responses to local issues and concerns. Not all the parish councils provided individual responses.

These received responses were listed according to the five broad themes of the Sustainable Communities Strategy:

- Thriving economy
- Sustainable environment
- Safe communities
- Health and wellbeing
- Cohesive and strong communities.

At the workshop, the individual issues were combined to form generic issues to enable the top priorities for the Local Area Forum to be identified.

The original responses—alongside update information from some parishes—are provided on the following pages:

	Sustainable Environment										
	Public transport	Roads and pavement maintenance	Traffic management		Tips and household waste	Parks and open spaces	Access to nature	Country foot-paths & rights of way	Town planning	Levels of pollution	Access to services and facilities by public transport
Downley Parish Council	Review of bus routes to accommodate service from Downley into HW town centre via Southfield Road, ~Middlebrook Road, Pheasant Drive, Grays Lane along the A40 via the junction with Plomer Hill and West Wycombe Road (west to east) so that residents can travel by bus to the Tower Surgery	Potholes / dropped kerbs	Speeding - local desire for 20mph limits, speed traps and Name & Shame (Community Speed Watch)								See comment in Public Transport
Downley Parish Council	Locals have identified that cheaper tickets / greater frequency & better information would encourage more bus use	General condition of roads	Rat Runs								
Downley Parish Council		Verge Parking	Parking in busy commercial areas Parking issues on High Street								
Downley Parish Council		Better maintenance of ditches, paths, hedges and verges - suggestion to have work carried out by local contractor and managed by Parish Council	Local desire for more yellow lines or off street parking to be available								
Public		Given hilly geography of the town there is a need to clear footpaths and smaller roads in periods of snow and icy conditions. Can resources be re-deployed to take account of this?									
Public		Need for more grit bins in anticipation of snow and icy conditions.									
Members	Reduction in car culture and increased use of other means of transport, public and otherwise	Condition of roads in general with deep potholes especially: Tancred Rd, Hithercroft Rd, Telford Way, Coates Lane and side roads off Hithercroft Road.	Need for pedestrian crossing on The Pastures to ease crossing for children/parents attending Disraeli School						A housing development policy in Oakridge and Castlefield in particular that recognises the extreme congestion in the area already and avoids the building of flats. When planning is granted it puts pressure on local infrastructure like roads, schools in an already densely crowded area. Consideration to be given to 3/4 bedroom houses and not flats if there is a need to build		One local service could be diverted from London Rd to connect Wycombe Marsh with Kingswood Surgery, Walton Drive area and into town as a northern arc route to service locals

	Health and wellbeing						
	Facilities for young children	Support for older people to live in their own homes	Support for people with disabilities to live independently	Support for children and families	Support for carers	Health services	Healthy lifestyles
Downley Parish Council						Identified local need for Doctors Surgery, Pharmacy and Dentists	
Members						No GP surgery in Disraeli Ward	
Members						Provision of a doctors surgery in Wycombe Marsh area	
Service Excellence		Poor mobility/transport facilities for elderly people living on hills away from regular transport links	Concerns about disabled parking charges in Eden Centre	Parents of children with disabilities struggle to find appropriate holiday care for their children		Not many care homes with nursing in High Wycombe	Closure of Bassetsbury Lane allotments
Service Excellence				Information required on Childrens Centres		Not enough NHS dentists	
BSP		Older people would like more help with their feeling of isolation, more day centres or more available transportation					
Members						Need for GP surgery and pharmacist in Castlefield. Online Petition has been created on the No.10 website.	
Public						Concern over ongoing removal of many services from Wycombe Hospital to Stoke Mandeville.	
						Poor publicity for free shuttle bus between 2 hospitals	

	Cohesive Communities								
	Sports and Leisure activities	Cultural facilities	Shopping facilities	Community facilities		Volunteering opportunities/support for voluntary & community	Activities for young people	Community cohesion	Libraries
Downley Parish Council	Identified need for Indoor/ outdoor sports facilities			No Community Centre in Disraeli Ward			No Youth Centre in Disraeli Ward		
Downley Parish Council				Funding required for repairs to village hall				Community activities well supported by visitors but few volunteers	
Downley Parish Council								Village news and parish noticeboard most popular forms of communication within Parish	
Members							More facilities for young people	Problem getting the Muslim voice heard	
Members				Several areas in the town lack community buildings/ facilities. Identified in WDC's community facilities survey 2009.			Lack of joinable activities in local areas for the mainstream of young people	People don't know how to report problems or get help. Could there be a simple directory?	
NAG's							Lack of youth projects. Ideas are being developed in Downley and Disraeli including starting a local youth magazine		
Service Excellence				Would like community noticeboards in Oakridge/Castlefield		Make services known to potential volunteers	Need consistent needs led youth services. Most services get concentrated on Green Street which is of limited help to Castlefield	Problem of cost of minority group interpreters - Polish, Slovakian, Russian, Vietnamese	
Service Excellence				Oakridge / Castlefield - the area needs help with the provision of local community facilities			Need safe places to hang out, especially evenings	Would like to see High Wycombe parished	
Service Excellence				Lack of a community building in Wycombe Marsh				Residents in rural Wycombe area see a lot happening in the town and can feel like poor relatives	
Service Excellence				Shortage of Community Halls - not for profit halls that residents can hire					
BSP						Supporting the voluntary sector was very important for all the groups		Need to be more ways of hearing what is available and more dialogue to ensure what is on offer answers the many needs people in the area have.	

	Thriving Economies					
	Support for local businesses	Local job prospects	Education provision	Learning programmes for adults	Affordable decent housing	Trading standards
Downley Parish Council	Identified local need for more retail, banks, and cash machines			More adult education provision required		
Members			Potential closure of Hannah Ball School			
Members			Highcrest is full and normally oversubscribed. Parents do not want to send their children to Cressex, so this raises many issues			
Service Excellence	Inadequate Post Office in town centre (long queues)		Local children cant get into local schools	Poor provision for young adults with disabilities / learning difficulties	No real affordable housing. Some areas of housing are concentrated around different ethnic communities and in danger of becoming no-go areas	
Service Excellence			Little funding for after-school clubs		Too many affordable flats being built - do not address the needs of families with children	
BSP	Vital and important area for the council and other service providers to focus effort					

	Safe Communities		
	Levels of crime	Levels of anti-social behaviour	Street & environmental cleanliness
Downley Parish Council	Local desire for a greater police presence, more PCSO's CCTV and Neighbourhood Watch schemes		Amount of litter
Members	Concerns especially with terrorist concerns within Wycombe	Anti-social behaviour in general	Residents have concerns with rubbish being left in parking bays, items being left outside houses, abandoned cards and no space for green bins in some parts of the neighbourhood.
Members	Lack of police on the streets	Anti-social use of vehicles in general	
Members	Need help in getting anti-knives and anti-gun messages out. A coordinated approach from all services		
Members	A blind eye should not always be turned when minor offences are committed e.g. number of cyclists who travel at speed on pavements		
NAGs	Drug Dealing: Booker & Sands area. Incidents of cannabis possession and deals on Micklefield Rd. Nursery Green Park area off Rowliff Road	Incidents reported: London Rd, Kingsmead Rd, Beddar Road, Cullyn Rd, Fernie Fields Park, Lance Way - large groups congregate & cause general nuisance and noise, Bowerdean Rd, Totteridge Rd, Hillary Rd, Underwood Rd	
NAGs	Burglary - incidents reported around Totteridge Ave	Young people - meeting in Rye Park drink alcohol, ride noisy quad bikes anti-socially. Groups meet along High St and Desborough Road	
NAGs	Drug taking and dealing	Anti-social use of vehicles in Micklefield area	
NAGs	Burglary	Incidents of ASB reported across the town. Particular issues around use of illegal mini-motos in residential areas.	Areas of concern which are regularly abused e.g. alleyways, open spaces etc
NAGs		Anti social parking is an issue across the town. Cars park inconsiderately and even dangerously in residential areas causing problems for drivers and residents.	
NAGs		Drunken people near St Johns Church, Desborough Rd , rear of Vernon Building and Mendy Street	Need for more community clear up days supported by WDC
Service Excellence	Cutting down on street lighting is a safety risk	Homeless/alcoholics wandering Desborough Rd all day, hanging outside the church. They need a safe shelter	
BSP	Need to 'design out' crime and 'future proof' the area		