



BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, THE BUCKINGHAM CENTRE,
VERNEY CLOSE, BUCKINGHAM MK18 1JP

Telephone/Fax: (01280) 816 426

Email: office@buckingham-tc.gov.uk
www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk

Town Clerk: Claire Molyneux

INTERIM
FULL COUNCIL

Wednesday, 02 November 2022

Councillor,

You are summoned to an Interim meeting of the Full Council of Buckingham Town Council to be held on Monday 7th November 2022 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Cornwalls Meadow, Buckingham.

Please note that the meeting will be preceded by a Public Session in accordance with Standing Orders 3.e and 3.f, which will last for a maximum of 15 minutes. Members of the public can attend the meeting in person. If you would like to address the meeting virtually, please email committeeclerk@buckingham-tc.gov.uk or call 01280 816426 for details.

The meeting can be watched live on the Town Council's YouTube channel here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC89BUTwVpjAOEldSIfcZC9Q/>

Claire Molyneux
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Members are asked to receive apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

To receive declarations of any personal or prejudicial interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 Sections 26-34 & Schedule 4.

3. Police and Crime Commissioner

To host the Police and Crime Commissioner for a question-and-answer session.

4. Bleed Kits

To receive a report from the Town Clerk.

[BTC/100/22](#)



Twinned with Mouvaux, France; Neukirchen-Vluyn, Germany

Members are reminded when making decisions that the Public Sector Equality Duty 2010 requires Members to have due regard to the need to: Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct that is prohibited by the Act, advance equality of opportunity between people who share a characteristic and those who don't, and to foster good relations between people who share a characteristic and those who don't. All Committee documents can be found on the Buckingham Town Council's website. Alternatively, the Clerk can send you a copy of any minutes, reports or other information. To do this, send a request using the contact details set out above.

5. Motion: Cllr. Stuchbury, Seconded by Cllr. Cole

That Buckingham Town Council seeks an early meeting with the appropriate Buckinghamshire Council officers to obtain the maximum amount of information relating to future development plans for Buckingham. Key areas include, but are not limited to, housing numbers, highways development infrastructure and education provision as they relate to the revised Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan. Any such plan needs to be drafted in a robust and legal manner, thus recognising and being capable of informing future decisions by Buckingham Town Council.

For information: Background to this motion.

[Appendix A](#)

6. Reply from Mr Greg Smith MP

To receive and discuss a reply received from Mr Greg Smith MP.

[Appendix B](#)

7. Ward Boundary Changes

To discuss and agree the recommended response to the Local Government Boundary Commission consultation on Buckinghamshire Council wards as agreed by the Ward Boundary Working Group.

[Appendix C](#)

8. Chair's announcements**9. Date of next meetings:**

Full Council: Monday 28th November 2022
Interim Council: Monday 9th January 2023

To: All Councillors

BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL**INTERIM FULL COUNCIL****MONDAY 7th November 2022****Contact Officer: Claire Molyneux, Town Clerk****Bleed Kits****1. Recommendations**

- 1.1. It is recommended that a one-off payment of £400 be given to the Bletchley Lions Club to pay 50% of the cost of purchasing 10 Bleed Kits for distribution to suitable businesses in the Parish of Buckingham. This funding would come from budget 132/4500 – Future planning and contingencies

2. Background

- 2.1. Bletchley Lions Club have contacted the Town Council with the following proposal.

“We purchase 10 bleed kits for use in Buckingham, the cost of each kit is £80 the Lions club would donate 50% and the Town Council the other 50% so we are asking the council for £400.”

“I have spoken to the following venues in Buckingham,

Kings Head, Woolpack, White Hart, Three Cups, Binn, Zinc Cocktail bar, Mitre, New Inn, the other 3 kits will go into late night venues, The Kebab Shop, Desperate Dans Burger bar and either the Beefeater or McDonald’s. I also have 2 kits already from a previous campaign and am thinking of Swan Leisure Centre / youth club and Buckingham rugby club. We have found in other areas that once the posters are up and people aware that other venues ask for a kit.”

- 2.2. There was an incident recently in the Town involving a stabbing. This incident has caused obvious public concern and supporting this initiative is likely to be welcomed.
- 2.3. When the Lions Club presented the initiative to Council, Members were very keen to assist.
- 2.4. Whilst Buckingham Town Council have a policy on grants and it is important to maintain the integrity of this policy; under the current circumstances it is recommended that this project be treated as a partnership between the two organisations rather than a purely financial grant. BTC will offer support to the Lions with linking to suitable businesses. However, the money will be donated on the understanding that this is a one-off payment to get the project started and any further money would be subject to the usual grant procedures.

Archive of responses to questions at Buckinghamshire Council

Q1: <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=15294>

Q2: <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=337&MIId=17461&Ver=4>

Q3: <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=337&MIId=17460&Ver=4>

Q4: <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=13701>

Q5: <https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=337&MIId=17461&Ver=4>

Q6: (question about sewage)

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s50306/Questions%20on%20notice%2021.9.22.pdf>

Q7:

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s46109/Questions%20on%20notice%2020.7.22.pdf>

Q8: Question from Karen Bates

<https://buckinghamshire.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s42407/Questions%20on%20notice%2027.4.22.pdf>

Q9 (video link): <https://buckinghamshire.public->

[i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/704416?fbclid=IwAR1YVchjHyjDpxwVRryU00yhutrHsJETTcZRCq0M4mMfTMDcTHmV2eCrr6U](https://buckinghamshire.public-tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/704416?fbclid=IwAR1YVchjHyjDpxwVRryU00yhutrHsJETTcZRCq0M4mMfTMDcTHmV2eCrr6U)



HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON SW1A 0AA

The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP
Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities
Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities
Fry Building
2 Marsham Street
London SW1P 4DF

Monday 31st October 2022

Dear Secretary of State,

Congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of State of the Department of Levelling up. I write to request you to consider calling-in the recent planning decision by Buckinghamshire Council, 20/00510/APP. This concerns the erection of 130 dwellings, associated access and parking, landscaping and amenity space and the change of land from agriculture to use as sports pitches and/or recreational open space and informal open space on land West of Moreton Road And Castlemilk in Buckingham.

The site is Phase 3 of a contentious extension to a development on the northern edge of Buckingham. Despite much public concern, the site became part of the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan. Given that decision, it was considered extremely important that the planning application that came forward dealt with a number of significant and material planning matters in details, such as transport, water management and design. It is of my opinion, and that of Buckingham Town Council, local Buckinghamshire Council councillors and many members of the public, that the council did not properly consider these serious matters and that they do need to be considered in more detail.

In particular, the Town Council says:

"Very strong feelings were engendered in those Councillors who attended the Buckinghamshire Council's Strategic Sites Committee meeting and who spoke at the Interim meeting of Buckingham Town Council on Friday 23rd September. It was felt that the procedure and approach adopted by this Shire Committee and officers was unacceptable to a point that Councillors used the term "apparent bullying" to describe conduct during the meeting in question. Individuals were not moved to moderate this phrase and this, perhaps, demonstrates the depth of feeling about this issue."

I do hope that you will consider the merits of calling this application in, and I can arrange for detailed specifics of the other concerns to be forwarded to you to support this.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'G Smith', written over a horizontal line.

Greg Smith MP
Member of Parliament for Buckingham

Buckingham Town Council response to Local Government Boundary Commission
consultation on Buckinghamshire Council wards

Working Group attendees: Cllr. Cole J.P., Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Mordue, Cllr. Ralph, Cllr. Stuchbury, Cllr. Try

Officer: Deputy Town Clerk

Suggested Consultation response:

Buckingham Town Council has reviewed the proposed wards for Buckinghamshire Council. The current wards have not been recommended as the Local Government Boundary Commission felt that the existing arrangement separating the Parish of Buckingham into two separate wards, each combined with rural areas, does not reflect community identities, or promote effective and convenient local government.

It is to be noted that the proposed ward plan still combines the town of Buckingham with rural areas.

The following confirmation is requested by the Town Council:

- It should be confirmed by the Boundary Commission that the Buckingham ward for Buckinghamshire Council should include all of the Osier Way development, including any housing phases not yet agreed. (Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan site BU046.)
- Having a housing development half in and half out of the ward would create numerous instances of breaking local ties within a settlement, including in terms of transport, schooling, housing and health services.

The following amendment is suggested:

- The inclusion of Leckhampstead into the Buckingham ward. The inclusion of Leckhampstead with the Horwood ward is awkward geographically. Residents of Leckhampstead come to Buckingham to access schooling, health services and transport. Separating them from Buckingham excludes the electorate in that area from having access to councillors that also represent the area and facilities they use.

The following inconsistency is proposed to be resolved, by allocating the Buckingham ward four councillors:

- The addition of Leckhampstead to the Buckingham ward would add 175 to the forecast electorate of the ward, creating a forecast electorate of 15,102. The proposed 3 councillors for this area would create a 5,034 electors per councillor. An 11.3% variance against the average and higher than the 10% sought to demonstrate electoral parity across the county.
- Other wards in Buckinghamshire have 3 councillors for a much lower forecast electorate. For example, Chalfont St Peter has a 11,948 forecast electorate. This is 3,983 electors per councillor. A -12% variance.

- Changing the new Buckingham ward to 4 councillors would result in 3,776 electors per councillor and return some parity in overall representation, as most of the northern wards are recommended to have a higher than average number of electors per councillor.