

Cuddington infrastructure projects 2021 to 2033

(As defined in the Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan)

Progress report March 2023

Project	Current status	Lead and support	Action
1.Traffic calming measures.	Build-out installed on Aylesbury Road. Proposed build out(s) near the Crown vetoed by Thames Valley Police Investigation of 'Long Crendon' style speed bump(s) at crossing near The Crown not progressing at the moment – no support from TfB. Proposal to reduce speed limits at the approaches to the village.	KB, RS + PS	Considering employing independent highway consultants to review this and a 20mph speed limit for the village. Fees likely to be £10k to £20k Estimated £30k (£10k each for Dadbrook, Aylesbury Road and Bridgeway) . Need agreement in principle from TfB before committing the funds. May seek advice from independent highway consultants unless the new TfB arrangements are more constructive.
2.Improvements to mobile and Wi-Fi coverage in the village	Fibre cables being installed by Voneus for broadband with 'voice over internet' capability. Mobile coverage still poor	KMB	The PC have complained to Ofcom about the existing poor mobile coverage but there is little more that can be done by the PC .

			Support form Bucks CC needed to improve rural mobile coverage in general.
3.Improvements to community facilities (Bernard Hall, Social Club, Playing Fields and Play Area)	Bernard Hall provided with funds for upgrading the Cinema projection and sound systems.	KB and LS	The Bernard Hall committee has arranged with Voneus to set up a Wi-Fi link in the hall. No further action
	Social Club is more self-funded but needs to define longer term objectives and funding requirements. The CPFA are considering longer term objectives and funding.		PC to discuss longer term plans with the CPFA and ask for an annual report / tick list to include a brief inventory/audit of facilities and current activities. The CPFA lease will be reviewed at the next renewal date in 2023. This will include a survey of the building to understand and plan for future maintenance costs. Details of the ownership and management of the Tennis Courts to be established. PC to investigate if the courts need further investment eg. to repair/replace the netting
	Play Area provided with new play equipment.		Completed Hard-surfacing provided for the basketball hoop.
4.Improvements to the condition and safety of the public footways within the village	No action on this to date	KT	PC to undertake a survey and set of proposals for discussions with TfB.

5A. Improved pedestrian and cycle access along Dadbrook between the village and the bus route on the A418	This objective has been included in the Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan (CNP) and should be considered if/when the planning proposals come forward for the Dadbrook housing allocation in VALP.	KB	Dadbrook housing proposals are unlikely to come forward until 2025 or later. Options for building a footpath/cycleway and/or diverting the 280 bus service are likely to be too expensive to fund even if they could receive technical approval . Initial (emergency) steps are being taken to flail the eastern verge to reduce the height of the vegetation and provide a reasonable surface for pedestrians. (Budget approx. £5000) Once completed the verge will be assessed to see if minor gaps and undulations can be levelled out to make it safer. (Budget £20k?) Drainage at the brook also needs to be reviewed. Application has been made to Buckinghamshire Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) - Haddenham and Waddesdon Community Boards .
5B. Improvements to the safety of the A418 junction with Dadbrook and Churchway	The existing junction has been the site of recent vehicle collisions and is also unsafe for pedestrian crossing the A418	KB KT	Cuddington PC are working with Haddenham PC to consider employing an independent highway consultant to

	because of poor visibility and high traffic speeds on the A418. If project 5A above is to be realised it will require a reappraisal of this junction		review the junction and prepare proposals for its improvement.
7.Additional public parking close to the centre of the village	The need for parking has abated since the pandemic and greater working from home.	KT	No further action
8.Provision for a future burial ground	The PC has agreed that they do not have the resources of funding to act as the burial authority. Some preliminary work has been done on alternative sites for the burial ground but this needs further funding to progress.	KT	The PC has written to Buckinghamshire Council to confirm that it is not prepared to accept the responsibility of becoming the burial authority when the Churchyard becomes 'closed' in the future. Bucks Council will be asked to take on this responsibility.
9.A potential community orchard (classified as a Section 41 priority habitat)	Haddenham have developed a successful community orchard. The option of locating a similar orchard on private land at the allotments could be considered.	JR and LS	The PC to review the Haddenham orchard and approach the Allotment Society about leasing land alongside the public footpath.
10.A Green initiative for additional tree planting and enhancing the ecological value of the local green spaces and highway verges.	Works has started in preparing a long-term Plan with some initial work in 2021	LS, JR and KT	This initiative is ongoing and will be kept under review. Work for autumn 2021 included spring bulb planting in the verges, tree planting at the playing fields and a memorial native Field Maple for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Work for autumn 2022 includes soiling and wildflower seeding on Spicketts

			Lane plus hedgerow planting in March 2023
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