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Chairman's Note



A New Year and it's pleasing to see some progress on the development front. The final houses have been completed so welcome to the new members of our community.

Its great to have the greenway clear again and the site office cleared. The park finally opened after months of delays but it was disappointing to see the condition of it. It had been agreed, in writing, that old equipment would not be reused. Yet it has been reused and the benches have already broken after only four days of use. We have engaged with AVDC, Taylor Wimpey, and the Mix96 to exert some pressure to get the faults rectified. I am pleased to report that Taylor Wimpey has agreed to rectify the faults and I attended a meeting with them and their contractors on the 25th of February to agree a snagging list and time scale.

Many of us recently received a letter from Taylor Wimpey announcing that they have appointed Developers Eyes (www.developereyes.com) whom we have been working with since the end of last year. I met them on site while they were compiling a list of all the things that need done and fixed to finish of the development and manage the adoption process. They have a comprehensive list and have included the items on list that we have been chasing to have resolved. They represent a change in approach to getting work done compared to the contractor we have experienced in the last few years and have given me renewed hope of things getting fixed. For example, within 2 weeks of starting they had replaced the broken benches that should have been done months ago and commissioned electrical inspections of all the street lighting as they accept that they all need checking and not require reporting on a case by case basis.

However, a slight word of caution. They have been employed and paid for by Taylor Wimpey which means that they are only dealing with the areas Taylor Wimpey are responsible for. The street lights around Peacock Lane, Red Admiral Street, Wood White Drive and Clouded Yellow Path that were developed by Persimmon homes will not be covered by them nor will the areas developed by Carey's. Also, the work of Developers Eyes will be subject to sign off and financing by Taylor Wimpey. They are not prepared to commit to a time scale to complete the work but did reassure me that their business is built around getting developments completed quickly and getting off site. With this in mind our MP, John Bercow, and I are chasing Taylor Wimpey's CEO to commit to funding the work as soon as possible.

We have recently purchased some additional bins and will be looking to

employ a contractor to empty them on a regular basis and continue to ask that residents use them.

We also ask that dog owners remove their pets waste using either the lidded bins provided or, if not convenient, take the bags home and dispose of them. It's disgusting finding dog poo in the general bins and an increasing number of residents are complaining of dogs being allowed to foul their front gardens while owners look on. While I appreciate many dog owners are responsible we do seem to have a significant number who are not. Watermead used to have a similar problem a few years ago and implemented a by-law prohibiting dogs off the leash. It would be a shame to have to go down the same route.

We have upgraded the CCTV at the Community Centre as the system installed when it was built is inadequate and not clear enough to identify people or help the police when they need it. We have taken the opportunity to extend the CCTV to cover the skate park and play area.

The saga of getting our Post Box moved from the front by the pond to outside the Community Centre in the square has at last concluded – it finally moved on Tuesday 15th March. The hold-up was Royal Mail requiring written permission from Thames Water to install the post box on the square, called a build over permission, in case there are any water mains or drains underneath. However, Thames Water wouldn't grant permission until they have site plans showing where the mains and drains are. It's a good example of the bureaucracy that has to be dealt with to make even the slightest progress.

Fingers crossed Spring is around the corner and we can start to enjoy our new park!

Anders Christensen

Planning permission on Buckingham Park

Adding a conservatory, converting a garage or want a garden room/office?

One of the quirks of Buckingham Park is that we have no permitted planning at all. In most of the country you have the ability to convert or extend your home, within in certain limits, without out getting planning permission.

However, these automatic permissions were removed from Buckingham Park when overall planning permission was granted for the development. This is in part to recognise the high density of housing and the restricted amount of parking available.

If you would like to make any additions to your property or convert your garage or car port you must get planning permission from Aylesbury Vale District Council. This normally takes around two months.

Further details can be found at www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

If you have already undertaken work and didn't obtain planning permission you must contact AVDC and seek retrospective planning permission. We are aware of a number of residents who have run into trouble when selling their house as the purchaser's solicitors raised the lack of planning permission and it delayed the sale while permission was sought. It is also likely that, as we are nearing completion as a development, Planning Control will start to take a greater interest in Buckingham Park.

ADVERTISING

Advertising space is limited - to book your space please call Lucy Jones on 07766 858050 / 01296 338585 or email lucylovesfitness@gmail.com:
Copy deadlines and Advertising Rates for the Spring edition:
Deadline for advertising & copy is 30th June for August delivery

- £ 35 quarter page (portrait)**
- £ 60 half page**
- £100 full page A4**
- £120 full page A4 (back cover)**

Fees must be pre-paid at the Community Centre office with cheques made payable to "Buckingham Park Parish Council".

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Dear Resident,

At Taylor Wimpey South Midlands, we are committed to creating a pleasant and thriving community for all our residents to enjoy at Buckingham Park – and as part of this commitment I am pleased to be able to advise you of some important news regarding communal spaces and infrastructure at the development.

We have recently appointed a new specialist contractor, Developer Eyes, to ensure that outstanding works to estate roads, public open spaces and other areas such as street lighting can be completed as quickly as possible. Developer Eyes began work at Buckingham Park in December 2015 and are already making good progress.

The main priority is to complete the Western Link Road so it is ready for adoption by the local authority, and discussions are currently under way with Buckinghamshire County Council to determine what action is required to bring the Western Link Road up to adoptable standard. Once these actions are agreed, Developer Eyes will begin the process of putting the works out to tender.

Our second priority is the completion of the public open spaces around the development, and the same process is now being undertaken with the local authorities to agree the works which need to be carried out to these areas.

In the meantime, the Parish Council have made Developer Eyes aware of a number of issues with street lighting around Buckingham Park. Street light testing is due to take place imminently with a view to resolving these issues. Developer Eyes have also been carrying out inspections throughout the development to identify general defects and issues which will need to be addressed, and these will be rectified on an ongoing basis.

We will be in touch again in due course to update you on progress with the works mentioned above. If you are aware of any matters which require attention, such as street lighting and landscaping maintenance, please feel free to contact Stacey Poole at Developer Eyes by calling 01536 525470, or by emailing stacey.poole@developereyes.com.

Yours sincerely



Colin Radford
Technical Director
Taylor Wimpey South Midlands

Burglary Prevention from Thames Valley Police



Now the weather is brightening up and the sun is shining people become complacent when it comes to their home security. The most common cases of opportunist summer burglary involve offenders that:

- enter an insecure front door while residents are in the back garden
- enter doors that are closed but unlocked at night while residents are asleep
- reach through windows to take valuable items

In around 25 percent of break-ins that take place in the spring and summer months, entry is gained through insecure windows and doors, especially at the rear of the property.

Crime reduction advice should focus on

- Ensure that windows and doors are closed and locked when you are out. Don't leave small windows open believing them to be safe.
- If you want to leave windows open while you sleep, fit window restrictors so they cannot be fully opened, or make sure they are not large enough to allow access to a burglar.

- When out in your garden ensure that windows and doors to the front of the house are secure. It only takes a second for someone to get into your home and take things without you noticing.
- Do not leave valuables on display in front of windows or in reach of open windows or doors.
- Ensure that all barbecue and garden equipment and tools are securely locked up in a shed and out of sight. Tools can be used by the potential offender to break in to your home.
- Consider fitting outside security lighting or a visible alarm to help deter burglars. Even using pea shingle or gravel on a driveway and spiky plants in garden beds can help.
- Don't leave any keys near entry points where they can be 'fished' or 'hooked' out through the window, letter box or cat flap.
- Ensure any internal handle operated locks on UPVC doors are fully secured with a key.

Sheds - Easy pickings?

Offenders see sheds as easy pickings because they are unprotected and lack basic security measures. The buildings often contain property that can be sold on or implements that can be used to force entry into the owner's home.

- Many sheds whilst being of good construction fall short on basic security.
- It is easy to unscrew the ironmongery, steal contents and in some cases replace the screws to make it look as if the shed has not been tampered with.
- By using tamper proof screws or coach bolts together with a good quality pad bar or hasp and staple and close shackled padlock, the shed owner will make it harder for the would-be thief.
- It is also a good idea to bond any window glass in, with mastic to prevent easy removal.
- Ensure all tools and equipment is locked away when not in use.
- High-quality locks should be used on doors. Windows can be fitted with a grille or, as a cheaper alternative, chicken wire, to slow a thief down.
- A shed alarm can also be installed.
- Post-coding or indelibly marking all property such as lawnmowers, bikes, and tools using ultra-violet pens, forensic marking such as Selecta DNA or Smartwater or engravers.
- Installing security lighting as a deterrent, and plants such as thorny shrubs to act as a barrier at potential access points.
- If building a shed, putting it where it is most visible to you and neighbours.

BEGINNERS SEWING CLASSES - £10



Children age 8 + - Adults-evening courses
Buckingham Park Community Centre

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Bring your sewing machine or I have a spare one small projects include fabric.



BUCKINGHAM PARK CE SCHOOL PTA

FUN RUN

Buckingham Park CE Primary School PTA is hosting a Fun Run and Fun Day for children in the school and their families on Sunday 15 May.

More information and booking forms will be sent home before the Easter holiday.

In the meantime – get the date in your diary!

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10:30am**

www.exchange.uk.net



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2016 'Vale' initiative
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We are banding together with local Councillor's and companies to transform the Vale into a 'Pollination for the Nation' conservation zone.

The goal is to enhance your local area, educate our children, conservation for our planet, whilst reaping the benefits through 'Pollination'

NO POLLINATION
NO FOOD
NO FUTURE

Register your support on our web page mrbeesknees.co.uk 'Pollination for the Nation'

Take pictures before/during after so we can all see the transformation.

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Watch our face book page
<https://www.facebook.com/Pollination-for-the-Nation-1048762345145012/>

The Bee Hive, Bicester Rd, Kingswood, HP18 0RA
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Slimming World

Janet Newell has recently re-launched the Buckingham Park Slimming World group at the Community Centre on Fridays - 9.30am and 11.30am. The group has grown significantly and now welcomes over 80 members each week.

Janet herself joined Slimming World four and a half years ago when her eldest son announced he was getting married. She had 18 months to lose weight so that she could wear her dream outfit and for once stand at the front of the photos rather than at the back as she always did.

She went along with a friend to her local Slimming World Group and in 18 months lost 4 stone 7lbs. Not only did she get the chance to wear that dream outfit, she also dodged an impending knee replacement operation, has so much more energy and is now able to join in and run around with her grandsons, who live on Buckingham Park.

Janet wanted to help others to enjoy the benefits of Slimming World and in November 2015 she gave up her full time job to do so. She is very proud of her friendly and supportive group at Buckingham Park and wants to share the story of a very inspirational couple who were last year's couple of the year and have been nominated for this year's competition and will go forward to the National Finals.

When Brenda and Nigel moved to Buckingham Park from Norfolk in June 2013, they registered at Berryfield's Medical Centre and were offered the opportunity to join Slimming World on referral for a free 12 week period as their BMIs were well in excess of 30 and they were classified as obese. They joined Slimming World in August 2013 and in 10 months, Nigel had lost 4stone 7lbs and Brenda 2 stone 7lb.

Nigel and Brenda find that Slimming World's Food Optimising weight loss programme is not a diet, but a healthy eating plan. Losing 10% of their body weight was a major milestone for them as at that point the risks of suffering type 2 diabetes and some cancers were significantly reduced. A bonus for the couple was also that Nigel's terrible snoring had stopped! They both started sleeping much better, felt healthier and were able to get back to walking. This was particularly important to Nigel as he had osteoarthritis in his right knee and previously walking was very painful. The weight loss significantly reduced the pain in his knee and was a contributory factor to the excellent recovery following his knee replacement operation.

Nigel and Brenda now enjoy cooking healthy family friendly meals from scratch and have now lost well in excess of 3 stone each. Nothing is off the menu as you can eat to your appetite - no weighing, no measuring, no counting required.

Why not go along one Friday to find out more.



An afternoon for girls
Featuring, workshops on: arts & crafts, beauty, fitness, Games, Discussions & Light refreshments- £5 Entry Fee

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Telephone

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01296 415468

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Buckingham Park Community Centre
01296 435239

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0800 800151

Clerk to Buckingham Park Parish
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07789 586594

McCoys Fish & Chips
01296 427648

Berryfields Medical Centre
01296 310940

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School
01296 415687

Buckingham Pharmacy
01296 332901

Barnardo's Shop
01296 330096

Express Tanning & Beauty
01296 393311

Budgens
01296 415702

Electricity - Power Loss
0800 3163105

Gas - Emergency
0800 111999

NHS Out of Hours Service
111

Stoke Mandeville Hospital
01296 315000

Thames Valley Police

Childline
0800 1111
101

Thames Water
0800 714614

Train Times
08457484950

Cubs Update

On 1st March @BP Community Centre an update meeting for those parents interested in Cubs for their children (8-10½) occurred. We are pleased to report that new leaders have come forward and they are looking to start things after Easter.

For further information speak to Ed Ryan 07720 770536.



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Meetings Diary

The dates for the forthcoming meetings of the Parish Council are:

Tuesday 5th April 2016

Tuesday 3rd May 2016

Tuesday 7th June 2016

Tuesday 5th July 2016

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at Buckingham Park Community Centre at 8pm prompt. Everyone is welcome but please check the Parish Noticeboard or the website to ensure that no last minute changes have been made. www.buckinghampark-pc.gov.uk

What's on

BUCKINGHAM PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE TIMETABLE

DAY	TIME	HIRER/ACTIVITY
Monday	08:15 - 12:45	Big Top Pre-School
	10:00 - 13:00	Sing & Sign
	13:00 - 14:30	Fit to Play
	16:15 - 17:00	Kandeez Competition Squad Under 8's (by invitation only)
	17:00 - 17:45	Kandeez Junior Team Under 12's (by invitation only)
	17:45 - 18:45	Kandeez Competition Squad age 8-11 (by invitation only)
	18:45 - 19:30	Kandeez Senior Team Over 16's (by invitation only)
	19:30 - 20:30	Kandeez Competition Squad 12+ (by invitation only)
	20:30 - 21:30	Kandeez Intermediate Tap (Adult 18+)
	18:00 - 19:30	Respect Martial Arts Academy
Tuesday	08:15 - 14:15	Big Top Pre-School
	09:30 - 11:30	Body Works Pilates
	10:15 - 11:45	Post Natal Group (by invitation only)
	13:30 - 15:00	Bumps and Babes & Child Health Clinic
	16:00 - 17:30	ZKS Martial Arts
	17:45 - 19:00	Beaver Scouts
	19:15 - 20:30	Cub Scouts (please contact Ed Ryan 07720 770536)
	19:00 - 23:00	Ace Bridge
Wednesday	08:15 - 14:15	Big Top Pre-School
	09:15 - 09:45	Kandeez School of Dance - Melody Bear Baby Ballet (18m - 3yrs)
	09:45 - 10:15	Kandeez School of Dance - Boogie Babies (18m - 3yrs)
	11:00 -	Aylesbury Rock Choir
	17:30 - 19:30	Smiles Football
	18:00 - 19:00	Beginners Sewing Classes
	18:00 - 21:30	Respect Martial Arts Academy
	20:00 -	Aylesbury Rock Choir
Thursday	08:15 - 14:15	Big Top Pre-School
	09:30 - 11:00	Buckingham Park Toddler Group
	16:30 - 22:00	Affinity Badminton Club
	17:30 - 22:00	Oasis Community Church
	19:00 - 23:00	Ace Bridge
Friday	08:15 - 12:45	Big Top Pre-School
	09:30 - 13:30	Slimming World
	15:30 - 16:15	Kandeez School of Dance - Ballet & Tap (age 3 & 4)
	16:15 - 17:00	Kandeez School of Dance - Ballet & Tap (age 4 & 5)
	17:00 - 17:45	Kandeez School of Dance - Ballet Conditioning (age 12+)
	18:00 - 19:30	Hope Baptist Church Youth Group
	18:30 - 21:30	Respect Martial Arts Academy
	19:30 - 21:30	Faith Alive Youth Group
Saturday	09:30 - 13:00	Kandeez School of Dance - Ballet & Tap (various ages)
	09:30 - 12:00	Kicking Kids
	13:30 - 23:00	Available for Private Hire
Sunday	08:30 - 13:30	Deeper Life Bible Church
	08:30 - 13:30	Oasis Community Church
	08:30 - 13:00	Church of Christ
	13:30 - 17:15	Hope Baptist Church
	13:30 - 23:00	Available for Private Hire

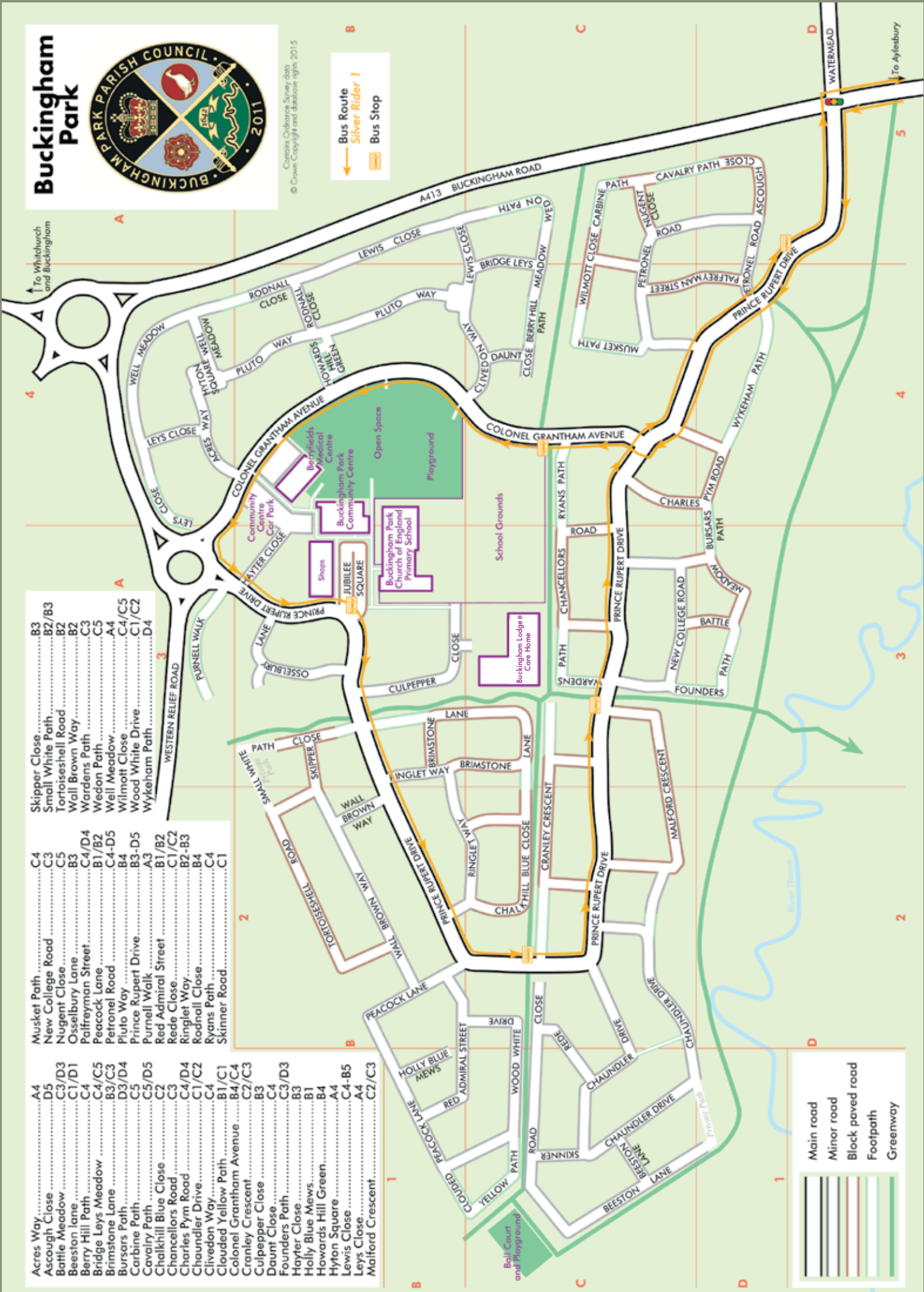
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Silver Rider 1
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| Acres Way.....A4 | Skipper Close.....B3 |
| Ascough Close.....D5 | Small White Path.....B2/B3 |
| Battle Meadow.....C3/D3 | Tortoiseshell Road.....B2 |
| Beeston Lane.....C1/D1 | Wall Brown Way.....B2 |
| Berry Hill Path.....C4 | Wardens Path.....C3 |
| Bridge Leys Meadow.....C4/C5 | Wedon Path.....C5 |
| Brimstone Lane.....B3/C3 | Well Meadow.....A4 |
| Bursars Path.....D3/D4 | Wilmott Close.....C4/C5 |
| Carbine Path.....C5 | Wood White Drive.....C1/C2 |
| Cavalry Path.....C5/D5 | Wykeham Path.....D4 |
| Chalkhill Blue Close.....C2 | |
| Chancellors Road.....C3 | |
| Charles Pym Road.....C4/D4 | |
| Chaunder Drive.....C1/C2 | |
| Clivedon Way.....C4 | |
| Clouded Yellow Path.....B1/C1 | |
| Colonel Grantham Avenue.....B4/C4 | |
| Cransley Crescent.....C2/C3 | |
| Culpepper Close.....B3 | |
| Daunt Close.....C4 | |
| Founders Path.....C3/D3 | |
| Hayter Close.....B3 | |
| Holly Blue Mews.....B1 | |
| Howards Hill Green.....B4 | |
| Hyton Square.....A4 | |
| Lewis Close.....C4-B5 | |
| Leys Close.....A4 | |
| Malford Crescent.....C2/C3 | |
| Musket Path.....C4 | |
| New College Road.....C3 | |
| Nugent Close.....C5 | |
| Osselbury Lane.....B3 | |
| Palfreyman Street.....C4/D4 | |
| Peacock Lane.....B1/B2 | |
| Petronel Road.....C4-D5 | |
| Pluto Way.....B4 | |
| Prince Rupert Drive.....B3-D5 | |
| Purnell Walk.....A3 | |
| Red Admiral Street.....B1/B2 | |
| Rede Close.....C1/C2 | |
| Ringlet Way.....B2-B3 | |
| Rodnall Close.....B4 | |
| Ryans Path.....C4 | |
| Skinner Road.....C1 | |



	Main road
	Minor road
	Block paved road
	Footpath
	Greenway