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| **Report No. 2022/39****Appendix:** **Agenda Item:**  | **Council** **Date of Meeting:**  |

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| **OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL** |

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| **Report Authors: David Romney,**  | **Title: Councilor**  |
| **Subject Bank Hub** |
| **Strategic Aims:**  |

**Background**

Over the last few years two of our major banks have closed, leaving the Town with only two.

Given the resent announcement that both the existing banks are to close, leaving the Town with no banking facility.

This means that members of the public will have no where to go to Speak to a member of staff, the banks will say that all services are available online.

This is all well and good but many elderly residents do not have access to the internet or know/ wish to use it.

Some Towns in the same position, have set up Banking Hubs.

Giving the Banks the opportunity to meet the public at least one day a week.

I feel that as the Town Council, we should be stepping up and offering help, by looking into setting up a Hub in the chamber..

Recommendation.

Council agrees to the office, making an approach to the main Banks to see if a hub is possible.

Council agrees to offer the Chamber for us as a Hub.