

South Area Committee

Minutes of a meeting on 21 January 2010

At Hills Road, Sixth Form College 7:05pm – 8:58pm

Present:

City Councillors

Stuart Newbold (Cherry Hinton)

Alan Baker and Amanda Taylor (Queen Edith's)

Salah Al Bander, Andy Blackhurst (Chair) and Sheila Stuart (Trumpington)

10/01 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2009 were agreed as a true and accurate subject to the addition of a comment to the Safer Neighborhoods' items regarding concerns about the statistical methods used.

10/02 Apologies for Absence

City Cllrs: Dryden, McPherson and Sanders

County Cllrs: Heathcock, Sheppard and Carter

10/03 Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

10/04 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

10/05 OPEN FORUM

ACTION BY

The committee was asked whether they would support the re-opening of Young People Psychiatric Service centre in Trumpington Ward. The Ward Councillor agreed to address the concerns outside of the meeting.

10/06 Planning Applications

These minutes and the appendix should be read in conjunction with the reports on applications to the committee, where the conditions to the approved applications or reasons for refusal are set out in full and with the Amendment Sheet issued at the meeting. Any amendments to the recommendations are shown in the appendix.

Full details of the decisions, conditions of permissions and reasons for refusal may be inspected in the Environment and Planning Department, including those which the committee delegated to the Head of Development Control to draw up.

1	09/0822/FUL
Site	42 Hartington Grove, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
Proposal	Two storey rear extension.
Recommendation	REFUSAL
Public Speakers:	Alistair Pask - Applicant
Decision:	REFUSED by 4 votes to 0 for the reasons outlined in the committee report.

2	09/1010/FUL
Site	15 Fitzwilliam Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
Proposal	Creation of four additional flats - works to include three storey rear extension and second floor side extension.
Recommendation	APPROVE
Public Speakers:	Agent of the Applicant
Decision:	APPROVED by 6 votes to 0 subject to the conditions outlined in the committee report.

The committee resolved to alter the agenda between item 10/06/02 and 10/06/03 to allow Cambridgeshire Police Authority (minute 10/07) to make a presentation.

3	09/1010/FUL
Site	52 Glebe Road, Cambridge
Proposal	Replacement dwelling house following demolition
Recommendation	APPROVED
Public Speakers:	Applicant
	Jie Huang - Objector
Decision:	APPROVED by 6 votes to 0 subject to the conditions outlined in the committee report.

4	09/1092/FUL
Site	47 St Marys School, Bateman School, Cambridge
Proposal	Demolition of a rear extension (1980s) to an existing building (47 Bateman Street) and the erection of a four storey D1 educational building comprising a main entrance, assembly hall, small

	library/study area, eight classrooms with associated wc's and service areas. Included within the development is associated landscape works, works to existing access road and a new gate and cycle parking to the adjoining St Mary's School.
Recommendation	APPROVE Subject to the conditions outlined in the committee report.
Public Speakers:	Duncan Askew – Bursar Gary Hicks - Objector
Decision:	REFUSED by 5 votes to 0 contrary to officer recommendations. REASON The proposed 4 storey Class D1 educational building is unacceptable because of its height, combined with its siting (due west of Bateman Mews) and its proximity to and the extent by which it projects beyond (north) that housing development. The relationship and scale of the building will cause the adjacent residential properties to the east to be unduly dominated and for the occupiers of at least the first two houses (16 and 17 Bateman Mews) to suffer an unreasonable sense of enclosure and a loss of direct sunlight towards the end of the day. For these reasons the proposal would not have a positive impact upon its setting, fails to achieve good interrelations between buildings and cannot be considered to have responded to its context; it is therefore contrary to Cambridge Local Plan 2006 policies 3/4, 3/7 and 3/12 of the Cambridge Local Plan (2006), and to advice in Planning Policy Statement 1 - Delivering Sustainable Development (2005)

5	09/1083/FUL
Site	157 Church End, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
Proposal	Erection of one 5-bed and one 3-bed house (following demolition of the existing shop with flat over and stopping up of the lay-by).
Recommendation	APPROVE
Public Speakers:	Alan Carter – Applicant
Decision:	APPROVED by 6 votes to 0 subject to the conditions outlined in the committee report.

10/07 Cambridgeshire Police Authority – Consultation on Budget

The committee received a presentation on the Cambridgeshire Police Authority budget for 2010/11 from County Councillor and Police Authority Member Kevin Wilkins.

- Clarification was sought on the number of Firearms Officers, and whether firearms were routinely carried. The committee were advised that certain officers do routinely carry firearms.
- Are drug and alcohol related crimes recorded separately? The committee were advised that these issues were not recorded separately, but that the Community Safety Partnership was placing significant focus on the issues.