



Cambridge City Council

**Performance, Assets and Strategy Overview
and Scrutiny Committee**

Date: Tuesday, 4 November 2025

Time: 5.30 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Market Square, Cambridge CB2 3QJ [access the building via Peashill entrance]

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Agenda

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Supplement: public question

The appendices and accompanying papers to this item can be found on the Greater Cambridge Planning website:

<https://consultations.greatercambridgeplanning.org/draft-greater-cambridge-local-plan-scrutiny-committee-pack>

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Question from Mr Antony Carpen regarding Greater Cambridge Local Plan

Please could the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service consider commissioning an academic who has researched neuroarchitecture at the University of Cambridge and how building facades impact the physical and mental health of people who live and work in the built environments of such places. (See <https://www.ribaj.com/products/facade-design-psychology-neuroscience> as an example).

Please also invite Humanise at <https://humanise.org/> (working in a similar field) to submit evidence on their research and how it might apply to a growing Cambridge.

Given the pioneering research they are doing in the growing sphere of neuroarchitecture, I believe having evidence bases from them would have a positive impact on the development of the emerging local plan and result in new buildings, developments, and urban spaces that are less mentally harmful than the ones constructed in recent years.

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