



Cambridge City Council South Area Committee

Date: Monday, 23 April 2018

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Wilkinson Room - St John the Evangelist Church Hills Road
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Information Stand

Cambridge City Council has teamed up with South Cambs District Council on an initiative to give communities more control in providing affordable homes for local people.

Following the award of grant funding from central government, the community-led housing project enables groups and individuals to find out more about community-led housing and access free technical support and guidance. What's more, for groups that decide community-led housing is the way forward there is grant funding available to really get projects off the ground.

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Items for Discussion

- 5 Open Forum
- 6 Guided Busway crossing at Clay Farm - latest developments.

Oral update provided by:

Campbell Ross Bain is Park and Ride and Facilities Manager.

Danny Clark is Senior Technical Manager from Countryside Properties.

Sonia Hansen, Traffic Manager, Highways Service, Cambridgeshire County Council.

Items for Decision

- 7 Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods - SAC (Pages 19 - 28)
- 8 Area Committee Grants 2018-19 (Pages 29 - 40)

City Councillors: O'Connell (Chair), T. Moore (Vice-Chair), Pippas, Adey, Ashton, Avery, Dryden, McPherson and Page-Croft

County Councillors: Adey, Crawford and Taylor

City and County Councillor(s): Adey

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SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE

15 January 2018

7.00 - 9.30 pm

Present: Councillors O'Connell (Chair), T. Moore (Vice-Chair), Pippas, Adey, Ashton, Avery, McPherson, Page-Croft, Adey and Crawford

Officers:

Head of Streets and Open Spaces: Joel Carré

Committee Manager: Toni Birkin

Senior Engineer: John Richards

Project Officer: James Ogle

Acting Enforcement Team Manager: Nick Kester

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL**Change to published agenda order**

Under paragraph 4.2.1 of the Council Procedure Rules, the Chair used her discretion to alter the order of the agenda items. However, for ease of the reader, these minutes will follow the order of the agenda.

18/1/SAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Dryden and County Councillors Jones and Taylor.

18/2/SAC Declarations of Interest

Name	Item	Interest
Councillor Avery	18/8/SAC	Personal – left the room for the debate and vote after making a brief statement in support of the proposal. He had given personal/informal support to the Bridge Group on implementation issues at a stage when everyone believed all necessary decisions had been

		made.
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18/3/SAC Minutes

The Committee noted a correction to the minutes as tabled and published to the website. The minutes were then agreed and signed as a correct record.

18/4/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes

The Committee noted the progress with matters detailed in the action sheet from the meeting of the 2nd October 2017.

18/5/SAC Open Forum

Members of the public asked a number of questions, as set out below.

- 1. Councillor Ashton on behalf of a resident of Queen Edith's Ward. What action can be taken regarding continuing verge damage done by parked cars?**

Councillor Pippas supported action on this matter.

John Richards, Project Manager, outlined the legal position regarding enforcement action.

- A. City bye laws were in place in some locations but had proven difficult for the Council to enforce effectively.
- B. Road Traffic Regulation Orders were another possibility; whereby enforcement would be undertaken by the County Council Civil Enforcement team.

The Chair requested a briefing note on possible options for enforcement.

Action: John Richards

- 1. Sam Davies**

Building contractors working on Hills Road had caused considerable damage. Building consent had required them to be considerate contractors.

Nick Kester: Acting Enforcement Team Manager undertook to pass on the information but suggested that follow up action was limited.

Action: Nick Kester

The Officers and Members made the following comments in response to the above:

Nick Kester: Acting Enforcement Team Manager.

If a vehicle is parked on a grass verge the enforcement team would write to the registered keeper. However, it was often difficult to establish who was driving a vehicle at the time. Members of the public can report vehicles but are often reluctant to pursue the matter as a formal statement and an appearance in court as a witness might also be needed.

Councillor McPherson suggested that photographic evidence should be enough to trigger an official letter if not a prosecution.

Councillor Pippas stated that some problems occur when dropped kerbs fail to align with driveways.

Councillor Ashton suggested that working with contractors to encourage them to reinstate verges on completion of building works had achieved results.

2. Chris Rand

Installation of resident parking in the Morley Road area had produced a knock on effect in the neighbouring areas. Can lessons learnt here be applied to future scheme?

The Committee agreed that this was a County Council issue and outside the remit of this meeting. County Councillor present noted the comment.

3. Kerry Galloway

A new ramped access to the Cambridge Assessment Centre will bring cyclists into conflict with Trumpington Road (access to station) cycle path.

Councillor Avery agreed that the cycle path was not wide enough. Overhanging trees presented an additional hazard.

Councillor Adey undertook to visit the site.

Action Councillor Adey

4. Resident on behalf of Rev Karin Voth Harman of St Andrew's

Is there any update on the provision of new schools for the growth areas?

Councillor Ashton reported that current provision was adequate and the proposed new school would not be needed for some years. The allocated land would be held until such time as there was a demonstrated need. No decisions had been made regarding who would be managing the school.

5. Question on behalf of residents

Councillor Page-Croft stated that volunteers working in Nightingale Recreation Ground had reported the footpaths as being in a poor condition. Hey were becoming unsafe and needed resurfacing.

Joel Carré: Head of Environmental Services undertook to investigate this matter.

Action: Joel Carré

18/6/SAC Environmental Report - SAC

The Committee received a report from the Acting Enforcement Team Manager.

The report outlined an overview of City Council Refuse and Environment and Streets and Open Spaces service activity relating to the geographical area served by the South Area Committee. The report identified the reactive and proactive service actions undertaken in the previous quarter, including the requested priority targets, and reported back on the recommended issues and associated actions. It also included key officer contacts for the reporting of waste and refuse and public realm issues.

Acting Enforcement Team Manager responded to members of the public and Councillors as follows:

1. Hilary Lawson

Brooklands Avenue was suffering from a high level of litter. There was no bin near the bus stop and litter was being stuffed into hedges or over fences.

A. Officers would look into installing a bin at the bus stop.

Action Nick Kester

2. Sam Davies

Questioned the details in the Officer's report and suggested that the location of the needle find was not in the South Area.

A. Officers would investigate the location of the needle find.

Action Nick Kester

3. Pamela Douglas

Thanked the team for their work in dealing with a litter and anti-social behaviour in her area.

A. Aware of the issues and pleased that some success had been achieved. Stated that it was difficult to deal with bins left on the street as this was a Civic Offence. Placing stickers on offending bins had achieved good results.

4. Kerry Galloway

Litter in Trumpington was on the increase in line with the population growth in the area.

A. It was suggested that members of the public informed their local councillor of any issues and these would then be passed on to the relevant department for action.

The Committee discussed the following issues:

Councillor Pippas

Are Estate Agents permitted to install for sale boards on the footpaths?

A. Yes, if they were directing the public to new developments.

Councillor Pippas

Can additional litter bins be installed at Atkins Corner?

A. Officers would investigate this matter.

Action Nick Kester

Councillor McPherson

Why can't under 18 year olds be issued with a fixed penalty notice for litter dropping?

A. Council policy does not allow Enforcement Officers to do this.

Councillor O'Connell thanked the Officer for the detailed report. She questioned the number of litter bins that South Area had available following the removal of a bin from Shelford Road and requested a dog waste bin for the area around Byron's Pool.

Members of the public were invited to submit their suggestions for the location of litter and dog waste bins.

The Committee

Resolved unanimously to approve the following priorities for action.

Number	Priority details
1	Early morning, daytime and weekend patrols for dog fouling on Cherry Hinton Recreation Ground, <i>Trumpington Recreation Ground</i> and Cherry Hinton Hall.
2	Enforcement targeted approach to areas where Addenbrookes site joins residential areas such as Hills Road and Red Cross Lane and to work with Addenbrookes to work towards the bus station area being cleaned up.

3	Enforcement to work with the County Council, against utilities and companies that damage the verge on Mowbray and Fendon Road.
4	Enforcement joint working and patrols to deal with littering from students of Long Road Sixth Form in the areas of Long Road and Sedley Taylor Road.
5	Enforcement patrols to deal with litter, abandoned vehicles and fly tipping in and around Teversham Drift
6	Enforcement action to deal with bins left on pavements in Anstey Way.
7	Enforcement patrols to tackle fly tipping at the Anstey Way recycling centre

18/7/SAC Environmental Improvement Programme 2017-18

The Committee received a report from the Senior Engineer and Project Leader regarding the Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP) for South area. The report outlined progress of existing schemes and new suggested schemes for 2017/18.

The officer was pleased to report that there was sufficient funding available within South area to cover all of the potential new EIP Schemes. This was aided by the fact that projects S1, S2 and S3 as listed in the report were under consideration by the County Council as Local Highways Improvements and therefore did not require any allocation of EIP funds.

The following questions were asked regarding the report:

1. Sam Davies

Spending money on verge repairs is not a good use of limited funding unless the verges could be protected after the repair.

The officer agreed that this was a valid point. Most recent work to improve verges had achieved limited results. Newer, and more robust, products were likely to be needed in locations experiencing regular and heavy parking. Traffic Regulation Orders had proven successful in some locations. In addition, pressures on parking spaces resulted in local residents having very mixed views on the value of highway verges.

2. Councillor Crawford

Asked for more information regarding EIP Scheme S3.

Local Highway Improvement funding had been requested from the County Council for this scheme. If successful, it is anticipated that the City Council would need to meet the financial contribution required

through the Minor Highways Improvement budget, to compliment County Council funding.

3. Councillor McPherson

Granta Park staff would benefit from the provision of additional cycle parking as requested in (S1), could they be approach to request they part fund the project?

Officers agreed this was a good idea and would suggest it to the County Council.

Action John Richards

The Committee suggested that key dates in the diary needed to be considered when arranging for works to be undertaken. The Hills Road War Memorial needed to be looking its best for the Centenary events.

The Committee

Resolved (unanimously) to:

- i. Note progress, and delays where experienced, in delivering the identified programme of projects since 2011-12
- ii. Support the allocation of £4,500 in 2017-18 towards the provision of 26 summer hanging baskets along Cherry Hinton High Street
- iii. Note the allocation of remaining EIP funding available in 2017-18 to further project applications
- iv. Approve the EIP schemes S4 to S6 set out in Appendix A of the Officer's report for implementation, subject to them being viable, obtaining consents as necessary, positive consultation and final approval by Capital Programme Board and Ward Councillors where required.
- v. Support a further application invitation round early in 2018.

18/8/SAC Footbridge across Hobson's Brook

The Committee received a report from John Richards, Senior Engineer and James Ogle, Project Officer regarding the Footbridge across Hobson's Brook. This report outlined recommendations that required Committee determination in relation to the potential introduction of a pedestrian footbridge across Hobson's Brook near Kingfisher Way.

It outlined a range of benefits for the City Council in delivering the project rather than the grant applicant, Accordia Bridge Group. It then sought a

decision from the Area Committee on whether to proceed with the project and support the additional funding required.

The Officers reminded the Committee that the planning consent had already been approved and the report was focussed on the decisions to be made in relation to the use of s106 funding.

A number of written comments both in support (6) and objection (1) to the proposal had been received prior to the Committee.

The Committee noted a slight amendment to recommendation 2.2 as follows (additional wording in bold):

Support the prioritisation of **up to** an additional £25,000 s106 funding contribution needed to deliver the project (see 4.4 and 5.1).

Officers responded to the following questions and comments regarding the report:

1. Kerry Galloway

Had protection of wildlife on the Accordia side of the Brook been considered?

Officers considered the improved through route and better access to Empty common would be an overall improvement with little impact on wildlife.

2. Ian Cray

The City Ecologist had made no comment on this matter and better access should encourage increased walking.

3. Professor Raymond Goldstein

- i. **Dr Pesci and I have been leading the opposition to this bridge for the past seven years and we ask you to reject this proposal and stop the bridge project. City Council planners appear to not understand the basic legal issues surrounding the land on which the bridge would sit, from the validity of the Trinity Covenant which forbids any bridges in the area to the issue of who even owns the land itself.**
- ii. **Errors and omissions in the original planning applications were offences punishable by fines of up to £5,000 this was ignored by planners.**

- iii. **The Hobson's Brook Corridor 10 year vision that was sent out for consultation, details the unique ecological character of the corridor, calling it a resource of national importance and uniqueness, particularly for the wildlife found there.**
- iv. **One of the original stated reasons for the bridge was to give greater access to the area by Accordia residents. Chief among those areas was Clare Wood. Clare Wood is no longer accessible. Clare College was forced to close off the wood to protect itself from liability arising explicitly from the bridge.**
- v. **Raised concerns about the use of the Hobsons Brook Corridor by people walking their dogs, which can despoil the area and drive away wildlife. There are nearly 1000 residents in Accordia, and a very large number of them have dogs.**
- vi. **A member of the Hobson's Conduit Trust has stated that he was very concerned about this bridge and was in complete sympathy with my objections.**
- vii. **The draft 10 year vision document discusses the fact that with climate change there will be more frequent flooding of the very area that the bridge would sit, and yet in order to allow the bridge to fit in the extremely tight area now envisaged, the city planners waived national rules about the clearance under such bridges to allow it to fit.**
- viii. **A fourth point about ecology is the fact, pointed out in objections raised by BENERA residents, that there is already a serious problem with parking congestion on their side of the brook, and the likelihood is that the bridge would simply become a thoroughfare for people parking in the BENERA area. Cambridge Assessment Centre will soon open, with something like 3,000 employees and fewer than 200 parking spaces.**
- ix. **The bridge was designed to be accessible to wheelchairs, but the path on the other side often floods in the winter and is likely to do so more in the future due to climate change (as stated in the consultation document).**
- x. **Regarding the need to move the bridge location in light of Clare's refusal to grant permission page 13, Q8, Appendix C document within the report says, "This can be overcome by moving the bridge a few metres north onto land wholly owned by City Council." This was a false statement. The City and the University of Cambridge are joint leaseholders of the land under a deed dating to 1610.**

- xi. The author of the report, told me that there were certain legal issues and “risks” that the City Council was investigating regarding the bridge. What are the legal issues that are still outstanding? What risks were being considered?**
- xii. A simple study using Google maps would show that the presence of the bridge in its proposed location would save perhaps 80 meters of walking for the typical person traversing from the BENERA area up to Brooklands Avenue at the edge of Accordia. So, does the council plan to spend more than £50,000 of public money and risk the fragile ecology of the corridor simply to save less than one minute’s walking time?**

Project Officer stated that the report was accurate and the risks associated with the project low. The Council either owns the land to both sides of the proposed bridge site or in the case of the 6ft strip are joint leaseholders. Two legal agreements are required to enable build of the bridge to commence.

The Committee made the following comments in response to the report:

Councillor Moore: Planning applications could be granted regardless of who owned the land. Agreeing funding and planning would not necessarily ensure that the bridge would be build.

Councillor Adey: Welcomed the opportunity to hear public views and to discuss the ‘value for money’ of the project.

Councillor Ashton: Other well used paths support sensitive wildlife without any noticeable impact he cited the example of Snakey Path (pathway connecting Romsey to Cherry Hinton)

Councillor Pippas: The majority of residents would benefit from the proposal.

Officers confirmed that the decision on the current bridge proposals is not expected to have any impact on the Hobson’s Conduit Trust Vision Document and therefore is not relevant to the decision before the Committee. The decision before the Committee was the approval of additional funding. The spend to-date had been around £5,500 on legal fees.

The Committee

Resolved (unanimously) to:

- i. Note and support the delivery arrangements now proposed as outlined in the report.
- ii. Support the prioritisation of up to an additional £25,000 s106 funding contribution needed to deliver the project
- iii. Note that progress was also subject to obtaining necessary consents.

18/9/SAC South Area Committee Dates 2018/19

The following dates were **agreed** unanimously:

4th June 2018

10th September 2018

14th January 2019

8th April 2019

18/10/SAC Cumulative Impact Area Briefing Note for Area Committees

The Committee noted the Cumulative Impact Area Briefing Note

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm

CHAIR

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COMMITTEE ACTION SHEET **Agenda Item 4**

Committee	South Area Committee
Date	18/01/18
Updated on	12/04/18

ACTION	LEAD OFFICER/ MEMBER	TIMESCALE	PROGRESS
<u>18/05/SAC Q1 Verge Parking</u> Members requested a briefing note on possible action to address verge parking	John Richards	23/04/18	City Streets and Open Space officers have met with County Highway colleague and are currently finalising a briefing note, which will assess available enforcement and verge treatment options, for circulation by end of April.
<u>18/05/SAC Q2 Contractor Damage to Verges</u> Contractors working on Hills Road were not observing the considerate contractor requirements and were causing damage in inconvenience. Officers to look into possible action	Nick Kester	23/04/18	Enforcement officer due to visit on 09/02/218, will speak to contractor to re-instate grass verge
<u>18/05/SAC Q4 Trumpington Road Cycle Path</u> Concerns raised about cyclist and pedestrian conflict around the entrance to the Cambridge Assessment Centre	Councillor Adey	23/04/18	
<u>18/05/SAC Q6 Nightingale Rec</u> Officer's to investigate the surface condition of site footpaths and need for	Joel Carre	23/04/18	Update from Anthony French: Open Space Officer - Horticulture The Nightingale

ACTION	LEAD OFFICER/ MEMBER	TIMESCALE	PROGRESS
any remedial/ resurfacing works.			<p>Recreation Ground pathway was installed approximately 12 years ago and now requires a surface redress.</p> <p>As an interim measure remedial repairs will be carried out on the worst affected areas in early spring and a full project appraisal prepared and submitted as a capital investment item during 2018.</p>
<p><u>18/06/SAC Q1 Brooklands Ave and Cllr Pippas request for bin at Atkins Corner</u></p> <p>Bin requested for bus stop on Brooklands Ave</p>	Nick Kester	04/06/18	<p>Brooklands Avenue completed 2 bins installed, photos taken of Atkins corner site, bin due to be installed shortly (09/02/2018)</p>
<p><u>18/06/SAC Q2 Needle Find</u></p> <p>What was the correct location of find?</p>	Nick Kester	4/06/18	<p>Location correct according to operatives who removed needles</p>
<p><u>EIP 2017-18 Granta Park Contribution to cycle parking</u></p> <p>Should new cycle parking facilities on Hills Road in the vicinity of Nightingale Avenue receive County Council funding, officers to discuss with them the potential for Granta Park businesses contributing towards the costs'</p>	John Richards	23/04/18	

Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City South Neighbourhood

April 2018



**Paul Rogerson, Safer
Neighbourhoods
Inspector**

**Lynda Kilkelly, Safer
Communities Manager,
Cambridge City Council**

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1 INTRODUCTION

Aim

The aim of the Neighbourhood profile update is to provide an overview of action taken since the last reporting period, identify on-going and emerging crime and disorder issues, and provide recommendations for future priorities and activity in order to facilitate effective policing and partnership working in the area.

The document should be used to inform multi-agency neighbourhood panel meetings and neighbourhood policing teams, so that issues can be identified, effectively prioritised and partnership problem solving activity undertaken.

Methodology

This document was produced using the following data sources:

- ❑ Cambridgeshire Constabulary crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) incident data for the six months from September 2017 to February 2018, compared to the previous six months (March 2017 to August 2017) and the same six months last year (September 2016 to February 2017); and
- ❑ Information provided by the Safer Neighbourhood Policing team and the City Council's Safer Communities team.

2 CURRENT PRIORITIES

At the South Area Committee meeting of 02 October 2017, the committee recommended adopting the following priorities:

- ❑ Combatting ‘county lines’ issues;
- ❑ Burglary patrols; and
- ❑ Operation Mantis.

The Neighbourhood Action Group assigned the actions to be taken and the lead officers for each of the priorities. The tables below summarise the action taken and the current situation.

Combatting ‘county lines’ issues	
Objective	Tacking organised crime gangs operating in the South area using the “County lines” model
Action Taken	County lines disruption activity continues to be the primary focus of the Prevention teams. They use a combination of tactics, including disruption visits to addresses associated with this activity and Misuse of Drugs Act search warrants at addresses identified as persistently housing out of area drug dealers. Intelligence about suspected drugs supply is reviewed daily by the on duty Prevention Sergeant and longer term activity is reviewed regularly in collaboration with the Partnership Team leads. We have executed drugs warrants across the South area, including addresses in Hanover Court, Leete Road, Cherry Hinton Road and Colville Road, This has resulted in the seizure of several thousand pounds worth of criminal property in the form of drugs and cash as well as several arrests and pending prosecutions.
Current Situation	Activity targeting County lines criminal gangs falls into the Cambridgeshire Force Priority on tackling child abuse and exploitation. One of the complexities of our drug supply issues is the use of young people to move drugs from one County to another. The young people involved in this type of criminality need to be treated in a balanced way, understanding that ‘yes’ they are involved in serious criminality but recognising that they have often been groomed for or exploited to undertake this role.
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Burglary patrols	
Objective	To conduct high visibility reassurance patrols in known burglary dwelling hotspots.
Action Taken	Leading up to Christmas, the entire County experienced a significant rise in burglaries. Trumpington and Queen Edith's in particular appeared to be the target for this increased activity. This sudden rise in offending caused us to place significantly more resources into preventing further burglaries and catching those responsible. Local PCSOs, police officers and detectives from Serious Crime Teams and the Burglary Team were utilised to ensure that every viable opportunity to identify and catch these individuals was exploited. As a result, we have secured charges against two sets of individuals: first, being a group of local individuals; second, we are also seeing a large regional burglary operation draw to a close, the result of which is an organised crime gang, operating across the region, charged and remanded to court. Local Community Teams were focused on: reassuring victims about ongoing police activity; addressing issues around the repeat targeting of vulnerable premises; assisting at community events, providing information where it didn't risk compromising ongoing operations; and advice about the reasonable steps homeowners could take to protect their premises and property.
Current Situation	The two main crime series that caused the significant rise have been addressed. Burglary remains one of the Cambridgeshire Force Priorities. The Local Policing Review will allow Partnership officers to focus on long term solutions to reducing offending by spotting the early signs of criminal offending and diverting people away from this dependency on crime.
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Operation Mantis	
Objective	To conduct welfare visits on persons believed to be involved in prostitution, in a bid to safeguard any vulnerable individuals.
Action Taken	Operation Mantis was launched just over two years ago to safeguard people who may be coerced or controlled as sex workers. Piloted in Cambridge, this was then adopted Force-wide and more recently has been assessed and evaluated by the Home Office as an example of good practice to be promoted and passed on to other Police Forces across the country. In this reporting period, 18 addresses have been visited and 36 individuals spoken with. The police officers

	tasked with these visits follow a strict protocol, focusing on ensuring the safety of the individuals they engage with and allowing them to collect as much information and evidence as possible to safeguard those individuals against exploitation. Five of the 18 visits have resulted in follow up enquiries.
Current Situation	The activity directed through Operation Mantis falls into the Force Priority on modern day slavery, seeking to identify and assist individuals who have been trafficked, tricked or coerced into this sort of activity against their will or taking advantage of a difficult set of circumstances in which they find themselves.
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

3 PRO-ACTIVE WORK & EMERGING ISSUES

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Force Priorities

We hope this brief update around our force priorities can help give you a clearer picture of what your local team are doing, often out of sight, to help keep your ward safe.

Domestic abuse

Violence in the home remains one of the Constabularies priorities. We know on average a victim will have suffered some kind of abuse 35 times before calling the police. For this reason we must attend quickly and do all that we can to investigate what has happened today and perhaps over many years. Someone in your ward will call 999 every day to report domestic abuse, and in fact the police in Cambridge will deal with around seven cases of domestic abuse every day. On average five arrests are made each day in Cambridge City for domestic abuse.

Dealing with domestic abuse requires local officers to have time to build trust with victims, much of this work is done out of the sight of the general public. A great deal of time is also spent investigating and preparing our investigations for a court to hear. Our prosecution rate is improving, and this is only possible if we continue to prioritise our time and resources to dealing with it.

Child abuse and exploitation

In some of our local updates we will talk about work being undertaken to tackle drugs. We are tackling drugs at the source: the dealers. Again this is work undertaken out of sight and is quite different from dealing with street level drug deals. One of the complexities of our drug supply issues is the use of young people to move drugs from one County to another. The young people involved in this type of criminality need to be treated in a balanced

way, understanding that 'yes' they are involved in serious criminality but recognising that they have often been groomed for or exploited to undertake this role.

Child exploitation is now better understood in our society; horrific accounts arising from Rotherham focus our attention on the importance of working with other agencies to protect our children. One of the core functions of the South team is to be part of the local multi agency groups who work together around specific people, places and families to ensure they are safe. Rather than focus in this update on head line convictions, we would like to explain a little about the work that is undertaken by the local team to prevent these headlines, more work which is undertaken away from the front line but is very much protecting your ward.

Our prevention team is regularly involved in proactive operations, acting on intelligence which is fed to us from you, the public, and from our multi agency partners. The use of child abduction warning notices is helping us target those adults who open their homes to young people, facilitating everything from truancing to the most serious of offences. Our work with the child sexual exploitation team also requires us to act to intervene with those starting to build unhealthy or inappropriate relationships with young people. This is work that we cannot talk about publically, but is ongoing every day.

Burglary

History shows us that people burgle for a number of reasons, and the motivation can be wide ranging including drugs addiction, alcohol abuse, dysfunctional upbringing and family units and poverty; none of which excuse the criminal behavior, but show us there is a way to work long term to reduce offending.

Your local team are key to spotting these early signs and helping divert people away from this dependency on crime. We work to support young people with offending siblings, frequent and regular offenders, those with "dual diagnoses" (with multiple diagnosed issues such as alcohol and mental health issues), and our priority offenders who might not choose to work with support services.

When it is needed, we will mobilise a significant number of officers to be visible and out on the front line to crack down on burglary. This update has been around a theme, the work of your local officers that goes on behind closed doors. The work of reducing and preventing burglary is no different, and the long terms reductions are often happening out of sight.

Emerging areas of concern which have been highlighted to the local neighbourhood officers are:

1) Anti-social behaviour on the Guided Busway.

There have been a couple of incidents of members of the public using the Busway being threatened or intimidated, and on two occasions, assaulted by other persons either using or loitering on the Busway.

2) Street begging on Hills Road and between Union Road and Coronation Street.

We have received several reports about anti-social behaviour and aggressive street begging, along with the other problems, which surround this issue in the area between Hills Road, Coronation Street and Union Road.

Cambridge City Council

Safer Communities' Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Officers continue to take proactive action in tackling serious cases of ASB in the South, including working in partnership with other housing providers and the police neighbourhood teams.

We continue to use the Neighbourhood Resolution Panel Scheme as a way of finding resolution between parties involved in a dispute: we currently have one case going through the Scheme in the South.

We are currently dealing with reports of ASB associated with the street life community in the Hills Road area, which is also having an impact on Hanover Court and the surrounding area. Individuals are being offered support to move away from a street-based lifestyle, however there are a number of individuals unwilling to engage and enforcement action is being pursued. Safe Communities is working closely with the Public Realm Enforcement Officer, police and support agencies in order to deal with the issues and have met with businesses and residents to take statements. Residents and businesses are being encouraged to report any drug related activity on 101 or via the online reporting form on the Police website. They can also report non-criminal activity or general concerns to Safer Communities on 01223 457950.

We continue to promote Cambridge Street Aid as the best way to help individuals who may be rough sleeping or begging. To date, Cambridge Street Aid has raised over £27,000 in donations, 100% of which is available as grants to individuals who have a current or recent history of rough sleeping or street homelessness and are trying to move away from a street-based existence. To date, more than 80 individuals have benefitted from this scheme.

In October 2017, Safe Communities introduced a new way in which reports of ASB are handled by the Council. All reports are now assessed by Safer Communities and assigned to a named officer within the Council. We hope that this will offer a more streamlined and accountable service to customers.

CB1 Development

Following a stakeholder workshop in July 2017, residents made it clear that their priorities for action at CB1 were communication, community cohesion and ASB (see below for further details). A steering group (comprising of key stakeholders) has been actively working to make sure that these priorities are being progressed.

Communication: This has been focused on ensuring residents across the CB1 development area know what is going on and who to contact when there is an issue, whether this is on the estate or within the block they live in. As a result, a website has been developed (<http://cb1community.org.uk>). The website features key management contact information via an interactive map of the area, and a section for reporting incidents to the relevant management organisations. There is also the ability to sign up to updates from the website on upcoming resident meetings, events and estate news. The website was launched in February 2018 at an event attended by 30 local people and organisations, and continues to grow in use and popularity.

Community Cohesion: This area of work has focused on talking to residents to see how they want to be involved in CB1 matters. Residents were keen to know “who’s who”, future plans for Mill Park and also to look at ways to engage the local community in events and forums that creates opportunities for residents and students to unite, to increase mutual understanding, trust and communication. There was an initial residents meeting in February 2018 attended by 21 local residents and another very constructive meeting was held on 28 March 2018.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB): A CB1 focus group (comprising all stakeholder partners) has focussed on developing pages for the website to include a shared definition of what is ASB and contact details of who to report incidents of ASB to. The website pages also include the various building management contact details. These pages are fairly comprehensive and it is hoped that use of these pages as a way of reporting ASB will help capture issues as and when they arise and will highlight how reports are being progressed. Future work for this focus group will include working with residents in developing a Charter on what is and is not acceptable behaviour, and setting up of a residents’ association. The focus group will also look at citywide priorities and work trends that impact or cross over at the CB1 development (e.g. street life issues). The focus group intends to meet biannually.

4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CURRENT CRIME & ASB INCIDENT LEVELS BY WARD

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AREA			Dwelling Burglary	Other Burglary	Violent Crime / *with injury	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	TOTAL CRIME	TOTAL ASB
WARDS	City South	Sep 17 – Feb 18	136	47	259 / *50	13	14	122	192	25	126	311	1,245	296
		Mar 17 – Aug 17	84	70	287 / *59	11	15	70	198	30	101	310	1,176	409
		Sep 16 – Feb 17	63	68	227 / *55	7	13	82	136	19	92	259	966	401
	Cherry Hinton	Sep 17 – Feb 18	38	7	73 / *21	6	4	17	15	10	26	55	251	61
		Mar 17 – Aug 17	24	7	84 / *19	2	4	12	23	7	31	63	257	87
		Sep 16 – Feb 17	26	18	90 / *21	2	2	18	14	5	29	55	259	109
	Queen Edith's	Sep 17 – Feb 18	45	16	72 / *12	2	3	24	41	0	24	66	293	58
		Mar 17 – Aug 17	31	20	75 / *18	1	3	22	41	0	31	88	312	87
		Sep 16 – Feb 17	24	22	47 / *12	0	2	20	20	0	18	76	229	73
	Trumpington	Sep 17 – Feb 18	53	24	114 / *17	5	7	81	136	15	76	190	701	177
		Mar 17 – Aug 17	29	43	128 / *32	8	8	36	134	23	39	159	607	235
		Sep 16 – Feb 17	13	28	90 / *22	5	9	44	102	14	45	128	478	219

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

We seek views from this committee on those local issues that the police and partner agencies can work together to action and report on at the next committee meeting.



Item

AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS 2018-19

To: **South Area Committee - 23rd April 2018**
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Non-Key Decision

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report details applications received to date for 2018-19 funding for projects in the South Area, makes recommendations for awards and provides information on the eligibility and funding criteria.

2. Recommendations

The South Area Committee Councillors are recommended:

- 2.1 To consider the grant applications received, officer comments and proposed awards, detailed in Appendix 1, in line with the Area Committee Community Grants criteria, detailed in paragraph 3.5.
- 2.2 To agree the proposed awards detailed in Appendix 1 and summarised in the table below:

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Award
S1	Cambridge Royal Albert Benevolent Society	Day trip for elderly residents	£700
S2	Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise - Evelyn Charnley Memorial Lunch Club	Monthly older people's club. Towards cost of hall hire and speakers only	£700
S3	Centre at St Paul's	Equipment for camping expedition for young mothers	£1,000
S4	Centre at St Paul's Thursday Lunch Club	2 day trips	£500
S5	Cherry Hinton Festival Society	Cherry Hinton Festival	£663
S6	Denis Wilson Court Social Club	Transport costs for 2 trips	£500
S7	Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall	Three community action days	£202
S8	Hanover and Princess Court Resident's Association	Summer outing, September barbeque, Christmas event and monthly craft sessions	£945
S9	Harvey Road Group	Day trip to wildlife park	£340
S10	Huxley Group	Day trip to wildlife park	£365
S11	Oblique Arts	8 creative writing workshops	£0
S12	Romsey Mill	30 targeted youth sessions at Clay Farm Centre	£4,718
S13	Trumpington Community Drama Group	40 week after school drama club and trip to pantomime	£925
S14	Trumpington Meadows Community	Four community meetings at Trumpington Meadows School	£700
S15	Trumpington Trips (sheltered by Age UK)	Four coach trips to the seaside – towards coach hire only	£1,234
S16	Young People's Puppet Theatre	Puppet making project for a class at Bewick Bridge School	£0

Budget available	£ 17,435
Total awards	£13,492
Budget remaining	£3,943

3. Background

- 3.1 Funding has been devolved to Area Committees for local projects meeting the Community Development, Sports and Arts strategic priorities since 2004. This process is managed by the Grants Team in Community Services who promote the funding and bring applications for consideration to one meeting of each of the area committees annually.

- 3.2 The 2018-19 grants were publicised via neighbourhood workers, in local publications and voluntary organisation's newsletters and by posters and publicity leaflets. Recent applicants are also invited to apply.

A briefing was offered to explain the application process and eligibility criteria and priorities.

- 3.3 There is a total of £70,000 available across the four area committees for 2018-19 made up as follows:
- £60,000 Community Grants
 - £10,000 Safer City

- 3.4 The budgets have been divided between the area committees in accordance with population and poverty calculations. The Safer City allocation has provided an additional £2,500 for each area committee. The amount available for each area is as follows:

Committee	Community Grants %	Community Grants £	Safer City £	Total available £
North	34.71	20,824	2,500	23,324
East	30.60	18,358	2,500	20,858
South	24.89	14,935	2,500	17,435
West Central	9.81	5,883	2,500	8,383
Total	100	60,000	10,000	70,000

3.5 Area Community Grant Priorities and Outcomes

Projects and activities should have a targeted approach and make a difference to people in one of the areas (North, South, East or West Central) by either:

- reducing social or economic inequality or
- tackling crime, the fear of crime or anti-social behaviour

and by undertaking one of the following funding priorities:

- sporting activities
- arts and cultural activities
- community development activities
- legal and/or financial advice (*organisations applying to give legal advice and support must have The Advice Quality Standard (AQS) or equivalent*)

- employment support
 - capacity building of the voluntary sector to achieve the above
 - community projects aiming to tackle crime, the fear of crime or anti-social behaviour
- 3.6 Applications are invited from voluntary organisations, community groups and groupings of local residents that are able to meet basic accountability requirements.
- 3.7 The maximum any one organisation can apply for is £5,000 per area committee and grants cannot be made retrospectively. Full details of the eligibility criteria are available on request.
- 3.8 Where no funding is proposed it will be due to one or more of the following not being adequately met:
- grant scheme priorities
 - grant scheme outcomes
 - identifying need
 - quality or viability of the project
- or
- proposals were the remit of another service or organisation such as the County Council, Health, Housing etc
 - organisations did not demonstrate the beneficiaries could not fund the activity themselves, or that reserves could not be used to fund the activity
- 3.9 All awards are subject to grant agreements and monitoring reports. We consider proportionate requirements dependent on the size of the organisation, project and award.
- 3.10 Applications made after the main grants round will be considered on an individual basis until all the funding is spent. Officers will make decisions on awards up to £5,000 as approved by the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2014.
- 3.11 In October 2018 the area budgets will be merged and any funding remaining will be allocated across the areas as applications are received, to ensure effective use of the funds available.
- 3.12 After the end of the financial year we will collect the monitoring reports for awards made during 2017-18 and circulate a summary to members. A list of awards to date for 2017-18 is attached as Appendix 2.

Appendix 1 - South Area Committee Community Grants - Applications and Recommendations 2018-19

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Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S1	Cambridge Royal Albert Benevolent Society	Day trip to Wicksteed Park for elderly residents	Raise morale and provide something for residents to look forward to that they would not otherwise be able to afford	23 (1 Cherry Hinton, 22 Trumpington) 2 East All older people	Full cost: £975 Income: £275	£700	£700
	Officer comment	Recommend £700					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £370 16-17: £500						
S2	Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise (COPE)	Monthly older people's club for social activities including talks, exercise and music	Overcome loneliness and social isolation; improve diet, fitness and mental activity, social cohesiveness and inequality	57 (5 Cherry Hinton, 50 Queen Edith's, 2 Trumpington). All aged 60+	Full cost: £2,460 Income: £1,510	£950	£700
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £700 towards cost of hall hire and speakers only					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £713 + main grant 16-17: £500 + main grant						
S3	Centre at St Paul's	Purchase of equipment for use on Duke of Edinburgh style camping expedition for young mothers	Reduce isolation, chance for mothers to go away with their children; encourage physical activity in participants; provide an opportunity to grow in confidence and other employability skills	20 (8 Queen Edith's, 12 Trumpington), 10 young mothers and their children.	Full cost: £1,994 Income: none	£1,994	£1,000
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £1,000 towards equipment					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18 and 16-17: no bids						

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S4	Centre at St Paul's Thursday Lunch Club	2 day trips - Great Yarmouth (summer) and Norwich (Christmas shopping and cathedral visit)	Reduce social isolation by creating opportunities for people who do not have the confidence, life skills or income to go on trips outside Cambridge on their own. Enjoying new experiences in the supportive company of other familiar people	50 (10 Cherry Hinton, 5 Queen Edith's, 35 Trumpington). Adults with disabilities	Full cost: £725 Income: £225	£500	£500
	Officer comment: Recommend: £500						
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £700 16-17: £700						
S5 Page 34	Cherry Hinton Festival Society	Cherry Hinton Festival on Saturday 22 September 2018	Recognised as a positive occasion, enhancing local people's sense of belonging. Reduce economic inequality by offering accessible high quality attractions. Promote integration and reduce social isolation, bring people together, encourage participation and seek assistance with the running of the festival.	4,780 (4,340 Cherry Hinton, 400 Queen Edith's, 40 Trumpington). 30 West Central, 170 East, 20 North. All ages	Full cost: £19,452 Income: £17,090 + reserves	£663	£663
	Officer comment: Recommend £663						
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £1,735 16-17: £3,000						

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S6	Denis Wilson Court Social Club	2 social outings – Dial-A-Ride costs (spring and Christmas) and coach for summer trip to Hunstanton	Reduce social isolation by bringing together residents from diverse social origins and also reduce loneliness	20 Trumpington. All 60+ most with physical and mental health issues or disabilities,	Full cost: £500 Income: none	£500	£500
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £500 towards transport costs only					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £750 16-17: did not apply						
S7	Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall	Three community action days	Maintain the grounds of Cherry Hinton Hall as an attractive public space, helping to reduce anti-social behaviour. Provide an opportunity for those who feel socially isolated to undertake a shared task	20 Cherry Hinton. All ages	Full cost: £202 Income: none	£202	£202
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £202					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £100 16-17: £100						
S8	Hanover and Princess Court Resident's Association	Summer outing (55), September barbeque (55), Christmas event (110) and monthly craft sessions for local residents	Give those on low incomes or with no transport a seaside trip. May be their only opportunity to go or even leave Cambridge. Strengthen community cohesion and integration. Events on the doorstep for the benefit of the isolated and lonely. Increase self esteem	400 Trumpington. All ages	Full cost: £1,685 Income: £490 + reserves	£945	£945
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £945					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £976 16-17: £1,000						

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S9	Harvey Road Group (via Centre at St Paul's)	Trip to Paradise Wildlife Park for single mothers and their children	Bring families living at Harvey Road and the local area together. Reduce loneliness; broaden the community for new mums. Give children the experience of travelling by train and how to behave in public	20 Trumpington. Children aged 5 and under and their parents.	Full cost: £440 Income: £100	£340	£340
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £340					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £380		16-17: £340				

S10 Page 36	Huxley Group (via Centre at St Paul's)	Trip to Paradise Wildlife Park for local low income families	Reduce social isolation for low income families living in social housing. Many families are new to the area - give them the opportunity to make new friends	30 Trumpington. 20 children and 10 adults.	Full cost: £535 Income: £100+ reserves	£365	£365
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £365					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £396 16-17: £375						

S11	Oblique Arts	8 x 2 hour weekly creative writing workshops at Cherry Hinton Library	Positive changes to the neighbourhood; sense of wellbeing for all. Reduce social inequality by allowing local people to work with those in or after recovery, gaining understanding and respect for each other	12 (6 Cherry Hinton, 6 Queen Edith's). Aged 18-59 years. For people in recovery from alcohol/drug abuse	Full cost: £1,246 Income: £120	£1,126	£0
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £0. Activity not eligible					
	Previous 2 years funding: £17-18 £900 (Main) £600 (East), £1,560 (West) 16-17: unsuccessful North bid						

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S12	Romsey Mill	30 x targeted youth sessions at Clay Farm Centre for 10-18 year olds providing opportunities to get involved in sport, art, music and cooking, 3 trips and a 2 night residential	Reduce social isolation, increase confidence and self-esteem. Develop character, social skills and change perception of who they are and their aspirations; increasing resilience and self-efficacy. Increase confidence in working with groups and teams; express themselves creatively. More positively involved and integrated within their community. Achieve potential and become better role models	45 Trumpington. Aged 10-18 years	Full cost: £14,672 Income: £7,184 + reserves	£4,718	£4,718
S13	Trumpington Community Drama Group	40 week drama club at Trumpington Village Hall. Coach hire to see theatre performance and trip to see a local pantomime. Purchase of props, costumes, venue hire	Bring together children from all areas of Trumpington (old and new). Provide a positive and affordable activity for children in a safe place where they can develop social skills, friendships and improve self-esteem and confidence	57 Trumpington. All aged 7-16 years	Full cost: £4,100 Income: £3,125 + reserves	£925	£925

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award	
S14	Trumpington Meadows Community	Four community meetings at Trumpington Meadows School. Christmas event at Anstey Hall. Equipment for community events	Reduce social isolation. Trumpington Meadows is situated on outskirts of the city with limited leisure facilities. Improve social cohesion	500 Trumpington. 100 South Cambridgeshire All ages	Full cost: £2,325 Income: £1740 + reserves	£700	£700	
		Officer comment:	Recommend £700					
		Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £500 (New group)						

S15 Page 38	Trumpington Trips (sheltered by Age UK)	Four coach trips to the seaside primarily for older local residents	Affordable social activity for the low income elderly. Provide something to look forward to especially for those who struggle to get out. Increasing wellbeing. Reduce loneliness and isolation by providing a group to go with. Improve community cohesion by bringing together people of different ages and backgrounds and those living in the new communities	50 Trumpington, 2 Newnham Older people	Full cost: £2,468 Income: £1,234	£1,234	£1,234
	Officer comment:	Recommend: £1,234 towards coach hire only					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £800 16-17: £900						

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S16	Young People's Puppet Theatre	Puppet making project x 1 year with 1 class of 30 children from Bewick Bridge School plus performance for the local community	Access creative opportunities; develop creative skills that would otherwise not be possible. Develop social and life skills that will empower the children to become responsible members and even leaders of their local community. Learn to work in a close team to achieve a shared goal, improving their communication and teamwork skills	30 Cherry Hinton. Aged 5-12 years	Full cost: £5,754 Income: £2,754	£3,000	£0
	Officer comment	Recommend: £0. Activity not eligible - in school time					
	Previous 2 years funding: 17-18: £0 North bid 16-17 no bids						

Appendix 2: 2017-18 Awards

Organisation	Purpose	Award £
Cambridge & District Citizen's Advice	Outreach service	2,000
Cambridge Royal Albert Benevolent Society	Social event for frail elderly residents	370
Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise - Evelyn Charnley Memorial Lunch Club	Monthly older people's club with talks, music and exercise	713
Cherry Hinton Festival Society	Festival Day costs	1,735
Denis Wilson Court Social Club	Three trips; three events; Xmas Lunch	750
Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall	Three community action days	100
Hanover and Princess Court Resident's Association	Summer outing; barbeque; Christmas event; monthly craft sessions	976
Harvey Road Group	Day trip to wildlife park	380
Huxley Group	Day trip to wildlife park	396
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Community Action Morning	500
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Summer holiday children's sessions	130
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Annual public liability insurance and CCVS membership costs	220
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Two half day artist-led workshops removable artwork displayed at bus stop	500
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Specialist accessible gardening equipment	100
Queen Edith's Community Forum	Christmas event	100
Romsey Mill	Summer holiday children's sessions	2,070
Centre at St Paul's - Thursday Group	Three day trips	700
Trumpington Community Drama Group	Weekly term-time after school drama group	900
Trumpington Lunch Club (via Trumpington Resident's Association)	Fortnightly activity club	400
Trumpington Meadows Community	Four community meetings and equipment for an outdoor event	500
Trumpington Trips (via Age UK)	Four coach trips	800
Trumpington Youth Forum (via Trumpington Resident's Association)	One day Trumpington youth festival	550