



**Cambridge City Council  
North Area Committee**

**Date:** Thursday, 14 December 2017

**Time:** 6.30 pm

**Venue:** North Cambridge Academy, Arbury Road

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**Agenda**

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- 2 Declarations of Interest
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- 5 Open Forum
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**ITEMS FOR DECISION**

- 7 Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods (Pages 31 - 40)  
Lynda Kilkelly, Safer Communities Manager,  
Cambridge City Council
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John Richards, Project Manager  
Cambridge City Council

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

- 9 Cycling Projects Update  
Mike Davies, Cambridgeshire County Council
- 10 Update on Anti-Social Behaviour  
Sarah Steggles- Anti Social Behaviour Officer
- 11 Cambridge North Fringe East  
Stephen Kelly- Director of Planning and Economic Development

**City Councillors:** Bird (Chair), Todd-Jones (Vice-Chair), Abbott, Austin, Gawthrop, O'Reilly, Price, Sargeant, Sarris, Sheil, Smart and Tunnacliffe

**County Councillors:** Manning, Meschini and Scutt

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**NORTH AREA COMMITTEE**

14 September 2017

6.35 - 9.25 pm

**Present**

**Area Committee Members:** Councillors Bird (Chair), Abbott, Austin, Gawthrope, O'Reilly, Price, Sargeant, Sheil, Smart, Manning, Meschini and Scutt

**Officers:**

Head of Customer Services: Jonathan James

Operations Manager – Community Engagement and Enforcement: Wendy Young

Committee Manager: Emily Watts

**Other Officers in Attendance:**

Parking Policy Manager-Cambridgeshire County Council: Nicola Gardiner

Lead Technician-Cambridgeshire County Council: Gary Baldwin

Capital and Funding Manager- Cambridgeshire County Council: Paul Van de Bulk

Greenways Project Manager Cambridgeshire County Council: Simon Manville

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL****17/21/NAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors Todd-Jones, Sarris and Tunnacliffe.

**17/22/NAC Declarations Of Interest**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Interest</b>
Councillor Price	17/27/NAC 17/28/NAC	Personal- He is the Chair of the Greater Cambridge Partnership Assembly

**17/23/NAC Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## **17/24/NAC Matters and Actions arising from the Minutes**

The Action Sheet was noted and an updated copy could be viewed at the following link under 'Committee Action Sheet'.

<http://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=199&MId=3352&Ver=4>

## **17/25/NAC Open Forum**

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

- 1. Mr Yule raised the following issue:**
  - i. Was any action going to be taken over the forthcoming day time reduction in N Busway services?**

Councillor Sargeant confirmed that the City Council had no control over the operations of the Busway because it was a private company. Agreed that more control was needed over bus services in order to provide a more efficient and effective service. Stated that the Mayor of the Combined Authority had the power to franchise the bus service which would give more control over services but he had not exercised this yet.

- 2. Mr Nesbit asked:**
  - i. Could anything be done to get effective measures taken to stop the motorcycles and cars racing along Milton Road?**

Councillor Sargeant confirmed that he had been in email exchange with the Area Sargent. In order to do anything such as install a temporary speed camera the police required funding for extra resources. They had made a funding bid and were hopeful to hear back soon.

Councillor Austin raised a concern she had been receiving from residents, when calling to report racing vehicles the residents were asked to provide registration numbers. These were not possible and unrealistic to retrieve.

Councillor Price affirmed that this issue was experienced in areas all around the north of the city and moved as soon as police arrived in one area.

Councillor Manning stated that a group effort would be required to collectively report the issue and get it escalated as a priority.

**Action Point: Councillor Sargeant to chase Area Sargent to see if they had secured additional resources to tackle vehicles racing. Confirmed that he would escalate the issue to more senior officers if required.**

**3. Lillian Rundblad on behalf of HRARA asked:**

- i. Could the North Area Committee submit a Local Highway Improvement (LHI) bid requesting allocation of funds for improvements on Histon Road from the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee?**
- ii. The parking area on the junction between Histon Road and Windsor Road outside the shopping centre is often taken up with motorbikes which park all day taking up the spaces. Can provision be made to improve parking and safety and have a time limit like other short stay parking?**

Councillor Scutt said that she would discuss the issues with Lillian in the meeting break and refer back to committee

**Action Point: Councillor Scutt to investigate proposing an LHI Bid/request allocations of funds for locally led highway improvements of Histon Road from the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee.**

**Action Point: Councillor Scutt to investigate the scope to improve parking provision and safety in the car park on Histon Road /corner of Windsor Road junction.**

**4. Richard Taylor raised the following issues:**

- i. He had recently attended a meeting with residents of Garden Walk who wanted to raise awareness of the disruption they were being caused by the people living in supported accommodation on the same street. Could the committee keep track of the situation until it gets resolved?**
- ii. The Greater Cambridge Partnership had said that they would publish a timetable of Milton Road workshops online but this had not yet happened. He wanted to know which councillors would be involved and representing residents, they could then be lobbied.**

**iii. Asked whether Councillor Meschini would be accepting the Area Champion role that she had been offered given that she had previously protested about the increase in Councillor Allowances?**

Councillor Richards confirmed that she had attended the resident's association meeting at Garden Walk. Sanctuary Housing confirmed that they would take measures to alleviate the disruption. Staff would be working at night which was not previously the case. Local residents would also be given a phone number to contact if they were being disrupted. Moving the site of the supported living facility had also been considered. Councillor Richards would be monitoring the situation closely so would be able to feed back.

Councillor Meschini confirmed that she had been offered a role in the new Community Partnership Committee. Although she was not happy with the allowance involved she felt that she had no choice but to accept it. The role was an opportunity to champion many issues. The job description was still vague so she was waiting for more information.

**Action Point: Councillor Richards to provide an update on Garden Walk**

**17/26/NAC Parking Scheme Update**

The Committee received a verbal presentation from the Parking Policy Manager and Lead Technician from Cambridgeshire County Council on residents parking schemes.

The presentation outlined that a cross authority working group had been set up to review parking policy for Cambridgeshire. The review identified 26 areas across Cambridge as potential sites for residents parking schemes. 7 of the sites had been prioritised and 2 of these, named Victoria and Elizabeth fell into North Area. The project was still in its initial stages but if the forthcoming consultations supported the scheme then they would be progressed. Objections to the scheme would be considered by Cambridge Joint Area Committee. The County Council's aim was to implement the first round of schemes by autumn 2018.

A survey was also due to be commissioned and completed later this year to evaluate the impact of commuter parking around the Cambridge North Station site. The outcome would be shared with the local Councillors.

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

- i. They defended the work of Officers, affirming that their role was to carry out the technical work to assess safety. Highlighted that it would be the politicians who put pressure on the amount of parking spaces which may eventually be lost.
- ii. Stated that the Elizabeth scheme had been paused so that resident could explore caveats.
- iii. Stated that informal consultations with various community groups had been undertake already. It was established with the consensus of resident's that a parking scheme of some description would be beneficial.
- iv. Sought clarification of the stages to the consultation process and to confirm that they had not yet entered the formal statutory consultation stage.

Councillor Manning confirmed that he would send the dates of future parking scheme meetings to the Chair of North Area to publicise.

The Parking Policy Manager and Lead Technician said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Clarified the stages of the parking scheme process-
  1. Informal consultations, these had already been carried out. The Victoria Scheme was ready to go to public consultation stage in October 2017. The Elizabeth Scheme had been paused and was awaiting Councillor's responses regarding how they would like to proceed before it can move to the next stage.
  2. Public consultation, every household within the impacted areas wold be contacted with maps and the proposals and asked to feedback. If the feedback established support for a residents parking scheme then it could be progressed to the next stage of a statutory consultation. Feedback in opposition would be considered by Cambridge Joint Area Committee, the plans could then be amended if necessary.
  3. Statutory consultation.

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

1. **Felt that the term 'residents parking' was a misnomer because the reality of the proposals so far meant that the parking for residents would be hugely restricted.**

The Parking Policy Manager affirmed that when undertaking a parking review lots of factors needed to be considered such as public safety. For example, enough space needed to be left on the street to ensure emergency vehicles had access; this limited the amount of on street parking.

- 2. The maps of the proposal areas previously circulated had been very basic, the current ones looked a lot more detailed. Had the additional level of detail been accrued from further consultation which the public were not aware of?**

Councillor Manning confirmed that significant adjustment to the Elizabeth Scheme had been made so this Scheme was on hold. Once the residents had been consulted further he would report back to committee.

**ACTION POINT: Councillor Manning to report back to committee with an update on the Elizabeth parking scheme.**

- 3. A member of Hurst Park Resident's Association had undertaken their own informal consultation. Since then more detailed information from the County Council had appeared which they had not been consulted upon. What degree of flexibility was there for the plans? Additionally, had the budget for the changes already been secured?**

Councillor Scutt stated that the money was available for the purposes of the consultation. She apologised that proper notification about the informal consultation with community groups had not been properly publicised.

The Parking Policy Manager confirmed that the detailed drawing had been created to identify the areas under focus, it formed a starting point for the public consultation but there was still scope to refine the plans. Once the initial plans for the Elizabeth Scheme had been signed off from Councillors all residents in the impacted areas would be contacted with the plans to allow them to have their say.

- 4. Stated that any Residents Parking Scheme would not get rid of the problem created by commuter parking, it would just displace the**



**problem. Measures needed to be taken to tackle long term commuter parking before any other changes were made.**

Councillor Richards highlighted the need for flexibility for the scheme. This would involve as much public involvement and willingness to contribute as possible in order to move forward together to find solutions.

### **17/27/NAC Transport Proposals for Histon and Milton Road**

The Committee received a verbal presentation from the Capital and Funding Manager from Cambridgeshire County Council regarding proposals for Milton and Histon Road.

The presentation provided an update on both schemes. The Executive Board had approved the concept design for Milton Road, they were now at the preferred option design phase. The Histon Road scheme would be delivered behind Milton Road, a resolution would be going to the Executive Board soon for agreement to move the scheme forward. A number of workshops were due to be held over the next few months to discuss topics such as bus stop design and location, crossings and trees/ landscaping.

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

- i. Queried whether the dates of the workshop would be publicised online?
- ii. Asked if the Cam Sight representatives could be invited to the next Milton Road workshop to discuss the bus stop design?

The Capital and Funding Managers aid the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Confirmed that he would ensure the workshop dates would be published online.
- ii. Confirmed that another workshop to discuss bus stops on Milton Road had not been planned, however he agreed that it was important for Cam Sight to be involved in the design of the bus stops.

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

#### **1. What changes would be made to the parking situation on Milton Road? How many spaces would be lost?**

The Capital and Funding Manager confirmed that a parking survey would need to be undertaken to assess the impact. The same would also be undertaken for Histon Road.

- 2. Suggested including signs and some kind of noise indicators on the crossings to make it easier for blind or partially sighted people to cross the road.**

### **17/28/NAC Cycle Greenways Project**

The Committee received a verbal presentation from the Greenways Project Manager, regarding the Cambridge Greenways Project.

The presentation outlined the 12 proposed routes. The project was designed to connect the villages surrounding Cambridge through a cohesive network for pedestrians, cyclists and equine riders. The project was currently going through its pre consultation stage; this involved holding meetings in various locations to gain public input and feedback. Once completed, the designs would be drawn up and a public consultation on the preferred options would be undertaken.

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

- i. Sought clarification regarding how the Waterbeach route would connect to Milton Road?
- ii. Queried why the routes/paths would not be completely segregated from roads?
- iii. Stated that it may be difficult for cyclists and pedestrians to both use the routes together, this could be dangerous. Asked whether the routes would be lit up?

The Greenways Project Manager said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. The Waterbeach connection would travel via Cambridge North Station to Milton Road and on to the Chisholm Trail.
- ii. The route would encompass small roads, making entirely separate routes/ paths would be incredibly costly.
- iii. Confirmed that the paths would be wide and could potentially include white separation lines to stop collisions between cyclists and pedestrians. Lighting would be costly to have along all the routes so it would be strategically placed in areas where it was most beneficial.

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

- 1. Raised concern regarding the Waterbeach route, it should be west of the railway otherwise part of it would go through a floodplain and would be unusable in the winter.**

The Greenways Project Manager confirmed that they wanted the routes to be as direct as possible and welcomed all suggestions for improvements.

- 2. Stated that a line in the center of the path wouldn't be effective because not everyone adheres to them. It was difficult to get a balance but still having some pedestrian only paths would be nice and less risky.**

The Greenways Project Manager highlighted that the whole aim of the scheme was to reduce vehicle congestion so the key focus was on cycle provision. Suggestions for alternative solutions would be useful though.

### **17/29/NAC Environmental Report - NAC**

The Committee received a report from the Operations Manager – Community Engagement and Enforcement.

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

The Committee discussed the following issues:

- i. Commented on the impressive reduction in fly tipping in Kings Hedges.
- ii. Referred to the increase in wheels being dumped in Arbury Court, asked whether the bike shop situated close to the location had been contacted in relation to this?
- iii. Stated that the 2 additional bins on the corner of Northampton Street installed as part of a trial had been really beneficial and wanted them to stay permanently.
- iv. Asked whether it was possible for the City Council to do anything about the removal of the advertising banners which hung from the Student Castle on Milton Road?

Members of the public raised the following issues:

- i. Stated that there were not enough refuse bins in relation to the number of flats on Cockerel Road.
- ii. Raised concern that at recycling points the bins were often overflowing. Could they be emptied more frequently or could solar Big Belly bins be installed so that they are emptied when needed?

In response to Members' questions the Operations Manager – Community Engagement and Enforcement said the following:

- i. Confirmed that she would check if the bike shop had been contacted with regard to the fly tipping of tyres in the area.
- ii. Would consider the bins on Northampton Street being installed permanently once the trial was over.
- iii. Stated that she could not comment on the bins on Cockerel Road or the capacity of the Waste Service to make more collections. Confirmed that she would pass the message on to the correct team.
- iv. Confirmed that she would ask the Recycling Team to check the frequency of collections.
- v. Stated that the advertising banners at Student Caste would be an issue for the Planning Enforcement Team.

North Area resolved to revise Priority 2 *nem con*:

Added- St Albans Recreation Ground, Scotland Road area (including alleyways), Searle Street area

### **The Committee resolved unanimously to prioritise:**

#### Priority 1

Enforcement patrols to tackle fly tipping on communal archways and green areas at Minerva Way area (including Augustus Close, Hercules Close, Neptune Close and Apollo Way), Arbury Court, Hazelwood/Molewood Close area, Church Street recycling centre, *Crathern Way / Cameron Way, Cockerell Road, Dundee Close and Sackville / Aragon Close recycling areas*

#### Priority 2

Patrols to address dog fouling on Chesterton Recreation Ground, St Albans Recreation Ground, Scotland Road area (including alleyways), Searle Street area and Molewood / Hazelwood Close area including early mornings, evenings and weekends.

Priority 3

Enforcement patrols to tackle abandoned vehicles across the East Chesterton ward

Priority 4

Enforcement patrols to deal with illegal camping at Logan's Meadows

The meeting ended at 9.25 pm

**CHAIR**

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# Agenda Item 4

ACTION	LEAD OFFICER/ MEMBER AND TIMESCALE	PROGRESS
<p><b>14/26/NAC</b> - Tree roots opposite Co-op Green End Road causing trip hazard</p>	<p>Councillor Manning</p>	<p><b>Update:</b> Additional tree has been added to the list for remedial work but the item is still on-going. Further update: given the cost and the fact that there is now an EIP in that area, and a project I have got added to the Northern Area Corridor Transport Plan pot, it will be done as part of one of these. Officers have confirmed this won't affect either project (in terms of adding extra cost or stopping elements from being done).</p> <p><b>Update 15 December 2016 Cllr Manning</b> City Deal scheme may go forward in January 2017. Maybe resolved by March? Retain on action sheet for the present.</p> <p><b>Update 14 September 2017 Cllr Manning</b> The work is split into 3 sections, it has not been completed yet so retaining on Action Sheet to ensure it is monitored. <b>Cllr Bird:</b> Understood that removing the roots was due to begin soon. <b>A member of the public</b> affirmed that the work would not start until 2018 because of other work being undertaken in the surrounding area by Greater Cambridge Partnership. Retain for further rupdate.</p>
<p><b>15/4/NAC Q2</b> To investigate with property services: area around Tesco's continues to be</p>	<p>Councillor Price</p>	<p>Property Services are in the process of renewing the lease to Tesco and as part of this they will be leased an additional area at the rear of the shops where their cages are and will be erecting a simple store with flat roof</p>

<p>untidy. There is a large, uncovered, wire cage style litter bin, and rubbish gets blown about.</p>		<p>(subject to landlord's approval of the design and planning approval). Their cages will be installed in the area and this should be tidier and eliminate blown rubbish. The rear access road is just for Tesco and the takeaway for deliveries but not, longer term parking. The tenants are responsible to ensure the access is not blocked and control rubbish etc. We will pick up these issues with them.</p> <p><b>16 June 2015</b> Retrospective planning application on-going.</p> <p><b>Update 10<sup>th</sup> September Councillor Price</b> Councillor Price stated that work to improve was underway. He would push to have the double yellow lines in the area reinstated.</p> <p><b>Update 31 March Councillor Price</b> The area had been re-surfaced recently and was waiting to hear when lines would be re-instated. There had been no complaints about rubbish and wanted to retain until the lines had been re-instated.</p> <p><b>Update 15 December 2016 Cllr Price</b> Retain on action sheet until the lines had been re-instated.</p> <p><b>Update 14 September 2017 Cllr Price</b> Still waiting for a date to be confirmed for the yellow lines to be painted.</p>
<p><b>16/19/NAC</b> Meadows Community Centre</p>	<p>Jackie Hanson to have dialogue with Histon and Impington Parish Council with</p>	<p><b>Update 9 June</b> Cllr Todd-Jones undertook to investigate further.</p> <p><b>Update 15 December 2016 Cllr</b></p>



	regards to Meadows Community Centre.  Mike Todd- Jones	<b>Todd-Jones</b> Undertook to investigate further as no information available to date.  <b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Todd-Jones</b> Discussions with Jackie Hanson had been undertaken but she had no specific comments to make at this time. This is likely to be because the response may be subject to the outcome of the Community Center Review. Retain on action sheet for the present.
<b>16/43/NAC Q1</b> Milton Road pavement and road surface in need of repair.	Ward Cllrs (City and County) to action together	<b>Update 15 December 2016 Cllr Scutt</b> City and County Councillors are working together with Milton Road Local Liaison Forum to address issues. There is funding available from the City Deal to make improvements. Retain on action sheet for the present.  <b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> White painted circles had been seen around the areas of damage so although specific confirmation had not been received, it looked like work was being initiated. A full report would be sought. Retain on action sheet for the present.  <b>Update 14 September 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> Spray paint marks for minor maintenance had been undertaken, repair work would begin by specialist contractors in the next few weeks.
<b>16/43/NAC Q5</b> Pavements to Arbury Road in poor state of repair. Raise as priority.	Cllr Scutt and Cllr Onasanya	Contact cycle team about this matter  <b>Update 15 December 2016 Cllr Scutt</b> County Officers looked at Arbury Road pavement; it is not in a state where the County Council can justify making

		<p>repairs due to budget restrictions. Cllr Scutt to look at alternative funding sources to undertake work. Retain on action sheet for the present.</p> <p><b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> County Council are still not able to undertake repairs because the degree of damage does not meet the threshold.</p> <p><b>Update 23 June 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> The works for Phase 2 of the Arbury Road cycleway scheme (between St Albans Road and North Cambridge Academy), the footways will include improving/resurfacing the footways. In the substandard stretch next to Arbury Court, the footway will be fully segregated from the cycleway by a kerb. Improving the footways is very much part of the cycleway scheme.</p> <p><b>Update 14 September 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> Confirmed that she was meeting with County officers in the next few weeks so will feed back at the next area committee.</p>
<p><b>16/49/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Councillor Todd-Jones to liaise with Ambulance Service to ensure Emergency Services have a comprehensive list of defibrillators stored in community buildings across the city.</p>	<p>Cllr Todd-Jones</p>	<p>Committee Manager note: Cllr Gillespie is following this up for West Area</p> <p><b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Todd-Jones</b> A cross party group (Involving Cllr's Todd-Jones, Gillespie, McPherson and Moore) had plans to organise a formal meeting with Officers to take the issue forward. The meeting had been delayed because of the recent elections.</p>

<p><b>16/49/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Ward Councillors to liaise with Mr Bond regarding replacement of damaged middle bollard on St Andrew's Recycle path</p>	<p>Cllr Manning</p>	<p><b>Update 22 June 2017</b> No feedback at present, the delay had been caused by recent elections. More information will be provided during the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>16/49/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Cllr Scutt to check lighting levels in the Hawks/Campkin Road area in response to residents' concerns (raised by Mrs Harris)</p>	<p>Cllr Scutt</p>	<p><b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> There had been communication with the team however it had proved difficult to gauge lighting levels during the summer months. An updated report will follow in the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Update 23 June 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> The lighting on Hawkins Road/Campkin Road had been reviewed, the street lighting on both roads was replaced recently as part of the street lighting replacement project. The lighting on both roads was replaced as a one for one replacement scheme to provide lighting levels equivalent to the existing lighting that was removed with the added benefit of the new lights using lanterns that provide a white light. The maintenance records for both roads had been checked and confirmed that there was no other outstanding fault reports for lights not working for either Campkin or Hawkins Road. The system does show that two street lights are programmed to be replaced in Hawkins Road but the lights are still fully operational and the replacement works are programmed to be completed by the 30th June.</p>

		<p><b>Update 14 September 2017 Cllr Price</b> Confirmed that the work was supposed to be completed by 30 June 2017. There had been no reports that it had or had not been completed, will investigate further.</p>
<p><b>16/49/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Cllr Todd-Jones to follow up with John Parrott about lack of light concerns in the Borrowdale bus shelter (raised by Ms Rundblad).</p>	<p>Cllr Todd-Jones</p>	<p><b>Update 2 March 2017 Cllr Manning</b> There has been some liaison between city and county contacts. It has been confirmed this is a City Council responsibility, officers will follow this up. As will Cllr Manning</p> <p><b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Todd-Jones</b> Alternative lighting suggestions (e.g. luminated advertising signage) had been received from Ms Rundblad and will be put forward along with other suggestions in continued communication with John Parrott. We await a formal response.</p> <p><b>Update 14 September 2017 Lillian Rundblad</b> Had liaised with John Parrott who confirmed that solar lights were being sourced and would be fitted before the winter time.</p>
<p><b>16/50/NAC</b> <u>Police and Safer Neighbourhoods</u></p> <p>Sgt Misik to clarify reasons for increase in cycle thefts in West Chesterton.</p>	<p>Lynda Kilkelly Cllr Austin</p>	<p><b>Update 22/12/16: Sgt Misik</b> has emailed Cllr Sargeant: Had a look through the crime figure for the last 6 months to look for a pattern in the cycle thefts. There are two main areas which have had above average levels of theft of bike and these were Manhattan drive and the various Uni Boat houses. These two locations account for around 15% of the theft of cycles for the ward.</p> <p>Neither of these two locations are that surprising as there is increased</p>

		<p>number of cycles in the area.</p> <p><b>22 June 2017 Update from Sgt Misik</b> Confirmed cycle theft had increased in areas with high volumes of unattended cycles but this was to be expected. No particular pattern of theft had been occurring.</p> <p><b>14 September 2017 Cllr Austin</b> Updated that calls to 101 number were not showing much interest into cycle thefts even though there continues to be an increase. She would investigate further and report back.</p>
<p><b>16/50/NAC</b> <u>Police and Safer Neighbourhoods</u></p> <p>Cllr Todd-Jones to follow up with Police Mr Taylor's request for breakdown of assault figures in police area committee report as they committed to do for West Area.</p>	<p>Cllr Todd-Jones Lynda Kilkelly</p>	<p>Sgt Misik suggested at WCAC that the new format would be rolled out to all area committees.</p> <p><b>Update 22 December 16:</b> Sgt Misik has spoken with the Chief Inspector around the breakdown of the assault data that was discussed at the area committee and as I expected he said the it is intention to review the data provided to all the committees and he hopes to be able to split the assault data into assaults with injury and those without.</p>
<p><b>16/50/NAC</b> <u>Police and Safer Neighbourhoods</u></p> <p>Cllr O'Reilly to liaise with Police on a more user-friendly method of reporting online hate crime.</p>	<p>Cllr O'Reilly Lynda Kilkelly</p>	<p><b>Update Louise Walbank</b> The Community Cohesion officer was in contact with the Police Hate Crime Tactical Group and attended a monthly meeting with Dean Wiffin from Police HQ. He would raise the issue at the next meeting and update the Area Committee on any further improvements. Online Hate Crime could be reported directly at a police station or on online through the True Vision website. The website was used nationally and was</p>

		<p>dedicated to reporting all types of hate crime. The site had gone through improvements and was much more customer friendly than when it was first launched. Once an online report was made, the nearest constabulary would be notified of the complaint and a local police person would follow up the report.</p> <p><b>14 September 2017 Cllr Manning</b> Forms for reporting hate crime were available on the police website. Needed to check if the submissions were anonymous, would investigate and report back.</p>
<p><b>16/50/NAC</b> <u>Police and Safer Neighbourhoods</u></p> <p>Cllr Todd-Jones to follow up with Police and residents' regarding drug dealing in the Bermuda Flats area.</p>	<p>Cllr Todd-Jones Lynda Kilkelly</p>	<p><b>Update Louise Walbank</b> Discussed this with Sgt Misik and offered to do a letter drop in the area or a talk to residents. Sgt Misik however said that the police would do some plain clothes work in the area so was decided to leave the police to do this work and Cllr Todd-Jones was updated</p> <p><b>Update 22 June 2017 Cllr Todd-Jones</b> Planning to arrange a meeting with the police, City Council officers, Citi Homes North and the Community Safety Team to discuss the issue further. Report to follow.</p>
<p><b>17/17/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Cllr Todd-Jones to liaise with Mayfield School and Highways Officers about submitting an LHI bid for double yellow lines on</p>	<p>Cllr Todd-Jones</p>	<p><b>14 September 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> Confirmed that she and Mrs Rundblad had done a site visit with a County Officer (and in consultation with Cllr Todd Jones) so they should have it in hand.</p>

<p>Carisbrooke Road is reponse to the questions raised by Ms Rundblad HRARA.</p>		
<p><b>17/17/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u> Cllr Scutt to report back after the next County Highways Committee meeting regarding whether the second half of French's Road will be repaired. (Raised by Kay)</p>	<p>Cllr Scutt</p>	<p><b>14 September 2017 Cllr Scutt</b> Confirmed that the first section of French's Road up to Bermuda Road had been repaired. The latter section was not considered to be in such a bad condition but been included in a bid to implement a micro asphalt scheme in 2018/19. Officers do not know if the bid had been successful yet but would confirm once they do, would report back on findings.</p>
<p><b>17/17/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u> Cllr Meschini to look into the possibility of applying for a HI Bid to ban parking on the grass verges on Milton Road. (Raised by Ms Taylor)</p>	<p>Cllr Meschini</p>	<p><b>14 September 2017 Cllr Meschini</b> Confirmed that she was working on the LHI bid and would give an update on its progress.</p>
<p><b>17/17/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u> Cllr Sarris to liaise with Executive Cllr Rosy Moore to establish whether a risk assessment had been undertaken</p>	<p>Cllr Sarris</p>	

<p>on the public health impact of waste disposal in hot weather.</p>		
<p><b>17/25/NAC</b>  <u>Open Forum</u>  Cllr Scutt to investigate proposing an LHI Bid/ request allocations of funds for locally led highway improvements of Histon Road from the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee. Requested from Lilian Rundblad on behalf of HRARA.</p>	<p>Cllr Scutt</p>	
<p><b>17/25/NAC</b>  <u>Open Forum</u>  Cllr Scutt to investigate the scope to improve parking provision and safety in the car park on Histon Road /corner of Windsor Road junction. Requested from Lilian Rundblad on behalf of HRARA.</p>	<p>Cllr Scutt</p>	
<p><b>17/25/NAC</b>  <u>Open Forum</u>  Cllr Sargeant to</p>		



<p>chase police to see if they had secured additional resources to tackle vehicles racing on a series of roads, e.g. Milton Road.</p>	<p>Cllr Sargeant</p>	
<p><b>17/25/NAC</b> <u>Open Forum</u> Cllr Richards to provide an update on disruption in Garden Walk</p>	<p>Cllr Richards</p>	
<p><b>17/26/NAC</b> Cllr Manning to report back on any adjustments made to the parking review.</p>	<p>Cllr Manning</p>	

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## CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

### Officer Record of Decision

<b>MILTON ROAD LIBRARY COMMUNITY FACILITIES</b>
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**Decision of:** Jackie Hanson, Community Funding and Development Manager, in consultation with Chair, Vice-Chair and Opposition Spokes of the North Area Committee

**Reference:** 17/NAC/S106/04

**Date of decision:** 28.11.17                      **Recorded on:** 04.12.17

**Decision Type:** S106

**Matter for Decision:** North Area Committee 6.2.14 allocated up to £100,000 of devolved S106 community facilities funding for the development of community facilities alongside a library in a new building on the site of current Milton Road Library (subject to project appraisal and community use grant agreement).

The new building will have a dedicated community space (60m<sup>2</sup>), including a well-equipped meeting room, with kitchenette facilities.

In addition the library will be equipped with fully mobile furniture, enabling a bigger combined area (250-300m<sup>2</sup>) to host community activities outside library opening hours.

Capital Programme Board approved the business case for the above project on 7.11.17.

**To approve the funding for the above project subject to the receipt of a signed community use grant agreement.**

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):**

- North Area Committee prioritised this project on 6.2.14
- The Capital Programme Board approved the business case on 7.11.17
- To progress the community use grant agreement and funding confirmation to enable the project to commence and be completed late 2018

**Decision(s):**

Agreed the community facilities funding subject to a signed grant agreement.

**Reasons for the decision:**

As set above

**Scrutiny consideration:**

Chair, Vice Chair and Spokes of North Area Committee were consulted

**Conflicts of interest:**

No conflicts of interest were declared

**Comments:**

This S106 decision will be reported back to the next North Area Committee.

# Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City North Neighbourhood

December 2017



**Paul Rogerson, Safer  
Neighbourhoods  
Inspector**

**Lynda Kilkelly, Safer  
Communities Manager,  
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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 ongoing 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 of May 2017 to October 2017, compared to the previous six months (November 2016 to April 2017) and the same six months last year (May 2016 to October 2016); and
- Information provided by the Safer Neighbourhood Policing team and the City Council's Safer Communities team.

## 2 CURRENT PRIORITIES

At the North Area Committee meeting of 22 June 2017, the committee recommended adopting the following priorities:

- ❑ Child sexual exploitation
- ❑ Anti-social behaviour around Fen Road; and
- ❑ Road safety with specific reference to Arbury Road, Gilbert Road, Fen Road and Kings Hedges Road.

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.

<b>Child sexual exploitation</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	To work towards identifying and safeguarding victims and potential victims of Child Sexual Exploitation.
<b>Action Taken</b>	The work on this has primarily been lead by the PCSOs on the team and has been twofold. They have been conducting routine patrols of areas where people who are involved might be identified, be this outside the schools at the end of the school days or in the various green spaces around the north of the city. As well as these patrols they have been reinforcing the working relationship with our partners, most noticeably the secondary schools in the area. Whilst there are already established safeguarding protocols in place this grass roots level of communication has proved to be useful and has highlighted a number of concerns not solely about Child Sexual Exploitation but around wider safeguarding issues.
<b>Current Situation</b>	This work is ongoing and will continue.
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

<b>Anti-social behaviour around Fen Road</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	To address issues of Anti-Social behaviour around the area of Fen Road.
<b>Action Taken</b>	A number of different tactics have been used in the area over the reporting period to deal with the different types of ASB that have been ongoing in the area. The police have been supported by the Special Constabulary in conducting patrols of the area to address a wide range of issues and they have had

	<p>some success including issuing warnings to vehicles being driven in an Anti-Social manner under section 59 of the Police Reform Act (2002). A Speed watch scheme has also been set up around the area and has had some success.</p> <p>There has also been a number of high visibility police patrols conducted of the area not only of the road itself but of a number of areas surrounding it, such as the surrounding estates and green spaces.</p> <p>Unfortunately this doesn't mean that there have been no issues in the area over the reporting period. However, when crime and disorder is reported it is dealt with promptly. A prime example of this is the recent spate of damages which have taken place around the East Chesterton area which was originally identified by our Volume Crime team. This was then treated as a high priority for the team to address and deal with.</p> <p>The City Council's Safer Communities team have been working with residents in the Water Lane area of Fen Road to tackle reports of problematic youths. The Redeployable camera was requested and installed. Unfortunately the camera was vandalised and upon further consideration by the CCTV specialist, the lamppost was deemed to not be high enough for a camera and there isn't another suitable in that area. The Safer Communities team are continuing to work with residents and looking at alternative solutions.</p> <p>The Police and the Safer Communities team continue to work in partnership to work towards sustainable solutions to the issues.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	There continues to be issues within the area and is discussed weekly at the Partnership Meetings.
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Lynda Kilkelly, Safer Communities Manager, Cambridge City Council / Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

<b>Road safety with specific reference to Arbury Road, Gilbert Road, Fen Road and Kings Hedges Road</b>	
<b>Objective</b>	To deal with the increased reports of Anti-Social driving and road Safety in highlighted areas.
<b>Action Taken</b>	A number of different departments have been working towards this priority. The North team have received support from the Road Policing unit, the Special Constabulary as well as the wider policing team within in the city. There have been a number of successes: A number of vehicles have been issued



	<p>with warnings under section 59 and vehicles have also been seized for not having the appropriate documents, mostly for no insurance. A good example of this is the work which saw two mopeds seized from one person and they ended up being summonsed to court for a number of different offences related to his use of a vehicle he should have not been riding.</p> <p>As well as this work we have also been carrying out targeted high visibility patrolling to deter this kind of behaviour and other road traffic issues.</p>
<b>Current Situation</b>	There has been a marked reduction in the number of reports of Anti-Social Driving reported to the constabulary. Road Safety remains one of the core functions of the team.
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

### **3 PRO-ACTIVE WORK & EMERGING ISSUES**

#### **Cambridgeshire Constabulary**

Over the reporting period there have continued to be issues in the area of Fen road as previously mentioned in the report. As well as this there have been a number of reports of anti-social behaviour and crime around the Brownsfield Community Centre.

#### **Cambridge City Council**

The Safer Communities team continues to work with individual residents and communities across the north of the city to tackle nuisance and anti-social behaviour. The team served three Notices of Seeking Possession to council tenants where there has been identified persistent nuisance behaviour, one council tenant signed a tenancy undertaking and two individuals were asked to sign an Acceptable Behaviour Contract (ABC).

Three existing ABCs were reviewed and successfully completed because the behaviour of the individuals had improved significantly.

The Safer Communities team continue to work with the police and the residents in the Akeman Street area and are taking enforcement action where appropriate. The team is working to encourage residents to report incidents of anti-social behaviour to strengthen any enforcement action that is being pursued.

The Safer Communities team attended a Garden Walk residents' meeting that Metropolitan Housing organised to give advice and reassurance about concerns of nuisance and anti-social behaviour that had been raised.

There were reports of fires being set by a group of children at the start of the summer at Brownsfield Community Centre. The Safer Communities team contacted the Fire Service who conducted regular patrols in the area. The Safer Communities Team spoke to Years 4, 5 and 6 at Shirley School about anti-social behaviour before the summer holidays.

Recently there have been reports of more anti-social behaviour at Brownsfield Community Centre. The Safer Communities team are liaising with the Brownsfield Manager to identify those responsible for the nuisance behaviour. Once identified, the Safer Communities team will work with the police and other agencies to address the behaviour of the individuals.

The Safer Communities team have organised a multi-agency task group to examine concerns that a small number of individuals across the city are targeting adults at risk and exploiting them by taking over their properties. This is an on-going piece of work, and the Team will continue to work with the police and other agencies to explore solutions to this issue.

**4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**CURRENT CRIME & ASB INCIDENT LEVELS BY WARD**

			Dwelling Burglary	Other Burglary	Violent Crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	TOTAL CRIME	TOTAL ASB
<b>AREA</b>	<b>City North</b>	May 17 – Oct 17	124	68	475 (81)	23	24	157	204	97	203	499	1874	718
		Nov 16 – Apr 17	67	69	400 (91)	23	31	184	146	111	221	458	1710	556
		May 16 – Oct 16	110	68	413 (96)	24	25	77	186	68	199	379	1549	763
<b>WARDS</b>	<b>Arbury</b>	May 17 – Oct 17	29	21	103 (18)	7	9	41	48	29	54	146	487	156
		Nov 16 – Apr 17	14	15	83 (14 with injury)	5	6	45	31	32	44	121	396	122
		May 16 – Oct 16	25	14	111 (24)	7	5	14	43	15	49	100	383	200
	<b>East Chesterton</b>	May 17 – Oct 17	33	16	139 (23)	3	6	33	31	12	55	132	460	124
		Nov 16 – Apr 17	16	23	99 (22 with injury)	3	8	36	27	4	52	105	373	131
		May 16 – Oct 16	26	19	91 (26 with injury)	3	11	24	30	5	53	84	346	192
	<b>King's Hedges</b>	May 17 – Oct 17	38	22	155 (31 with injury)	9	5	40	48	42	51	133	543	273
		Nov 16 – Apr 17	21	10	142 (37 with injury)	5	9	66	37	52	59	123	524	187
		May 16 – Oct 16	28	14	129 (33 with injury)	8	4	26	22	36	63	113	443	204
	<b>West Chesterton</b>	May 17 – Oct 17	24	9	78 (9 with injury)	4	4	43	77	14	43	88	384	165
		Nov 16 – Apr 17	16	21	76 (18 with injury)	10	8	37	51	23	66	109	417	116
		May 16 – Oct 16	31	21	82 (13 with injury)	6	5	13	91	12	34	82	377	167

## **5 RECOMMENDATIONS**

**There are 6 recommendations of which the Committee is asked to nominate their Top 3 for focus over the coming months.**

1. Fen Road ASB: There continues to be issues around this area and as such it continues to be a recommendation. The work around this area would be targeted patrolling in the area and continued work with partners.
2. Brownsfield Community Centre ASB: There is currently a developing trend in the area of ASB. This work would be around target patrolling and work with partners around any identified offenders.
3. Dwelling Burglary: The figures show an increase in the number of offences over the previous six months. This work will be in support of the Burglary team and would be around targeted patrolling of locations across the area which are subject to dwelling burglary.
4. County Line drug dealing. There continues to be areas on the North of the City where people are being put at risk but this kind of activity. The work around this would be around highlighting vulnerable people and dealing with offenders.
5. Road Safety. This is a core role for the team and this would be an increase number of patrols around this issue.
6. Safeguarding Young People. This is a key function of the team and this adaption of the CSE priority previously set. The work around this Priority would be working in partnership with other agencies to identify and deal with identified risks. This would cover CSE and other types of risk.



Item

## Environmental Improvement Programme

**To:**

North Area Committee                      14 December 2017

**Report by:**

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**Wards affected:**

Arbury, East Chesterton, Kings Hedges, West Chesterton

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### Non-Key Decision:

#### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report reviews progress in delivering the Council's Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP) within North area and outlines decisions needed around future spending priorities.

#### 2. Recommendations

The North Area Committee is recommended to:

1. Note progress, and delays where experienced, in delivering the identified programme of projects since 2011-12
2. Support the allocation of £6,616 in 2017-18 towards the provision of 40 summer hanging baskets in Chesterton High Street and Campkin Road
3. Determine whether to continue to pursue those projects that have proven problematic (as listed in paragraphs 5.4 and Appendic C)

4. Determine whether to continue with a project to improve the environment within Craister Court
5. Consider the allocation of remaining EIP funding available in 2017-18 to further project applications
6. Approve those projects selected 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.

### **3. Background**

- 3.1. The creation of direct, lasting and noticeable improvements to the appearance of the public realm environment has been at the heart of the Council's Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP) since its introduction in 2004. The programme is supported up to and including year 2018-19 with an annual capital budget which is split across the council's four areas depending on population, with devolved decision making to Area Committees to allocate the budget available to project applications each year.
- 3.2 The programme application form and eligibility criteria are attached at **Appendix B.**



#### **4. Review of Principal Achievements**

- 4.1 Since 2011-12, some 37 projects have been allocated EIP funding in North area with a good spread across each of the four wards. Of these, 25 (68%) have been completed, two abandoned, two are on-hold and 8 not fully completed. Development and delivery of the programme has been undertaken by the Council's Streets and Open Spaces service, in conjunction with Cambridgeshire County Council's highways teams, as necessary.
- 4.2 Progress in implementing previous programme commitments is outlined in **Appendix C**. Some of these have been dependent on staffing availability within the County Council's highways service and other permissions necessary, and regrettably there have been delays in the completion of some projects.
- 4.3 A review of the programme was undertaken during 2015 to put more emphasis on smaller, community supported projects that can be developed and delivered more quickly. Applications for projects relating to core transport or highways functions, and infrastructure, are now encouraged via the County Council's Local Highways Improvements (LHI) programme. These amendments have, on the whole, assisted delivery since 2015 with steady progress and associated budget spend being achieved.

#### **5. Scrutiny of Programme Delivery and Value**

- 5.1 Whilst the programme is funded for the current year and provisionally next, the Council has been reviewing its spending priorities and has consequently further sought to ensure good value through its investment in environmental improvements. Delivery has generally been good across the four areas and the projects well received, but the complexity and dependencies involved with some have presented challenges that have proven difficult to overcome. This has had a consequent disproportionate impact on staffing resource in comparison with other programme work.
- 5.2 Efficient delivery of the Environmental Improvement Programme across all areas in recent years has led to savings against project allocations each year. Additionally, some projects have been abandoned, or

become delayed. The overall effect is that significant capital reserves have built up in all areas. Some projects, however, have contributed towards an increase in revenue operating costs.

- 5.3 The Council is currently undertaking a service review of Streets and Open Spaces with the objectives of raising standards, improving delivery and reducing duplication and operating costs. It has become clear that, moving forward, environmental improvements might be better focused towards achieving broader corporate and service objectives.
- 5.4 In light of this, the Council's Senior Leadership Team (SLT) / Executive have been considering the best way forward with some ten projects city-wide, along with some potential further adaptations to ensure best value from future programme investment. Within North area, Executive Councillors have requested that the following schemes be reported back to the Area Committee seeking a steer on whether they should continue to be pursued, or alternatively abandoned with un-used funds becoming available for re-allocation to further projects:

**North Area:**

(References numbers as schemes listed in Appendix C)

(19) - Green End Road pedestrian crossing (£2,500) – review in light of developing Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) proposals

(20) - Green End Road tree planting (£8,500) - review in light of developing GCP proposals

- 5.5 A project to improve the environment within Craister Court (listed as scheme 11 in Appendix C), in Kings Hedges ward, although apparently previously abandoned, may still be considered needed.

**6. 2017-18 Year Applications**

- 6.1 The budget available to develop and deliver new EIP projects across North area was reduced from £59,200 in 2014-15 to £50,320 annually from 2016 to 2020. This is in order to support the city-wide £30,000 contribution to ensure an LHI programme can be delivered across Cambridge, where the majority of costs involved are met by the County Council. Further, some £6,612 of the annual budget has been allocated

in recent years to support the provision of summer hanging baskets in Chesterton High Street and, more latterly, in Campkin Road.

- 6.2 There is, however, a significant capital reserve in North area rolled forward from previous years. Whilst the exact position is dependent of the final costs of schemes currently being delivered and recharges processed, latest estimates suggest this could be in the region of £35,000. Overall, therefore, there may be in the region of £80,000 available for allocation to new projects in North area from this year.
- 6.3 Applications for new EIP projects were invited between July and September 2017; with a significant number of new suggestions submitted within North area. Each has been assessed by officers for eligibility and practicality; including an estimate of the likely costs involved in delivering those projects considered, at this stage, to be potentially feasible. The 21 potential new projects are listed in the table attached as **Appendix A**.
- 6.4 A suggestion to consider continuing with a project to improve the environment within Craister Court has come forward from one of the local ward councillors.
- 6.5 Some of the suggestions received, whilst potentially viable, require further investigation or are dependent on external factors and may, therefore, not prove quite ready to proceed at the current time. An additional column has been added to the Appendix A table identifying where there may be delivery risks or other uncertainty, with supporting comments.
- 6.6 The total anticipated cost of the suggested new projects considered worthwhile developing further (£73,500) is, however, less than the funds currently available within North area. Area Committee is therefore able to support adding them all to the forward programme, should they wish. Members are, however, asked to recognise the large number of potential new projects and that many require detailed work, and that therefore not all may be deliverable within a 12 month annual cycle.

## **7. Proposed Way Forward**

- 7.1 Area Committee needs to determine whether to continue to pursue those legacy projects listed in paragraph 5.4 that have thus far proven difficult to develop and deliver. These may still be considered necessary, and prove viable, dependent on other works under development in the area.
- 7.2 Area Committee also needs to determine whether to continue with a project to improve the environment within Craister Court (Kings Hedges) which was a previous funding commitment, and for which there appears renewed local appetite.
- 7.3 The Committee is asked to consider supporting the new projects listed in Appendix A that are considered viable at this time, for further development, and implementation - subject to them proving viable, obtaining consents as necessary, positive consultation and final approval by the Council's Capital Programme Board and Ward Councillors where required.

## **8. Implications**

### **(a) Financial Implications**

This is an annual capital programme of projects currently funded up to and including 2018-19; with significant additional funding available re-phased from previous years. Those new projects identified as being viable at this time, provided they are developed carefully, are not anticipated to generate any significant revenue implications for the City Council. Where projects are on the public highway or hard-surfaced definitive footpaths, ongoing management and maintenance is the responsibility of the County Council.

### **(b) Staffing Implications**

Historically a small number of projects have proven difficult to develop and deliver for reasons as laid out in this report, and have had a disproportionate impact on staffing resource in comparison with other programme work. The programme is under review to ensure it can be managed and delivered without the requirement for additional staffing resource.

### **(c) Equality and Poverty Implications**

Environmental improvements are prioritised across all areas proportionate to population and in accordance with locally identified need. They can be enjoyed by all and do not discriminate between any particular user groups. All schemes are designed to accommodate those less able and / or mobile. The overall impact of investment in such facilities is therefore considered to be positive. An Equalities Impact Assessment is included as **Appendix D**.

### **(d) Environmental Implications**

The programme aims to preserve and improve the quality of the natural and built public realm environment across Cambridge, in a manner that does not contribute towards climate change and leaves a positive legacy for future generations. The overall impact of the programme on the environment within Cambridge is therefore rated as +M (positive; Medium).

### **(e) Procurement Implications**

Improvement to infrastructure facilities within Cambridge are, dependent on their nature, scope, scale and complexity either delivered in-house utilising existing resources within the Streets & Open Spaces service, or via existing framework contract arrangements (such as with Skanska for highways related services). Other schemes may best be procured and constructed via individual competitive tender processes.

### **(f) Community Safety Implications**

Environmental improvement of the outdoor public realm encourages use and promotes face to face contact, reducing social exclusion and isolation. The programme is thus considered to have a positive impact on community safety.

## **5. Consultation and communication considerations**

Professional and public stakeholder engagement and consultation will take place, as appropriate, to help shape the recommended projects and ensure they are fully focused on and targeted towards local needs.

## **9. Background papers**

Background papers used in the preparation of this report:

None.

## **10. Appendices**

Appendix A – Summary of Potential EIP Schemes for 2017-18

Appendix B – EIP Application Form and Eligibility Criteria

Appendix C – Progress of Existing Prioritised EIP Schemes

Appendix D - Equalities Impact Assessment

## **11. Inspection of papers**

To inspect the background papers or if you have a query on the report please contact John Richards, Senior Engineer, tel: 01223 458525, email: [john.richards@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:john.richards@cambridge.gov.uk).

## SUMMARY OF POTENTIAL EIP SCHEMES FOR 2017/18 - NORTH AREA

No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Estimated Cost £	Risk to Delivery Rating R/A/G	EIP Allocation requested	Comments
N1	Carlton Way (north) verge protection	Provision of further timber bollards to deter vehicle over-run and consequent damage, with re-seeding of verges, between Arbury Primary School and Ferrars Way.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	5,000	Green	5,000	Would compliment previous, largely successful, work undertaken during 2015 that was limited by funding availability. Bollards utilised to prevent parking and protect verges and mature trees from damage. Approx 12 bollards needed.
N2	Carlton Way (south) verge protection	Provision of further timber bollards to deter vehicle over-run and consequent damage, on east side from Carlton Court to approx 10-14 Carlton Way.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2,500	Green	2,500	Approx 7 bollards suggested for three sections to prevent further damage to verges and trees from parking.
N3	Chesterton Road bus stop(s)	Improvement to bus stops, and shelters, close to the Lock footbridge and Job Centre.	Cllr M Sargeant	West Chesterton	10,000	Green	10,000	The existing bus shelter on the south (out-bound) side is no longer in the best condition, with usage disincentivised by it's enclosed form. There is a stop on the opposite side of the road, but no shelter. The sum suggested should be sufficient to provide a simplified replacement shelter on the south side or, alternatively, smaller 'micro-shelters' for each side.

N4	Chesterton Road tree lined avenue	Introduction of street trees to improve the environment of the road between Mitcham's Corner and the roundabout with Elizabeth Way.	Cllr D Tunnacliffe	West Chesterton	10,000	Red / Amber	10,000	Few street trees exist along this route and the highway environment is dominated by the needs of traffic and hard landscaping. The potential for establishing new trees is likely to be limited by lack of footway space, visibility splays, property entrances and public utility apparatus. Properly constructed tree pits would be needed to promote healthy growth and avoid damage to the highway. Cambridgeshire County Council approval needed. The allocation suggested might enable 2 or 3 new trees to be established.
N5	Chestnut Grove play signage	Installation of signage to direct potential users to the play area near Chestnut Grove.	Cllr M Sargeant	West Chesterton	1,000	Green	1,000	The open space and play areas sit between Chestnut Grove, Elizabeth Way and Milton Road. Whilst play facilities have been recently upgraded the area is under-utilised and the signage poor. Provisional sum should be sufficient to establish suitable signs at each entrance point.
N6	Gilbert Road bus shelter	Refurbishment and improvement of existing bus shelter adjacent to 64 Gilbert Road.	Cllr M Sargeant	West Chesterton	3,000	Green	3,000	The existing shelter is no longer in the best condition and lacks any seating. Sum indicated should be sufficient to either improve the existing shelter, or replace it with a smaller modern 'micro-shelter'.
N7	Leys Road / Highworth Avenue barrier	Refurbishment of the existing environmental / traffic access restriction between Leys Road and Highworth Avenue, including the introduction of measures to discourage use by motor-cycles.	Cllr M Sargeant	West Chesterton	4,000	Amber	4,000	The suggestion is to refurbish (and make good / repair) as necessary the existing planter arrangement that restricts through vehicular traffic, rather than replace it. The addition of effective measures to discourage motor-cycles (without impeding other users) is less straightforward.



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N8	Hurst Park Avenue verge planting	Planting of highway verge margin at back of footway on north-eastern side of Hurst Park Avenue between Milton Road and the dental surgery.	Cllr M Sargeant	West Chesterton	1,000	Amber	1,000	Objective to create an urban mini-wildflower meadow at the entrance to the estate. Likely to require a Licence to Cultivate from the Highway Authority Cambridgeshire County Council. Establish whether ongoing management and maintenance could be taken on via local community group(s) to avoid adding to Council operating costs.
N9	Vie estate Chesterton signing	Provision of map type signing at the vehicular entrances to the estate from St. Andrew's Road and Church Street to assist visitors.	Ben Bradnack	East Chesterton	1,000	Amber	500	Area Committee to determine whether funding appropriate either in part, or whole, via EIP. If supported, officers advise it might best be achieved as a one-off grant contribution to the site management company (Encore Estate Management). Discussion needed to agree details, including ownerships, permissions necessary and arrangements for ongoing maintenance - in order to avoid future Council operating and replacement costs.
N10	Corner of Arbury Road / Campkin Road junction	Environmental enhancement of the landscaped bed on the corner of the junction adjacent to the doctor's surgery.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2,000	Green	2,000	This area might be better landscaped with suitable planting. The area is adopted public highway, but separated from the footways by a low timber rail fence. The addition of suitable flowering shrubs could add year round colour and interest. Investigate potential for community involvement with upkeep, to avoid adding to Council operating costs.

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N11	Buchan Street shops area	Landscaping to small area of un-made ground between shops and car park.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2,000	Green	2,000	This area might be better landscaped with suitable planting. The addition of suitable flowering shrubs could add year round colour and interest. Investigate potential for community involvement with upkeep, to avoid adding to Council operating costs.
N12	Campkin Road shops	Further soft landscaping of the two circular tree bed areas on the shop forecourt fronting Campkin Road.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2,000	Green	2,000	The landscaping in these beds appears to have scope for enhancement to add colour to the existing trees. Addition of suitable flowering shrubs could add year round interest. Investigate potential for community involvement with upkeep, to avoid adding to Council operating costs.
N13	Arbury Town Park, Campkin Road	Establishment of wildflower planted bed areas to bring more colour over the summer period.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2,000	Green	2,000	Colourful planting requested to enhance the mature landscaping in this area. The summer of 2017 has seen a number of wildflower meadows established in other open spaces that does not add to Council operating costs, with a similar approach suggested here.
N14	Lawrence Way path heading to Nuns Way	Additional lighting and post and rail fencing, along with re-seeding of grass areas damaged by over-use.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	5,000	Green	5,000	The lack of suitable lighting in the area restricts usage of these paths during darkness to access local amenities. Including improvements to fencing should encourage use of the formalised paths and allow grassed areas to recover.

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N15	Alex Wood Road benches	Improvement of two public benches in Alex Wood Road adjacent to walkway to Cunningham Close, with possible addition of litter and dog waste bins.	Jennifer Hunt	Arbury	3,000	Amber	3,000	These two timber slat benches are looking tired and would benefit from refurbishment, or replacement. The practicability of adding bins will depend on the potential for efficient operational servicing.
N16	Humberstone Road landscaping	Reconfiguration of the landscaped area at the end of Humberstone Road joining Elizabeth Way, to improve appearance and access.	Cllr D Tunnacliffe	West Chesterton	5,000	Amber	5,000	No dropped kerbs to facilitate access by those requiring it. Improvements would require careful development to avoid conflict. Will require County Council approval and potentially repositioning of street lighting column in order to effect significant improvement.
N17	Mitcham's Corner cycle parking	Establishment of additional cycle parking stands around Mitcham's Corner.	Cllr D Tunnacliffe	West Chesterton	5,000	Amber	5,000	Mitcham's Corner is a well established local centre with a good variety of local shops and other amenities. A good number of cycle parking stand exist but there appears scope for adding more. City Council has minimal land in area with consents needed from County Council, and landowners, depending on location.
N18	Hawthorn Way trees	Establishment of additional trees on the 'green square' in Hawthorn Way.	Cllr D Tunnacliffe	West Chesterton	500	Amber	500	This area already contains one mature tree plus two younger trees and there may not be sufficient space for further tree planting. Requires further investigation, with provisional sum sufficient to establish a couple of trees if proves practicable. Ongoing management costs negligible.

N19	Craister Court landscaping	The two squares in between numbers 1-9 and 36-42 Craister Court are landscaped, but no longer in the best condition. Residents would like to see the areas improved.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	5,000	Amber	5,000	Although the majority of properties in this area are now privately owned, the Council retains some housing stock along with responsibility for the upkeep of the open space areas. A project was allocated £5,000 EIP funding during 2012-13 but deprioritised based upon estimate costs and low public support arising from consultation. However, an aspiration to improve the area remains - and a more modest aspiration than previously proposed could again be considered.
N20	Hazelwood Close play area	Installation of a 'curve of light' style slide in to the main play area at Hazelwood Close.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	1,500	Green	1,500	The Council has this piece of play equipment in store awaiting re-use. The main play area at Hazelwood Close is suited to, and would benefit from, it's installation. Area Committee to determine whether it supports the use of EIP funding to achieve this.
N21	Chesterton High Street tree replacements	Refurbishment of two existing tree pits on the north side of Chesterton High Street, opposite Maltsters Way, to support the healthy establishment of new trees.	Aboriculture Officer	East Chesterton	3,000	Green	3,000	Officer suggestion, with Area Committee to determine whether appropriate. Replacement trees for those previously lost are included in Council winter planting programme. However, the tree pits require some preparation work first that the budget for new trees is unable to afford.

**TOTAL                      73,500                      0                      73,000**



*Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP)*

**2017-18 Year Applications**

Please complete and return to [eiprojects@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:eiprojects@cambridge.gov.uk) by end of 3 September 2017

First Name

Surname

Organisation

Address

Post Code

Telephone

Email Address

Location of suggested Environmental Improvement

Are your 3 Area Ward Councillors supportive?      Yes       No

Issue/Problem – please outline what you would like your application to address:

Suggested Solution – please outline how you feel your objectives might be best met:

Benefits to the Local Area – please outline who would benefit, and how:

## Eligibility Criteria for Environmental Improvements

Please indicate which of these criteria would be met by your application:

Essential Criteria	tick	Desirable Criteria	tick
The scheme has a direct, lasting and noticeable improvement to the appearance of a street or area		The project will benefit a large number of local people	
The scheme is publicly visible and accessible.		It is easy and simple to implement.	
If the scheme is on private land, the owners' permission has been granted (unless there are exceptional circumstances by which the Area Committee may wish to act unilaterally, with full knowledge and responsibility for the implication of such action).		It features the active involvement of local people.	
The scheme provides low future maintenance costs.		It meets one/more key policy objectives (e.g. improves community safety or contributes to equal opportunities).	
		There is potential for inclusion of employment training opportunities	
		Additional 'partnership' funding is available.	

### Ineligible for funding:

- Projects costing in excess of £5,000; without Area Committee authority.
- Where a readily available alternative source of funding is available.
- Revenue projects (i.e. management and maintenance of existing facilities).
- Schemes that have already received Council funding (unless it can be clearly demonstrated that this would not be 'top up' funding).
- Works that the City or County Council are under an immediate obligation to carry out (e.g. repair of dangerous footways)
- Play areas (S106 funding should pay for these facilities)

### Other Information:

The following categories of work were agreed as being eligible for funding by the Area Committees:

- Works in areas of predominately council owned housing
- Works to construct lay-bys where a comprehensive scheme can be carried out which not only relieves parking problems but achieves environmental improvements.

Thank you for completing your application.

All sections of this form must be completed and returned to [eipprojects@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:eipprojects@cambridge.gov.uk) by **3 September, 2017**, in order to be considered.

Prior to that deadline, further advice is available from the above email address, or by calling the Streets and Open Spaces Development Unit on 01223 458525.

**PROGRESS OF PRIORITISED EIP SCHEMES - NORTH AREA**

No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
1	Downhams Lane Hedge Renovation	Renovation of existing hedge owned by the University.	Ward Cllrs	Kings Hedges & West Chesterton	2011-12	6,000	Completed 2013-14	Undertaken in conjunction with Cycleways programme funded improvement of local cycle link between Hawkins Road and Woodhead Drive.
2	Mortlock Avenue Refurbishment	Refurbishment of Mortlock Avenue paving and landscape areas.	Former Cllr C Blair	East Chesterton	2011-12	39,000	Completed Autumn 2011	
3	Kendal Way Verge Parking Prohibition	Introduction of Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit parking on the highway verge.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2011-12	5,000	Abandoned	Abandoned by North Area Committee July 2012, with prioritised funding re-allocated to further projects.
4	Franks Lane Improvements	Improvements to existing landscaping on Franks Lane	Former Cllr C Blair	East Chesterton	2011-12	10,000	Completed Autumn 2012	
5	Rackham Close Improvements	Hard and soft landscape improvements on Rackham Close, including measures funded by Housing service.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2011-12	23,000	Completed Spring 2013	
6	Water Street / Water Lane through route restriction	Enhancement of bollards to restrict traffic movements and enhance safety for pedestrians and cyclists.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2011-12	5,000	Completed 2012	
7	East Chesterton Halingway - Tree Planting and Benches	Provision of improved landscaping and additional benches eastwards from the towpath start at Fen Road.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2012-13	4,000	Completed Autumn 2014	
8	Union Lane and Scotland Road	Replacement bench and planting work at junction of Union Lane and Scotland Road, supported by Transition Cambridge	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2012-13	4,000	Completed Autumn 2014	

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No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
9	Arbury Road outside Manor Secondary School	Provision of vehicle activated school warning signs. Considered to provide school safety benefits.	Ward Cllrs	Kings Hedges	2012-13	9,000	Completed Summer 2013	Completed in partnership with County Council.
10	Northfield Avenue outside Kings Hedges Primary School	Provision of vehicle activated school warning signs. Considered to provide school safety benefits.	Ward Cllrs	Kings Hedges	2012-13	9,000	Completed Summer 2013	Completed in partnership with County Council.
11	Craister Court Grass Reinstatement	The square in between 1-9 and 36-42 Craister Court has planting and pavestones which are in a state of disrepair. Residents would like the square returned to grass.	Former Councillor Neil McGovern	Kings Hedges	2012-13	5,000	Abandoned	Abandoned as a consequence of high estimated cost and poor support evident at public consultation.
12	Chesterton Road / Herbert Street improvements	Improvements include the widening of the footpath near to Chesterton Road, a possible change to the Co-op car park access (i.e. one way out onto Herbert Street), minor improvements to the footway around the existing tree and the installation of dropped kerbs.	Ward Cllrs	West Chesterton	2012-13	8,000	Completed Spring 2015	Completed in liaison with, and following refurbishment of, the adjacent Co-op store premises.
13	Arbury Road / Hanson Court Tree Removal	Removal of Leylandi trees on Arbury Road behind the houses on Hanson Court. Once trees have been removed the area is to be topsoiled and grass seeded.	Cllr K Price	Arbury	2013-14	13,000	Completed Autumn 2014	New hedging provided to maintain low level, manageable, barrier.
14	Ramsden Square / Kings Hedges Road Verge Parking	Traffic Regulation Order to prohibit parking on grass verges on part of Kings Hedges Road and in Ramsden Square.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2013-14	3,000	Completed Spring 2017	Completed Spring 2017 following delays in the Traffic Regulation Order process. Follow up public notification to encourage compliance. Warnings issued by County Council civil enforcement team with formal action commencing late Summer 2017.
15	Fen Road Traffic Calming Improvements	Review and revise the existing traffic calmed features along Fen Road up to and beyond the railway line.	Former Cllr T Ward	East Chesterton	2013-14	20,000	Completed Spring 2017	Completed as part of major County Council improvement scheme for area. Additional City Council Cycleways funding utilised.



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No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
16	Fallowfield Loop Closure	Remove the current loop which encourages 'racers' and/or vehicles driving faster than is necessary. A raised planted area with bollards has been proposed to block off the loop to provide a robust restriction. A landscaped area would be effective in removing the loop but would still be aesthetically pleasing.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2013-14	15,000	Completed Summer 2014	Completed in partnership with County Council, including provision of waiting restrictions to deter blocking of turning area by parked vehicles.
17	Fen Road / East Chesterton Halingway Access	Halingway cut through access improvements - entrance needs to be more user friendly to bikes, wheelchairs and parents with buggies, it is proposed to cut off the existing pram handles. A drop kerb to be provided on the opposite side to the entrance. There is a difficulty with bikes trying to negotiate the existing entrance to the Halingway.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2013-14	3,000 (£300 EIP & 2,700 LHI)	Completed Winter 2013-14	
18	Binross Area - New Benches	Two new benches to be provided for elderly residents. Two locations have been suggested.	Ward Cllrs	East Chesterton	2013-14	2,500	Completed Winter 2013-14	
19	Green End Road Pedestrian Crossing	Improvements to the visibility of the pedestrian crossing on Green End Road just up from the Green Park junction by replacing the planting.	Cllr G Bird	East Chesterton	2013-14	2,500	Review	Scheme deferred due to continuing County Council City Deal / GCP phase 2 proposals for corridor. To be reviewed 2017-18.
20	Green End Road Tree Planting	New tree planting along northern section of Green End Road.	Cllr G Bird	East Chesterton	2013-14	8,500	Review	Scheme deferred due to continuing County Council City Deal / GCP phase 2 proposals for corridor. To be reviewed 2017-18.
21	Campkin Road hanging baskets	4 hanging baskets for the lamp posts on Campkin Road opposite the shopping area.	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2014-15	2,500	Completed Spring 2016	Baskets in place for summer 2016 season.
22	Chesterton High Street by Haymakers Pub / Union Lane junction	Missing bollards along footway adjacent to Pub to be reinstated.	County Cllr I Manning & former Cllr S Kerr	East Chesterton	2014-15	1,000	Completed Spring 2017	

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No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
23	Church Street / High Street junction, Chesterton	Protection for grass on the left side (approaching from Church Street) of this junction to improve drainage and look of corner. Might include new low level planting or fencing.	County Cllr I Manning, Cllr G Bird & former Cllr S Kerr	East Chesterton	2014-15	5,000	Winter 2017-18	Improvements arranged with County Council highways maintenance team, who had difficulty resourcing. Delivery now to be expedited by City Council.
24	North area ward dropped crossing improvements	Dropped crossing access improvements across the 4 North area wards, targeted towards local shopping and sheltered housing areas.	Cllr G Bird & County Cllr I Manning	Arbury, Kings Hedges, East & West Chesterton	2014-15	40,777	Completed Winter 2016-17	Over 24 locations completed Winter 2016-17, following delays due to resourcing and procurement difficulties. Reviewing need for further adaptations.
25	West Chesterton residential streets access improvements	Provision of double yellow line waiting restrictions to improve access in various areas of Hawthorn Way, Herbert Street, Green's Road, Metcalfe Road, Courtney Way, Gurney Way, Ascham Road and Hurst Park Avenue.	Cllr D Tunnacliffe	West Chesterton	2014-15	4,550	Completed Spring 2017	Completed Spring 2017, following consideration and determination of Traffic Regulation Order objections at January 2017 Cambridge Joint Area Committee.
26	French's Road to Harvey Woodwin Avenue footpath	Improve surface of well used connecting footpath link to school, and improve lighting (by adding additional lamp column and / or cutting back overhanging trees).	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2016-17	10,000	Completed Winter 2016-17	Completed Winter 2016-17.
27	Hazelwood Close and Molewood Close	Improvement of shrub beds and surrounds across estate.	Former Cllr C Perry (via Cllr M Todd-Jones)	Arbury	2016-17	5,000	Winter 2017-18	Appropriate work currently under development for anticipated completion Winter 2017-18.
28	Carlton Way shops forecourt	Repairs to brick wall and renewal of timber rail fencing that are in deteriorating condition.	Cllr C O'Reilly (via Cllr M Todd-Jones)	Arbury	2016-17	3,000	Completed Spring 2017	Completed Spring 2017.
29	Trafalgar Street at junction with Victoria Avenue	Installation of dropped kerbs on either side of Trafalgar Street to assist crossing the road.	County Cllr J Scutt	West Chesterton	2016-17	5,000	Completed Spring 2017	Completed Spring 2017.

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No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
30	Arbury Court parking bays	Protective barrier or bollards to rear of parking bays in service road, to prevent damage to fences of adjacent property in Redfern Close from parking vehicles.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	2,000	Completed Summer 2017	Completed Summer 2017.
31	Hanson Court green open space re-landscaping	Removal of base to former playground that is no longer required, and replacement with suitable landscaping (grass, with possible tree).	Cllr K Price	Kings Hedges	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	7,500	Winter 2017-18	There is no local desire for further play provision on this site. Removal of the old base would increase the level of green space and appearance of the area. Approx 200 square metres of land involved. Under development.
32	Hawthorn Way fencing	Provision of new replacement fencing around the green open space area adjacent to Chestnut Grove junction, to match that of better quality further along the street.	Cllr M Sargeant & County Cllr J Scutt	West Chesterton	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	5,000	Winter 2017-18	There are two triangular shaped areas of established green open space on either side of the junction, and care would be needed to work around the roots of mature trees. An estimate of approx 75 metres of fence removal and replacement would be needed. Would require County Council Highways team agreement, possibly with a commuted sum to maintain. Awaiting development.
33	Hammerstone Road trees	Replanting of suitable species of street trees to replace those lost over time, in keeping with other residential roads in the area.	Cllr M Sargeant & County Cllr J Scutt	West Chesterton	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	3,500	Spring 2018	Any new trees planted within a hard landscaped highway environment will require the provision of suitable planting pits, both to support the tree's development and prevent damage to the highway. These requirements increase the cost considerably to around £3,500 per tree. There is one replacement planting opportunity currently outside No. 80. Awaiting development.
34	Leys Avenue to Arbury Court path	Improvement of path linking Leys Avenue with the rear access to Arbury Court, which has become uneven and broken over the years.	Cllr M Sargeant & County Cllr J Scutt	West Chesterton	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	7,500	Completed Autumn 2017	Path levels adjusted and resurfaced with flexible material.
35	Rackham Close boundary wall / fencing	Extend height of existing brick wall to rear of properties 1-6 Rackham Close forming boundary with St. Luke's Primary School with metal fencing. To complete a previous EIP / Safer City project for the area.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	3,500	Spring 2018	Installation of 450mm high metal fencing bolted to top of existing brick wall. Provisional cost estimate from January 2014 updated. Awaiting development.

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No.	Scheme Title	Scheme Description	Promoted by	Ward	Year Allocated	Approved Budget £	Completion Expected	Comments
36	Rackham Close lighting	Provision of additional lighting to rear of properties 1-6 Rackham Close adjacent to St. Luke's Primary School boundary. To complete a previous EIP / Safer City project for the area.	Cllr M Todd-Jones	Arbury	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	5,000	Spring 2018	Provisional sum for the installation of 5 number solar illuminated bollards, or alternatively two number solar 'Balmoral' type 3 metre lighting units (to be determined). Awaiting development.
37	Provision of new street benches at various locations	Locations include Mitcham's Corner adjacent to Lloyds Bank / Tony's water trough, the junction with Springfield Road, Hawthorn Way fenced off area, Victoria Park junction with Victoria Road and Woodhead Drive junction with College Fields.	Cllr M Sargeant & County Cllr J Scutt	West Chesterton	2016-17 Round 2; deferred to 2017-18	5,000	Winter 2017-18	Provisional sum for the installation of up to 5 new benches with some foundation/hardstanding base as necessary; up to £1,000 per unit. Most locations and bench specification will likely require County Highways or other third party approval. Awaiting development.

## Cambridge City Council Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA)



This tool helps the Council ensure that we fulfil legal obligations of the [Public Sector Equality Duty](#) to have due regard to the need to –

- (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010;
- (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Guidance on how to complete this tool can be found on the Cambridge City Council intranet. For specific questions on the tool email Helen Crowther, Equality and Anti-Poverty Officer at [equalities@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:equalities@cambridge.gov.uk) or phone 01223 457046. Once you have drafted the EqIA please send this to [equalities@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:equalities@cambridge.gov.uk) for checking. For advice on consulting on equality impacts, please contact Graham Saint, Strategy Officer, ([graham.saint@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:graham.saint@cambridge.gov.uk) or 01223 457044).

<b>1. Title of strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service:</b>
Environmental Improvement Programme
<b>2. Webpage link to full details of the strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service (if available)</b>
<a href="https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=117&amp;MIId=3342&amp;Ver=4">https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=117&amp;MIId=3342&amp;Ver=4</a>
<b>3. What is the objective or purpose of your strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service?</b>
The Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP) delivers small scale, direct, lasting and noticeable improvements to the appearance of the public realm environment across all areas of Cambridge. Decision making is devolved to Area Committees to allocate the budget available to project applications each year, with the schemes selected developed and delivered through engagement with local communities.
<b>4. Responsible Service</b>
Environmental Services

**5. Who will be affected by this strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service? (Please tick those that apply)**

- Residents of Cambridge City
- Visitors to Cambridge City
- Staff

Please state any specific client group or groups (e.g. City Council tenants, tourists, people who work in the city but do not live here):

**6. What type of strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service is this? (Please tick)**

- New - some new proposals have been identified for 2017/18
- Major change
- Minor change –the North Area Committee will decide which incomplete projects will continue to be funded

**7. Are other departments or partners involved in delivering this strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service? (Please tick)**

- No
- Yes (Please provide details):
- Cambridge City Council S&OS, Planning, Urban Design and Conservation teams
  - Cambridgeshire County Council (as Highway Authority)
  - City and County Councillors
  - User and Stakeholder group representatives

**8. Has the report on your strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service gone to Committee? If so, which one?**

North Area Committee 14/12/2017

**9. What research methods/ evidence have you used in order to identify equality impacts of your strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service?**

Applications for new EIP projects were invited between July and September 2017; with a significant number of new suggestions submitted within North area. Each has been assessed by officers for eligibility and practicality, and in relation to their equality impacts.

**10. Potential impacts**

For each category below, please explain if the strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service could have a positive/ negative impact or no impact. Where an impact has been identified, please explain what it is. Consider impacts on service users, visitors and staff members separately.

**(a) Age - Any group of people of a particular age (e.g. 32 year-olds) , or within a particular age range (e.g. 16-24 year-olds) – in particular, please consider any safeguarding issues for children and vulnerable adults**

Some projects involve improvements related to play areas and so will be of benefit to children. For instance, the Chestnut Grove play area signage project would be hoped to lead to increased use of recently upgraded play facilities. Also, with regards to the Hazelwood Close Play Area, the council has play equipment in store awaiting re-use. The main play area at Hazelwood Close is suited to, and would benefit from, it's installation.

Additionally, the Rackham Close boundary wall / fencing and Rackham Close lighting projects are helping to increase safety in an area adjacent to a primary school.

**(b) Disability - A person has a disability if she or he has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on that person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. (In this section please also include impacts of policies on carers.)**

All new and improved infrastructure schemes are designed to accommodate those people with different disabilities. In many cases these have been specifically focused on making life easier for those less mobile getting around. Examples include improved dropped kerbs and tactile surfaces on footways (e.g. related to the Humberstone Road landscaping project, which is a new proposal) and the provision of new street benches at various locations to be completed this Winter; with a comprehensive programme of work taken forward across North area in early 2017.

**(c) Sex – A man or a woman.**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(d) Transgender – A person who does not identify with the gender they were assigned to at birth (includes gender reassignment that is the process of transitioning from one gender to another)**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(e) Pregnancy and maternity**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(f) Marriage and civil partnership**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(g) Race - The protected characteristic 'race' refers to a group of people defined by their race, colour, and nationality (including citizenship) ethnic or national origins.**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(h) Religion or belief**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated



**(i) Sexual orientation**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**(j) Other factors that may lead to inequality – in particular – please consider the impact of any changes on low income groups or those experiencing the impacts of poverty**

Neutral - no specific impact anticipated

**11. Action plan – New equality impacts will be identified in different stages throughout the planning and implementation stages of changes to your strategy, policy, plan, project, contract or major change to your service. How will you monitor these going forward? Also, how will you ensure that any potential negative impacts of the changes will be mitigated? (Please include dates where possible for when you will update this EqlA accordingly.)**

Applications for new EIP projects were invited between July and September 2017; with a significant number of new suggestions submitted within North area. Each has been assessed by officers for eligibility and practicality, and in relation to their equality impacts. At this stage of the plans, most equality impacts will be more easily identified when planning the practicalities of these proposals (and where relevant, EqlAs specific to a project will be produced).

**12. Do you have any additional comments?**

Environmental improvements are prioritised across all areas proportionate to population and in accordance with locally identified need. They can be enjoyed by all and do not discriminate between any particular user groups. All schemes are designed to accommodate those with disabilities. The overall impact of investment in such facilities is therefore considered to be positive.

Some specific positive impacts related to individual projects that would improve safety for equality groups include:

- The environmental improvements in Rackham Close
- The vehicle access restrictions in Water Street / Water Lane
- The Leylandi tree removal in Arbury Road
- The Fallowfield loop closure
- The North area and Trafalgar Street pedestrian dropped crossings
- The Chesterton Road and Gilbert Road bus stop improvements (if funded)
- The Leys Road / Highworth Avenue barrier enhancement would (if funded)
- The Lawrence Way path improvements (if funded)

### 13. Sign off

Name and job title of lead officer for this equality impact assessment: John Richards, Senior Engineer, Project Manager, Environmental Services

Date of EqIA sign off: 1 December 2017

Date of next review of the equalities impact assessment: To be confirmed.

Sent to Helen Crowther, Equality and Anti-Poverty Officer.

Yes

No

Date to be published on Cambridge City Council website (if known): To be confirmed.