

Cambridge City Council

Planning

Date: Wednesday, 8 January 2020

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Room 1 & 2, The Guildhall, Market Square, Cambridge, CB2 3QJ

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Agenda – First Circulation

1 Order of Agenda

The Planning Committee operates as a single committee meeting but is organised with a three part agenda and will be considered in the following order:

- **Part One**
Major Planning Applications
Start time: 10am
- **Part Two**
Minor/Other Planning Applications
Start time: 1pm
- **Part Three**
General and Enforcement Items
Start time: At conclusion of Part Two

There will be a thirty minute lunch break before part two of the agenda is considered. With a possible short break between agenda item two and three which will be subject to the Chair's discretion.

If the meeting should last to 6.00pm, the Committee will vote as to whether or not the meeting will be adjourned.

2 Apologies

3 Declarations of Interest

- 4 Minutes
To follow

Part 1: Major Planning Applications (10am)

- 5 19/0512/FUL - Grafton Centre (Pages 19 - 90)
- 6 19/0242/FUL - 18 Chesterton Road (Pages 91 - 126)
- 7 19/1047/S73 - 157 Histon Road (Pages 127 - 138)

Part 2: Minor/Other Planning Applications (1pm)

- 8 18/1553/FUL - 1 Maitland Avenue (Pages 139 - 150)
- 9 19/1154/S73 - 1 Redfern Close (Pages 151 - 164)

Planning Members: Smart (Chair), Sargeant (Vice-Chair), Baigent, Green, Lord, McQueen, Porrer and Tunnacliffe

Alternates: Herbert, Page-Croft and Thornburrow

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Appendix 1 – Development Plan Policy, Planning Guidance and Material Considerations

(Updated October 2018)

1.0 Central Government Advice

1.1 National Planning Policy Framework (July 2018) – sets out the Government's economic, environmental and social planning policies for England. These policies articulate the Government's vision of sustainable development, which should be interpreted and applied locally to meet local aspirations.

1.2 Planning Practice Guidance (March 2014)

The guidance complements the National Planning Policy Framework and provides advice on how to deliver its policies.

Guidance is provided in relation to the following:

Advertisements (March 2014)
Air quality (March 2014)
Appeals (March 2014)
Before submitting an application (February 2018)
Brownfield land registers (July 2017)
Climate change (June 2014)
Community Infrastructure Levy (March 2018)
Conserving and enhancing the historic environment (February 2018)
Consultation and pre-decision matters (June 2018)
Crown Development (July 2017)
Design (March 2014)
Determining a planning application (July 2017)
Ensuring effective enforcement (February 2018)
Ensuring the vitality of town centres (March 2014)
Environmental Impact Assessment (July 2017)
Flexible options for planning permissions (March 2014)
Flood Risk and Coastal Change (March 2014)
Hazardous Substances (July 2017)
Health and wellbeing (July 2017)
Housing and economic land availability assessment (September 2018)
Housing need assessment (September 2018)
Land affected by contamination (June 2014)
Land stability (March 2014)
Lawful development certificates (March 2014)

Light pollution (March 2014)
 Local Plans (September 2018)
 Making an application (June 2018)
 Minerals (October 2014)
 Natural Environment (January 2016)
 Neighbourhood Planning (September 2018)
 Noise (March 2014)
 Open space, sports and recreational facilities, public rights of way and local green space (March 2014)
 Permission in principle (June 2018)
 Plan making (September 2018)
 Planning obligations (May 2016)
 Renewable and low carbon energy (June 2015)
 Rural housing (May 2016)
 Self-build and custom housebuilding (July 2017)
 Starter homes (March 2015)
 Strategic environmental assessment and sustainability appraisal (February 2015)
 Transport evidence bases in plan-making and decision-taking (March 2015)
 Travel plans, transport assessments and statements in decision-taking (March 2014)
 Tree Preservation Orders and trees in conservation areas (March 2014)
 Use of Planning Conditions (June 2018)
 Viability (July 2018)
 Water supply, wastewater and water quality (March 2015)
 When is permission required? (June 2018)

1.3 **Circular 11/95 – The Use of Conditions in Planning Permissions (Annex A only):** Model conditions.

1.4 **Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010**

Paragraph 122 Places a statutory requirement on the local authority that where planning permission is dependent upon a planning obligation the obligation must pass the following tests:

- (a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
- (b) directly related to the development; and
- (c) fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

Paragraph 123 Other than through requiring a highway agreement to be entered into, a planning obligation (“obligation A”) may not constitute a reason for granting planning permission to the extent that

(a) obligation A provides for the funding or provision of an infrastructure project or provides for the funding or provision of a type of infrastructure; and

(b) five or more separate planning obligations that —

(i) relate to planning permissions granted for development within the area of the charging authority; and

(ii) which provide for the funding or provision of that project, or provide for the funding or provision of that type of infrastructure

have been entered on or after 6th April 2010.

1.5 Planning Policy Statement – Green Belt protection and intentional unauthorised development August 2015

Sets out changes to national planning policy to make intentional unauthorised development a material consideration, and also to provide stronger protection for the Green Belt.

1.6 Technical housing standards – nationally described space standard – published by Department of Communities and Local Government March 2015 (material consideration).

Development Plan policy

2.0 The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Plan (Development Plan Documents) July 2011

Minerals and Waste Core Strategy : this sets out the Councils' strategic vision and objectives for future development and management of minerals and waste within Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, including strategic site allocations over the Plan period to 2026. The document also contains a suite of development control policies to guide minerals and waste development.

Minerals and Waste Site Specific Proposals Plan (2012) : this sets out the Councils' allocations for site specific proposals for future development and management of minerals and waste within Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. It identifies site specific land allocations for future minerals and waste management development and other supporting site specific policies.

Proposals Maps: Map A: shows minerals and transport proposals; Map B: shows waste management proposals; Map C: shows Mineral Safeguarding Areas.

3.0 Cambridge Local Plan 2018

- Policy 1: The presumption in favour of sustainable development
- Policy 2: Spatial strategy for the location of employment development
- Policy 3: Spatial strategy for the location of residential development
- Policy 4: The Cambridge Green Belt
- Policy 5: Strategic transport infrastructure
- Policy 6: Hierarchy of centres and retail capacity
- Policy 7: The River Cam
- Policy 8: Setting of the city
- Policy 9: Review of the Local Plan
- Policy 10: The City Centre
- Policy 11: Development in the City Centre Primary Shopping Area
- Policy 12: Fitzroy/Burleigh Street/Grafton Area of Major Change
- Policy 13: Cambridge East
- Policy 14: Areas of major change and opportunity areas – general principles
- Policy 15: Cambridge Northern Fringe East and new railway Station Area of Major Change
- Policy 16: South of Coldham's Lane Area of Major Change
- Policy 17: Cambridge Biomedical Campus (including Addenbrooke's Hospital) Area of Major Change
- Policy 18: Southern Fringe Areas of Major Change
- Policy 19: West Cambridge Area of Major Change
- Policy 20: Land between Huntingdon Road and Histon Road Area of Major Change
- Policy 21: Station Areas West and Clifton Road Area of Major Change
- Policy 22: Mitcham's Corner Opportunity Area
- Policy 23: Eastern Gate Opportunity Area
- Policy 24: Mill Road Opportunity Area
- Policy 25: Cambridge Railway Station, Hills Road Corridor to the City Centre Opportunity Area
- Policy 26: Old Press/Mill Lane Opportunity Area
- Policy 27: Site specific development opportunities
- Policy 28: Carbon reduction, community energy networks, sustainable design and construction, and water use
- Policy 29: Renewable and low carbon energy generation
- Policy 30: Energy-efficiency improvements in existing dwellings
- Policy 31: Integrated water management and the water cycle
- Policy 32: Flood risk

- Policy 33: Contaminated land
- Policy 34: Light pollution control
- Policy 35: Protection of human health from noise and vibration
- Policy 36: Air quality, odour and dust
- Policy 37: Cambridge Airport Public Safety Zone and Air Safeguarding Zones
- Policy 38: Hazardous installations
- Policy 39: Mullard Radio Astronomy Observatory, Lord's Bridge
- Policy 40: Development and expansion of business space
- Policy 41: Protection of business space
- Policy 42: Connecting new developments to digital infrastructure
- Policy 43: University development
- Policy 44: Specialist colleges and language Schools
- Policy 45: Affordable housing and dwelling mix
- Policy 46: Development of student housing
- Policy 47: Specialist housing
- Policy 48: Housing in multiple occupation
- Policy 49: Provision for Gypsies and Travellers
- Policy 50: Residential space standards
- Policy 51: Accessible Homes
- Policy 52: Protecting garden land and the subdivision of existing dwelling plots
- Policy 53: Flat conversions
- Policy 54: Residential moorings
- Policy 55: Responding to context
- Policy 56: Creating successful places
- Policy 57: Designing new buildings
- Policy 58: Altering and extending existing buildings
- Policy 59: Designing landscape and the public realm
- Policy 60: Tall buildings and the skyline in Cambridge
- Policy 61: Conservation and enhancement of Cambridge's historic environment
- Policy 62: Local heritage assets
- Policy 63: Works to a heritage asset to address climate change
- Policy 64: Shopfronts, signage and shop security measures
- Policy 65: Visual pollution
- Policy 66: Paving over front gardens
- Policy 67: Protection of open space
- Policy 68: Open space and recreation provision through new development
- Policy 69: Protection of sites of biodiversity and geodiversity importance
- Policy 70: Protection of priority species and habitats
- Policy 71: Trees

- Policy 72: Development and change of use in district, local and neighbourhood centres
- Policy 73: Community, sports and leisure facilities
- Policy 74: Education facilities
- Policy 75: Healthcare facilities
- Policy 76: Protection of public houses
- Policy 77: Development and expansion of visitor accommodation
- Policy 78: Redevelopment or loss of visitor accommodation
- Policy 79: Visitor attractions
- Policy 80: Supporting sustainable access to development
- Policy 81: Mitigating the transport impact of development
- Policy 82: Parking management
- Policy 83: Aviation development
- Policy 84: Telecommunications
- Policy 85: Infrastructure delivery, planning obligations and the Community Infrastructure Levy

4.0 Supplementary Planning Documents

(These have been prepared in parallel with the Local Plan preparation and will be shortly adopted by the Executive Councillor by an out of cycle decision. Significant weight can be attached to them; they were brought before Development Plan Scrutiny Sub-Committee for prior consideration and comment on the dates shown)

- 4.1 The New Museums Site Development Framework (March 2016)** – Sets out the joint aspirations of the council and the University of Cambridge regarding future changes to the site. These should improve the urban form with changes to the public realm, provide better access for all and adopt more sustainable forms of development while respecting the site's heritage and surroundings. Future development on the site offers an opportunity to create an improved, more coherent development and especially to improve the public realm on the site.
- 4.2 Ridgeons site Planning and Development Brief (July 2016)** – created to ensure that any future development on this site, allocated for residential development in the 2018 Local Plan as R12, is appropriate to its context and delivers the aspirations as set out in the Local Plan.
- 4.3 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Flood and Water (December 2016)** - produced by Cambridgeshire County Council in its role as Lead Local Flood Authority, in partnership with the city and district council. It provides detailed guidance to support the implementation of flood and

water related policies in each of the Cambridgeshire local planning authorities' local plans.

- 4.4 **Mitcham's Corner Development Framework (January 2017)** - supports Local Plan Policy 22: Mitcham's Corner Opportunity Area and is designed to ensure that future development in the area is appropriate to its context and delivers the aspirations as set out in the Local Plan. It provides greater certainty and detail to support delivery of development in the coming years.
- 4.5 **Mill Road Depot Planning and Development Brief (March 2017)** - supports Local Plan Policy 24: Mill Road Opportunity Area and is designed to ensure that future development on this site, allocated for residential development in the 2018 Local Plan as R10, is appropriate to its context and delivers the aspirations as set out in the Local Plan. It provides greater certainty and detail to support delivery of development in the coming years.
- 4.6 **Land North of Cherry Hinton (February 2018)** - supports Local Plan Policy 13: Cambridge East, and is designed to ensure that future residential-led development on this site is delivered successfully. It provides greater certainty and detail to support delivery of development in the coming years. It outlines the aspirations for the area, as well as the key issues, constraints and opportunities that will influence how new development will take place.
- 4.7 **Grafton Area of Major Change - Masterplan and Guidance (February 2018)** - Prepared in partnership with local stakeholders to help guide the development of the area, supporting Policy 12 of the Local Plan. The area is designated in the Plan as the primary location for providing additional comparison retail in the City Centre along with other mixed uses including leisure uses, and the SPD promotes a number of key strategies for change. These aim to take advantage of the opportunities to provide an improved street environment including public realm enhancements as well as a positive and attractive destination to support the vitality and viability of the centre for retail and associated uses. The SPD envisages a phased approach to ensure the area continues to perform as a mainstream City Centre leisure and retail location while ensuring phased improvement will deliver the area's longer-term strategy.

5.0 Former Supplementary Planning Documents

(These documents, prepared to support policies in the 2006 local plan, are no longer SPDs, but are still material considerations.)

- 5.1 **Cambridge City Council (May 2007) – Sustainable Design and Construction:** Sets out essential and recommended design considerations of relevance to sustainable design and construction. Applicants for major developments are required to submit a sustainability checklist along with a corresponding sustainability statement that should set out information indicated in the checklist. Essential design considerations relate directly to specific policies in the Cambridge Local Plan 2006. Recommended considerations are ones that the council would like to see in major developments. Essential design considerations are urban design, transport, movement and accessibility, sustainable drainage (urban extensions), energy, recycling and waste facilities, biodiversity and pollution. Recommended design considerations are climate change adaptation, water, materials and construction waste and historic environment.
- 5.2 **Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Partnership (RECAP): Waste Management Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document (February 2012):** The Design Guide provides advice on the requirements for internal and external waste storage, collection and recycling in new residential and commercial developments. It provides advice on assessing planning applications and developer contributions.
- 5.3 **Cambridge City Council (January 2008) - Affordable Housing:** Gives advice on what is involved in providing affordable housing in Cambridge. Its objectives are to facilitate the delivery of affordable housing to meet housing needs and to assist the creation and maintenance of sustainable, inclusive and mixed communities.
- 5.4 **Cambridge City Council (March 2010) – Planning Obligation Strategy:** provides a framework for securing the provision of new and/or improvements to existing infrastructure generated by the demands of new development. It also seeks to mitigate the adverse impacts of development and addresses the needs identified to accommodate the projected growth of Cambridge. The SPD addresses issues including transport, open space and recreation, education and life-long learning, community facilities, waste and other potential development-specific requirements.
- 5.5 **Cambridge City Council (January 2010) - Public Art:** This SPD aims to guide the City Council in creating and providing public art in Cambridge by setting out clear objectives on public art, a clarification of

policies, and the means of implementation. It covers public art delivered through the planning process, principally Section 106 Agreements (S106), the commissioning of public art using the S106 Public Art Initiative, and outlines public art policy guidance.

5.6 Old Press/Mill Lane Supplementary Planning Document (January 2010) Guidance on the redevelopment of the Old Press/Mill Lane site.

5.7 Eastern Gate Supplementary Planning Document (October 2011) Guidance on the redevelopment of the Eastern Gate site. The purpose of this development framework (SPD) is threefold:

- To articulate a clear vision about the future of the Eastern Gate area;
- To establish a development framework to co-ordinate redevelopment within
- the area and guide decisions (by the Council and others); and
- To identify a series of key projects, to attract and guide investment (by the Council and others) within the area.

6.0 Other Material Considerations

6.1 City Wide Guidance

Air Quality in Cambridge – Developers Guide (2008) - Provides information on the way in which air quality and air pollution issues will be dealt with through the development control system in Cambridge City. It complements the Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document.

Arboricultural Strategy (2004) - City-wide arboricultural strategy.

Balanced and Mixed Communities – A Good Practice Guide (2006) – Produced by Cambridgeshire Horizons to assist the implementation of the Areas of Major Change.

Biodiversity Checklist for Land Use Planners in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough (March 2001) - This document aims to aid strategic and development control planners when considering biodiversity in both policy development and dealing with planning proposals.

Buildings of Local Interest (2005) – A schedule of buildings of local interest and associated guidance.

Cambridge and Milton Surface Water Management Plan (2011) – A SWMP outlines the preferred long term strategy for the management of surface water. Alongside the SFRA they are the starting point for local flood risk management.

Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire Level 1 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (November 2010) - a tool for planning authorities to identify and evaluate the extent and nature of flood risk in their area and its implications for land use planning.

Cambridge City Council Draft Air Quality Action Plan 2018-2023 - Sets out Cambridge City Council's priority actions for improving areas of poor air quality in the city and maintaining a good level of air quality in a growing city.

The plan responds to the evidence gathered from air quality monitoring across Cambridge and analysis of the sources of air pollution contributing to the problem. The Identified actions fall in to three main categories: reducing local traffic emissions as quickly as possible to meet national objectives, maintaining pollutant levels below national objectives, and improving public health by reducing population exposure to air pollutants.

Cambridge City Council (2011) - Open Space and Recreation Strategy: Gives guidance on the provision of open space and recreation facilities through development. It sets out to ensure that open space in Cambridge meets the needs of all who live, work, study in or visit the city and provides a satisfactory environment for nature and enhances the local townscape, complementing the built environment.

The strategy:

- sets out the protection of existing open spaces;
- promotes the improvement of and creation of new facilities on existing open spaces;
- sets out the standards for open space and sports provision in and through new development;
- supports the implementation of Section 106 monies and future Community Infrastructure Levy monies

As this strategy suggests new standards, the Cambridge Local Plan 2006 standards will stand as the adopted standards for the time-being. However, the strategy's new standards will form part of the evidence base for the review of the Local Plan

Cambridge City Nature Conservation Strategy (2006) – Guidance on habitats should be conserved and enhanced, how this should be carried out and how this relates to Biodiversity Action Plans.

Cambridge City Wildlife Sites Register (2005) – Details of the City and County Wildlife Sites.

Cambridge Landscape and Character Assessment (2003) – An analysis of the landscape and character of Cambridge.

Cambridge Sub-Region Culture and Arts Strategy (2006) - Produced by Cambridgeshire Horizons to assist the implementation of the Areas of Major Change.

Cambridge Walking and Cycling Strategy (2002) – A walking and cycling strategy for Cambridge.

Cambridgeshire County Council Transport Assessment Guidelines (2017) - Provides guidance to applicants, developers, their agents and local authority officers on when a Transport Assessment (TA) is required and what it should contain. It also gives guidance on what information may be required for smaller applications through a Transport Statement (TS).

Cambridgeshire Design Guide For Streets and Public Realm (2007): The purpose of the Design Guide is to set out the key principles and aspirations that should underpin the detailed discussions about the design of streets and public spaces that will be taking place on a site-by-site basis.

Cambridgeshire Green Infrastructure Strategy (2011) - Designed to assist in shaping and co-ordinating the delivery of Green Infrastructure in the county, to provide social, environmental and economic benefits now and in the future. It demonstrates how Green Infrastructure can be used to help to achieve four objectives:

- 1) To reverse the decline in biodiversity
- 2) To mitigate and adapt to climate change
- 3) To promote sustainable growth and economic development
- 4) To support healthy living and well-being.

Cambridgeshire Quality Charter for Growth (2008) – Sets out the core principles of the level of quality to be expected in new developments in the Cambridge Sub-Region

Contaminated Land in Cambridge - Developers Guide (2009) – Aims to ensure developers are aware of their responsibilities regarding contaminated land. Outlines the Council's requirements and the information needed in order to assess planning applications.

Criteria for the Designation of Wildlife Sites (2005) – Sets out the criteria for the designation of Wildlife Sites.

Cycle Parking Guide for New Residential Developments (2010) – Gives guidance on the nature and layout of cycle parking, and other security measures, to be provided as a consequence of new residential development.

Indoor Sports Facility Strategy 2015-2031 (updated June 2016) – With the Playing Pitch Strategy, forms a guide for the future provision and management of sports pitches, built facilities and community use services to serve existing and new communities in the City and South Cambridgeshire. In line with the NPPF, the strategies set out to evaluate existing built facilities, and assess the future need for sport and active recreation, as the region grows and develops, identifying opportunities for new provision, and the expansion of existing facilities.

Modelling the Costs of Affordable Housing (2006) – Toolkit to enable negotiations on affordable housing provision through planning proposals.

Playing Pitch Strategy 2015-2031 (updated June 2016) – With the Indoor Sports Facilities Strategy, forms a guide for the future provision and management of sports pitches, built facilities and community use services to serve existing and new communities in the City and South Cambridgeshire. In line with the NPPF, the strategies set out to evaluate existing built facilities, and assess the future need for sport and active recreation, as the region grows and develops, identifying opportunities for new provision, and the expansion of existing facilities.

Protection and Funding of Routes for the Future Expansion of the City Cycle Network (2004) – Guidance on how development can help achieve the implementation of the cycle network.

6.2 Area Guidelines

Cambridge City Council (2003)–Northern Corridor Area Transport Plan:

Cambridge City Council (2002)–Southern Corridor Area Transport Plan:

Cambridge City Council (2002)–Eastern Corridor Area Transport Plan:

Cambridge City Council (2003)–Western Corridor Area Transport Plan:

The purpose of the Plans is to identify new transport infrastructure and service provision that is needed to facilitate large-scale development and to identify a fair and robust means of calculating how individual development sites in the area should contribute towards a fulfilment of that transport infrastructure.

Barrow Road Conservation Area Appraisal (2016)

Brooklands Avenue Conservation Area Appraisal (2013)

Cambridge Historic Core Conservation Area Appraisal (2015)

Castle and Victoria Road Conservation Area Appraisal (2012)

Chesterton and Ferry Lane Conservation Area Appraisal (2009)

Conduit Head Road Conservation Area Appraisal (2009)

De Freville Conservation Area Appraisal (2009)

Kite Area Conservation Area Appraisal (2014)

Mill Road Area Conservation Area Appraisal (2011)

Newnham Croft Conservation Area Appraisal (2013)

New Town and Glisson Road Conservation Area Appraisal (2012)

Riverside and Stourbridge Common Conservation Area Appraisal (2012)

Southacre Conservation Area Appraisal (2013)

Storeys Way Conservation Area Appraisal (2018)

Trumpington Conservation Area Appraisal (2010)

West Cambridge Conservation Area Appraisal (2011)

Guidance relating to development and the Conservation Area including a review of the boundaries.

Jesus Green Conservation Plan (1998)

Parkers Piece Conservation Plan (2001)

Sheeps Green/Coe Fen Conservation Plan (2001)

Christs Pieces/New Square Conservation Plan (2001)

Historic open space guidance.

Hills Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (March 2012)

Long Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (March 2012)

Barton Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (March 2009)

Huntingdon Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (March 2009)
Madingley Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (March 2009)
Newmarket Road Suburbs and Approaches Study (October 2011)

Provide assessments of local distinctiveness which can be used as a basis when considering planning proposals

Station Area Development Framework (2004) – Sets out a vision and Planning Framework for the development of a high density mixed use area including new transport interchange and includes the **Station Area Conservation Appraisal**.

Southern Fringe Area Development Framework (2006) – Guidance which will help to direct the future planning of development in the Southern Fringe.

West Cambridge Masterplan Design Guidelines and Legal Agreement (1999) – Sets out how the West Cambridge site should be developed.