



Cambridge City Council
West Central Area Committee

Date: Thursday, 20 June 2019

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Meeting Room - Wesley Methodist Church, Christ's Pieces, CB1 1LG

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Committee to confirm the winter meeting date as 14th November 2019

West Central Area Committee Members: Nethsingha (Chair), Payne (Vice-Chair), Bick, Cantrill, Chadwick, Gehring, Hipkin, Martinelli, Porrer, Harrison, Nethsingha and Richards

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WEST CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEE

14 March 2019
7.00 am - 9.30 pm

Present

Area Committee Members: Councillors Nethsingha (Chair), Payne (Vice-Chair), Bick, Cantrill, Gehring, Gillespie, Holt, Martinelli, Harrison and Richards

Also present Councillor Scutt

Officers:

Head of Property Services: Dave Prinsep

Senior Grants Officer: Elaine Shott

Enforcement Team Leader: Nick Kester

Operations Manager – Community Engagement and Enforcement: Wendy Johnston

Committee Manager: Toni Birkin

Other Officers in Attendance:

Project Manager GCP: Paul Rawlinson

Cambridgeshire County Council: Dave Sargent

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

19/1/WAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Hipkin

Councillors Richards and Payne sent apologies for late arrival due to work commitments.

19/2/WAC Declarations of Interest

| Name | Item | Interest |
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| Councillor Martinelli | 19/7/WAC | Personal interest. Member of Christ' Pieces Residents' Association. Left the room for the consideration of this item and took no part in the discussion or vote. |

19/3/WAC Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 29th November 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

19/4/WAC Matters and Actions Arising From the Minutes

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

<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=117&MIId=3531&Ver=4>

19/5/WAC Open Forum

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

- 1. A member of the public asked what the consultation process was for the hotel development at the Grafton Centre. Buses would be displaced onto East Road and this would add to congestion in the area.**

Councillor Bick stated that he shared the concerns. The free flow of public transport needed to be protected. Moving buses to East Road would reduce the road to a single lane. Wider traffic concerns had not yet been resolved.

Councillor Gillespie stated that the area needed to be upgraded. He suggested that the buses currently using the area were too big for an urban location.

Councillor Nethsingha stated that Planning Committee had recently voiced concerns regarding the traffic consultations received from the County Council.

Councillor Bick stated that more details were needed from the County Council regarding their discussion with Greater Cambridge Partnership regarding long term traffic proposals.

Councillor Bick undertook to encourage better co-ordination between the Greater Cambridge Partnership and County Council about transport input provided to the planning system.

Action: Councillor Bick

Councillor Harrison stated that the County Council had reduced the numbers of staff available to review planning applications. Similar issues had arisen regarding other planning applications.

Councillor Harrison undertook to seek more information from the County Council.

Action: Councillor Harrison

2. A member of the public raised concerns regarding future access to King's Parade following security concerns.

A member of the public reported that this had been discussed at a recent CJAC meeting. The wider principle had been agreed and consultation would follow.

Councillor Nethsingha undertook to investigate this further and to request a briefing note.

Action: Councillor Nethsingha

3. A member of the public stated that the Neighbourhood Watch group in the McManus estate area felt that they get little support from the Police. When concerns are reported they get no feedback and rarely see any PCSO's. The matter had been raised with Sergeant Misik.

Councillors suggested that all concerns be reported using the 101 number or the online form so that there was a complete record of any problems.

Councillor Scutt undertook to investigate the matter further.

Action: Councillor Scutt

4. A member of the public raised concerns regarding the future of public access to the Cambridge Castle Motte (known locally as the Mound).

Councillor Nethsingha stated that the County Council had expressed a desire to keep the Mound open to the public and would be discussing it further at future meetings.

Councillor Scutt confirmed that a Friends of Castle Mound group had been established and an online petition had been opened.

Councillor Cantrill suggested that the Chair of West Central could write to the Leader of the City Councillor proposing that the City Council purchased the Mound to keep it in public ownership in perpetuity.

Councillor Nethsingha suggested that this option be deferred until more information was available on the County Council's deliberations.

- 5. Histon Road Area Residents' Association (HRARA) questioned the delays in delivering EIP projects and want to know when their suggestions for a bench and other improvement to the area around Mayfield School would be considered.**

Councillor Nethsingha shared their frustration at the delays in getting EIP projects completed.

The Committee agreed that many project were stalled and expressed concerns future budget pressures could result in them not being delivered.

Councillor requested an update on outstanding EIP projects.

Action: EIP Projects Manager

- 6. Councillor Gehring stated that he had received a number of emails from concerned citizens regarding a 'Cow Trail'. The suggestions of plastic cows placed in iconic locations, as public art, was alarming to many people. West Central Committee need to know what consultation had, or would be, undertaken and who had agreed the project.**

The Chair undertook to investigate this matter.

Action: Councillor Nethsingha / Committee Manager

The Committee also suggested that a briefing note or future agenda item on public art would be helpful.

- 7. The Committee raised questions regarding consultations on Spaces and Movement SPD. Had the promised workshops been agreed?**

Councillor Bick stated that the process had been delayed due to on-going discussions with the consultant regarding the scope and shape of the consultation.

The Committee requested an update on the SPD.

Action: Senior Planning Policy Officer**19/6/WAC Madingley Road Cycle and Walking Improvements, Verbal Update provided by the Paul Rawlinson scheme Project Manager for the GCP**

Paul Rawlinson, Project Manager for the Greater Cambridgeshire Partnership provided an oral update on Madingley Road Cycle and Walking Improvements as follows:

- i. The Madingley Road Project was approved in December 2018 by GCP Executive
- ii. The project scope was to provide a high quality, priority, cycle and walking route on both sides of the road from the Eddington Junction P&R access to but not including the roundabout at Northampton Street. This was envisaged to be a fully segregated route.
- iii. The road was within a conservation area and information provided within the Cambridge City approaches document would be taken into account.
- iv. There was a very strong lobby for improved cycle routes along the road, there were signs all along the road asking for this. Local and early engagement took place with residents, Members, Colleges and the Cycle Campaign on 20th February this was very well received.
- v. A workshop would take place on 25 March where seeking a wide variety of views over what was expected from the development.
- vi. This would be followed later with a workshop to discuss the emerging options.
- vii. The intention was to go to public consultation in late summer early autumn and, if successful, with a report and recommendation going to GCP executive board in winter 2020.
- viii. If approved then the design would be completed by late 2020. This would be a technically complex piece of work and would require significant collaborative working with developers along the route.
- ix. It is feasible work could start in 2021. With work taking 14 to 16 months, (largely due to restricted working hours).
- x. There were a number of large schemes being developed in the City, such as Milton Road, Histon Road and there may be delays the start of work to prevent these all happening at once. More details will be provided when known.
- xi. The cost of the scheme is currently being evaluated. The road had a number of complex technical issues, including significant level differences near the Eddington area and a great number of services all along the road. An early estimate is between £4m and £6m.

The Project Manager responded to questions as follows:

1. Councillor Gehring

**What is the sequence of decisions regarding routes into the City?
There are concerns that a cycle scheme could limit options for a future bus route.**

There were currently no proposals beyond the West Cambridge site.

2. Councillor Cantrill

Madingley Road was an important access route. Some years ago an access route document was produced as an initial guidance note. This might need to be updated.

The approaches document was a city document and discussions with the city were on-going.

3. Councillor Payne

What approaches would be taken to junctions?

Treatment of junctions and interfaces would be a key feature of the project.

4. Councillor Gillespie

Concerned that the work could be several years away and cycle use on the route was increasing.

Shared concerns regarding possible delays but stated that a holistic approach was needed. The Edington junction was particularly problematic and further scoping work would be needed.

5. Councillor Harrison

Expressed disappointment that the project could be subjected to long delays. Suggested that a comprehensive strategy for the access route projects and delivery timetables should be drawn up and available to the public.

The Committee thanked the Project Manager and suggested he return to this Committee when more details were available.

19/7/WAC WCAC Area Committee Grants 2019-20

The Committee received a report from the Senior Grants Officer regarding West Central Community Grants.

Members considered applications for grants as set out in the Officer's report. The Senior Grants Officer responded to Member's questions about individual projects and what funding aimed to achieve.

The amount available for each area is as follows:

| Committee | Community Grants % | Total Available £ |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| North | 34.62 | 24,235 |
| East | 30.42 | 21,295 |
| South | 25.15 | 17,605 |
| West Central | 9.81 | 6,865 |
| Total | 100 | 70,000 |

In response to Members' questions the Senior Grants Officer said the following:

- i. There was a rolling program of funding that bids could be made for.
- ii. Undertook to share with the formula for agreeing how the Area Committee Grants were shared across the four Committees as some members suggested that the current allocations were unfair.
- iii. The application from 'A Toy's Life and Beyond', had been refused as it did not meet the grant criteria, had not provided robust accounts and had been assessed as poor value for money.
- iv. Confirmed that grants officers would assist any group that found the application process difficult. Stated that as the Committee was allocating public funds and needed to be accountable and transparent.

A member of the Public stated that the report lacked details and suggested that members should be provided with more information on the projects requested grants.

Members considered the grant applications received, officer comments and proposed awards, detailed in Appendix 1 of the Officer's report, in line with the Area Committee Community Grants criteria.

Some members suggested that the 'A Toy's Life and Beyond' appeared to be a good project in principle. Members proposed a conditional offer of £400,

subject to the group satisfying the grants criteria and the Sustainable City Grant team agreeing that their application was robust and grant funding them.

Following discussion, Members **unanimously resolved** to agree the proposed awards detailed in Appendix 1 of the Officer's report and summarised in the table below and an additional, conditional offer as above.

| Ref | Organisation | Purpose | Award |
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| WC1 | A Toy's Life and Beyond CIC | Toy swop and recycling project | £0 £400 subject to the group satisfying the grants criteria and the Sustainable City Grant team agreeing that their application was robust and grant funding them |
| WC2 | Christ's Pieces Residents' Association | Talk for local residents | £200 |
| WC3 | Empty Common Community Garden | Opening event, landscaping, insurance | £300 |
| WC4 | Friends of Histon Road Cemetery | Information and activities | £750 |
| WC5 | Histon Road Area Residents' Association | "A Community Remembers" community project | £1,000 |
| WC6 | Friends of Midsummer Common | Community activities and maintenance of community orchard | £700 |
| WC7 | Mayfield Seniors Group | Transport for three trips | £500 |
| WC8 | New Life Church, Cambridge | "Eddies" - weekly community café at Storey's Field Centre | £750 |

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| WC9 | Oblique Arts | Six creative workshops with exhibition for elderly people | £1,500 |
| TOTAL | | | £5,700 |
| | | | £6,100 |

19/8/WAC Presentation by Local Safeguarding Children's Board

The Committee received an oral presentation from Dave Sargent of the Local Safeguarding Children's Board. Details of the presentation can be found at:

<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/documents/s45682/County%20Lines%20in%20Cambridgeshire%20area%20committee%20presentation.pdf>

Dave Sargent responded to questions as follows:

1. Councillor Harrison

Why is 'County Lines' distinctive as a phenomenon?

Dealers from London seeking to expand their territory looked towards affluent regional area where they hoped policing might be less robust. A key feature was the use of children who would not be charged with an offence if caught.

2. Member of the Public (Friends of Midsummer Common)

Services for young people have been cut and there were no youth centres in the central area. The City Council could fund more services.

3. Councillor Scutt

How can we protect vulnerable people from being exploited and having their properties used by dealers and how can we address the use of children?

There were very few interventions that were successful. Vulnerable children were attracted by gifts and money. The public should report it if they suspect a property has been taken over. This can be done anonymously and details can be found in the presentations (link above).

19/9/WAC Environmental Report - WCAC

The Committee received a report from the Enforcement Team Leader. He outlined a change to the report format which would no longer contain specific recommendation. In future a holistic approach to issues arising across the West Central area would be taken.

The report provided an overview of the Council's Streets and Open Spaces, Environmental Health and Shared Waste service activity in the Area Committee area over the past six months.

The report provided open data on service performance, so that City and County Councillors and their constituents are informed of what service activity is happening in their area; and has the opportunity to engage in and help to shape this activity, including identifying specific local service requests / issues.

The Enforcement Team Leader responded to questions as follows:

1. Councillor Bick

How often does the Market Ward working group meet and who is the contact person / Chair of the meeting?

The Enforcement Team Leader undertook to supply the investigation.

Action: Enforcement Team Leader

2. Councillor Bick

Needle finds in the Kite area are on the increase and the locations appear to be known to Police. Can more prevention work be undertaken? If the areas are known why can't safe disposal option be installed?

The public are invited to pass on information to the police. Work was on-going to educate user regarding safe disposal.

Installing disposal units might encourage more users to the area.

3. Councillor Cantrill

Fly tipping is shown as an issue in Newham. However, this could be more of an issue to do with the recycling bins not being emptied often enough. The public then leave recycling next to the overflowing recycling bins.

The Enforcement Team Leader undertook to discuss this with the collections team.

Action: Enforcement Team Leader

4. Councillor Gillespie

A strategy was needed to allow CCTV to be used in known drug hotspots.

Short term use of the mobile CCTV units might be an option.
The Enforcement officer undertook to investigate this further.

5. Recent warm days saw the waste bins in the central area overflowing. How often are they emptied?

Parks were visited daily and any issues addressed.

6. If residents or Councillors want to arrange community skips days to prevent fly tipping, what is the best point of contact?

The Enforcement Team Leader undertook investigate the best point of contact.

Action: Enforcement Team Leader

19/10/WAC West/Central Area Committee Dates 2019/20

20th June 2019

12th September 2019.

5th December 2019 (See below)

5th March 2020.

WCAC agreed dates for 2019/20 subject to review of 5 December 2019 as not all councillors would be able to attend.

5 December 2019 would remain the meeting date if an alternative could not be found.

Action Point: Committee Manager to clarify if WCAC wish to meet on an alternative date to 5 December 2019.

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm

CHAIR

COMMITTEE ACTION SHEET

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| Committee | West/Central Area Committee |
| Date | 14/03/19 |
| Circulated on | 28/03/19 |
| Updated | 10/06/19 |

| ACTION | LEAD OFFICER/ MEMBER | TIMESCALE | PROGRESS |
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| 19/05/WAC Q1 Undertook to encourage better co-ordination between the Greater Cambridge Partnership and County Council about transport input provided to the planning system. | Councillor Bick | ASAP | GCP had initiated discussions with the County Council but they have not concluded yet. |
| 19/05/WAC Q1 Undertook to seek more information from the County Council highways department regarding planning application consultations. | Councillor Harrison | ASAP | |
| 19/05/WAC Q2 To request a briefing note regarding plans to limit access to King's Parade due to security concerns. | Councillor Nethsingha | ASAP | |
| 19/05/WAC Q3 To investigate the McManus Neighbourhood Watch groups concerns regarding the lack of response or feedback from | Councillor Scutt | ASAP | |

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| the Police when issues were reported. | | | |
| 19/05/WAC Q5 Update requested regarding outstanding EIP projects and when future schemes can be added. | John Richards: Project Manager | ASAP | We are making good progress with delivery of previously agreed schemes, and hope to be able to invite new applications early Summer 2019. Unfortunately, we weren't able to run a bidding round before close 2018. |
| 19/05/WAC Q6 Investigate consultation process for public art project involving plastic cows. | Councillor Nethsingha / Committee Manager | ASAP | Cows about Cambridge would be a project featuring 50 cow sculptures in a trail across Cambridge. Wild in Art will work in partnership with local children's charity Break, with support from the principal partner Cambridge Bid. For more details see link below. www.cowsaboutcambridge.co.uk |
| 19/05/WAC Q7 The Committee requested an update on the Spaces and Movement SPD | Terry De Sousa: Senior Planning Policy Officer | ASAP | As part of the preparation of the SPD, there have been a number of engagement events taking place with both key local stakeholders and the wider public. This early engagement has been important in developing our understanding the existing situation in the city in relation to the scope of the project and informing the emerging Baseline Report. It should be noted that this early engagement is a precursor to formal consultation on the draft document. Since the third and final stakeholder workshop, which took place on 22 November, officers have been working with the consultants (BDP) preparing the SPD on finalising the Baseline Report, agreeing the scope and structure of the SPD and the initial drafting of the document. As the SPD is being funded by the GCP and forms part of the GCP 'City Access' programme of work, the Project Team agreed to await the outcome of the GCP 'Choices for Better Journeys' consultation in |

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| | | | <p>order to feed any relevant comments into the Baseline Report and subsequent draft SPD. In order for the SPD to be joined up with other GCP and City led projects, it is important that the SPD sets out its position and role within this wider context.</p> <p>Once the draft SPD has been prepared, it is anticipated that it will be shared internally with relevant officers across the City and County Councils and GCP as well as a presentation carried out by the project team at a Member Briefing. The draft SPD would, subject to committee approval, then be subject to formal public consultation for six weeks.</p> |
| <p>19/09/WAC Details of contact person for Market Ward working group meetings to be forwarded to Cllr Bick</p> | Nicholas Kester: Enforcement Team Leader | ASAP | |
| <p>19/09/WAC Investigate the possibility of using mobile CCTV in known drug hotspots in the Kite area.</p> | Nicholas Kester: Enforcement Team Leader | ASAP | |
| <p>19/09/WAC Discuss the collection of recycling from Newnham area with a view to reducing fly tipping.</p> | Nicholas Kester: Enforcement Team Leader | ASAP | |
| <p>19/09/WAC Undertook investigate the best point of contact for local communities wanted to arrange a skip day.</p> | Nicholas Kester: Enforcement Team Leader / Wendy Johnston: Community Engagement and Enforcement Manager | ASAP | The Streets and Open Spaces Community Engagement Team are leading on development of Community Clean-Up Days for 2019/20 and residents have been asked to nominate locations for such days, by the end of May 2019 to email |

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| | | | sosvolunteers@cambridge.gov.uk or they can contact us by phone on 01223 458084. A news release for this was sent out on 3 rd May 2019. |
| 19/10/WAC December Meeting date still to be agreed as not all members available on 5th December | Committee Manager | ASAP | |

Neighbourhood Profile

Cambridge City West/Central – June 2019



Wards: Castle, Market and Newnham

Produced by:

Cambridgeshire Constabulary:

- Inspector Paul Rogerson
- Sergeant Kevin Misik

Safer Communities, Cambridge City Council:

- Lynda Kilkelly, Safer Communities Manager
- Sarah Steggles, Senior ASB Officer



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1. Introduction

Aim

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

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

Methodology

This document was produced using the following data sources:

- Cambridgeshire Constabulary crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) incident data for the six months from November 2018 to April 2019, compared to the previous six months (May 2018 to October 2018) and the same seven months last year (November 2017 to April 2018); and
- Information provided by the Safer Neighbourhood Policing team and the City Council's Safer Communities team.

2. Current Areas of Concern

At the West/Central Area Committee meeting of 29 November 2018, the committee recommended addressing the following local areas of concern:

- Drug-related behaviour in the Grafton Centre area as already discussed;
- Poor behaviour of cyclists and moped riders in the City Centre. This included speeding, lack of lights and cycling on pavements; and
- Night time road safety at the following junctions: Histon Road/Victoria Road and Chesterton Road/Magdalen Street.

Lead officers and actions to be taken were agreed following the committee meeting. The work undertaken and current situation is detailed below.

Drug-related behaviour in the Grafton Centre area as already discussed

Objective: To understand and tackle the issues of drug-related behaviour around The Grafton and Maid's Causeway area.

Action Taken: This area has been our main focus with support from the wider policing team over the reporting period. Firstly, the concerns of members of the committee led to a review of the previous calls and work, which had been carried out in the area, and the effectiveness of that response. This review highlighted that there was an issue around the prioritisation and routing of the calls of this nature from that location. This discovery led to a change in working from the constabulary's call handling department. To allow for a more

effective response, calls from highlighted areas are sent to local deployable officers quicker. As well as this change, the intelligence picture was reviewed by the team and a number of key trends were identified and an operation was put in place to address this highlighted intelligence. This took a number of forms and ranged from high visibility work from the PCSO teams to direct action being taken against people selling drugs, by the Impact Team. This work also identified how the issues that were being suffered in this area fitted into the wider issues around the city. This allowed us to further target our work as well as understand how work at other locations around the city might affect the area in question. As well as the work to target the behaviour itself, the team has worked in partnership with a number of agencies, including the City Council's Safer Communities team, to address the underlying causal factors for this behaviour. This has included work to disperse the street-based begging activity from the area, as there is strong evidence to support that the majority of money given to people who are begging is used to obtain drugs. This ready supply of money and ready access to the drug market is happening in a relatively small footprint. This work has led to a reduction in reported issues in the area, most notably the residential parts of it.

Current Situation: There have been limited numbers of calls around this issue and the matter is constantly under review by a dedicated member of the team. The work to address the underlying issues also continues both by us and a number of partner agencies, most notably the City Council's Safer Communities team.

Lead Officer: Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Poor behaviour of cyclists and moped riders in the City Centre. This included speeding, lack of lights and cycling on pavements

Objective: To ensure that the shared spaces within the City Centre are safe for all people to use.

Action Taken: This work continues to be part of the day-to-day work of, mainly, the PCSOs within the team. They are regularly spending their time stopping and speaking to moped riders and cyclists when they encounter them whilst on patrol. All members of the team report spending time with this task whenever they are out on patrol.

Current Situation: The issues continue despite the work undertaken by the team. At this time there are highlighted issues around the Rose Crescent area which is being reviewed by one of the PCSOs within the team to see if there is any preventive work that can be undertaken by the team and our partners.

Lead Officer: Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Night time road safety at the following junctions: Histon Road/Victoria Road and Chesterton Road/Magdalen Street

Objective: To ensure that the users of the junctions around the West/Central area, notably the ones mentioned, are safe for all road users.

Action Taken: As well as the day-to-day patrol work, which the team carries out to address these issues, there is also an ongoing bespoke piece of work which is being carried out to

address the most problematic junctions around the City, based not only on the data the police holds around these junctions, but also information received from the public and councillors. This work is a series of pre-arranged operations at these key locations which, with the support of the Special Constabulary, deploy plain-clothed officers to identify offences at the locations highlighted and, with the support of the uniformed officers, deal with them.

Current Situation: This work continues and the dates for the operations are in place for the rest of this year. The objectives of the operation are as follows:

- Take visible action to tackle road safety during rush hours;
- Focus on data-driven enforcement, focused on improving safety at junctions; and
- Encourage communities, parishes, and wards to take positive steps to improve road safety by co-ordinating the long term problem solving in the form of a road safety plan. This work can be considered as part of the team's usual business. The team would be interested in any suggestions for areas that they could target going forwards.

Lead Officer: Sergeant Kevin Misik, Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

3. *Proactive Work and Emerging Issues*

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

The team continues to routinely review the main issues across the area and each member holds a portfolio for any ongoing issues: these range from the work we carry out in the night time economy to the issues around The Grafton centre. This allows the team to maintain a wide view of the issues.

At the moment, there are ongoing issues with street-based ASB around the Park Street car park area which is affecting the people who work and use the area.

There are also developing issues of anti-social moped riding and pedal cyclists around the Rose Crescent area.

Given the time of year, there will likely be an increase in anti-social issues around the green spaces in the area. There may be links to this with the previous issues around The Grafton area, given the proximity of Midsummer Common.

We continue to work around issues of Road Safety as described in the updates.

Cambridge City Council

Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) Officers within the City Council's Safer Communities team continue to take proactive action where there are reports of ASB or nuisance, and work closely with the police and other partner agencies when tackling complex cases. We will consider preventative, supportive and enforcement action, as appropriate, depending on the nature and risk level of the case.

During the last reporting period, ASB officers have been involved in dealing with a number of high-level cases and taken action as appropriate including:

- County Court action resulting in two-year injunctions excluding three problematic individuals from entering the Fitzroy Street and Burleigh Street area. Two of these individuals are now engaging with support agencies, have significantly reduced their drug use and are now accommodated. The third individual continues to have a visible presence, breaching the injunction on a daily basis. The City Council are therefore in the process of applying to court for a committal hearing.
- We continue to work in partnership with the police and support agencies to tackle issues relating to the street life community including Jordan's Yard, where we have a number of disruptive rough sleepers causing a significant impact on the wider community by being drunk and intimidating to those passing through the area. Five individuals have been issued with warning letters and support information and are currently subject to action plans which include supportive interventions and enforcement where appropriate.

Cambridge Street Aid: Updates

Cambridge City Council continues with its commitment to promote Street Aid as a positive alternative to giving spare change to individuals on the street. It has proved a successful way to engage with all sections of the community, including businesses and those with experience of street homelessness. We continue to receive positive feedback in relation to the scheme, including national interest from other districts keen to copy the model and an anonymous benefactor interested in funding further donation points. Over 150 individuals have now received grants and over £50,000 has been donated to the fund.

In order ensure consistent messaging and promotion of the scheme, the City Council has funded a part-time volunteer coordinator with the objective of recruiting a team of volunteers and Street Aid champions to help raise awareness of Street Aid and the support available to those on the streets.

Cambridge University students are amongst our new Champion volunteers, and they are organising their own events to raise money and awareness for Street Aid.

A sixth contactless donation point was funded and launched by the Grand Arcade in February. The "Friends of Street Aid" newsletter, which keeps interested parties updated on a monthly basis, was also launched at this time.

People with street life experience, who have benefitted from a grant, worked with the Council's Communication team to produce a video about Cambridge Street Aid and this will be available soon on YouTube.

A report will be presented to the Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee on 27 June 2019 on the Public Spaces Protection Order (Touting) 2016, which essentially prohibits verbal touting for punt tours in certain areas of the city centre. The PSPO will lapse on 14 September 2019 and the recommendation will be to extend its validity for a further three years.

4. Additional Information

CORA is currently unable to provide data for this table

| | City West/Central | | | Castle | | | Market | | | Newnham | | |
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| Dwelling Burglary | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Burglary | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Violent Crime / *with Injury | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Robbery | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Theft of Vehicle | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Theft from Vehicle | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Cycle Theft | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Theft from Shop | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Criminal Damage | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Crime | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Crime | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total ASB | | | | | | | | | | | | |

5. Recommendations

The following local areas of concern are recommended for consideration:

- Street-based ASB around the Park Street car park area
- Anti-social activity on the green spaces in the area
- Anti-social activity around The Grafton

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