



Cambridge City Council South Area Committee

Date: Monday, 8 March 2021

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: This is a virtual meeting and therefore there is no physical location for this meeting.

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 - 07/03/22

Venues will be agreed later.

City Councillors: McPherson (Chair), Thornburrow (Vice-Chair), Ashton, Dryden, McGerty, Page-Croft and Summerbell

County Councillors: Ashwood, Crawford and Taylor

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SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE

7 September 2020

7.00 - 10.30 pm

Present

Area Committee Members: Councillors McPherson (Chair), Thornburrow (Vice-Chair), Ashton, Dryden, Lord, McGerty, Page-Croft, Summerbell, Ashwood, Crawford and Taylor

Councillors Page-Croft left during the discussion on item 20/20/SAC Open forum due to technical difficulties

Officers:

Head of Property Services: Dave Prinsep

Anti-Social Behaviour Officer: Rachel Fairhead

Committee Manager: James Goddard

Other Officers in Attendance:

Police Detective Sergeant: Kiri Mazur

Greater Cambridge Partnership: Andrew Munro

Greater Cambridge Partnership: Jane Osayimwen

Mott Macdonald: Michael Payne

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

20/14/SAC Election of Chair and Vice Chair - SAC

The Committee Manager took the Chair whilst the South Area Committee elected a Chair.

Councillor Summerbell proposed, and Councillor Page-Croft seconded, the nomination of Councillor McGerty as Chair.

Councillor McPherson took over as Chair of the meeting.

Councillor Ashton proposed, and Councillor Thornburrow seconded, the nomination of Councillor McPherson as Chair.

Resolved (by 4 votes to 4 and flip of a coin by Committee Manager) that Councillor McPherson be Chair for the ensuing year.

Councillor McGerty proposed, and Councillor Summerbell seconded, the nomination of Councillor Page-Croft as Vice Chair.

Councillor Dryden proposed, and Councillor Ashton seconded, the nomination of Councillor Thornburrow as Vice Chair.

Resolved (by 4 votes to 4 and Chair's casting vote) that Councillor Thornburrow be Vice Chair for the ensuing year.

20/15/SAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

20/16/SAC Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

20/17/SAC Minutes

A member of the public referred to minute reference 20/08/SAC in 9 March 2020 minutes and queried if Dutch style roundabout costs were correct.

The original point made by the member of the public was that attendees were given inaccurate information by officers in the March SAC. They said that the difference between the original £800k and the £1.8m announced at that time was due to extra utility works during construction. The member of the public believed this was inaccurate because people learned this year (2020) that the cost had already escalated to more than £1.5m before construction started in September 2019. The committee should receive an explanation from the county council for this.

Councillor Taylor had asked for a report to go to County Highways and Transport Committee 7 July 2020.

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Action: Councillor McPherson to write to Councillor Bates [Chair of County Council Highways and Transport Committee] to request cost information on the Dutch style roundabout.

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2020 were approved as a correct record.

20/18/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes

The committee action sheet was noted. Councillors would send any updates to the Committee Manager outside of the meeting.

20/19/SAC Open Forum

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

1. A member of the public raised the following issues:

- i. I'm very pleased to see the improvements in local pedestrian and cycle infrastructure with the completion of the roundabout and the agreed closure of Nightingale avenue and I would like to thank those here who have helped to make this possible.
- ii. Given the huge burden of illness and deaths that are a direct result of air pollution, including recent data showing those exposed to air pollution are at far greater risk of dying from covid-19, please could the committee advise on what steps are being taken in our area to reduce car traffic and ensure we can all breath clean air.

Councillor McGerty suggested waiting to see the results of projects to replace vehicles with other forms of transport [eg walking] during lockdown. Air quality had improved, but there were other considerations to be borne in mind too.

2. A member of the public asked when the public consultation into the Nightingale Avenue point closure would start?

3. A member of the public asked: With the Nightingale Avenue Project having been temporarily closed to cars from Babraham Road and planned works to the Robin Hood Junction and Queen Edith's Way, is there a cycling network being planned for good access to the Biomedical Campus?"

4. A member of the public said:

- i. Queen Edith Lib Dems produced a leaflet that shows the Hills Road Nightingale Avenue junction being permanently closed and narrowed with a cycle lane swerving through the wildlife corridor in order to restrict the junction to cycles only crossing into Red Cross Lane.
- ii. Residents on the Hills Road frontage or service road are very concerned at the lack of consultation and discussion considering that closure of this road would reduce access to their homes and asked for a joint meeting with councillors, relevant Greater Cambridge Partnership and developer representatives to best negotiate an improved cycle junction while protecting the wildlife corridor and access for residents and service vehicles before and major decisions are made for this junction.
- iii. Was supportive of cycling, but did not want to be totally cut off from cars or lose access for waste disposal or emergency vehicles.

Councillors Ashton and McGerty said that [ward] councillors were voted in to represent their residents, but were not consulted on road closures. If the County Council had the remit to close roads, they should say so, so [city] ward councillors were not petitioned by residents when they had no influence over county matters.

Councillor McGerty said the County Council and Greater Cambridge Partnership should advise residents they had funding that had to be spent quickly or be lost, then set out their proposals. A Greater Cambridge Partnership consultation on possible Nightingale works would start in November and residents were encouraged to respond to this.

Councillor McGerty offered to liaise with the member of the public after the meeting about issues raised.

Councillor Taylor said Greater Cambridge Partnership had shut the road without consultation. Councillors had advised Greater Cambridge Partnership that residents would not be pleased. Re-iterated a Greater Cambridge Partnership consultation on possible Nightingale works would start in November and residents were encouraged to respond to this.

5. A member of the public said Hills Road Area Residents Association want to protect the tree lined green space and wildlife corridor between Hills Road and the Hills Road Access Road in front of Nightingale Avenue. Can the project team working on the Hills Road and Babraham Road Cycleway plans reassure them that this loved local green space will be protected?

Councillor Taylor offered to liaise with the member of the public after the meeting about maintenance issues raised.

With the permission of the Chair/Committee, Councillor McGerty shared the Queen Edith Lib Dem leaflet. It was not the intention of the pathway to impinge on green areas.

20/20/SAC Policing and Safer Neighbourhoods

The Committee received a report from DS Mazur regarding policing and safer neighbourhood trends.

The report outlined actions taken since the last reporting period. The current emerging issues/neighbourhood trends for each ward were also highlighted (see report for full details). Previous priorities and engagement activity noted in the report were:

- i. Address youth anti-social behaviour on the Anstey Way Estate;
- ii. Address youth anti-social behaviour in Trumpington Meadows;
- iii. Continue work to address serious street-based violence, child criminal exploitation and child sexual exploitation.

The Committee discussed the following policing issues:

- i. Drug dealing around Russel Court.
- ii. Drug dealing around the Clay Farm Centre.
- iii. Drug dealing and anti-social behaviour around the Accordia Estate
- iv. Drug dealing and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Hall.
- v. Policing of the 'Cambridge Lakes'. The area attracts anti-social behaviour in hot weather.
- vi. Traffic [general] and anti-social behaviour by drivers of vehicles and motor bikes in the Lime Avenue and Hobson Avenue areas of South Trumpington. Can occur day and night.

Members of the public raised the following policing issues:

- i. A small number of motorcycles (3 or 4) are causing a huge amount of noise disturbance due to their excessively loud exhaust systems as they drive in/out of the AURA development. This occurs daily and includes very early mornings and late evenings, sometimes past midnight. This noise pollution and anti-social behaviour happens circa 20 times/day. Particularly for residents along the main thoroughfare, Lime Avenue. Many have reported the issue to police but the standard reporting form seems ill-suited to this kind of anti-social behaviour and as yet, police have taken no action.

- ii. Excessive speeding along the main thoroughfare of the AURA development, Lime Avenue, is a daily occurrence. Some vehicles drive in excess of 40mph. This main access road is in a heavily built-up residential area with pedestrians, dog walkers and cyclists also using the roads. There are no speed limits or traffic calming measures in place at all. This anti-social behaviour is a serious accident waiting to happen. The developer [Countryside] and the Council, have been notified of this issue, yet neither seems prepared to take any responsibility for it.
- iii. Drug dealing seems to be a growing problem on the AURA development.
- iv. There has been an increase in cycle thefts recently, especially at the train station. Not all cycle thefts are reported as the victims seem to think that nothing will get done. They are also frustrated that there appears to be CCTV in the cycle parks, but no one seems interested in looking at it.

DS Mazur said in response to questions from members of the public:

- i. The number of cycle thefts in the city had decreased.

Action: DS Mazur to include details about citywide cycle thefts in report to East Area Committee 17/09/20. Committee Manager to put link to report in 07/09/20 SAC minutes for reference.

Post	meeting	note:	Hyperlink
https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=147&MId=3871&Ver=4			

- ii. Police liaise with the owners of 'Cambridge Lakes' about security. As soon as one [illegal] access point is closed, a new one is created. Land owners do take prompt action.

Action: DS Mazur and Dave Prinsep [SAC Lead Officer and Head of Property Services] to organize a meeting between councilors, police, local MP, landowners and other relevant stakeholders to find ways to address the continuing issue of anti-social behavior resulting from people trespassing onto 'Cambridge Lakes' land.

The following priorities were unanimously agreed by all councilors present:

- i. Traffic [general] and anti-social behaviour by drivers of vehicles and motor bikes in the AURA, Lime Avenue and Hobson Avenue areas of South Trumpington.
- ii. Support for funding so Police Officers can be trained to use decimetre to monitor decibels of noise from vehicles and motor bikes, as part of

general monitoring of speeding and anti-social behaviour by drivers/riders.

- iii. Drug dealing around the Clay Farm Centre.
- iv. Drug dealing and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Hall.
- v. Policing of the 'Cambridge Lakes'.

20/21/SAC GCP Presentation: CSET

The Committee received a presentation from Greater Cambridge Partnership and Mott Macdonald representatives.

The presentation can be viewed:
<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=122&MId=3879&Ver=4>

Officers said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. The intention was to make the travel hub as carbon neutral as possible. Greater Cambridge Partnership and the County Council were working on its design, which would include solar panels.
- ii. Greater Cambridge Partnership representatives would meet with Stapleford and Shelford Parish Councillors in the next few weeks.
- iii. The Cambridge South East Transport scheme route would be located as far as possible from the 9 Wells Nature Reserve beside the cycle route that followed the railway line. Officers recognised the need to enhance and protect the area around 9 Wells Nature Reserve.

20/22/SAC Update on s106 Items

The Committee received a report from the Head of Property Services on behalf of the Community, Sport & Recreation Manager regarding Nightingale Recreation Ground Pavilion Project.

Councillor McGerty said the item was coming to Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee for consideration 1 October 2020. Funding requirements would be looked at then. This was an urgent issue as residents were waiting for a new building once the old one was demolished. Queried what, if any, facilities would be available in the meantime.

Action: Head of Property Services to seek answers from Community, Sport & Recreation Manager regarding the following queries about Nightingale Avenue Pavilion:

- Will the gardening group continue to have access during the building period?
- What renewable energy systems will be included in the scheme?
- Will there be an outside fountain for people to fill up bottles as discussed at planning?
- Will there be a veranda?

Post meeting note: Response from Community, Sport & Recreation Manager:

- Garden group can still access their area and we'll be seeing how we can keep the water supply going too.
- Photovoltaics to be installed, good thermal installation and water reducing measures in showers and toilets
- There will be an outside tap. Location to be confirmed.
- There will be a veranda.

The Head of Property Services said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Asbestos needed to be cleared from the site when the building was demolished, to clear the site properly.
- ii. The City Council had undertaken a risk assessment and concluded people were at no risk from asbestos when using the building [before demolition]. There was no issue when it was left in situ.

The Committee received a report from the Head of Property Services on behalf of the Streets and Open Space – Development Manager regarding King George V Play Field Boundary Improvements.

- i. The Council used S106 contributions paid by developers to mitigate the impact of developments on facilities and amenities in Cambridge.
- ii. In view of the Covid-19 period, applications for the 2020 S106 funding round were invited over an extended period (from mid-March to the end of July 2020).
- iii. Eighteen proposals relating to play areas and open spaces were received (Trumpington Recreation Ground boundary treatment was one) and have been assessed against the Council's agreed S106 selection criteria.
- iv. The Executive Councillor is due to consider a report at the 29 September Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee when the Trumpington Recreation Ground project/application will be considered and may or may not receive funding.
- v. If the project received funding, the scheme would be developed and implemented in late 2021 at the earliest.

A member of the public addressed the committee: We would be grateful for information about what is proposed around the perimeter of the play field, including the reason for any changes and the options that are being considered. As far as we are aware, other than messages on a Facebook group, there has not been any general consultation with the neighbours who live around the play field or our staff at Trumpington Pavilion. We are concerned that any physical barrier around the play field may prove to be counter-productive. There are elderly residents who have for many years walked across the play field rather than use the path to the north of the field. Also, there is a need for regular vehicle access to the football pitches and to the changing rooms and patio to the rear of the Pavilion, for maintenance and events. Residents were open to consultation on proposals.

Councillor Lord said he had proposed the project:

- i. The trigger for proposed changes was the use of the play field by groups of travellers.
- ii. Councillor Lord proposed the project in 2019.
- iii. Due to time constraints on funding, the project had been started with the intention of undertaking consultation later.
- iv. A multi-form barrier was proposed to block [unauthorised] vehicular access.
- v. The project would increase the biodiversity of the area.
- vi. The project had been put on the committee agenda tonight so residents could discuss the idea.

Councillor Thornburrow said:

- i. Travellers and campers had stayed on the recreation ground to access local hospital facilities. This only happened a few times, the families concerned had caused only a few problems as far as the council was aware. It was understood families left of their own accord and removed any rubbish.
- ii. No further action was expected until the consultation period went ahead.
- iii. Undertook to feedback issues to the Streets and Open Space – Development Manager.

20/23/SAC Network Rail: (Proposed) Cambridge South Station

The report was noted.

The meeting ended at 10.30 pm

CHAIR

SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE

30 November 2020

7.00 - 9.30 pm

Present

Area Committee Members: Councillors McPherson (Chair), Thornburrow (Vice-Chair), Ashton, Dryden, McGerty, Page-Croft, Summerbell, Crawford and Taylor

Officers:

Head of Property Services: Dave Prinsep

Streets and Open Spaces Development Manager: Alistair Wilson

Senior Asset Development Officer Anthony French

Play Development Officer: Dan Mitchell

Public Realm Enforcement Officer: Bree Donovan

Committee Manager: James Goddard

Meeting Producer: Gary Clift

Other Officers in Attendance:

Network Rail Consultation Manager: Sophie Moeng

Network Rail Consents Development Manager: Mike Blissett

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL**20/24/SAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor Ashwood

20/25/SAC Declarations of Interest

Member	Item	Interest
Councillor Dryden	8	Member of the committee of The Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall
Councillor Ashton	8	Chair of Cherry Hinton Residents Association and member of the

		committee of The Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall
Councillor McGerty	6	Has donated professional time to 'Abbey People' Food Hub

20/26/SAC Minutes

The following amendments were requested to the minutes of the meetings held on 7 September 2020:

20/17/SAC Minutes

A member of the public referred to minute reference 20/08/SAC in 9 March 2020 minutes and queried if Dutch style roundabout costs were correct. ~~Expressed concerns that costs had risen from £800,000 to £1,800,000.~~

The original point made by the member of the public was that attendees were given inaccurate information by officers in the March SAC. They said that the difference between the original £800k and the £1.8m announced at that time was due to extra utility works during construction. The member of the public believed this was inaccurate because people learned this year (2020) that the cost had already escalated to more than £1.5m before construction started in September 2019. The committee should receive an explanation from the county council for this. Councillor Taylor had asked for a report to go to County Highways and Transport Committee.

Action: Councillor McPherson to write to Councillor ~~Baisley~~ **Bates** [Chair of County Council Highways and Transport Committee] to request cost information on the Dutch style roundabout.

Action: Councillors McPherson and McGerty to seek cost/benefit analysis figures and accurate project cost estimate figures from Councillor Bates on the Dutch style roundabout.

20/19/SAC Open Forum

Councillor McGerty offered to liaise with the member of the public after the meeting about issues raised.

Councillor Taylor said Greater Cambridge Partnership had shut the road without consultation. The County Council Councillors had advised Greater Cambridge Partnership that residents would not be pleased. Re-iterated a Greater Cambridge Partnership consultation on possible Nightingale works would start in November and residents were encouraged to respond to this.

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The minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2020 will be resubmitted for approval as a correct record at the next committee 8 March 2021.

20/27/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes

The committee action sheet was noted. Councillors would send any updates to the Committee Manager outside of the meeting.

Councillor McPherson had walked around Burnside Lakes (formerly known as Cambridge Lakes) with council and police officers. They were looking at how operations could change to mitigate anti-social behaviour in the area.

20/28/SAC Open Forum

A member of the public raised the following issues:

- i. Given the announcement in last week's spending review of further government endorsement of, and investment in developing the Oxford-

Cambridge Arc, what engagement have councillors on this committee had or been offered on the topic.

- ii. Do councillors agree that it is important that residents are kept fully abreast of this project and, if so, how can Cambridge City Council best achieve this?

Councillor Ashton said that the matter had come up in a planning meeting earlier that day to discuss the local plan, and it was mentioned during that meeting that the Oxford Arc should be considered. Resident's associations would be invited to further meetings to allow their input.

Councillor McGerty said that it can be difficult for members of city and county councils to get a 'seat at the table' with large, UK wide projects such as the Oxford-Cambridge Arc. The public could feel control of these matters was moving further away from them. Councillor Smith (Leader of South Cambridgeshire District Council) was acting as the Environmental Lead on the Ox-Cam Arc board. Councillor McGerty hoped the city council would receive updates from her, possibly if invited to do so directly to residents at a public forum such as this one.

Councillor Thornburrow said she had been contacted by Councillor Smith from South Cambridgeshire Council to say she was going to try to raise the issue of the environmental aspects of what may happen with the Ox-Cam Arc, and hoped this dialogue would continue.

20/29/SAC Re-Ordering Agenda

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

20/30/SAC Food Hubs - Coronavirus Community Response

The Committee received a report from the Play Development Officer regarding support given to Food Hubs as part of the Coronavirus community response.

The report outlined:

- i. That Cambridge City Council have been working with community and faith groups, partner agencies and over 1500 volunteers to support 700 households during lockdown and distribute £14,000 of grant funding

- ii. The City Council supported Cambridge Sustainable Food in the creation of eight food hubs since March, which in addition to five existing food banks were aimed at tackling food poverty during the pandemic. In addition, Cambridge Sustainable Food were also being supported to set up a permanent food distribution hub.
- iii. Food banks in the city require a referral and voucher provided by a doctor, community work, school or similar, whereas food hubs were not means tested. 113 tons of food had been distributed by food hubs in Cambridge, including 10,000 cooked meals prepared and delivered.
- iv. Council staff from several departments had been redeployed since March to support the emergency food effort.
- v. Local communities had organised support networks, websites, telephone schemes and groups to help each other which has given a strong sense of community and connectedness.

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

- i. Councillor McPherson stated this would be a good time to mention the Volunteer for Cambridge Awards 2020, details of which are available on the council website. He also thanked the officer for everything they, and all other volunteers had done.
- ii. Councillor Dryden thanked the volunteers, including those around the Cherry Hinton area, and Councillor Collis who has been organising the food hub in his area.
- iii. Councillor Thornburrow thanked the volunteers and the manager of Cambridge sustainable food. She also stated that while the Trumpington food hub had moved from two days per week open, to one day once the first lockdown ended, she has now seen an increase in contact to her again, at a higher level than previously. European residents are finding it difficult where they have been furloughed and have no access to other funds, and so access to the food hub schemes are likely to remain essential until at least the spring of 2021.
- iv. Councillor Ashton asked whether it was possible to be provided with figures specifically for the south area of the city, which councillors can provide to their residents. He also thanked the officer for the work they had been doing on this initiative.
- v. In addition to others already discussed, Councillor McGerty gave thanks to Sam Davies, QECF, Queen Ediths churches and other volunteers within his ward, and Councillor Summerbell gave thanks to Philippa Slatter for acting as a link between food hubs and community organisations.

The Officer said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Figures from the presentation specific to the south area could be supplied to members in future.

Action: Play Development Officer to send Committee (figures from presentation broken down to ward level (instead of cross-city)).

- ii. Agreed that although it is difficult to mention everyone involved, many individuals and organisations deserved thanks.

20/31/SAC Network Rail: (Proposed) Cambridge South Station

The Committee received a presentation from the Consultation Manager and Consents Development Manager (Network Rail). This is published on the City Council website.

Members of the public asked questions or made statements as set out below.

- i. Queried if (sufficient) secure cycle parking with CCTV live feed would be available. A different range of cycles needed to be catered for eg road bikes and cargo bikes.
- ii. Requested a wildlife tunnel under the railway tracks or a bridge for animals to cross.
- iii. Requested construction materials were brought by rail by default and road as a secondary option.
- iv. Would trees planted by Fawcett school children be removed to make space for the western station building and forecourt? Would the trees be replaced?
- v. Noise from the Public Address System would impact on nearby residents.
- vi. Concern that construction workers would drop litter the area. Similarly, the station would encourage litter in Hobson's Park. Could bins be provided?
- vii. What would happen to the outcome of the consultation?
- viii. Employers on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus should subsidise their staff to travel by rail to the new station.
- ix. It was a great shame that this item was being presented the day after the Cambridge South consultation closed.
- x. Did councillors have a view on the fact that the station design catered for approximately 1.8m passenger trips a year when the 2019 Biomedical Campus Transport Needs Review identified a figure of 4m passenger trips a year; and modelling by Smarter Cambridge Transport suggested a figure in excess of 8m trips?

- xi. Queried if any councillors on this committee had submitted a response to the consultation?

Action: Member of the public asked for Camcycle's response to the Cambridge South Station Consultation to be circulated to SAC.

- xii. The new path on the west should be segregated and not a shared space to prevent conflict between pedestrians and cyclists.
- xiii. The main station access should be from the existing busway bridge (Addenbrooke's Bridge). This would be more efficient as the station could then be accessed by buses, pedestrians and cyclists by building a deck above the tracks.
- xiv. It was a long walk from the end of the last train carriage to the nearest bus stop. This may deter mobility impaired people.
- xv. Future-proof the station for increased capacity and adopt a concourse approach instead of bridges between platforms to allow commuters to easily flow from one platform to another.
- xvi. Provide cycle parking that is underground. This would be more secure, reduce visual impact and footprint.

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

- i. Re-iterated secure cycle parking and access from the busway was required.
- ii. Re-iterated there was a disparity between the figures quoted by the Department for Transport of 1.8m estimated passengers and the much higher figure of 9m estimated by Smarter Cambridge Transport. Could the station cope?
- iii. Expressed concern about open access to the station by all modes of transport. Requested drop off bays be reserved for disabled badge holders.
- iv. This was a unique opportunity to provide a joined-up transport interchange (trains, pedestrians, cycles and buses).

The Consultation Manager and Consents Development Manager (Network Rail) said the following in response to questions from members of the public and committee:

- i. Initial construction planning work undertaken suggested that bringing construction materials by rail would only be possible during the night because there was no spare rail capacity during the day around Cambridge. This would disrupt overnight freight services and would

require the construction of significant material handling facilities. This may be noisier for residents in the surrounding area as there were no existing sidings or similar facilities in the vicinity.

- ii. Any trees planted by Fawcett school children that would be removed would be replaced.
- iii. Construction hours, traffic and other activities such as constructor behaviour (eg dropping litter) would be outlined in a draft Code of Construction Practice.
- iv. Litter bins would be put in Hobson's Park in response to residents' concerns.
- v. Underground cycle parking would not be included as part of the scheme as it was beyond the budget to provide this.
- vi. Commuter figures came from the Department for Transport.
- vii. The final design of the (west) path would be developed in conjunction with the Local Highway Authority. The intention would be to implement an appropriately sized path for pedestrians/bikes that was suitable for the landscape (to minimise impact on the greenbelt).
- viii. The location of bus stops was not the responsibility of Network Rail.

Action: Network Rail requested to write an interim report responding to questions raised at SAC, then make a further presentation at the next committee 08/03/21.

20/32/SAC Cherry Hinton Hall Children's Play Area Consultation

The Committee received a presentation from the Senior Asset Development Officer regarding the Cherry Hinton Hall children's play area consultation.

The presentation outlined:

- i. The amount of S106 funding for the project, £150,000 split between play equipment and landscaping, along with timescales for the tendering process and public consultation throughout 2020.
- ii. The Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall were permitted the opportunity to comment for an additional week after the official consultation had ended.
- iii. The results of the consultation, including that 83% of responses were for the proposal, 12% against and 5% didn't know. Some comments classed as not relevant, such as the opinion that the S106 money should be used elsewhere – even though this was not an option – were omitted from the process.

- iv. Examples of comments, both positive and negative, received during the consultation. Responses to some of the public concerns were also provided, including explanations of why some design choices had been made, and details of plans to mitigate concerns, such as CCTV to avoid anti-social behaviour issues.

A representative from the Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall made the following points.

- i. The business case for the play area was being worked on in February 2020 but the Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall were not invited to be involved until the end of September, which felt like the group was being excluded from the process.
- ii. The online survey made available as part of the consultation was poor, consisting of two questions and missing out on the opportunity to capture information on which people were engaging with the process, where those people were based and whether the new play area was likely to encourage them to visit the park. Additionally, they believe most of the responses arrived within the first 24-48 hours of the consultation, which suggests multiple responses were from the same people.
- iii. The Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall would like the opportunity to be more involved in a better planned consultation.
- iv. The increase in the footprint would impact on the residents closer to the boundary, including noise from the zip wire. Additionally there were concerns that any CCTV camera should be infrared for use at night, without a light which would disturb nearby residents, and that it must be a monitored camera which was an issue as there were problems broadcasting a CCTV signal from that side of the city to the Huntingdon CCTV control centre.

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

- i. That the option of CCTV had been raised when the matter came for discussion with ward councillors, before the public consultation began.
- ii. Requested CCTV cover the entrance/exit (if nowhere else was possible, but other areas welcome) to give the police a history of who went in/out and at what time.
- iii. Modern CCTV cameras did not need special (bright) lights to provide pictures, so they should not cause any light pollution that would disturb residents.
- iv. That the play area design looked engaging and challenging for all ages and abilities, and that some inclusive play equipment in the current area was mirrored in the new design.

- v. With the area being a 'destination park' for families around the city, was there the option of additional seating for parents, alongside the three picnic benches provided in the design.
- vi. It was unfortunate that the Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall were invited to take part towards the end of the process rather than from the beginning.
- vii. Had any thought been given to replacing the unacceptable toilet facilities at Cherry Hinton Hall park. An increase in visitors to use the new play area would likely lead to higher use of the toilets.
- viii. Suggested tweaking the consultation to include whether people were willing to pay to use the carpark .

The Senior Asset Development Officer and the Streets and Open Spaces Development Manager) said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Undertook to work with The Friends of Cherry Hinton Hall in future.
- ii. The boundary of the new play area had not been taken any closer to Walpole Road, it had only been extended slightly at the top corner to the minimal amount to allow provision for safe fall zones for play equipment.
- iii. Historically there had been little investment in the play area. This was an opportunity to replace some (but not all) equipment.
- iv. Extra benches could be included in the site brief.
- v. Undertook to liaise with the Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Open Spaces regarding toilet provision and car park charges.

The Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Open Spaces said that toilet provision needed to be improved and made accessible for all. There was funding for this in the current budget. Toilet provision and play areas went hand in hand, so both would be opened together. More bike racks were expected. CCTV provision was subject to consultation.

- vi. Stakeholders/Officers had to be mindful of the cost/maintenance of CCTV. This could be installed on-site, opportunities were being explored where this could occur.
- vii. Council officers monitored CCTV in the area and had a hotline to the police to report issues.
- viii. The consultation was hosted on the City Council website and also undertaken through letter drop, which may have led to generic feedback (rather than responding to questions asked, and so affected responses).

20/33/SAC SAC - Environmental Report

The Committee received a report from the Public Realm Enforcement Officer.

The report outlined 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 Committee discussed the following issues:

- i. Fly tipping and obstruction of footway by shop owners' wheelie bins at the back of Anstey Way.
- ii. Garage in Church Way (Cherry Hinton) undertaking vehicle repairs on the public highway. Anti-social behaviour by the garage owners deterred people from reporting issues such as vehicles parking on double yellow lines.

In response to Members' questions the Public Realm Enforcement Officer said the following:

- i. Various instances of verge parking had been investigated. Warning letters sent to vehicle owners had stopped verge parking reoccurring by these individuals otherwise fixed penalty letters would have been sent out as the next stage of action.
- ii. Officers patrolled Church End. Welcomed witness statements from members of the public about garage undertaking vehicle repairs on the public highway.
- iii. There was no fly tipping of rubbish since the Colville Road recycling point closed. The Public Realm Enforcement Officer would ask colleagues to see if the battery and/or clothing bank could be replaced.

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm

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Committee Action Sheet - South Area Committee (SAC)

Date: 30/11/20

Updated on: 16/02/21

Minute reference: 20/10/SAC Open Forum

- Action:
 - Cherry Hinton City and County Councillors to contact Richard Ling (Team Leader, County Council) to compile a list of pedestrian crossings where the timings need to be changed.
 - Councillor Jones asked for examples from across the city to pass onto County Officers via SAC Chair and County Councillors.
- Progress:
 - Councillor Jones asked for details from stakeholders that she could forward on as examples. None have been received to date.

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Minute reference: 20/17/SAC Minutes

- Action: Councillor McPherson to write to Councillor Bates [Chair of County Council Highways and Transport Committee] to request cost information on the Dutch style roundabout. The officer presentation to SAC 09/03/20 said the costs were a matter of public record. The cost/benefit analysis could be made available upon request (except any commercially sensitive information).

<https://democracy.cambridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=122&MId=3717&Ver=4>

- Progress:
 - Councillors McPherson and McGerty to seek cost/benefit analysis figures and accurate project cost estimate figures from Councillor Bates.
 - A member of the public stated at 30/11/20 SAC that incorrect details had been minuted at 07/09/20 SAC:

A member of the public referred to minute reference 20/17/SAC in 9 March 2020 minutes and queried if Dutch style roundabout costs were correct. Expressed

concerns that costs had risen from £800,000 to £1,800,000.

- The contention is that the explanation given for costs increasing was due to utilities work, but the project costs were over budget before the utilities work took place.
- Committee Manager and Lead Officer contacted Alex Deans (Major Infrastructure Delivery Interim Group Manager) for a response. He has replaced Group Manager, Major Infrastructure Delivery: Dorothy Higginson.

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Minute reference: 20/29/SAC Food Hubs - Coronavirus Community Response

- Action: Dan Mitchell (Play Development Officer) to send Committee (at the request of Councillor Ashton) figures from presentation broken down to ward level (instead of cross-city).
- Progress:
 - Action complete.

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Minute reference: 20/30/SAC Network Rail: (Proposed) Cambridge South Station

- Action: Member of the public asked for Camcycle's response to the Cambridge South Station Consultation to be circulated to SAC.
- Progress:
 - Action complete.

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Minute reference: Minute reference: 20/30/SAC Network Rail: (Proposed) Cambridge South Station

- Action: Network Rail requested to write an interim report responding to questions raised at SAC, then make a further presentation at the next committee 08/03/21.
- Progress:
 - Interim report received and published on SAC webpage.
 - Network Rail were contacted and invited to 08/03/21 meeting. Since the meeting on 30/11/20, no further changes have been made to the Cambridge South scheme. Rather than presenting the same information that South Area Committee have already received, Network Rail could be invited to attend

a future committee if further updates were available/requested.

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Neighbourhood Profile

Cambridge City South – March 2021



Wards: Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's and Trumpington

Produced by:

Cambridgeshire Constabulary:

- Inspector Edward McNeill
- Detective Sergeant Kiri Mazur

Community Safety Team, Cambridge City Council:

- Lynda Kilkelly, Community Safety Manager
- Maureen Tsentides, Anti-Social Behaviour 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 data received from the following sources:

- The Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team for the area;
- The City Council's Community Safety Team;
- The general public, via online and telephone crime and intelligence reporting; and
- Consultation with elected Ward and County members.

2. Current Areas of Concern

At the South Area Committee meeting of 7 September 2020, the committee recommended addressing the following local areas of concern:

- Traffic [general] and anti-social behaviour by drivers of vehicles and motor bikes in the AURA, Lime Avenue and Hobson Avenue areas of South Trumington;
- Support for funding so Police Officers can be trained to use decimetre to monitor decibels of noise from vehicles and motor bikes, as part of general monitoring of speeding and anti-social behaviour by drivers/riders;
- Drug dealing around the Clay Farm Centre;
- Drug dealing and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Hall; and
- Policing of the 'Cambridge Lakes'.

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

Traffic [general] and anti-social behaviour by drivers of vehicles and motor bikes in the AURA, Lime Avenue and Hobson Avenue areas of South Trumington

Objective: To target and sanction those engaged in vehicle-based antisocial behaviour.

Action Taken: The City Neighbourhood Policing Teams in all Wards have current vehicle-based antisocial behaviour (ASB) areas of focus, so we have initiated Operation Crossfade to tackle this in all areas of the City.

Operation Crossfade dedicated days of action have been completed in the South area of the City, including Lime Avenue, Hobson Avenue and the AURA estate. The South Neighbourhood Officers, with assistance from Special Constables, have also increased patrol time in Trumpington to focus on this issue. These are the results of our action since the last Committee:

- Section 59 warning issued to a moped rider for antisocial driving across Trumpington. This warns the owner/rider that should the vehicle continue to be used in an antisocial manner, the Police can seize it, and dispose of it should the recovery costs not be paid;
- A Community Protection Warning Notice issued to the parent of a moped rider believed to be engaged in ASB. This warns the parent that if they fail to control and prevent this ASB, a full Community Protection Notice will be served, breaches of which will incur a fine of up to £2500 and a record of a criminal conviction;
- Briefings circulated to officers in Response Policing to educate them on the issue and identify to them the key vehicles and persons believed to be engaged in this ASB, to improve their knowledge and enable them to take action to complement our work;
- A tenancy warning notice has been served by a Housing Association against the parents of another moped rider believed to be engaged in ASB, after we shared information. This notice informs the parents that they are at risk of eviction if they fail to control and prevent this ASB.
- Two acceptable behaviour contracts imposed upon two further moped riders engaged in ASB; these contracts require the ASB to stop. If the contract is not adhered to, we will, with partner agencies, consider sanctions against the tenancy of these riders and their families.
- Enquiries into another moped being used in an antisocial manner revealed that this moped was owned by a vehicle leasing company. We contacted the leasing company and informed them of how the moped was being ridden; the company acted immediately to end the lease and take the moped away from the rider;
- DS Mazur participated in a virtual Trumpington Meadows residents' association meeting to explain Police action on antisocial vehicle use, among other neighbourhood concerns, followed up with the circulation of advice on how best to report concerns;
- By the time of this Committee, DS Mazur will also have participated in a virtual meeting of the Trumpington Residents' Association to speak on the same issues; and
- Action against car drivers under Operation Crossfade on three dedicated days of action has resulted in 15 Fixed Penalty Notices for excess speed and multiple Traffic Offence Reports (which will result in payment of appropriate fines, license penalty points, or prosecution) for offences of driving without insurance, no seatbelt

and/or driving whilst disqualified. One driver was arrested for driving whilst over the prescribed limit of alcohol, one vehicle was seized, and another driver also had their licence revoked.

Current Situation: The action undertaken so far has been a success in terms of results. Of the drivers and moped riders issued with warnings and other sanctions, none have since come to our attention for continuing their behaviour, so the action taken by us seems to have been proportionate and effective. That said, residents' associations still inform us that there is antisocial vehicle use continuing in parts of Trumpington, and we have been made aware of residents' concerns about excess speed on Cherry Hinton Road. Operation Crossfade will continue with further days of action and we will continue to monitor any changes in these reports as or when lockdown restrictions are lifted and the volume of traffic returns to levels similar to pre-pandemic levels.

Lead Officers: DS 2393 Kiri Mazur and PC 304 George Horsfall

Support for funding so Police Officers can be trained to use decimetre to monitor decibels of noise from vehicles and motor bikes, as part of general monitoring of speeding and anti-social behaviour by drivers/riders

Objective: To identify sources of internal funding for neighbourhood police officers to become trained.

Action Taken: Enquiries have confirmed that there is currently no Police funding available for this. On a periodic basis, some sources of external funding become available under the Proceeds of Crime Act. At the next opportunity, a bid for funding will be considered.

Current Situation: Officers from other departments, who are trained in decimetre usage, have assisted with Operation Crossfade and deployed the equipment on days of action. No decibel level breaches were identified in these deployments.

Lead Officer: DS 2393 Kiri Mazur

Drug dealing around the Clay Farm Centre

Objective: To reduce the prevalence of drug dealing around the Clay Farm Centre.

Action Taken: Regular overt and covert patrols have been carried out specifically in the area of the Clay Farm Centre, the surrounding estates, and the Guided Busway. Results from these patrols have included:

- Lots of regular engagement with residents, the Clay Farm Centre, and the shops. Feedback from the community regarding Police presence has been positive;
- Stop and Searches (twenty, in number) carried out in and around Clay Farm estate and the Guided Busway: Five of these were positive for personal cannabis possession and one was positive for offensive weapons and possession of an imitation firearm. The suspect for these offences has been charged and is awaiting a Court date. None of this Police activity has resulted in the gathering of intelligence, confirming the existence of, or disrupting the practice of, dealing in controlled drugs;

- We have dispersed many youths congregating at the Clay Farm centre, and five Covid-19 fixed penalty notices have been issued to the parents of youths who returned having been dispersed; and
- There was community concern regarding a number of robberies on and around the Guided Busway within the area in October and November 2020, as well as a number of criminal damage offences committed against buses being driven on it. Our patrols enabled us to assist with the arrest of three persons suspected to have been involved in these offences and the subsequent investigations are still ongoing. We also patrolled on a bus, kindly supplied by Stagecoach and arranged with the assistance of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, which was an excellent way to ensure we were in the right place at the right time for some of the above action. We will carry out further patrols in partnership in the future.

Current Situation: Antisocial behaviour in this area continues to be a concern and this should remain an area of focus for us. However, neither our enhanced patrols nor regular scanning of incidents and actionable intelligence, has allowed us to specifically confirm or disrupt drug dealing within this area.

Lead Officer: DS 2393 Kiri Mazur

Drug dealing and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Hall

Objective: To reduce the prevalence of drug dealing and antisocial behaviour around Cherry Hinton Hall.

Action Taken: Significant patrol hours were concentrated in the area throughout September and October 2020, to identify times and days of the week where this type of behaviour is prevalent. Regular scanning was also undertaken of incidents, intelligence and crime reported to the Police, to inform a patrol plan and a problem-solving profile. Very little further information, or opportunities to identify and disrupt offenders, was identified as a result. Since October 2020, we have patrolled the area when we have been able, and have continued to scan reported incidents, intelligence and crime reports on a weekly basis.

Current Situation: There has been minimal reporting of any issues at this location since the last area committee meeting:

- One assault between school children in October 2020;
- One assault of an adult by an unknown offender in November 2020;
- One theft of tools in November 2020;
- One concern for a dangerous dog in January 2021; and
- One theft of unattended property in January 2021.

There have been a further seven incidents reported to Police since September 2020 for Cherry Hinton Hall, mainly reports of groups of people suspected of breaching Covid-19 regulations. It was not possible to attend all of these reports, but Covid-19 patrols have been ongoing throughout, and where groups have been in breach then they have immediately dispersed upon being spoken to. No Covid-19 fixed penalty notices have

been issued following our attendance. To contextualise this, our enforcement threshold is lower than at the start of the pandemic, but Police are still following the four E's approach to Covid-19 enforcement and only issuing fines when people have not responded to being advised regarding their behaviour.

In order to prioritise further patrol time, we need to see an increase in reported antisocial behaviour (ASB) and drug dealing for the location. Calls to Police should be made in an emergency on 999, non-emergency 101 or alternatively www.cambs.police.uk has several options for reporting, including live webchat and incident-specific reporting options for different types of crime and ASB.

Lead Officer: DS 2393 Kiri Mazur

Policing of the 'Cambridge Lakes'

Objective: To assist partners in mitigating the impact of ASB on local residents from those trespassing at Burnside Lakes.

Action Taken: There have been no calls for service to this location following the last area committee meeting. This is as expected as historically no calls are received over the winter months.

A joint visit to the site has been undertaken by Supt Sutherland, Insp McNeill, Cllr McPherson and key partners.

Contact with the landowners has been ongoing and several improvements have been made over the winter to perimeter fencing to improve security.

Current Situation: DS Mazur has contacted representatives from Fire and Rescue, and East of England Ambulance Service, to request a joint water recovery exercise. There are scheduling issues meaning that it may not be possible to have this exercise prior to trespass again becoming an issue affecting residents. In previous years, calls for service have begun escalating at the end of March and have continued through to the end of August, peaking during spells of hot weather. Discussions are still ongoing to try and schedule this.

Cambridgeshire Police will continue to triage calls for service to the Lakes and deploy, where possible, to reports of Covid-19 breaches or incidents of criminality. Where neither of these factors is present, the key issues are those of civil trespass, parking violations or noise complaints, which the Police have no powers to sanction.

Lead Officer: DS 2393 Kiri Mazur

3. *Proactive Work and Emerging Issues*

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Working with the City Council's Community Safety Team, we have issued a Closure Notice on a residential premises in Cherry Hinton following repeated information being received regarding ASB. The Closure Notice prohibits anyone from entering who is not on the

tenancy. We are gathering evidence to progress against the tenant for breaches of this order and have shared information with the Council to enable them to take action to end the tenancy. This is an ongoing piece of work.

A female living in the Accordia estate, who has been the subject of an ongoing Class A drug supply investigation, has since moved to a different address in the City and reported antisocial behaviour (ASB) calls linked to the address have dramatically reduced. The associated case is with the Crown Prosecution Service for a charging decision.

We continue to monitor and target repeat offenders for shoplifting and associated drug and public order crime. South Team officers have, so far in 2021, been responsible for arresting three of the most problematic nominals whose behaviour was mainly affecting the Cherry Hinton area of the City. All of these were charged and given subsequent custodial sentences upon conviction.

Evidence of repeated breaches of a Criminal Behaviour Order is being gathered against a male who frequents the Trumpington area of the City, in anticipation of being able to charge him and seek either a custodial sentence or a variance of the Order to ensure that his behaviour can be stopped from negatively impacting on the Community.

Officers from the local team, as well as officers from elsewhere dedicated to Covid-19 patrols, continue to undertake regular patrols of locations where breaches of Covid-19 legislation have been reported. We are also regularly visiting Covid-19 vaccination sites across the City to support NHS and other local partners in the smooth and safe delivery of this vital function.

Further neighbourhood officers are now trained in the use of mobile speed monitoring devices and will be deploying these more regularly in locations reported to be experiencing antisocial driving.

Calls for service to ASB and other community concerns continue to be the most prevalent in the Trumpington area, so much of our general patrol time is spent here. Please ensure that issues in other Wards are reported to us, and to the City Council's Community Safety Team, so we can make sure that we identify the most pressing issues across the Area.

Neighbourhood officers continue to assist with regular days of action against cycle theft offenders and hotspot locations in the South and across the City.

Cambridge City Council

The Community Safety Team (CST) continues to take proactive action where there are reports of ASB or nuisance behaviour, and works in close partnership with other agencies, such as housing providers and the police neighbourhood teams, when tackling complex cases. We will consider preventative, supporting and enforcement action as appropriate, depending on the nature and risk level of the case.

The CST, working in collaboration with the police, has secured a closure order for three months against one of the properties in the South area. Warning letters have been issued to two different tenancies, following breaches of tenancy conditions.

The CST and the City Council's City Homes team, has worked with the police to secure a property, following reports of serious antisocial behaviour (ASB) committed by individuals who had gained access to a property where the tenant had been absent.

The CST continues to be a key partner at the CB1 estate, responding to reports of ASB during this pandemic and the current guidelines. During late summer, we received reports from residents about loud noise from children playing on the green space at Mill Park, including reports of damage to planters. This activity was exacerbated by a number of factors: the hot summer, when balcony doors and windows were open; by more residents being at home due to the lockdown; and by children wanting to enjoy the outdoor areas. In the summer and going into autumn, we received reports of late-night and early-morning noise from student accommodation. Students were also reported for breaches of lockdown regulations, including the 'Rule of Six'. Other reports included antisocial use of e-scooters, where students had hired them and were riding them up and down Mill Park very late at night, causing noise nuisance. As a result of these residents' reports, we have held a number of high-level partnership/residents' meetings to address some of these concerns. A problematic individual, responsible for aggressive begging at the Station Square has been dealt with by way of a Criminal Behaviour Order. We have continued to engage regularly with the community at CB1 via the community newsletter, updating and sign posting support over lockdown. Events and initiatives have included the traditional pop-up markets over four days, and although footfall was down compared to 2019, we received great feedback from residents.

Cambridge Street Aid continues to help individuals on the street, especially during lockdown, with grants to help them move away from a street-based lifestyle and access support and accommodation. After some technical issues, both the Mill Road and Hills Road contactless donation points are working and attracting donations. We now have a contactless donation point at the Ibis Hotel at CB1.

The CST is working on a project, with colleagues from other agencies, to raise awareness and understanding of the issues around County Lines and Child Criminal Exploitation. As part of this, a survey was undertaken of residents in Cambridge, the results of which have been analysed. We are now developing an information programme to roll out across the City for residents, including young people and their families, to assist them if they are concerned about these issues.

4. *Additional Information*

At the neighbourhood level, the [POLICE.UK](https://www.police.uk) website allows for swift access to local crime and anti-social behaviour data at street level. The website can display crimes on a map as well as in chart format, along with trend lines. The three most important sections within this website are: 'overview'; 'crime map'; and 'statistics'. This gives a good overview of issues within the local area. To access the local area's relevant data, type "Cambridge" into the search engine on the homepage and then select the relevant area (Cambridge City Centre policing team, Cambridge – North policing team, or Cambridge – South policing team).

5. *Recommendations*

The following local areas of concern are recommended for consideration:

- Continue work to tackle vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving across the South of the City and
- Continue work (patrols and diverting young people away from crime and antisocial behaviour) across the South of the City, with specific focus on Trumpington Ward.



Item

AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS

To: South Area Committee – 8th March 2021

Report by: Jackie Hanson, Community Funding and Development Manager
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Wards affected: Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's, Trumpington

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report details applications received to date for 2021-2022 funding for projects in the South area and makes recommendations for awards. It also provides information on the eligibility and funding criteria.

2. Recommendations

The South Area Committee Councillors are recommended to:

- 2.1 Consider the grant applications received and awards proposed which are detailed in Appendix 1, in line with the Area Committee Community Grants criteria, detailed in paragraph 3.4.
- 2.2 Agree the proposed awards detailed in Appendix 1, summarised in the table below:

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Award
S1	Cambridge Royal Albert Homes	Exercise bike and bench	550
S2	Cambridge Royal Albert Homes	Afternoon tea for residents	150
S3	Cherry Hinton Residents Association	Christmas lights switch on event; 2 newsletters	795
S4	Denis Wilson Court Social Club	Summer garden party; Autumn trip and Celebration of Age lunch	825

S5	Hanover and Princess Courts Residents' Association	Summer seaside outing, September barbecue, Christmas event and monthly craft sessions	810
S6	NIE Theatre	Story telling workshops	2,000
S7	Nightingale Gardeners	Kindness garden; pop up friendly cafes; small acts of kindness picnic	730
S8	Red Cross Areas Residents' Association	Noticeboard	800
S9	St Andrew's Church, Cherry Hinton	Tea dances twice a week for 4 weeks for the over 70's	1,642
S10	Trumpington Community Drama Group	Production of cabaret show; 2 rehearsals and 2 performances	1,020
S11	Trumpington Meadows Delivery & Action Group Ltd	Father Christmas tours (x 4) across Trumpington before Christmas	800
S12	Trumpington Meadows Delivery & Action Group Ltd	"Birthday Picnic" to celebrate 5th anniversary of Trumpington Meadows Wildlife Trust country park and nature reserve	500
S13	Trumpington Residents' Association	20 autumn/winter activities (eg bingo, crafts, cooking) for older people	800
S14	Trumpington Residents' Association	Christmas events eg light switch-on at Trumpington Pavilion, Clay Farm Centre, Trumpington Meadows Centre	800
S15	Trumpington Residents' Association	"The Summer of Life's Simple Pleasures" – approx. 20 outdoor activities in summer 2021	800
TOTAL			£13,022

3. Background

- 3.1 Funding has been devolved to Area Committees for local projects meeting the Community Development, Sports and Arts strategic priorities since 2004. This process is managed by the Grants Team in Community Services who promote the funding and bring applications for consideration to one meeting of each of the area committees annually.
- 3.2 The 2021-22 grants were publicised via neighbourhood workers, voluntary organisations, in local publications and by posters and

publicity leaflets. Recent applicants are also invited to apply. Officers held a briefing to explain the application process and eligibility criteria and priorities.

- 3.3 There is a total of £70,000 available across the four area committees for 2021-22 as detailed in the Community Grants report to Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee 28th January 2021. This has been allocated in accordance with the approved population and poverty formula = population + (2x benefit population). The amount available for each area is as follows:

Committee	Community Grants %	Total available £
North	34.41	24,087
East	30.19	21,133
South	25.58	17,906
West Central	9.82	6,874
Total	100	70,000

3.4 Area Committee Community Grant Priorities and Outcomes

Projects and activities should have a targeted approach and make a difference to people in one of the areas (North, East, South or West Central) by reducing social or economic inequality via one of the following funding priorities:

- sporting activities
- arts and cultural activities
- community development activities
- reducing poverty activities
- legal and/or financial advice (*the Advice Quality Standard (AQS) or equivalent required*)
- employment support
- capacity building of the voluntary sector to achieve the above

- 3.5 Applications are invited from voluntary organisations, community groups and groupings of local residents that are able to meet basic accountability requirements.
- 3.6 The maximum any one organisation can apply for is £5,000 per area committee and grants cannot be made retrospectively. Full details of the eligibility criteria are available on request.

3.7 Where no funding is proposed it will be due to one or more of the following not being adequately met:

- grant scheme outcomes and/or priorities
- identifying need
- quality or viability of the project

or

- proposals were the remit of another service/fund or organisation
- organisations did not demonstrate the beneficiaries could not fund the activity themselves, or that reserves could not be used to fund the activity

3.8 All awards are subject to grant agreements and monitoring reports. We consider proportionate requirements dependent on the size of the organisation, project and award

3.9 If the recommendations are approved, there will be £4,884 remaining. Applications made at a later date will be considered on an individual basis until all the funding is spent. Officers will make decisions on awards up to £5,000 as approved by the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2014.

3.10 In October 2021, any area committee funding remaining will be considered to support any applications received to ensure effective use of the funds available.

4. Appendices

Appendix 1: South Area Committee Community Grants – Applications and Recommendations 2021-22

5. Inspection of papers

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Appendix 1 – South Area Committee Community Grants – Applications and Recommendations 2021-22

Beneficiary Key: CH- Cherry Hinton QE- Queen Edith's T- Trumpington
(E-East, N-North, W-West Central, STP- South Trumpington Parish)

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S1	Cambridge Royal Albert Homes (The)	Provision of an exercise bike and seat in a common area	To maintain fitness levels of residents and provide a communal sitting area where residents can socialise	T 29	Full cost: £650 Income: none Reserves	£550	£550
S2	Cambridge Royal Albert Homes (The)	An afternoon tea for residents in the Community Hall	Opportunity for residents to get together. Accessible to even the frailest residents	T 29	Full cost: £435 Income: £101	£334	£150
S3	Cherry Hinton Residents' Association	Christmas lights switch on event and 2 newsletters	Free event for the whole community in a central, accessible location. Reduce social isolation; build community spirit.	CH 91 QE 6 (E 3)	Full cost: £1,251 Reserves	£1,151	£795
S4	Denis Wilson Court Social Club	Summer garden party; October Celebration of Age lunch; day trip to Southwold in September	Reduce social isolation and depression that most residents have suffered during this difficult time. Enable residents to socialise again safely.	T 57	Full cost: £825 Income: none	£825	£825
S5	Hanover and Princess Courts Residents' Association	Summer seaside outing, September barbecue, Christmas event and monthly craft sessions	Reduce social isolation, strengthen community cohesion and integration. Activities add an extra dimension to those on low incomes, socially isolated and vulnerable	T 400	Full cost: £1,375 Income: £525 Reserves	£810	£810
S6	NIE Theatre	Story writing workshops - 3 x 2 hr and 8 x 2 hr with children in 3 primary schools in Cherry Hinton, Trumpington, plus one other; performance	Enable young people with limited or no arts opportunities to be given the opportunity to tell their own stories. Create an inclusive, creative and confidence boosting theatre project. Increase self-esteem and widen horizons	100 T CH one other ward	Full cost: £36,687 Income: £25,168 Reserves	£5,519	£2,000

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S7	Nightingale Gardeners	Kindness activities in QE - kindness garden; pop up friendly cafes and small acts of kindness picnic at Nightingale Community Garden and park	Provide a focus for optimism, harness the power of ordinary people to make part of their immediate environment more attractive, reduce social isolation and bring people together again for safe community activities	CH 30 QE 200	Full cost: £730 Income: none	£730	£730
S8	Red Cross Areas Residents' Association – (RARA) (via QE Forum)	Physical noticeboard to act as a community communication tool	Provide local information to improve wellbeing, reduce social isolation and inequality. Improve and develop cohesion and integration between different communities.	CH 300 QE 700 T 100	Full cost: £800 Income: none	£800	£800
S9	St Andrew's Church, Cherry Hinton	Tea dances (with a twist) twice a week for 4 weeks for the over 70's	Help those attending to re-engage at many levels and reduce social isolation.	CH 100	Full cost: £3,282 Income: £1,000 Reserves	£1,642	£1,642
S10	Trumpington Community Drama Group	40 after school drama sessions; 2 performances and 2 rehearsals at Clay Farm; production and DVD of cabaret show	Low-cost, engaging and fun activity for local children and young people within a safe and supportive environment. Encourage community interaction and cohesion.	T 16 QE 1	Full cost: £2,480 Income: £1,460	£1,020	£1,020
S11	Trumpington Meadows Delivery & Action Group Ltd	Father Christmas tours (x4) across Trumpington in the 3 weeks before Christmas	Bring smiles of happiness to children, parents, carers, and residents in all of Trumpington following the restrictions of 2020/21	T 1,254 (STP 646)	Full cost: £2,550 Income: £1,550	£1,000	£800
S12	Trumpington Meadows Delivery & Action Group Ltd	"Birthday Picnic" to celebrate 5th anniversary of Trumpington Meadows Wildlife Trust country park and nature reserve	To celebrate the 5th anniversary of the opening of this wonderful area used by the community and to arrange an event that is fully socially inclusive, but also as a way of residents getting to know each other better.	T 355 (STP 125)	Full cost: £1,280 Income: £780	£500	£500

Ref	Organisation	Purpose	Aim + disadvantage outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Bid	Award
S13	Trumpington Residents' Association	20 sessions / activities (eg bingo, crafts, cooking) for older people in Autumn and Winter at the Pavilion and Village Hall	To enable elderly (particularly disadvantaged) Trumpington residents to take part in group activities; encourage community cohesion between residents.	T 180 (STP 20)	Full cost: £1,200 Income: £400 Reserves	£500	£800
S14	Trumpington Residents' Association	Christmas events including trees, Christmas light switch-ons x 3 at Trumpington Pavilion, Clay Farm Centre, Trumpington Meadows Centre	Enable Trumpington residents to take part in Christmas events, especially disadvantaged families, children and the elderly from the Foster and Paget Road area; encourage community cohesion	T 700 (STP 50)	Full cost: £1,800 Income: £600 Reserves	£700	£800
S15	Trumpington Residents' Association	Series of approx. 20 outdoor activities across Trumpington in summer 2021 to be presented as the "The Summer of Life's Simple Pleasures"	Enable Trumpington residents (particularly disadvantaged families, children and the elderly) to take part in outdoor activities. Encourage community cohesion between residents in the older and newer parts of Trumpington.	T 270 (STP 30)	Full cost: £1,100 Reserves	£500	£800

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