

SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE

13 June 2022
7.00 - 8.50 pm

Present

Area Committee Members: Councillors Hauk (Chair), Page-Croft (Vice-Chair), Ashton, Cox, S. Davies, Flaubert, Lee, Goodliffe and Slatter

Officers:

Head of Property Services: Dave Prinsep

Community Engagement and Enforcement Manager: Wendy Johnston

Committee Manager: James Goddard

Meeting Producer: Boris Herzog

Other Officers in Attendance:

WSP/GCP: Mem Ahmet

Communication Officer, Greater Cambridge Partnership: Sarah Prentice

Project Manager, Greater Cambridge Partnership: Richard Preston

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

22/7/SAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Beckett, Dryden and McPherson.

22/8/SAC Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

22/9/SAC Notes of Previous Meeting

Noted.

22/10/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes

There were no outstanding matters to report back.

22/11/SAC Open Forum

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

1. A member of the public asked if Addenbrooke's could attend future South Area Committee (SAC) meetings, like the Police did, so they could be liaised with about the impact of the site on local residents?

Councillor Hauk suggested trying a pilot session to test if this would work. Councillor Davies said Addenbrooke's were already trying to engage the community through resident associations.

Action Point: Councillor Hauk (as Chair), in consultation with Councillors Davies and Slatter, to invite CBC Ltd (Addenbrooke's) to attend future South Area Committees to liaise on how the campus interacts with residents' lives.

2. A member of the public asked a question via a statement.

Action Point: Councillor Beckett to respond to question from member of public: Can Councillor Alex Beckett as Chair of Highways Committee raise Neighbourhood Street Designation - see Designing out the Dangers Issues and Solutions Doc produced by Red Cross Areas Residents Association.

3. A member of the public queried via a statement: As a volunteer at Trumpington Football club, would like to know what conditions were put on the planning permission for the St Mary's School/Homerton College sports complex on Long Road with regard to community use?

The Principal Planner said: "In response to your query, on the decision notice condition 25 states:

The sports pitches and pavilion use hereby permitted shall only be used between the hours of 09:00hrs to 22:00hrs Monday to Saturday and 09:00hrs to 18:00hrs Sunday.

Reason: In the interests of residential amenity (Cambridge Local Plan 2018 policies 55 and 57)

Condition 26 states:

The artificial lighting hereby approved shall only operate between the hours of 09:00hrs and 22:00hrs Monday to Saturday and 09:00hrs to 18:00hrs on Sundays, except between the 1st April and 30th September when the permitted hours of use of the artificial lighting hereby approved shall be 09:00hrs to 21:00hrs Monday to Saturday and 09:00hrs to 18:00hrs on Sundays.

Reason: In the interests of residential amenity (Cambridge Local Plan 2018 policies 55 and 57)

On the S106 Agreement*, there details more about the community use. Appendix 1 on page 12 details the use and Appendix 2 on page 30 details the hours of use.

4. A member of the public raised the following issues via written statement read by the Committee Manager:
- i. "I am writing to follow-up your Q&A responses to me from the 29 November South Area Committee meeting, for which my thanks again. In that response, you stated:
 - ii. Q1 – ref adoption plan for Abode – "We have requested an up-to-date adoption plan from Countryside which will be circulated on receipt." – can you please provide this update now, including an outline of each stage of adoption and its current status?
 - iii. Q3 – ref dead trees and shrubberies across Abode – "There are trees which had not established well / died and as such Countryside provided funds to Cambridge City to replace those trees which are in landscaped areas being transferred to City Council. That tree replacement work has commenced across Clay Farm on site now managed by Cambridge City. Other trees being transferred to bodies other than the City Council remain the responsibility of Countryside until they are transferred to the appropriate body." – can you please confirm what efforts are being made to hold Countryside to this responsibility, given that they have not upheld this responsibility for at least four years now and are continuing to tell me (in separate correspondence) that this is something that will only be addressed after adoption has been agreed, which is a contradiction to what you've stated here?
 - iv. Additional question – Countryside have told me that "resurfacing works" may be required on the roads within Abode to finalise adoption but have not been specific about this – can you please clarify what that might involve, i.e. replacement of non-standard curbs, replacement of pavements which are broken-up, and so on?

Councillors discussed general planning enforcement issues eg replacement of trees affecting the south area and said some of these were hard to manage if areas were not controlled by the City Council.

Action Point: Councillor Hauk and Trumpington Ward Councillors to respond to question from member of public about Abode development.

- **Councillors Hauk and Davies to develop a list of issues regarding planning condition enforcement regarding replacement of trees and shrubs, then pass these onto Open Spaces Team so responses from Planning, Planning Enforcement and Open Spaces can be fed back to South Area Committee.**
- **Planning, Planning Enforcement and Open Spaces Officers to be invited to future committees.**

5. Councillor Slatter suggested holding a public consultation to name new bridges in Trumpington Ward.

Action Point: Councillor Slatter to liaise with City Trumpington Ward Councillors and ask Planning Officers for a public consultation to name new bridges and ponds in Trumpington.

22/12/SAC A New Road Classification for Cambridge (Greater Cambridge Partnership)

The Committee received a report from the Richard Preston, Project Manager and Sarah Prentice, Communication Officer (GCP - Greater Cambridge Partnership) regarding the Greater Cambridge Partnership 'new road classification for Cambridge' consultation.

The Project Manager said the following in response to questions from members of the public and committee:

- i. The road network was as resilient as it could be at present. GCP, the County Council and Police were working on the enforcement of speed limits. There was an appetite to reduce speed limits in the city.
- ii. Both residents and commuters contributed to congestion problems. Could use ANPR technology to allow residents to access more than one junction on the network if considered necessary, rather than creating a lot of additional mileage for Hills Road, Queen Edith's Way and Cherry Hinton Road residents who find themselves just on the wrong side of a filter for them if Central Government legislation for ANPR was approved.

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

- i. A bus gate should be integrated into transport ideas as large employers wanted people to travel using public transport.
- ii. Appropriate bus routes and services were needed.
- iii. Concern over impact of proposed work on taxis. Could taxis and buses use the same routes/lanes?
- iv. Suggested blue badges could be allocated to vehicles rather than people to assist groups such as dial-a-ride.
- v. Resilience needed to be built into the system so that roadworks did not slow or stop traffic flow. There was a lack of resilience in the system at present.
- vi. How to mitigate traffic displacement as roads closed and traffic moved onto other routes? Particularly concerned that some smaller roads could not cope with the traffic levels.
- vii. Queried if there was a budget to undertake place making work at present?
- viii. Enforcement of speed limits was an issue. Queried if there were plans to make the road fabric or layout limit speed (eg traffic calming)?
- ix. Traffic levels varied between school terms (more) and holidays (less).
- x. How to improve air quality?
- xi. Would there be a replacement to the congestion charge?

22/13/SAC Environmental Report - SAC

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

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 in the Trumpington Recycling Centre.
- ii. Recycling bins needed to be bigger at the entrance to Cherry Hinton Recreation Ground.
- iii. Fly tipping in Hulatt Road.
- iv. Clothing bins in Queen Edith's Ward.

Action Point: Wendy Johnston to contact Rebecca Weymouth Wood to comment on placement of clothing recycling bins on highway.

- v. Safety issues caused by vegetation overgrowing footpaths and cycleways in Trumpington Ward.
- vi. Long grass on Trumpington playing fields.

Action Point: Wendy Johnston to contact Operations Team about grass cutting on Trumpington playing fields.

The meeting ended at 8.50 pm

CHAIR