



## Cambridge City Council South Area Committee

**Date:** Monday, 6 March 2023

**Time:** 7.00 pm

**Venue:** Virtual Meeting Via Microsoft Teams

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**City Councillors:** Hauk (Chair), Page-Croft (Vice-Chair), Ashton, S. Davies, Dryden, Flaubert, Lee, Levien and McPherson

**County Councillors:** Beckett, Goodliffe and Slatter

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**SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE**

28 November 2022

7.00 - 9.00 pm

**Present**

**Area Committee Members:** Councillors Hauk (Chair), Ashton, S. Davies, Flaubert, Lee, Levien, McPherson, Beckett, Goodliffe and Slatter

**Officers:**

Head of Property Services: Dave Prinsep

Community Engagement and Enforcement Manager: Wendy Johnston

Public Realm Engineering & Project Delivery Team Leader: John Richards

Project Officer: James Ogle

Committee Manager: James Goddard

Meeting Producer: Boris Herzog

**Other Officers in Attendance:**

GCP Transport Director: Peter Blake

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL****22/21/SAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors Dryden and Page-Croft.

**22/22/SAC Declarations of Interest**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Interest</b>
McPherson	22/27/SAC	Personal: Member of Royal British Legion.
McPherson	22/28/SAC	Personal: Community First Responder.

**22/23/SAC Notes of Previous Meeting**

The notes of the meetings held on 5 September 2022 were noted.

**22/24/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes**

Actions in the notes of 5 September 2022 were reviewed.

22/17/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Notes - 21/13/SAC Open Forum: Demolition of 1-2 Fitzwilliam Road and saving the window. No update, action point closed.

22/20/SAC Update on Cambridge Biomedical Campus: Chair suggested moving item to next meeting 6 March 2023 as Greater Cambridge Partnership item expected to dominate the agenda 28 November (as it had at other area committees).

**Action Point: Councillor Hauk to invite in future for regular (annual / bi-annual) briefing from Cam Biomedical Campus.**

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## **22/25/SAC Open Forum**

Councillor Ashton noted low numbers of public questions had been received since area committees moved on-line and asked Ward Councillors to engage with residents to encourage them to speak.

A members of the public asked via written statement (read by Committee Manager): Have councillors considered alternative approaches for S106 funding distribution including how to get more people involved in coming up with ideas? Can existing community events be used to hold stalls inviting people to come up with ideas not just for projects they would like to see happen, but groups they would like to see formed, and what input they are prepared to give to make this happen?

Councillor McPherson suggested that councillors could discuss s106 with residents through community groups etc to raise awareness of the grant program.

Response from Urban Growth Project sent via email after meeting: The Council's approach to the use of S106 contributions follows the requirements set out in S106 agreements and local & national planning policy. Changes to the official regulations in 2015 have meant that:

- the scope for securing new S106 contributions is confined to major developments;
- the mitigations have to be evidence-based; and
- the purposes now have to be specified in advance of planning approval being issued.

At the same time, the remaining availability of generic S106 contributions (agreed before April 2015) has run down to much lower levels than in previous years and is unevenly spread across the city. For example, Trumpington is the only ward in the city with S106 funding for play provision for children and teenagers left available (albeit under £35,000 unallocated), following the 2021 S106 funding round. And whilst, there is some informal open space S106 funding in all three wards of South Area, the funding is similarly limited.

The way that the Council manages these challenges was agreed by the relevant executive councillors in S106 reports to the Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee in March 2019. As part of this, the Council's S106 selection criteria include the need for proposals to be an effective use of resources (e.g., reflecting priorities in Council strategies). This approach is reflected in our [Overview of s106 funding](#).

The limited availability of generic S106 contributions has informed the arrangements for the next generic S106 funding round. Our [S106 funding rounds](#) web page explains:

The 2022 generic S106 funding round is now likely to take place between December 2022 to January 2023, culminating in recommendations for S106 funding in March 2022. Look out for more details on this page.

Given that the remaining generic S106 funds for play area and open space improvements is now available only in particular parts of the city,

the development of proposals for the use of these S106 contribution types will focus on discussions with councillors in the relevant wards.

There will be a grants application process for S106 community facilities and sports funding. The 2022 funding round will also place greater emphasis on welcoming applications from local community and sports groups for small-scale improvements to the equipment, furnishings and equipment at their facilities, which could help them to provide additional benefit to their local communities.

This approach to the next generic S106 funding round was agreed by the relevant executive councillors in S106 reports to the Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee in October 2021.

Whilst officers were still keen to involve local councillors and local groups in this way in the next S106 funding round, they need to balance this with not raising public expectations in the context of the limited levels of S106 funding available.

## **22/26/SAC Environmental Report - SAC**

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

She corrected a typographical error on P16: A corporate group from ABCAM, consisting of ~~466~~ **16** volunteers completed a day's volunteering where they weeded underneath old oak tree, renovated four benches, and completed various cutbacks in the nature reserve.

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. Requested officers to monitor clothes being left next to Glebe Farm recycling bins (instead of in them), or just being dumped.
- ii. Volunteer groups and community payback welcome in Trumpington eg Baker Lane. Officers involved were unclear how to set this up for allotments etc. Could the Community Engagement and Enforcement Manager liaise with contacts to organise?
- iii. Monitor plants, trees and hedges overhanging Trumpington footpaths.

## **22/27/SAC Environmental Improvement Programme - 2022/23 Project Applications**

The Committee received a report from the Public Realm Engineering & Project Delivery Team Leader.

The report provided information on eligibility, funding criteria and funding budgets for the Environmental Improvement Programme (EIP).

The Public Realm Engineering & Project Delivery Team Leader said paragraphs 3.1 and 3.3 appeared to contradict each other. When the EIP was reviewed in 2019 funding would be available from both a central pot and local area pots devolved and divided between the four Area Committees.

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

- i. Supported projects for:
  - a. Hanging baskets.
  - b. The Royal British Legion.
  - c. War memorials.
  - d. Drinking fountains.
  - e. Nightingale Park Pavilion.
- ii. Councillors sometimes used their own time and finances to support projects. It was hard to be re-imbursed.
- iii. Funding could be allocated to individual wards and/or councillors so they did not have to compete with each other and filter out viable projects at an early stage of the process.
- iv. Ward events to engage residents in EIP did not always fit into program deadlines. Queried how to feed in project ideas if people missed corporate deadlines?

The Public Realm Engineering & Project Delivery Team Leader said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Details about progress of previous EIP projects were listed in the Officer's report and on the EIP webpage. Officers were happy to give further details if Councillors contacted them directly.
- ii. EIP was a capital not a revenue scheme. Projects that applied for grants, but did not meet criteria, would not receive funding. Officers were unable to allocated grants to more hanging basket schemes. Likewise projects who provided insufficient details would not receive funding, this could be rectified if they submitted more information.
- iii. As EIP was a capital scheme there were limited officer resources to process applications hence one bidding round per year. Revenue

schemes may have a different approach. Officers signposted people to alternative funding streams if they did not get EIP grants. For example Nightingale Pavilion was more suitable for s106 funding.

- iv. The Executive Councillor for Planning Policy and Infrastructure was keen to install drinking fountains near City Council buildings to get infrastructure economies of scale when installing in different wards.
- v. The Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Food Justice and Community Development would listen to Area Committees' comments about their priorities than make an out of cycle decision on how to allocate funding. Councillors could also contact her direct to support schemes. There would be no other public meetings to hear councillor's views. The purpose of tonight's meeting (as with other Area Committees in November/December) was for Councillors to discuss the merit of schemes and support ones that Councillors wished to take forward.
- vi. Other Area Committees had more projects than funding, so chose to support 'green' Cost Deliverability Eligible Rated projects, then some 'yellow' ones if unallocated funding became available. Only South Area had unallocated EIP funding, so overall the EIP was engaging residents well.
- vii. Unallocated funding could not be rolled forward as the EIP scheme was coming to an end. Councillors could suggest unallocated funding be returned to the central pot if South Area were unable to identify any reserve schemes where to allocate funding if 'green' ones did not come forward.

## **22/28/SAC GCP Item - Making Connections Consultation**

The Committee received a presentation from the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) Transport Director.

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

1. Publicity for GCP consultations. Despite repeatedly photographing and sending social media posts to GCP corporate accounts of empty bus stop notice boards (eg at Hills Road Sixth Form College) and supermarket notice boards (Tesco's Fulbourn, Sainsbury's Coldham's Lane, & the Co-ops), no posters have been put up advertising the consultations. Why not? Why the repeated refusals?

GCP Transport Director response: A substantial publicity campaign had been undertaken.



2. Given that the three Cherry Hinton Councillors have come out against the GCP's plans for road user charging, please can someone talk about proposed contingency plans, if as happened in the late 2000s, the public authorities are unable to secure the necessary political mandate to bring in such charges. (Q for GCP officers - what are their plans if the county council full council \*refuses\* to approve the measures necessary for road user charging)?

GCP Transport Director response: GCP were in the middle of a ten week consultation. The results of which would be analysed then passed onto decision makers for consideration.

3. What discussions have been had about the possibility of an edge-of-town freight exchange for internet-ordered goods in small packets that can be transferred to local cycle/e-cycle couriers thus reducing traffic and wear and tear on roads?

GCP Transport Director response: Previous discussions regarding freight consolidations have been held with business groups and they would continue outside of the current consultation.

4. What discussions have been had about retrofitting our part of Cambridge to deal with the climate emergency? This question is mainly about our road and street network - for example creating new segregated cycleways or re-designating existing roads to prioritise pedestrians, then cyclists/scooter riders, then cars, as has been successfully implemented in France. Grateful for any comments from councillors about how to involve schools and youth groups on a routine basis in choosing what are the best routes to designate based on their regular journeys.

GCP Transport Director response: City Deal started with a focus on sustainable economic group but was expanded some time ago to considering wider climate issues. Details listed on the GCP website. For example delivery of greenways and the Chisholm Trail.

5. What other chargeable areas and funding models has GCP explored aside from what is laid out in the current proposal?

Background to question, for the benefit of councillors:

The current proposal will leave many Trumpington households and their visitors unavoidably spending up to £5/day and £1300/year traveling ~0.5 miles to the M11 for journeys which cannot be adequately served by public transport, and which contribute nothing to the problematic city-centre congestion. (This also has the knock-on effect of not discouraging city-centre driving once that daily charge has been unavoidably incurred already.)

A fairer but also sustainable and adequate funding model that disincentivises city-centre driving while allowing access to Cambridge residents' nearest M11/A14 junction might be e.g. a mixed funding system in which there is (1) a relatively small increase in council tax per household across the whole county to reflect the potential benefits offered to all households by improved bus services, supported by (2) a smaller chargeable zone defined by e.g. the loop of Lensfield Road/Silver Street/Queen's Road/Chesterton and Victoria Roads/Elizabeth Way/East Road/Gonville Place with the residents contained within exempt from charges. Under a model such as this, it may also be reasonable for the charge to be higher since reasonable alternatives are available to everyone.

GCP Transport Director response:

- i. Officers had been looking at this issue for three to four years to reduce traffic levels. If a road was closed then traffic moved elsewhere instead of reducing.
  - ii. Officers had previously examined, and consulted, on other proposals such as city wide road closures, work place parking levy etc.
  - iii. Having consulted on different zones for roads, people were less supportive on an the inner zone (compared to outer one) and the technical assessment shows that radial routes such as Coldhams Lane, Newmarket Road etc get a significant increase in traffic.
  - iv. The intention of current consultation was to seek peoples' views on what actions they wanted.
  - v. It was not within GCP's remit to change Council Tax, local authorities would have to do this. Queried how changes to Council Tax would help manage traffic?
6. What is the decision-making timeline for the STZ, beyond the consultation?

GCP Transport Director response: reiterated GCP were in the middle of a consultation. There had been a significant response to date, and it is likely to take until the summer to analyse and review

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

- i. There was a lack of public awareness about the consultation. Residents did not have the facts to comment upon before the consultation started, only qualitative information on social media.
- ii. Suggested there could be discounts for people who lived in the zone as city residents were paying for out of town commuter traffic.
- iii. Suggested people who lived out of town (eg Cherry Hinton) and did not travel in by car should be exempt.
- iv. Queried if the impact of road closures would be more keenly felt by certain groups (eg self-employed) than others?
- v. Suggested the charging zone was too wide. Expressed concern that access routes to Park & Ride sites plus Addenbrooke's (as the regional hospital) were included in the congestion zone.
- vi. Air quality was poor regardless of traffic levels being peak or off peak.
- vii. Bus services had been cut already but GCP's scheme did not propose to replace them.
- viii. Nationally to date there was poor investment in bus services. A lack of drivers meant more cars on the road.
- ix. GCP could engage with councillors to make use of their local ward knowledge.

The GCP Transport Director said the following in response to Members' questions:

- i. Information about the consultation was available on the GCP website, libraries, public meetings etc so details had been publicised. If people wanted to change bus routes etc they were invited to make comments.
- ii. Fifty three percent of traffic on the city roads came from city residents. Giving them a discount would not encourage them to switch from cars to other forms of transport. The consultation was looking at ways to address this. Such as charging vans more than cars, based on consultation responses. Consultees could suggest when to apply charges, or not (eg evenings and weekends).
- iii. The consultation sought peoples' views on how to charge different types of vehicles (ie less for smaller, quieter lower environmental impact vehicles?) and facilitate ease of travel.
- iv. A large charging zone was proposed at present based on previous consultation responses. People's views were sought on current proposals to refine options further to mitigate increasing congestion and

- (linked) poor air quality. If people agreed or disagreed with proposals they were invited to say why.
- v. Residents, carers and key stakeholders were being consulted to look at issues and possible solutions to concerns about charges. Referred to information on the GCP website regarding the Equality Impact Assessment which was refreshed on an on-going basis.
  - vi. Congestion was caused by all traffic types. It was expected to get worse by twenty to thirty percent in future and worsen air quality accordingly. Peak hour traffic was extending into off peak times ie roads were getting/staying busier for longer. Off peak quiet times were expected to disappear in future as traffic levels increased.
  - vii. It was up to decision makers to consider if they would only introduce a charging zone if traffic met certain levels. This was a future consideration and only early stage options were being considered at present.
  - viii. One hundred and twenty buses per hour were proposed in the GCP scheme. Officers would work with all sites to ensure appropriate infrastructure (including shelters) was in place. Fewer private cars were expected on the road when bus services increased so freeing up capacity.
  - ix. Transport modelling suggested that more people would visit the city if public services improved. This information would be passed onto decision makers after the consultation.
  - x. There was significant investment planned in electric Park & Ride vehicles so investment – but more investment across the network was required. This was proposed as part of the long term investment plan to get better public transport. Recruiting bus drivers and improving services were also part of this. A sustainable fund was needed for long term investment.
  - xi. People could travel to Park & Ride sites for free, access routes would be exempt from the charge zone.
  - xii. It was up to Stagecoach to comment on whether drivers had left after changes to their terms and conditions. Stagecoach were actively recruiting drivers.

The meeting ended at 9.00 pm

**CHAIR**

## Committee Action Sheet - South Area Committee (SAC)

Date: 28/11/22

Updated on: 22/02/23

Agenda item: 22/17/SAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Notes - 21/13/SAC Open Forum: Demolition of 1-2 Fitzwilliam Road and saving the window

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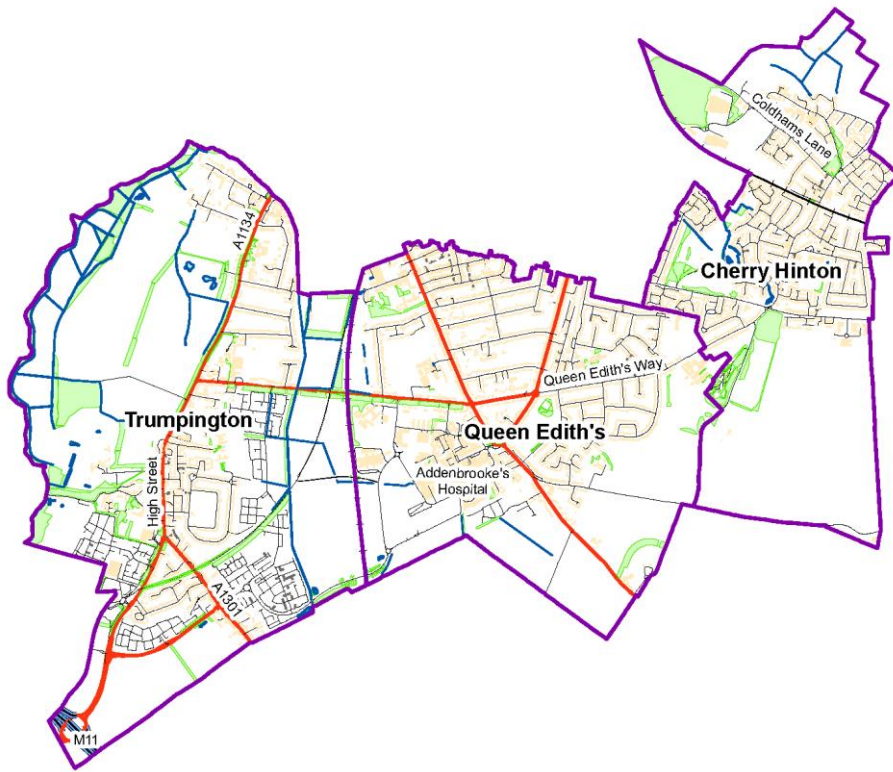
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- Progress:
  - TBC.

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## Neighbourhood Profile

### Cambridge City South – March 2023

***Wards: Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's and Trumpington***



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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 5 September 2022, the committee recommended addressing the following local areas of concern:

- Continue work to tackle vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving across the South of the City;
- 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;
- Drug dealing, moped riding and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Rec and Cherry Hinton Hall; and
- Bike theft in Nine Wells and Trumpington Ward.

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

### **Continue work to tackle vehicle-related antisocial behaviour and driving across the South of the City**

Objective: To reduce instances of antisocial driving across the South of the City

Action Taken: One of our student officers has taken this on as a project and will be looking to attend various locations across the South of the City, with some special constable colleagues, to carry out speed checks. They will also assess the various locations to see if any suggestions can be put forward to the Council for improved signage etc. Our training team will have this as an ongoing area of concern and as and when student officers require some specific project work, this will be picked up with the aim of targeting different areas each time.

A bid was put in for traffic officers to attend certain troublesome locations – specifically heading towards the Leisure Park on a Saturday afternoon, however it was rejected due to the limited staffing capabilities of that department.

Further updates may be provided at the meeting.

Current Situation: Officers have powers to utilise and deal with this behaviour whilst on patrol, and if they see offences, they will look to take action.

We would like to remind you of one of our Watch schemes, [Community Speed Watch](#), where communities themselves can become involved in making the roads safer in Cambridge.

Lead Officer: Amanda Large, Watch Coordination Officer - [speedwatch@cambs.police.uk](mailto:speedwatch@cambs.police.uk)

**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**

Objective: To reduce crime and antisocial behaviour in the South of the City committed by young people

Action Taken:

**Police** – Operations Guardian and Springboard relate to some targeted work around specific individuals who are deemed to cause the most harm in these areas. Police have been continuing to visit the families and the individuals involved, to offer support and signpost and/or refer to partner agencies, where required. Proactive and targeted patrols have also been carried out with key individuals being stopped/searched and criminal investigations are underway. We want our offenders to know that we are actively seeking them and will utilise our powers to prevent and detect criminal and anti-social activity.

Targeted patrols have been carried out in areas such as the Trumpington Pavilion area and we have seen a drop in calls to this location.

Further to this, police sit in on the City Council led multi-agency Peer Group and Places meetings. The Peer Group Meeting is a multi-agency meeting to discuss and explore issues within the local community where there are concerns about a particular group of young people, or a location where young people are known to congregate. The meeting allows for professionals to understand the risk levels young people are subject to and, as a result, appropriately safeguard them.

**City Council** – It was identified that several outdoor spaces, including multi-use games areas, lacked an efficient amount of lighting that would enable children and young people's outdoor and physical activity to continue running throughout the winter and darker months. This raised concern, given the likely negative impact on children and young people if these groups could not run, and they were unable to continue to engage with this physical, meaningful and positive activity.

Current Situation:

**Police** – The above work continues with further proactive patrols planned to include searches of areas for knives and weapons hidden in bushes.

**City Council** – The Community Safety Team, working with partners, secured funding from the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner's Youth Fund, that enabled the purchase of portable LED lights; two of which have been deployed at Trumpington Pavilion and are due to remain there permanently. These lights enable agencies and organisations, such as Romsey Mill, to overcome the lack of natural light or pre-existing lighting fixtures, and to allow their outdoor and physical activity groups to continue all year round and provides children and young people consistent opportunity to engage with such activity.

Lead Officers:

**Police** – Inspector McNeill

**City Council** – Louise Willerton and Chloe Newell

### **Drug dealing, moped riding and anti-social behaviour around Cherry Hinton Rec and Cherry Hinton Hall**

Objective: To reduce instances of moped riding and anti-social behaviour at the above location.

Action Taken: This location has seen an increase in patrols, mainly due to the reports of a male exposing himself. These patrols were conducted, both in high visibility and plain clothes, but none of the offending behaviour described above was observed. There have also been relatively low calls for service on this issue.

Further updates may be provided at the meeting.

Current Situation: Officers will continue to respond to reports of the above behaviour depending on the risk assessment made. Officers cannot chase motorbikes in cars and so some of the enquiries around the offenders will involve office-based enquiries where registration plates are seen.

Cambs Against County Lines weblink - Visit [Cambs Against County Lines](#) for more information, including links to resources.

Lead Officers: None required at this stage.

## **Bike theft in Nine Wells and Trumpington Ward**

Objective: To reduce bike theft in the above area

Action Taken: The police play an important role in the Cycle Crime Task Group. The group works on three key areas: enforcement, education and infrastructure. The police take primacy over the enforcement thematic. Our tactics are to target those that are prolific offenders, ensuring we gather evidence to prosecute offenders and where possible obtain Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBOs). The City Neighbourhood Policing Team are all involved in this work, and they have secured seven CBOs against prolific offenders. Cycle crime will continue to be a team priority, focusing on those that cause the greatest harm.

Further to this we are working with a tracker company, who offer to install trackers into bikes, on how we can better use technology to locate and recover stolen cycles.

Further updates may be provided at the meeting

Current Situation: We continue to utilise CBOs to put restrictions on prolific offenders to reduce their offending. This work is part of a whole City approach as the criminals do not adhere to ward boundaries and so we need to work together across the City.

Promotion of bike register also features heavily in our work as the more identifiable the bikes become, the harder it is for the criminals to move the stolen items on, thus making the crime less profitable.

Save Our Cycles – Linked to the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership, the multi-agency Cambridge Cycle Crime Prevention Task Group is chaired by Cambridge City Council. The Task Group, which includes Camcycle, businesses, the two universities and the police, launched a [Save Our Cycles](#) campaign for the public to encourage locking and registering cycles.

Lead Officer: PC Jesse FREEMAN

### **3. *Proactive Work and Emerging Issues***

#### **Cambridgeshire Constabulary**

Officers continue to review daily the various sources of information passed to us to identify any emerging trends, areas for concern or chances to build relationships with the wider community.

At this time of year, we know it won't be long before our green spaces become more densely populated and as the schools break up for the half term, youth related anti-social behaviour may increase. We are keeping a close eye on any areas of concern to try and take early action with our partners to reduce the impact this may have on others.

With some extra funding we have been able to provide extra patrols and searches of these areas, as well as employing two new PCSOs who will be deployed across the city with a

focus on knife crime and street-based violence, as well as violence towards women and girls. The areas targeted are based on the level of calls and types of reports we are receiving, to ensure the areas experiencing the highest harm are prioritised. This is by looking at frequency of calls and the most serious offences.

### **Cambridge City Council**

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

Since the last reporting period, the CST has been working with our partners in Housing, Police and Environmental Health to deal with nuisance and ASB in multiple locations within the ward, as and when they are identified, and we are currently pursuing tenancy enforcement action via the courts.

**Cherry Hinton** – The CST has been working closely with Cambridgeshire Library staff to try and address issues of ASB, in this case being displayed by young people. Meetings attended by Cambridge City Council, Cambridgeshire Libraries, police and Cambridge Business Against Crime (CAMBAC) have been held recently, in attempt to adopt a multi-agency approach to address and improve these issues. The CST has created a poster that aims to provide examples of ASB within a library and informs library users that ASB will not be tolerated. A second poster is in the process of being created to accompany the existing poster, whereby library users and/or members of the public will be encouraged to report any ASB they witness and be informed of the ways in which they can do this. Cherry Hinton Library has also now had re-deployable CCTV (funded by the CST) installed both inside and outside of the library; it is hoped this will work as a deterrent for ASB, to support agencies identify perpetrators of this behaviour if needed and increase staff and library user safety.

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The CST has organised a monthly, multi-agency Peer Group and Places (PGP) meeting, which is attended by the police, Fire and Rescue Service, schools, Social Care, Early Help, Youth Offending Teams, Romsey Mill and housing associations. The PGP looks at cases where young people have come to their attention for ASB or crime in a Contextual Safeguarding approach. Contextual Safeguarding identifies that no young person can be seen in isolation from the environment around them. Children and young people attending schools and colleges are part of a much wider network of peers, neighbourhoods, and other influences. It is important that when we consider some of the issues affecting

children and young people that we understand these influences. The County Council has created a Sway presentation to explain [Contextual Safeguarding](#).

#### **4. *Additional Information***

At the neighbourhood level, the [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***

None are advised. We seek views from this committee on those local areas of concern that the police and partner agencies can work together to action and report on at the next reporting committee meeting.



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## AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY GRANTS

**To:** South Area Committee – 6 March 2023

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**Wards affected:** Cherry Hinton, Queen Edith's, Trumpington

### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report details applications received for 2023-2024 funding for projects in the South area and makes recommendations for awards.

As Area Committees are meeting virtually and therefore cannot make decisions, the committee will consider applications for Area Committee grants as per the Community Grants criteria (paragraph 3.4) which will then be referred to the Community Funding and Voluntary Sector Manager for approval.

### 2. Recommendations

The South Area Committee Councillors are recommended to:

- 2.1 Comment on the grant applications received and awards proposed for South Area Committee grants detailed in Appendix 1, in line with the Area Committee Community Grants criteria detailed in paragraph 3.4.

### 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 2023-24 grants were publicised via neighbourhood workers, voluntary organisations, social media, in local publications and by posters and publicity leaflets. Recent applicants were also invited to apply. Officers held a webinar 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 2023-24 as detailed in the Community Grants report to Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The approved population and poverty formula calculation is set out in Appendix 2. The amount available for each area is as follows:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Community Grants %</b>	<b>Total available £</b>
North	33.93%	£23,751
East	31.37%	£21,959
<b>South</b>	<b>24.71%</b>	<b>£17,297</b>
West Central	9.99%	£6,993
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>£70,000</b>

A total of £17,639 of application requests were made for a South Area Committee grant.

#### 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:

- promoting active lifestyles
- 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
  - activity was not targeted at beneficiaries living in a specific area of the city
  - proposals were the remit of another service/fund or organisation or
  - organisation was ineligible
  - inclusion of inappropriate costs (e.g. equipment only requests)
  - organisation 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 Any remaining Community Grant funding (or returned underspends) will be pooled to ensure its effective use on new funding enquiries from the voluntary and community sector for projects that meet identified need. Officers can make decisions on awards up to £5,000 as approved by the Community Services Scrutiny Committee in January 2014 and as set out in Part 3 – Discharge of Council Functions, Specific Delegations: Executive Functions (page 95) of the Constitution

## **4. Appendices**

Appendix 1: South Area Committee Community Grants – Applications and Recommendations 2023-24

Appendix 2: Area Committee Funding Formula

## **5. Inspection of papers**

If you have a query on the report contact:

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## Appendix 1 – South Area Committee Community Grants – Applications and Recommendations 2023-24

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

Ref	Organisation	Activity	Aim and outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Request	Award
S1	Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise (COPE)	Monthly older people's club, with informative talks, exercise and entertainment at Queen Edith's Chapel.	Reduce social and personal isolation, integrate social groups and improve physical and mental wellbeing.	CH: 4 QE: 8 T: 2 (N: 6, E: 4)	Full cost: £1,194 Income: £400 Reserves	£650	£650
S2	Cherry Hinton Residents Association (CHRA)	Monthly community café operating from Cherry Hinton Library.	Reduce social isolation through social interaction and support. Provide a warm meeting space.	CH: 100 QE: 10	Full cost: £800 Income: £300	£500	£500
S3	Cherry Hinton Residents Association (CHRA)	3 editions of a community newsletter delivered to all homes.	Provide information about local developments, events and activities to enable residents to participate within the local community.	CH: 8,000	Full cost: £1,800 Income: £750	£1,050	£1,050
S4	Cherry Hinton Residents Association (CHRA)	Community Christmas lights switch on event on Cherry Hinton High Street.	Reduce social isolation through a free event for the whole community. Promote community spirit.	CH: 95 QE: 10 (E: 5)	Full cost: £360 Income: £0	£360	£300
S5	Denis Wilson Court Social Club	Summer garden party; day trip to Southwold in September; October Celebration of Age meal.	Reduce social isolation and depression exacerbated by Covid and the cost-of-living crisis.	T: 64	Full cost: £825 Income: £0	£825	£625

Ref	Organisation	Activity	Aim and outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Request	Award
S6	Oblique Arts	6 weekly art workshops at Trumpington Pavilion for 11-14 years olds.	Facilitate connection, peer support, new skills learning, and boost self-esteem within a creative social setting.	CH: 3 QE: 4 T: 13	Full cost: £2,730 Income: £800	£1,930	£1,930
S7	Rock Road Street Party	Community event on 30 June 2023 for residents living on Rock Road and surrounding streets.	Promote social integration and foster a sense of community connectedness.	QE: 300	Full cost: £1,324 Income: £860	£464	£0
S8	Romsey Mill Trust	36 weekly music sessions for disadvantaged young people, aged 11-16 years old at Trumpington Pavilion.	Develop transferable social and emotional skills 'by doing' while having fun. Increase confidence and self-esteem. Improve self-perception and aspirations for the future, develop character and increase resilience and self-efficacy.	QE: 2 T: 18	Full cost: £4,575 Income: £2,664 Reserves	£1,070	£1,070
S9	Trumpington Community Drama Group	39 weekly after school drama sessions, 2-3 performances of 2 productions at Clay Farm.	Low-cost, engaging and fun activity for local children and young people, within a safe and supportive environment. Encourage community interaction and cohesion.	QE: 1 T: 27	Full cost: £12,306 Income: £8,950 Reserves	£2,486	£2,486
S10	Trumpington Meadows Delivery and Action Group (TMDAG) Limited	Father Christmas tours across Trumpington plus Christmas tree located outside Trumpington Meadows Primary School.	Free, seasonal community event.	T: 600	Full cost: £2,124 Income: £0	£2,124	£500

Ref	Organisation	Activity	Aim and outcome	Beneficiaries	Budget	Request	Award
S11	Trumpington Residents' Association	Monthly wellbeing sessions for older people and monthly 'memory café' to support people suffering with memory loss, and their carers.	Enable elderly and disadvantaged residents to take part in group activities and encourage community cohesion.	T: 240 (WC: 90)	Full cost: £950 Income: £200	£750	£750
S12	Trumpington Residents' Association	Weekly food hub operating from Trumpington Pavilion.	Reduce economic disadvantage for residents with limited resources.	T: 5,950	Full cost: £17,800 Income: £12,800	£5,000	£5,000

South Area awards total	£14,861
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## Appendix 2 - Area Committee Budget Calculation 2023-24

Area Committee	Ward	Ward Population (Census 2021)	Ward Proportion (%) of Total Population (WTP)	Ward Benefit Population	Ward Proportion of Total Benefit Population (WTBP)	Weighted score ((2*WTBP) +WTP)/3	Funding Allocation
<b>North</b>	Arbury	9,715	6.67%	1,321	10.92%		
	East Chesterton	9,714	6.67%	1,368	11.31%		
	Kings Hedges	10,315	7.08%	1,673	13.83%		
	West Chesterton	8,484	5.82%	207	1.71%		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>38,228</b>	<b>26.24%</b>	<b>4,569</b>	<b>37.77%</b>	<b>33.93%</b>	<b>£23,751</b>
<b>East</b>	Abbey	10,340	7.10%	1,685	13.93%		
	Coleridge	10,825	7.43%	925	7.65%		
	Petersfield	8,232	5.65%	782	6.46%		
	Romsey	10,185	6.99%	656	5.42%		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>39,582</b>	<b>27.17%</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>33.47%</b>	<b>31.37%</b>	<b>£21,959</b>
<b>South</b>	Cherry Hinton	9,343	6.41%	906	7.49%		
	Queen Edith's	11,929	8.19%	605	5.00%		
	Trumpington	17,394	11.94%	1,367	11.30%		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>38,666</b>	<b>26.54%</b>	<b>2,878</b>	<b>23.79%</b>	<b>24.71%</b>	<b>£17,297</b>
<b>West Central</b>	Castle	12,979	8.91%	324	2.68%		
	Newnham & Market	16,245	11.15%	277	2.29%		
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>29,224</b>	<b>20.06%</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>4.97%</b>	<b>9.99%</b>	<b>£6,993</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>145,700</b>		<b>12,096</b>			

### References

- Census 2021 Map showing population in Cambridge City <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps/choropleth/population/household-deprivation/hh-deprivation/household-is-not-deprived-in-any-dimension?lad=E07000008>
- Benefit population (October 2022) taken as an extract from Low Income Family Tracker

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