

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT OF: Project Environment and Delivery

TO: South Area Committee

25/3/2015

WARDS: Cherry Hinton

CHERRY HINTON HIGH STREET - UPDATE NOTE

1 INTRODUCTION

Officers are minded to submit this update note to highlight ongoing consultation and works to Cherry Hinton High Street. The proposals cover both the adopted highway and surrounding public realm.

The aim of these draft proposals is to increase road safety as well as making variety of visual and practical improvements along the length of the High Street which will make the area a more attractive place to live and work.

2. BACKGROUND

Cambridgeshire County Council and Cambridge City Council have published a joint master plan, currently subject to an extensive local consultation running from February 27th through to March 29th.

Residents are invited to feedback to proposed plans, made available as follows:

- 2,300 leaflets and questionnaires locally posted
- Posters installed in local shops and community buildings.
- 'Parent mail' to all three local primary schools and Netherhall School.
- E-mailed to stakeholder list, elected members and ARM employees.
- Released via social media for both City and County councils.
- Available on City and County council websites.

- Presentation boards are available for viewing during opening hours at the local library.

In addition to the above, three exhibitions were held on the 9th, 13th and 17th of March, facilitated by City and County officers.

To date there have been 308 replies. Officers would kindly urge local members to encourage local residents to take part in this consultation exercise, and return a free post or on line questionnaire.

The masterplan is presented as 'Phase 1' and 'Phase 2' options, acknowledging that a more extensive scheme, phase 2, may be possible at a future date pending the availability of further funding.

Officers would highlight that these proposals present a view of what might be possible, and are not 'fixed'. Design options will be explored subject to consultation feedback and further technical input, to ensure that local comments have been taken into account.

Several budgets are identified for these works from both authorities, including;

- City Council Environmental Improvements Programme.
- City Council Local Centres Improvements Funding, currently identified as a 'Project Under Development'.
- Private financial funds from the landowner of Rectory Terrace.
- 20mph budget spend, pending approvals at environment Scrutiny Committee.
- County Council Developer Contributions.
- County Council Signals improvements budget.

Further details on the proposals can be found on the City Council webpages under 'Cherry Hinton High Street Improvements'.

3. CONSULTATIONS

An extensive consultation is currently underway with the public, being undertaken with both the City and County council. Internal consultations have also been undertaken with various officers. The consultation period runs from February 27th, through to March 29th.

BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Back ground papers for this update note can be found in the form of the proposed masterplan and questionnaire, available on Cambridge City Council and County council webpages, searching for 'Cherry Hinton High Street Improvements'.

http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/info/20051/transport_projects/469/cambridge_city_projects/5

<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/chhs>

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