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East Area Committee

Monday, 13 March 2023

EAST AREA COMMITTEE

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6.30 - 7.50 pm

Present: Councillors Baigent, Bennett, Copley, Davey, Herbert, Moore, Pounds (Chair), Robertson, A. Smith, Bulat, Shailer, Howitt, Goodliffe and Beckett

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

23/30/EAC Welcome, Introduction and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Thornburrow and Councillor Healy.

23/31/EAC Declarations of Interest

Member	Item	Interest
Councillor Pounds	Area Committee Grants	Founder of Romsey Music Project
Councillor A. Smith	Area Committee Grants	Member of Cam Cycle
Councillor Baigent	Area Committee Grants	Member of Cam Cycle
Councillor Moore	Area Committee Grants	Chair of Coleridge Community Forum

23/32/EAC Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 01 December 2022 were noted.

23/33/EAC Area Committee Grants 2023-24

The Committee received a report from the Community Funding & Voluntary Sector Manager regarding Community Grants.

Councillors were reminded that the Committee could not make decisions whilst the Area Committees were taking place virtually, but any discussion / debate would be taken into consideration by Officers when the delegated decisions were made.

In response to Members' questions officers said the following:

- i. C3 food van had been running for some time. They were able to demonstrate the number of beneficiaries that were attending to demonstrate their need. The Council's contribution was towards food and consumables. The typical amount of people using the service every Friday was approximately 100 people.
- ii. Cambridge Online application/proposal was a pilot. Would like to see result of pilot first and then consider a reward for next year.
- iii. Regarding Birdbox application, infrastructure was already in place. Community Funding & Voluntary Sector Manager would be happy to discuss further with Cllr Anna Smith outside of the meeting.

23/34/EAC Environmental Report - EAC

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.

Members welcomed and supported the work of Officers. Members expressed concerns regarding:

- i. Littering hotspot at Fison Road.
- ii. Illegal encampments on Green Spaces.
- iii. Graffiti, specifically at Mill Road Cemetery.
- iv. Flytipping.
- v. Bins being left on the street.

23/35/EAC Open Forum

A Member of the Public asked the following questions:

1. I was at the Fanshawe Road consultation at the Cambridge Scout Hut the weekend before last - the first time I had set foot in the building since 1990. Mindful that the houses on Davy Road on the other side of Coleridge Rec are of the same age and may soon be replaced, please could I put a marker down for co-ordinating the proposals with the proposed Eastern Entrance to Cambridge Railway Station which will look more than likely given the need for an additional platform at the railway station on completion of that section of the line. Could any redevelopment of the Davy Road flats be designed in such a way to create a larger pavilion for both the bowling club and other park users? Re-route the road to enable it to go around the edge of the boundary, resulting in an extension to the park land (given the increase in population density that will result from the redevelopment on Fanshawe Road and the likely redevelopment of Davy Road incorporate more, safer and secure cycle parking incorporate a traffic-noise-reducing wall/barrier that has foliage planted on either side behind the black railings on Coleridge Road, to reduce the traffic noise coming from Coleridge Road?

Councillor Moore responded that Officers were looking into recommendations regarding putting in a barrier or hedges as a short-term solution. Other suggestions have been noted.

Councillor Shailer responded that East West Rail that it was progressing but does not have any further updates.

2. The City Council will shortly be deciding which parks it will include brass band performances at assuming the budget has allowed for this. If Coleridge Rec is selected please can council officers ensure that local community groups can book and bring along stalls, and please can Cambridge City Council ensure that there is some sort of community outreach from council services and other public service providers such as local NHS, the adult education classes at Coleridge CC owners of local community halls (incl Lichfield Rd, St Martins, and the Greek Orthodox church hall) other voluntary organisations and community groups - in particular those aimed at children and young people. Please also ensure contingencies if it rains.

Written response from Cambridge City Council City Events Manager:

Can confirm that, in principle, we will be returning to Coleridge Recreation Ground on Sunday 9th July for a concert. I appreciate and take the advice given regarding stalls, from CCC departments and the local community. We will reach out and offer the availability for each concert to provide a non-food stalls. We are working with Community Development Officers to share information and gain insights to what people want in their local area.

Councillor Anna Smith stated that she had spoken to Executive Councillor for Open Spaces, Food Justice and Community Development and that she would speak with Officers regarding suggestions.

23/36/EAC Matters and Actions Arising from the Minutes

No matters or actions from Minutes were discussed.

The meeting ended at 7.50 pm

CHAIR