



South Area Committee
(City Councillors representing Cherry Hinton, Queen
Edith's , Trumpington Wards)
18 September 2003 7:30 – 9.25pm
Minutes & Actions

Present: Councillors: Philppa Slatter (Trumpington and Chair), Rob Dryden, Chris Howell & Graham Stuart (Cherry Hinton), Alan Baker & Richard Stebbings (Queen Edith's), Edrich Adigun-Harris & Judith Pinnington (Trumpington)

Also Present: County Councillor Anne Kent (Trumpington)

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**Action by
(see
action
sheet
attached
also)**

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03/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

Councillor Richard Stebbings was elected Vice Chair by 4 votes to 0.

03/02 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Amanda

Taylor (Queen Edith's) and County Councillors Christine Carter (Cherry Hinton) and Geoffrey Heathcock (Queen Edith's).

03/03 OPEN FORUM

The following were raised by members of the public present:

a) Anti Social Behaviour Strategy – update on Cherry Hinton

The Chair informed the member of the public about 'problem solving groups' (contact Kate Taylor, Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator on 01223 457952) which are multi-agency and tasked to resolve serious cases of anti-social behaviour.

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The members were concerned about the current policy of extraction (removing the beat officer to other duties) in the south area of the City. The Chair agreed to write a letter to the South Area Inspector of the Cambridgeshire Police to express members' concerns.

Cllr Slatter

b) Is there money available for repairing the bench at the corner of Shelford and Hauxton Rds?

Streetscene (01223 458282)

There is provision to repair the bench and City Services Streetscene would undertake the work as soon as possible.

c) Bushes needing attention in the King George Playing Fields

The Streetscene service would arrange a 'walkabout' with members of the Trumpington Residents Association. Walkabouts in the local area were part of the streetscene services 'neighbourhood links'.

Streetscene (01223 458282)

d) Compulsory purchase of a residential property in Rock Road

Cllr Stebbings to undertake the matter raised with the constituent.

Cllr Stebbings

e) What can be done about the noise pollution from the M11?

The Chair said that she would investigate the matter with Environmental Health.

Cllr Slatter

Subsequently the Chair was advised by, Selwyn Anderson From the Environmental Health Dept. that the issue is that the majority of the M11 and protection fence for Lords Bridge fall in South Cambs DC area.

They nor us can take any action about noise from moving traffic. The Highways Agency are responsible for managing major routes

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and can and are in some areas using quieter road surfaces when roads need resurfacing. Large parts of the A14 have been resurfaced using this surface. The only other method of reducing noise is to reduce speed levels. I understand this has been suggested to this agency elsewhere to improve air quality with little success. When a new road is built an assessment for noise is undertaken and under regulations if the noise level is predicted to rise by 1 dBA above 68 dBA expressed as a 16 Hour L10 then noise insulation is offered. I suggest that it is likely that noise is heard in this case but was not loud enough to qualify for insulation.

f) Upsetting the biodiversity of the land behind Foster Road if developed.

Noted that 4,000 homes had been earmarked but need to find out how local residents and Area Committees feed into the development plan for their area. The Chair agreed that the development of the southern area could form the basis for a 'themed' discussion in the future.

Brian
Human
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g) Criteria for selling Council housing under right to buy

Cllr Pinnington to pursue this individual case (in Monkswell).

Cllr
Pinnington

David Poole to report back to Councillor Howell on roughly how many properties the Council excludes from right to buy under these circumstances, and how many are occupied by the type of tenant used to justify their exclusion from right to buy.

David
Poole
01223
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h) Hills Road Bus Lane.

Noted that the Cambridge Area Joint Committee had twice rejected the proposal and are now awaiting a further report which will include facts to back up the case for a lane.

i) Disused railway line on Shelford Rd – who should be keeping this clear and tidy?
Streetscene Division of City Services would investigate (Helpline 458282)

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458282)

j) Church End/Rosemary Lane speeding.

Would encourage residents to continue to work with ward cllrs and the Area Committee could take a view when the Council's Engineering Dept. had worked up a proposal.

03/04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Dryden declared a personal interest in item 03/06 as a member of the Colville Road Estate RA.

03/05 APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

A **Application No:** 03/0779/FP
Site: 32, Cavendish Avenue, CB1 4US
Proposal: Erection of 1 No.5 bedroom house
Applicant: Cavendish Development, 32 Cavendish Avenue

The Planning Officer referred to an amendment sheet which had be sent to the Committee on 17/9 and circulated at the meeting which stated amended plans have been received detailing a high-level window to serve the bedroom to avoid overlooking.

Resolved: (8 votes to 0) To approve as recommended.

Justin
Bainton
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(planning)

03/06 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS PROGRAMME

The Environmental Projects Manager (Andy Thompson) advised the Committee that a list of other sources of available funding (eg covering s106 agreements) would be reported at its next meeting (20 November). A revised table of schemes to be considered was circulated.

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In response to comments from the floor and Cllr Stuart re. the £25,000 in the fund for the Area Committee, the Environmental Projects Manager stated that the intention of the fund was principally for small schemes, but Area Cttees could bid to the Executive Councillor for Environment for centrally held funds in March 2004.

Cllr Dryden requested that a War Memorial in Cherry Hinton be looked into. The Treasurer of the Colville Road Residents Association suggested that with the arrival of Tescos to Cherry Hinton High Street, any improvements to the pavements/carriageway would need to take account of the increasing number of large delivery vehicles.

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Re. the location of a fence in Church End erected under the Grant Scheme (officers to report to Residents Association and Cllr Dryden whether it is in the location requested by the RA).

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The Chair recommended that members visit the various schemes listed and make decisions at the next meeting.

Resolved

To defer for approval to the next meeting consideration of the projects listed in the report.

**03/07 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AREA GRANTS –
APPLICATION AND CRITERIA FOR AWARDED
GRANTS**

The Committee noted that the funding would be available to non-constituted groups.

Resolved -

To agree the proposals for 2004-05 area grants as stated in the report.

The meeting ended at 9.25pm.

Chris
Freeman
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CHAIR