



**South Area Committee
(City Councillors representing Cherry Hinton, Queen
Edith's , Trumpington Wards)
25 March 2004 7:30-10.00pm
Minutes & Actions**

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

Also Present: County Councillor Christine Carter (Cherry Hinton)

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

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04/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

City Councillor Graham Stuart (Cherry Hinton) and County Councillors Geoffrey Heathcock (Queen Edith's) and Anne Kent (Trumpington)

04/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Taylor declared a personal interest in item 04/0x as she

lived near to the application premises. Councillor Slatter a personal interest in item 04/0x as she knew an objector. Cllr Stebbings a personal interest in item 04/0x as he knew an objector.

04/10 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

d) Garages at the rear of Wulfstan Way shops, Cllr Stebbings reported that the Chief Executive of King Street Housing Society had written to all local residents explaining the re-development and timescale.

f) City Centre road signs – Cllr Kent’s response was read out by the Chair *“I raised the problem with the County Officer responsible. He agreed that under certain conditions the legends are difficult to see. Some signs were changed for the Silver Street closure and a black outline was added to the white lettering. Although this has improved the visibility, in his opinion, he thinks that it may be necessary to make that black outline darker. The County Council will be looking into this as part of further signing work for the ring road system which is anticipated later this year.*

Now that I have noticed for myself how difficult the plain blue ones are to see, particularly in sunlight, I will make sure this is not forgotten.”

04/11 OPEN FORUM

1. Housing for key workers against executive dwellings? Is there planning policy on the ratio of each? Or a policy on individual applications? How do you stop Cambridge becoming an urban sprawl?

A – Developments over 20 units and over, or 0.5 hectares have to provide 30% affordable housing. Any planning application is considered on its own merits. The Structure Plan has set down a framework for future growth in the region on which the Council’s Local Plan (the policy framework is based). The Chair suggested that members of the public could ask for planning policy issues to be dealt with as an item at a future area committee.

2. Guided bus consultation and implications for the Foster Road area?

Councillor Adigun-Harris undertook to follow up the queries from the Foster Road resident.

Cllr
Adigun-
Harris

3. Is this there an Eastern Region Planning Forum?

*A – Yes, it has been operating for 5 years and deals with Regional Planning Guidance matters. See the East of England Regional Assembly at:
<http://www.eelgc.gov.uk>*

04/12 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAMME

Consideration of the report was deferred until the meeting on April 27th to allow more time for detailed discussion of the relative merits of the various schemes.

**04/13 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND LEISURE GRANTS
2004/05**

Chris
Freeman
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The Chair encouraged members of the public to contact Chris Freeman for advice about financial help for local groups organising outings or activities, so that the Area committee could consider bids at future meetings later in the year.

Resolved –

To agree a grant of £750 to Trumpington Elderly Action Group.

**04/14 IMPROVEMENT WORKS RELATING TO COUNCIL-OWNED
SHOPS/SHOP PARADES**

The Head of Property and Building Services introduced a programme of works proposed for local shops:

Anstey Way

1. Additional wall mounted (low level) lighting. (Existing cycle rack provision [2 x 4] seems adequate. Existing parking for 10 cars in lay-bys. New shop fronts considered beyond scope of this exercise. Low level to limit impact on flats above.)

High St/Colville Road, Cherry Hinton

1. Enhanced down lighting above fascia or bollard lighting. (Lighting not identified by questionnaire but considered poor.)
2. Green planting adjacent to No. 100 (Markillies). (Unsightly area that detracts from shops.)
3. Four Bike Racks near Colville Road shop. (Supplement existing racks.)

Church End

1. Four Bike racks
2. Paint walls anti graffiti paint. (Improve appearance of shop entrance.)
3. Additional lighting.
4. Window Improvements. (Improve external appearance of

shop. Access ramps works area already planned under Disability Discrimination Act works.)

Wulfstan Way

1. Additional lighting – bollard and ambient. (To supplement existing columns and undercroft lights.)
2. Additional car parking provision – subject to planning permission. (Increase provision by six spaces)
3. Pathway improvements. (Between improved car park and shops.)
4. New fascia boards above shop fronts. (To improve appearance and increase visibility.)

Walpole Road

1. Additional lighting – bollard or wall mounted. (Four existing bike racks considered efficient. Not considered practical to increase car parking provision.)

During discussion, the following points were made by members of the public and the Committee:

Anstey Way

1. To consult current tenants on the proposals
2. To relocate the cycle rack(s) or the noticeboard so it can be opened fully

High St/Colville Rd Cherry Hinton

1. Can the scheduled environmental improvements be co-ordinated with the shop improvements?
2. Bollard lighting is prone to vandalism

Wulfstan Way

1. Possible consultation on the parking options, consult highways.
2. Bollard lighting is prone to vandalism

The Head of Property and Building Services undertook to pass these comments to the Commercial and Human Resources Scrutiny Committee on 20 April at which, the Executive Councillor for Commercial and Human Resources would be requested to agree the proposals.

Resolved –

To support the works proposed for the further consideration and approval by the Executive Councillor for Commercial and Human Resources.

John
Cowin,
Head of
Property
and
Building
Services
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04/15 DATES, LOCATIONS AND TIMES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

2004 TO MAY 2005

The Committee agreed to meet at 7.30pm on Tuesday 27 April (Queen Edith's Chapel, Wulfstan Way) and then on Thursdays on: 8 July, 2 September, 4 November, 6 January 2005, 3 March and 21 April.

The Committee did not consider that a meeting on a Saturday would be of benefit. However, this could be reviewed at any time.

04/16 APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

- 1** **Application no.** C/03/1393/FP
Site 281 Hills Road, Queen Edith's
Proposal Erection of 1no 3 bedroom house and garage
Applicant Mr & Mrs Riches, 281 Hills Road
Public speakers: Residents of 85 Holbrook Road and 3 Dean Drive.

Resolved (by 7 votes to 0)

To refuse the application for the reasons detailed in the report.

- 2** **Application no.** C/04/0092
Site 37 Porson Road, Trumpington
Proposal Erection of 1no 5 bed detached dwelling, land to rear of 36 Barrow Road
Applicant Crickmore Developments, 70 Fen Road
Public speaker Resident of 37 Porson Road

The Planning Officer reported that a letter had been received from 37 Porson Road. The owner/occupier stated that he broadly welcomed the repositioning of the house, the reduction in height and the retention of some hedges and trees. However concerns remain over possible overshadowing along with the proposed bulk and depth of the house.

Resolved (by 6 votes to 1)

To approve the application subject to the conditions detailed in the report.

- 3** **Application no.** C/04/0068
Site 84a Hills Avenue, Queen Edith's
Proposal Erection of 1no 3 bed dwelling
Applicant Grania Cumming, 84a Hills Avenue

Application withdrawn (by applicant).

- 4** **Application no.** C/04/0053
Site 30 Queen Edith's Way, Queen Edith's
Proposal Amendment to planning permission C/02/1241/FP to allow the relocation of window to bedroom 1, flat 7 of the

development

Applicant Camstead Homes, 1 St Mary's Court, Main Street, Hardwick

Public speaker Resident of 28 Queen Edith's Way

The Planning Officer stated that amended plans were received on 23 March, which show a cill height of 1750mm and a reduced total window height of 450mm. An additional plan had also been submitted which showed the eye height of a person in relation to the cill height of the window. Councillor Dryden proposed that the window be part obscure glazing – the Committee rejected the proposal by 6 votes to 1. The Committee did agree that an additional condition on the cill height should be added.

Resolved (by 5 votes to 2)

To approve the application subject to the conditions in the report, with an additional condition:

The cill of the proposed window in bedroom 1 of Flat 7 shall not be less than 1750 mm above finished floor level.

Reason: To prevent the casual overlooking and consequent loss of privacy to the adjacent property to the west, no.28 Queen Edith's Way.(Cambridge Local Plan (1996) Policy BE2)

5 Application no. C/03/1325

Site The Vicarage, 2 Fulbourn Old Drift, Cherry Hinton

Proposal Demolition of existing parsonage house, construction of 1no new parsonage house, and 4no dwelling houses with associated works.

Applicant The Diocese of Ely, Bishop Woodford House, Barton Road, Ely

Public speaker None

The Planning Officer advised the Committee that the County Archaeology Office had commented on the application and asked that an archaeological condition be added to any planning consent granted for this application. Therefore an additional condition was recommended:

Additional condition: No. 13 - No development shall take place within the site until the applicant, or their agent or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that an appropriate archaeological investigation of the site has been implemented before development commences. (Cambridge Local Plan 1996 policies BE40 and BE41)

Resolved (by 6 votes to 0)

To approve the application subject to the conditions detailed in the report and the additional condition above.

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Application no. C/03/1328

Site 28 and 30 Long Road, Trumpington

Proposal Erection of part single, part two-storey childcare nursery building.

Applicant Kidsunlimited, Westhead, 10 West Street, Alderley Edge, Cheshire

Public speaker None

The Committee agreed that Condition 5 be amended so as not to prevent staff from using the landscape area to the east and north.

Resolved (by 7 votes to 0)

To approve the application subject to the conditions detailed in the report, with the amendment to condition 5 second line deleting the words 'staff or'.

The meeting ended at 10pm

CHAIR