

## Minutes & Actions

### Councillors Present:

Arbury: Anthony Hymans and Rhodri James  
King's Hedges: Louise Downham  
East Chesterton: Jenny Bailey, Jennifer Liddle  
West Chesterton: Max Boyce

County Councillors: Rupert Moss-Eccardt (Arbury), Kevin Wilkins (West Chesterton)

Councillor James in the Chair for the meeting.

### 05/30 Apologies For Absence

Councillors Donald Adey, Diane Armstrong, Maria Bell, Elizabeth Hughes, Julian Huppert, Ian Nimmo-Smith, Tim Ward.

### 05/31 Minutes

The Minutes of 2 June 2005 were confirmed as a correct record.

### 05/32 Matters Arising From Previous Minutes

No issues were raised

### 05/33 Declarations of Interest

A Code of Conduct personal interest was declared as follows.

Councillor	Application	Nature of Interest
Cnty Cllr Moss-Eccardt	05/0309/FUL	Is a friend of the neighbours of the site owners.

### 05/34 OPEN FORUM

**Resident 1** had submitted detailed questions relating to traffic issues at the east end of Arbury Road on behalf of ARETA (Arbury Road East Traffic Action). The issues were

1. What information for Arbury Road, in particular the un-traffic calmed eastern section, can you give us on
  - a. accident rates and
  - b. traffic flow?
2. What category/status is Arbury road assigned to?
3. Do you have projections for changes in traffic flows when the Arbury Camps development is completed? What plans are in place/proposed for Arbury Road in relation to the increase in traffic this development will bring to the north of Cambridge?
4. In the light of the Milton Road Bus Priority Report, what do you see as the possible effects on Arbury Road east of the various options proposed?

5. What can you, as councillors, do to help make Arbury Road east safer for its residents? How do you think that ARETA and the residents can best fight for the safety of their road, and what safety measures do you think would be realistically achievable?

6. Supplementary question relating to Item 3 above: on integration of planning strategy and decisions - what is the combined impact of: Arbury Camps, Milton Road bus priority scheme and local planning applications such as new flats to be built opposite number 7 and 9. These will all result in increased traffic flow and likely increase of accident rates and traffic flow in a residential area. There will also be an impact on local businesses. Is this compatible with the national and local drive to develop sustainable communities in urban areas, rather than force people to move out of town to avoid the dangers and inconvenience we are facing in Arbury Road.

The Chair pointed out that, as acknowledged by the residents, these issues were the responsibility of the County Council and would be considered by the Area Joint Committee. The residents would be able to petition the Area Joint Committee and to avoid compromising this process, members would not respond in detail to the issues at this meeting. However as members had had some prior notice of the questions they had been able to obtain some of the information requested by the residents and would provide it to them following the meeting. City Councillors had requested attendance by relevant County Council officers but this had not proved possible to achieve.

Members said that concerns about the east end of Arbury Road were reflected at the west end of the Arbury Road, and that the traffic congestion along the length of the road should be reviewed as a whole, to take account of the impact on the school and concerns over pollution.

**Resident 2** asked the Council to advance them some money for St. Andrews Community Hall through the Environment Committee. This hall is intended to offer facilities for East Chesterton after the massive development in the St. Andrew's Road area of East Chesterton. St. Andrews Hall is costing around £800,000 to build and the City Council has awarded a grant of £ 247,000 to be paid from S106 money payable on the Simoco site development which was expected to go ahead in May 2004. The old parish hall had to be sold to satisfy a City Council requirement to show that they had the balance of funds before a grant application could be considered. The resident requested a loan from the City Council as £190,00 was needed by the end of August to pay the balance of construction costs. The cost of a third party loan would be £11,000 per annum.

Members said that they understood that the Head of Development Services was looking into the feasibility of making a loan from the existing S106 funds and alternative means of meeting the cost of the provision of the hall. Until this had been clarified no response could be made except to acknowledge the difficulty being faced by the Parochial Church Council and offer support.

- *Members would consult officers on progress with this issue and talk to the resident.*

**Resident 3** said there was a lack of dropped kerbs in the north of the city.

- *Councillor Downham took this on board and drew attention to the need to place dropped kerb in locations free of obstacles and with easy access.*

**Resident 4** wanted the Council to take the same measures in Chesterton as were being considered for Arbury Road.

- *Members said the issues would be brought to the attention of County Councillors*

**Resident 5** enquired about progress on traffic calming measures in Kendal Way.

Councillor Bailey explained that she had pursued County Council officers on this issue and there had proposed a presentation, on a date yet to be decided.

### 05/35 Community Development and Leisure Grants 2005- 06

The Executive Councillor had approved the following allocation of 10% of the total Community Development grants budget and 5% of the total Leisure grants budget for 2005-06 area committee grants. This had been calculated using population levels and was also weighted to give additional funds to areas of economic disadvantage as defined by the City Council's *Mapping poverty* research report.

Area	Population	Mapping poverty score	Combined score	Community development £	Leisure £	Total £
North	28%	38%	34.7%	25,640	5690	31,330
East	28%	35%	32.7%	24,170	5360	29,530
South	21%	21%	21%	15,520	3450	18,970
West Central	23%	6%	11.6%	8570	1900	10,470
<b>Total</b>				<b>73,900</b>	<b>16,400</b>	<b>90,300</b>

The Committee had approved the following grants:

Community development spend to date			£25,640 budget	
	Group	Project	Awarded	Grant £
CD1	Ambabys	Summer outings	7 April 05	616
CD2	Kids Club	Summer holiday	7 April 05	2000
CD3	East Chesterton Action Group	Summer outings	Officer action	1130
CD4	City Life Church	Summer Blast	Officer action	970
<b>total</b>				<b>4716</b>

Leisure, sport and art spend to date			£5690 budget	
	Group	Project	Awarded	Grant £
L1	Meadows Art Club	Hall hire	7 April 05	600
<b>Remaining</b>				<b>5090</b>

Details of the current bids for the Committee's determination were set out in the report summarised below with the officer's recommendation:

Community development current applications			£20,924 available	
	Group	Project	Bid £	Offer £
CD5	Arbury Youth Project	Craft activities at youth club	2200	2200
CD6	BRLS Residents Association	Coach hire for summer trip	300	300

CD7	Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service	Arbury Time Bank	4198	0
CD8	Jumbo Toy Library	Toys	1812	1280
CD9	Meadows Children and Family Wing	After school club	5044	5044
CD10	Romsey Mill	Young women's group	3288	3288
CD11	St George's Lunch Club	Chair cushions and two tables	500	Defer
<b>Total</b>			<b>17,342</b>	<b>12,112</b>

<b>Leisure, sport and arts current applications</b>			<b>£5090 available</b>	
	<b>Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Bid £</b>	<b>Offer £</b>
L2	Cambridge Mencap	Music workshops	1080	1080
<b>Total</b>			<b>1080</b>	<b>1080</b>

Councillor Downham's proposal that the grant to the Arbury Youth Project be reduced to £1,900 instead of £2,200 was lost by 5 votes to 1.

**Resolved** (by 6 votes to 0) that the grants be met as indicated below:

<b>Community Development</b>			
	<b>Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant £</b>
CD5	Arbury Youth Project	Craft activities at youth club	2200
CD6	BRLS Residents Association	Coach hire for summer trip	300
CD7	Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service	Arbury Time Bank	0
CD8	Jumbo Toy Library	Toys	1280
CD9	Meadows Children and Family Wing	After school club	5044
CD10	Romsey Mill	Young women's group	3288
CD11	St George's Lunch Club	Chair cushions and two tables	Defer
			<b>12,112</b>
<b>Leisure, Sport and Arts</b>			
	<b>Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant £</b>
L2	Cambridge Mencap	Music workshops	1080
<b>Total</b>			<b>1080</b>

### 05/36 Pedestrian Crossing Priorities 2005/06

The County Council had made funding available for 2005/06 for pedestrian crossings up to £75,000. This would provide up to 2 standard Puffin crossings. Ward Councillors from both Cambridge City and Cambridge County were to be asked to identify one site as a priority for their ward. For wards represented by more than one political group, a maximum of two sites would be considered. Councillors were asked to base their suggestions on crossings that would provide community access to local facilities such as shops, bus stops or local centres. Zebras, if appropriate for a location, would be given greater priority due to lower cost and hence the greater number that could be provided.

There was no intention to carry out on-site traffic or pedestrian surveys, as the cost of these for 14 or so sites would have a substantial impact on a limited budget.

All suggestions would be assessed by officers using their local knowledge to advise the Executive Councillor of the appropriate priority. Area Committees were being consulted to identify priorities.

**Resolved that** members and the public's suggestions on a ward basis with the following priority be forwarded to the County Council:

### **East Chesterton**

at the Haymakers PH , High St Chesterton  
at the Green End Road/High St Chesterton junction

### **Arbury**

Modification of Histon Road/Gilbert Road junction to have a pedestrian phase  
Crossing at 'Texaco Corner' - top of Histon Road (near The Grapes PH)  
Arbury Road as part of the overall consideration of the impact of the Arbury Camps  
development and the concern expressed over the East of Arbury Road

### **Kings Hedges**

Northfield Ave/Campkin Road Junction  
Also pedestrian crossings as part of the overall consideration of the impact of the Arbury  
Camps development

### **West Chesterton**

At Havenfield, Arbury Road  
At Mitcham's Corner junction with Victoria Avenue

## **05/37 Applications For Planning Permission**

Councillor Downham said that she did not want to take part in the deliberations or vote on the planning applications because she did not feel qualified to decide on planning applications.

- 1      **05/0501/FUL            10 De Freville Avenue**  
**WITHDRAWN by applicant**
  
- 2      **05/0309/FUL            The Former Works Site, 30 Primrose Street**  
Erection of 3-storey building to provide 6 two-bed residential apartments with 7  
parking spaces.  
Recommendation: Approve  
PSR: Patrick Cunning (resident), Colin Brown (applicant)  
**APPROVED** (by 5 votes to 0) subject to the conditions and informatives set out in  
the officer's report;; and the satisfactory completion of a section 106 agreement by  
28 August 2005. It was also agreed that unless prior agreement has been obtained  
from Head of Development Services, Chair and Spokes to extend the period for  
completion of the planning obligation required for this development, if the planning  
obligation is not completed by 28 August 2005 the application be refused for the  
reason(s) set out in the officer's report
  
- 3      **05/0291/FUL            56 Green End Road, Cambridge**  
Construction of 7 new flats  
Recommendation: Approve  
PSR: Sue Davenport (Objector)

**APPROVED** (by 5 votes to 0) subject to the conditions and informatives set out in  
the officer's report, the additional informative set out below, and the satisfactory

completion of a section 106 agreement by 28 August 2005. It was also agreed that unless prior agreement has been obtained from Head of Development Services, Chair and Spokes to extend the period for completion of the planning obligation required for this development, if the planning obligation is not completed by 28 August 2005 the application be refused for the reason(s) set out in the officer's report.

Additional Informative: The applicant is advised that the street tree in front of the site on Green End Road is owned and controlled by Cambridge City Council. The tree must be protected in accordance with BS5837:1991 for the duration of the development, unless the Council has given written consent for a replacement tree of similar type, size and location. If the tree is to be retained, any damage arising as a result of the development will lead to enforcement action being taken; particular care should be given to avoid damage to the upper parts of the trees from construction activity including site traffic and/or deliveries.

**4 05/0432/FUL 8 Victoria Park**

Erection of a part-single, part-two-storey rear extension.

Recommendation: Refuse

PSR: Richard Drayton (Applicant), Rosemary Laff (Neighbour)

**REFUSED** by 3 votes to 1 for the reason set out in the officers report.

**05/38 Report Requesting Authority to Serve an Enforcement Notice: 28 Verulam Way**

This report sought authority to serve an Enforcement Notice for a breach of planning control at 28 Verulam Way, Cambridge, for the material change of use of the domestic garage of 28 Verulam Way, to form an independent residential unit.

**Resolved** (unanimously)

1) that the Head of Legal Services be authorised to serve an enforcement notice under the provisions of Section 172 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) for, without planning permission, the material change of use of the domestic garage, of 28 Verulam Way, to form an independent residential unit.

2) the steps to comply with the notice would be:

- i) Permanently discontinue the use of the domestic garage as a separate residential unit
- ii) Remove all kitchen facilities from within the domestic garage.

**05/39 Next Meeting**

at Manor Community College, Arbury Road, Cambridge CB4 2JF

The meeting closed at 9:40pm

**CHAIR**