

South Area Committee

Minutes of a meeting on 3 July 2008

At the Queen Edith's Chapel, Wulfstan Way

7.30pm – 9.10 pm

Present:	City Councillors Rob Dryden (Cherry Hinton) Alan Baker, Viki Sanders, Amanda Taylor (Queen Edith's) Andrew Blackhurst (Chair), Sheila Stuart (Trumpington)
08/24	ELECTION OF CHAIR
	Cllr Baker nominated Cllr Blackhurst as Chair for the following year. There being no other nomination, Cllr Blackhurst was elected Chair.
08/25	ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR
	Cllr Baker nominated Cllr Sanders as Vice Chair for the following year. There being no other nomination, Cllr Sanders was elected Vice Chair.
08/26	MINUTES
	The minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2008 were confirmed as a correct record.
08/27	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
	Apologies were received from City Cllrs Al Bander, McPherson, Newbold, and County Cllrs Carter, Heathcock and Kent
08/28	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
	None
08/29	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
	None
08/30	OPEN FORUM
Q1	Environmental Audit - Is there anyone responsible for making an environmental audit of the advantages which come from the maintenance of traditional suburban garden spaces. He said that the current trend for flatted accommodation militated against the family and inevitably resulted in the loss of amenity in the form of recreational space, wildlife, sustainable gardening.
A	Cllr Baker acknowledged these comments and said that while there was

	no current project to carry out an audit he would refer the issue to the Sustainability Officer within the Environment and Planning Department for further consideration.
Q2	Housing Design - The resident referred to the previous comments and spoke on the tendency towards small housing units with restricted amenities and the resulting impact on the community as a whole and the poor provision for amenities and facilities. The attraction of the city to London commuters disadvantaged local people particularly those with families.
A	Cllr Baker said that the subject deserved more time for discussion than possible at the meeting. He went on to review briefly the Council's approach to growth in and on the fringes of the city and to development within the city. The commercially viable smaller developments, commuting and traffic congestion were all factors which impacted on the city and its residents. This had to be taken into account within the parameters of planning legislation and the Council's own policies, in considering further development.

08/31

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & LEISURE GRANTS

The Grants Officer confirmed amendments to the report as a result of a correction to the sum applied for by the Little Bunnies Playgroup to £1000 and not £750.

Members were concerned that applications for grant should not be for the improvement of the fabric of a building which was not owned by the applicant and suggested that the grants be conditioned accordingly in future. In this instance the grant to the Little Bunnies Playgroup would require this condition.

Agreed by 6 votes to 0 that grants be made as indicated:

<i>Community development budget 2008-09 available:</i>		<i>£4696</i>		
	Group	Project	Bid £	Grant £
CD6	Centre at St Paul's	Notice board	1000	750
		Up lighters	1600	0
CD7	Cherry Hinton Townswomen's Guild	40 th anniversary celebration dinner	600	200
CD8	Little Bunnies Playgroup	Equipment (subject to the grant being directed towards play and other equipment for the Playgroup and not refurbishment of the fabric of or flooring in the building.)	2410	1000
total			5610	1950

07/55 APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Full details of the decisions, conditions of permissions and reasons for refusal may be inspected in the Environment and Planning Department, South Area Committee Minutes 3 July 2008 p. 2

including those, which the committee has delegated to the Head of Development Control to draw up.

These minutes should be read in conjunction with the reports on applications to the committee, where the conditions to the approved applications or reasons for refusal are set out in full and with the Amendment Sheet issued at the meeting. Any amendments to the recommendations are shown.

1

Application No 08/0588/FUL
Site 29 Nightingale Avenue
Proposal Erection of one 2 storey courtyard house with bin & bicycle store and forecourt parking (following demolition of double garage).
Recommendation Approve, subject to conditions.
Applicant Mr And Mrs Peter And Noreen Cox
PSR Mrs J Brierly, Mr R Thompson and Mrs N Cox
Decision **APPROVED** (by 4 votes to 2) subject to the conditions set out in the officers' report.

2

Application No 08/0673/FUL
Site Land Adjacent 10 - 16 Baycliffe Close
Proposal Demolition of garage block and replacement with a detached dwelling and garage and additional car parking for numbers 10-16 Baycliffe Close
Recommendation Approve, subject to S106 agreement and conditions
Applicant Mr Ray Linsey
PSR -
Decision **APPROVED** (by 6 votes to 0), subject to the completion of the s106 agreement by 14 July 2008, to the conditions set out in the officers' report and the following two additional conditions requiring dropped kerbs to be provided within 3 months and the parking areas to be of a porous material which allows for sustainable drainage:
Within three calendar months of the date of this permission the parking areas hereby approved shall be constructed of a porous material that allows for sustainable drainage in accordance with details which shall have been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing.


Reason: In the interests of achieving development that is sustainable (East of England (2008) policy ENV7 and Cambridge Local Plan (2006) policy 3/1)

Within three calendar months of the date of this permission

approval shall have been sort from the Highways Authority for the installation of dropped kerbs to the parking areas hereby approved. These shall be implemented within six calendar months of the date of this permission unless unforeseen constraints of the Highways Authority require additional time to consider or carry out the required works. In this event the local planning authority must be notified in writing, detailing an expected time frame which must be approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety (East of England (2008) policy T1 and Cambridge Local Plan (2006) policy 8/2)

Approved that the application be refused: Unless prior agreement has been obtained from the Head of Development Services and the Chair and Spokesperson of this Committee to extend the period for completion of the Planning Obligation required in connection with this development, if the Obligation has not been completed by 14 July 2008, the application be refused.



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Application No	08/0724/FUL
Site	103 High Street Trumpington
Proposal	Erection of 6 x 2-bed flats with associated amenities / parking following demolition of existing house
Recommendation	Approve, subject to S106 agreement and conditions
Applicant	Mrs L Ulmann
PSR	-
Decision	<p>APPROVED (by 6 votes to 0) subject to the completion of the s106 agreement by 8 July 2008 and to the conditions set out in the officers' report.</p> <p>Approved that the application be refused: Unless prior agreement has been obtained from the Head of Development Services and the Chair and Spokesperson of this Committee to extend the period for completion of the Planning Obligation required in connection with this development, if the Obligation has not been completed by 8 July 2008, the application be refused for the following reasons:</p> <p>The proposed development does not make appropriate provision for public open space, community development facilities, education and life-long learning facilities, in accordance with the following policies, standards and proposals: 3/8, 5/14, 10/1 of the Cambridge Local Plan 2006; and policies P6/1 and P9/8 of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Structure Plan 2003; and as detailed in the Planning Obligation Strategy 2004</p>

The meeting finished at 9.10pm

CHAIR