

Cambridge East: Major Growth Site Community Forum

AIM: For SCDC/City to provide residents with regular updates regarding strategic sites and provide a vehicle for sharing residents interests/ concerns with relevant Council Officers, Developers and other Stakeholders

Scope & purpose.

- To provide regular, accurate and timely information and advice to residents about progress on the major growth sites of:
 - Marleigh/ WING
 - Land North of Cherry Hinton
 - Ida Darwin
 - Fulbourn Hospital
- To offer an opportunity for residents to raise issues of interest or concern for existing and new communities with the view to enhancing the quality of community life and the environment in the Cambridge East area
- For Council Officers to share issues raised by residents with relevant parties and reporting back responses to concerns raised
- To provide information and signposting on planning and growth matters
- To provide an opportunity for developer, residents, community groups and Council Officers to engage with each other
- From time to time, to provide opportunities for residents to be consulted and involved in the planning, co-design and management of associated facilities and services

Not within the scope of the forum

- The forum will not consider non growth-related issues as there are other democratic processes in each district council area for non-growth-related issues to be raised
- It does not have decision making powers and cannot be held accountable for growth issues

Structure and management

- To provide a maximum of 3 'open to all' formal meetings a year, where appropriate, and other forms of engagement where necessary. The venues, where appropriate, to be spread around the different catchment areas for the new development(s) to ensure all residents have an opportunity to attend. Frequency and format of meetings to be determined by officers and Chair based on individual progress of specific developments

- Where forums take place across district lines: to share the chairing and organising of the events between South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council
- The chair/facilitator to be supported by officers from each of the district Councils
- Communication – notifications prior to the meeting via web page, existing publications and social media. Notes, presentations and recordings from the meetings published on Local Authority web pages. List of frequently asked questions to be kept and updated and uploaded to websites
- Circulation list to be developed based on registered forum attendees and any others wishing to be kept informed
- Surveys and feedback mechanisms will be employed from time to time to ensure forums are meeting residents' needs