

Southern Fringe Community Forum

7pm, Thursday 30th January 2014

Trumpington Village Hall

Chair

Cllr Andy Blackhurst (AB) Ward Councillor for Trumpington

Lead Officers

Liz Bisset (LB) Director, Customer and Community Services (Cambridge City Council)

Presenters

Mike Ovenden (MO) Principal Planner (Cambridge City Council)

Vicky Hathrell (VH) Southern Fringe Community Development Officer (Cambridge City Council)

Dr Simon Owens (SO) GP, Trumpington Street medical practice.

Ian Douglas (ID) Operations Manager: Central Library, Cambridge

Elizabeth Rolph (ER) Principal Planner (Cambridge City Council)

Rachel Northfield (RN) Addenbrokes

St.Clair Armitage (St.A) Director of the Forum development

Christian Coop (CC) NBBJ Architects

Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all and updated the meeting on local activity and engagement opportunities, including;

Trumpington stitching group (March 8th), Trumpington Community Orchard tidy up, Soft Play sessions in the Pavilion, Trumpington Residents Association AGM, Easter Egg hunt, the local garage trail sale and South Area Committee (3rd March).

The naming competition for the new Community Centre was launched with suggestions being considered by 11th April. (see attached)

For further detail contact Vicky Hathrell (01223 847 433).

The agenda was introduced and the first speaker invited.

1. Site overview

Mike Ovenden presented an overview of the sites across the Southern Fringe covering:

- Recent planning approvals
- Occupations
- Likely future applications

See attached presentation.

2. Sub group up-date

Vicky Hathrell reminded the meeting of the constituents of the sub-group, which included voluntary groups, residents, local agency workers as well as local authority officers to meet the needs of new residents and integration with existing communities. Recent work has included distribution of welcome packs to an increased number of new residents; work with children and young people as well as raising and resolving local issues with developers and local service providers. Up-dates were also given regarding Public Art provision, and how to apply for Community Chest grants.

Q: How are young people encouraged to engage in social and digital media work?

A: Opportunities have been created with a drama club, Facebook pages as well as the Trumpington on-line web-site which local communities are being encouraged to engage with as web editors.

Q: How will under 18's be targeted for the Community Centre naming competition.

A: All local schools will be visited to hear about the new community centre and encouraged to provide suggestions.

3. New GP practice

Dr Simon Owens gave a presentation on the development of the new community facility within the Clay Farm site and its impact with regard new medical facilities.

See presentation.

Q: Will there be any dentistry or chiropody services provided?

A: Dentists operate under separate guidance and there is no dentistry planned within the facility. There is flexibility around chiropody and podiatry and that service will be determined by local need and how much space needs regarding equipment.

Q: When do the medical facilities propose to open?

A: Sept 2015.

Q: How do you plan to tell people at Beverly Way practice about the change?

A: It's important not to talk about it too early when the development design is still underway, but when the application is granted we will undertake a promotional push including new signage in the surgery provided by the architects.

Q: Will you provide mental health services?

A: We currently have a trained psychiatrist within the team and will need to assess local demand to extend provision where possible.

Q: What were the top two risks in developing the facility?

A: Ensuring all demands and needs of service providers under one roof could have proved problematic but a good project board has seen synergy and joint understanding work well in a partnership. However, the risks inherent in the detail design and translating the theoretical in to actual remain.

Q: With the change in demographic of Trumpington are you confident that the medical services can reflect that?

A: It's important that we continue to develop close links with the local community and are receptive to a patient's forum to provide a place for dialogue and respond to need and improvement.

Q: Are you happy with the number of rooms and staff proposed at the facility?

A: There is a national formula that determines what resources we need against projected population and what we are proposing is above that guidance to give extra capacity and future flexibility. However, national directives for service provision and registering numbers are still unknown which will affect resources.

Q: Considering the importance of the building, are the architects happy with the façade design?

A: It is hard to comment on peoples preference regarding taste and views, however we happy with the rigorous process to appoint the architects and adhere to the design code. Budget restrictions as well as urban design constraints have to be considered and addressed. We have been encouraged to go to five stories to reflect the other density around the site and give gravitas to the building.

The end result will be a high quality building delivering modern, joined up services.

4. Library provision within the new centre

Ian Douglas outlined the library service's desire to work in partnership with the medical practice. "Books on prescription" is a

service that GP's and library's work together on to help with low level depression and quality of life with reading lists prepared by former patients. This is something proposed at the new facility in Trumpington.

Q: Can exercise on prescription be developed?

A: This is an initiative already in place but will be far easier within the centre with halls and activity rooms available to hire. Physiotherapists will also be able to run classes in conjunction with other facilities across Clay Farm development especially the sports centre which will be accommodated in the Secondary School very nearby.

Q: Will you provide books on complementary medicine?

A: A good idea, we will incorporate this.

5. Cambridge Biomedical Campus (CBC)

Elizabeth Rolph introduced the various developments across CBC including Papworth hospital, Astra Zenica, the Energy centre, new multi-story car park, the Forum and new High Street.

See attached presentation.

Rachel Northfield outlined the development within Addenbrooke's over the last 3 years and future developments coming in the near future.

See attached presentation.

6. The Forum

St. Clair Armitage and Christian Coop introduced the Forum development including the various elements, timeline and the physical site.

See attached presentation with indicative programme dates.

Q: Does the NHS pay to use the Forum facilities?

A: No NHS money is used in its construction at all, so no risk to public funds. Addenbrooke's pay rental which equates to far less than if they had built the facility, the NHS also own the land and receive funds from the developer which are ploughed back in to public resources.

Q: In terms of future proofing Addenbrooke's, is there sufficient bed space for the growing population?

A: The capacity demands of a growing population is well understood by Addenbrooke's and the pressures inherent with this. Various models to predict growth and its demands have been studied and used to ensure practitioners are confident in Addenbrooke's for years to come. However, differing models of health care should be used such as preventative and social care settings to help reduce demand on hospital resources.

Q: How accessible are facilities to the public and how is community integration supported?

A: There is a recognised need for community use and engagement is on-going. The Forum will be used predominantly by those on CBC and has to be commercially viable but Addenbrooke's do have an equal presence on the board. In terms of the Frank Lee centre, this is used by those in Addenbrooke's but there are preferential rates for families of those being treated in the hospital.

Q: Why do Addenbrooke's not attend the South Area Committee?

A: If invited we are more than happy to come and will communicate via the chair to this end. Addenbrooke's also have a monthly public board meeting.

Q: Which current buildings around the car park will remain after development?

A: The small road will be pedestrianized, the s block and Frank Lee Centre will remain.

Q: Will consideration be given to healthier retail / food outlets than currently within the hospital?

A: Addenbrooke's have determination over this and it will be a point of consideration.

Q: Will the cycle lanes within Addenbrooke's be improved?

A: There are many different ones with different responsibility of maintenance, so further detail will be needed before an accurate answer.

Q: What is the car parking regime at the Forum?

A: The Forum will have its own car parks one underground and one above.

Post meeting note: The planning application for this development has now been submitted.

The chair opened the meeting to general questions

Q: What effect will the new community facility have on existing Pharmacy provision within Trumpington?

A: There is no firm directive regarding this although a needs assessment is being consulted upon at present. There is provision for retail around Hobson Square which may provide a pharmacy

near the new GP surgeries but whether this is an extra facility or re-located existing is not decided.

Cllr Blackhurst thanked all those attending and closed the meeting
at 8.45pm