

Southern Fringe Community Forum

6.45pm, Monday 19th June 2017

Cambridge Professional Development Centre, Trumpington.

Chair

Cllr Richard Robertson Cambridge City Council

Lead Officer

Debbie Kaye Head of Community Services
Cambridge City Council

Presenters

Paul Mumford	South Cambridgeshire District Council
Andrew Winter	South Cambridgeshire District Council
Jason Clarke	South Cambridgeshire District Council
Ben Hunt	Countryside Properties
Vicky Hathrell	Cambridge City Council
Alison Sutton	Cambridge City Council

Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all and introduced the agenda.

1. Trumpington sporting village application - Paul Mumford and Andrew Winter – (South Cambridgeshire District Council) – *see presentation attached.*

Q: Isn't it the case that S.Cambs have enough housing supply sites elsewhere, e.g. Waterbeach, Northstowe?

A: That information will be part of the formal response to the application.

Comment: In 2012, when the application was first suggested, the Trumpington Residents Association position of opposition was made very clear; this hasn't changed and at present supports the stance of the Local Authorities.

Q: If the traffic survey for the application was undertaken prior to the ANPR cameras on Addenbrookes road being operational, will the survey need to be re-done? And is development creep with each individual application meeting thresholds seen with cumulative effect?

A: The transport assessment is seen to be inadequate, as is, and offers very little mitigation. So it is unlikely to be re-done or reach needed Local Authority satisfaction in the first instance.

Q: What sports are/were being offered as part of the application?

A: As the Cambridge United ground improvement is linked to the application, much of the football pitch use is intended for Cambridge United youth development, but also, hockey, cycling, BMX, a gym and half sized indoor football pitches.

2. Parish governance – Jason Clarke (South Cambridgeshire District Council)- see *presentation attached*.

Q: Two big issues that will need to be considered are bins and parking, will these be addressed in conjunction with the City Council to ensure alignment?

A: Yes.

3. Countryside properties up-date – Ben Hunt (Countryside Properties). See *presentation attached*.

Q: From Baker Lane, there is intended to be a made up pathway to join the Country Park, is this still happening?

A: Yes, that's certainly the intention but I'll need to check for detail (*post meeting note 1*).

Q: What is the progress with the bridge over the culvert to the allotments?

A: The culvert will be enhanced following work to a gas main and then handed over to Clay Farm Allotment & Community garden group.

Q: There would seem to be good provision for younger children but not much for teenagers at present, is anything proposed?

A: The active recreation area within the country park is aimed to provide for 13+ age group with skate/BMX type of provision.

Q: There are trees that are suffering from lack of maintenance and look like they will die soon, can this be remedied?

A: It does depend where the trees are as to who is ultimately responsible for the maintenance, if they are within the highway curtilage then it's the County Council, open space to be transferred then the City and some with Countryside. If we can identify which trees are in need of attention we can start a remedy process.

Q: How are the allotments on Novo progressing?

A: They are in construction now with completion expected with 2 to 3 months and hand-over following that. (*post meeting note 2*).

Q: On Austin Drive the non-highway, black lighting columns are not operating, can this be addressed?

A: They should be on, and will be investigated. (*post meeting note 3*).

Q: The surface to Austin Drive is un-even and needs finishing.

A: This is part of on-going works following work to a speed hump and is on the schedule for repair.

Q: What is the planning status of the school squares (north and south)?

A: Both squares detail have submissions to the planning departments post Reserved Matters revision.

4. Southern Fringe Community up-date – Vicky Haywood and Alison Sutton– Cambridge City Council.

Alison Sutton gave an overview of progress at the Clay Farm Community Centre including:

- Possession and hand-over expected in September.
- A café service provider has been identified and tender award is in the legal process at present.
- Room rates and hire are now available, bookings are being taken.
(clayfarmcentre@cambridge.gov.uk)
- An advisory group has been established with local people and organisations and those representing children and young people sought at present.

Vicky Haywood gave an up-date on community issues including:

- Site up-date, including public art and abode 2.
- Drama and youth forum groups.
- Community events at Aura, Halo and the nature reserve.
- Community chest information and up-dates on funding still available.
- New activity and support and training for volunteers.
- Community gardens logistics, event hosting, facebook (Trumpington Community Gardens), volunteer roles available.

5. Questions from the floor

Q: When will the new bus service be operational?

A: The service tender returns are being assessed at present and the traffic lighting across the Cambridge Guided Bus way is being addressed which is crucial to the new route and the service to be running prior to the Clay Farm Centre opening in Autumn. (*see March forum presentations for route detail*)

Q: How will rat-running be prevented through the spine road?

A: A bus gate (rising bollard or ANPR camera) will prevent traffic other than buses and cycles passing through the central part of Clay Farm.

Q: Does this include Taxis and community transport also?

A: Unknown at present, will get clarification (Ben Hunt).

Q: Will there be parking at the Clay Farm Community Centre?

A: Yes, there is limited parking, south of the centre 34 spaces and 22 to the north.

Q: Is the guided bus likely to run on Sundays and bank holidays?

A: At present there is not enough usage on a Saturday to warrant Sunday running as well.

Q: What supermarket and shopping facilities will there be?

A: There is a 500sq foot food store coming as part of parcel 8 adjacent to the Hobson Square, however this has yet to start commencement and is over 18 months away. Other retail facilities are in that block as well as those on the other side of the square which are being developed by the City Council and will be brought forward sooner. *(see March forum notes for detail)*

Cllr Robertson thanked all those who attended and presented, advised that the next forum is due late September/early October, will feature road adoption process and closed the meeting.

Post meeting notes:

Note 1: Path from Baker Lane to the Country park

Awaiting information from Countryside properties

Note 2: Glebe 3 Allotments:

Works to the Northern section of the Allotments have begun and are progressing well, with the road and individual allotment plots having been formed. Works to the Southern Section are due to commence this week. An anticipated completion date for the allotments would be mid-August.

Note 3: Lighting columns Austin Drive:

Awaiting information from Countryside properties

Note 4: Public transport access through the bus gate:

Awaiting information from Countryside properties