



CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

PLANNING COMMITTEE

A meeting of this Committee was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 17th September 2019. Meeting commenced at 19.03.

Present:

Cllr J O'Dwyer (Chairman)

Cllr T Hudson

Cllr P Gavigan

Cllr D Jones

Cllr P Hedges

Cllr R Poulton

In attendance: John Vickery – Town Clerk
Ellie Lydon- Office Administrator

8 members of the Public attended the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr K McIntyre and Cllr D Maklin. Acceptable reasons for absence have been given.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr McIntyre and Cllr D Maklin had been received and approved.

2. **MINUTES**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting PLN M312 held 3rd September 2019.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd September 2019 (M312), was confirmed as a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. **MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION** for items on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman made no announcements.

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

[S/2995/19/PA](#) Prior approval for a single storey rear extension.
Location: 11 The Maltings, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 5FR
Applicant: Mr David College

Signed

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A concern was raised that in the design of the conservatory there were no indication on the plans for any level access to the rear extension.

It was:

RESOLVED that the application be received and forward comments on accessibility.

[S/3019/19/FL](#) Two storey extension.

Location: 19 Lancaster Gate, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6AU.

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Zaszke.

It was:

RESOLVED to support the application.

[S/2965/19/LD](#) Certificate of lawful development for a single storey rear extension and removal of existing conservatory

Location: 9 Orchard Way, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 5BN

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Cathy Humphries

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the application as there was no relevant local knowledge.

The following is for information only.

[S/2836/19/DC](#) Discharge of condition 7 (S106 Trigger) pursuant to planning permission S/2903/14/OL

Location: Land of West Cambourne, Cambourne, CB23 6ER.

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & Bovis Homes Ltd, C/O Agent

Some pages of the phasing Plan do not show connection up to the boundary to the Business Park, for consistency the link should be shown on all plans.

The time scale is important for the delivery of the Business Park link to West Cambourne. The Town Clerk has had meetings with the Business Park agent and Taylor Wimpey on a project and they are working towards the agreement being in place to achieve the link between the Business Park and West Cambourne.

The Council considers that it is essential to open up the link from the Business Park and West Cambourne and all parties must work towards this.

Scheduling of construction of the bus link came from the County Council and the trigger point is prior to the first occupancy of West Cambourne. It is expected that the first occupation will be around April 2021. Taylor Wimpey and Bovis will be doing the bus link as part of infrastructure for West Cambourne. The time scale for delivery is important and must be met. The District Council should monitor it to ensure delivery prior to the first occupancy.

It was:

RESOLVED that the application be received and comments raised be forwarded.

6. CONSULTATION RESPONSES

6.1 Draft Greater Cambridge Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document

www.scambs.gov.uk/sustainableconstructionspld which they are now consulting upon until the 23rd September 2019.

It was:

RESOLVED to support the principal of the Supplementary Planning Document.

6.2 Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority has prepared a [draft Local Transport Plan](#) which they are now consulting upon until the 27th September 2019.

The document has a lot of broad ideas with sections for each District, and then a section Appendix A with a high-level delivery plan. Generally, the LTP has good ambitions and is centred on the continued growth and development of the county. The LTP is there to promote infrastructure to enable significant greater housing and employment growth.

Cambridge City and South Cambs have been grouped together as Greater Cambridge within the document (pages 92-105)

This section of the document gives an indication on the transport infrastructure, but this is general and is more Cambridge biased rather than South Cambs. All other districts have sections concentrating on them even though there is a cross over between districts.

Within this section under 3.41 they state that South Cambs has no settlement with over 10,000 residents. This is incorrect as Cambourne is currently just below 12,000 residents.

The proposals in Appendix A specifically affecting Cambourne are:

- Page 170 Wider Cambridge Cycling Interventions.
- Page 176 Rural Travel Hubs and Strategic Bus Review
- Page 180 Oxford to Cambridge Expressway and A428 Dualling and East West Rail (Central Section)

The draft Local Transport Plan is High Level and not as specific in relation to future developments arriving from the new Local plan that has recently commenced

The document seems a bit outdated as many things have progressed since the document was written i.e. A428, East West Rail.

A point was raised that the paragraph on the Girton Interchange Study on page 178 lacked any details other than it needs to be looked at and that it would've been helpful to have more information. It was also thought that for a high-level document it is very vague.

The Council wished to reiterate that South Cambridgeshire District Council and The Town Council does support East West Rail station in Cambourne (page 180)

It was:

RESOLVED to respond with the Councils comments as outlined above.

7. TRAVEL HUB

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To consider correspondence from Greater Cambridge Partnership.

Councillors were asked for suggestions for the potential location and feature of a Cambourne 'hub' stop for the C2C vehicles.

The Town Council considered the potential location of a Cambourne 'hub' stop for the C2C vehicles.

It considered various locations but kept coming back to on or adjacent High Street as a sensible location as it is central, adjacent to the Medical Centre, Library, Shops, Community Centre and Retirement Homes. There would need to be discussions with the High Street Developers on space available.

The Town Council was unsure of the requirements of the 'Hub' stop and felt that an example of another hub proposed elsewhere may assist in suggesting a more exact location.

To make the Hub effective and reduce car movements there should be:

- Suitable Pick Up / Drop Off points off street.
- Cycle facilities – racks with shelters
- Bus facilities – shelters / covered areas / real-time information / information boards
- Welfare facilities – public toilets this can be provided by enhancing adjoining community facilities.
- There should be a town service that circulates the town then links at the Hub with the C2C vehicles or become part of the C2C timetable similar to vehicles on the Guided Busway from St Ives to Cambridge. This could include routes from surrounding villages.

The Council is happy to discuss the above proposals further if required and could facilitate a meeting with the High Street Developer.

A question was raised as to whether the road on the High Street is wide enough for the buses to travel down. The Town Clerk explained that it will be widened to a similar width to other parts of the remaining High Street, which can have 2 buses pass down it if no cars are parked there.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the report and respond to Greater Cambridge Partnership with the comments made.

8. HIGH STREET RESPONSE

To consider how we respond to consultation on the High Street.

The Full Council proposed that a response be made taking into account the feedback from the Parish Plan published June 2017.

A point was made that not everything requested in the 2017 Parish Plan can be provided but the Council can put forward everyone's views, so they can at least be considered. It was proposed to make a comment on travel to raise concerns on the narrowness of high street and market square.

It was strongly felt that the size of the proposed square/plaza should be larger to entice people from Morrisons car park into the new High Street development adding to the viability and permeability. It was also felt that there should be more pubs and restaurants as the High Street is an ideal place for those amenities and bring life to the centre of the town.

Another point was raised that the Town Council should have one of the units for community use, which has been previously suggested, however the idea has not gone any further than the meetings. If the Council were to own a unit, it would be let at an affordable rent so that there could be the possibility of a newsagent or something for community benefit that could have a Post Office. This could be in place of affordable housing or as part of the offsite community space contribution.

A community unit was being discussed with the South Cambs District Council on the High street and comment should be made to them to show the Councils support.

A Councillor raised concern that there are too many things coming together on the High Street- buses, houses, shops, sheds for bikes across the road and it is becoming too crowded as there is too much stuff in one small area. The safety of pedestrians crossing needs to be considered more.

It was:

RESOLVED to draft a response for the consultation on the High Street.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

To receive correspondence.

9.1 Agenda for Parish Planning Forum Meeting

The Town Clerk and Cllr P Hedges (provisionally) have agreed to attend the Parish Planning Forum Meeting.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the agenda.

9.2 Public Consultation on Histon & Impington Neighbourhood Plan

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the consultation.

10. **TOWN PLAN**

To consider the action plan relating to the Planning Committee.

The actions are ongoing, and some parts of the plan are to be updated on Friday 20th September 19.

It was:

RESOLVED that the actions are ongoing, and the report be updated.

11. **DRAINAGE ISSUES**

The Town Clerk verbally reported that the developers are about to do repairs on Broad Street, however they were waiting for Back Lane roadworks to be finished to avoid further traffic disruption.

The extent of the problem on De La War Way has been established and it is being worked out how to consolidate the land.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the report.

12. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

No enforcement issues had been received.

It was:

RESOLVED to ask of a District Councillor to speak to a District Councillor on the Planning Committee to forward on any Cambourne related enforcement issues.

13. DECISION NOTICES

McCarthy & Stone have been granted Planning Permission so they can now move on to the next stage of development.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the decision notice.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 1st October 2019

Meeting closed 19:50