CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Town Clerks Report

Council Meeting 5th December 2023

Note

Council email addresses please note from the 1st January 2024 the Town Council will be ceasing the use of Parish Council email addresses. If you have not set up your Town Council email addresses, you will not receive correspondence from the Town Council after this date.

Below is a short update on activities since the 7th November 2023. Some elements are covered by separate agenda items.

- 1. Teams Meeting regarding Landscaping issues regarding parcels 1.3A, 1.3D and 2.1 and future adoption. Representatives from Vistry Homes, James Truett Planning case officer and John Finney Cambs County Council Highways team.
- 2. 10k Committee meeting on line regarding the 2024 event to be held on 14th April 2024.
- 3. The Finance and Premises Officer and I attended a Webinar regarding the implementation of Martyn's Law which was announced in the Kings Speech to Parliament. The new legislation will have an impact on buildings with a capacity of 100+ and open-air events with an attendance of more than 800+ people with a requirement to carry out anti-terrorism risk assessments and report any activities to a regulator (who the regulator will be, has not been decided). There will also be a requirement for Staff and Councillors to be trained to understand the implications of Martyn's Law. Council officers are reviewing the available documents so we can start planning for the act becoming law. The aim is for the legislation to be enacted mid to late 2024.
- 4. Land Transfer Workshop meeting with various other parties regarding the Transfer of the remaining infrastructure land. Work is progressing on the transfers in line with the report to a previous Council meeting the first tranche was completed and the second is on track.
- 5. Meeting at Cambourne Soul with representatives of the Cambourne Youth Partnership, Cllr J O'Dwyer, Cllr G Thompson and I representing the Town Council for the quarterly review of the SLA.
- 6. Meeting with Senior staff of Cambridgeshire District Council who were on a tour to see what is happening in Cambourne and the support that can be put into projects to help them flourish. I initially attended the end of the meeting with Hope CIC to receive questions on how the Council supports Hope deliver the service to the Community. I then took them to Cambourne Soul. Emma Slater was present to explain the work of Cambourne Youth Partnership on the delivery of youth work in Cambourne. I outlined the background of the Town Councils continued support for youth work in Cambourne and how the Town Council worked to get the new purpose-built building with the support of the grant from the County Council.

I stressed the importance of a separate building for the youth that they have ownership of and how they had been involved at the various stages.

The following was received following the visit

"Hi John.

Thank you for your time yesterday, it was great for all the other staff from CCC to see what is happening in Cambourne and the support that can be put into projects to help them flourish. Everyone was so positive and I think lots of more links were made with different teams to help support some of the projects happening for the residents.

Thanks again and hopefully see you Thursday at the Cambourne Community Support meeting

Best wishes

Katie

Katie Ixer
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7. Joint Parish Planning Forum held via zoom the main topics were, Urban Heat Island Effect (EHIE) (Professor Marialena Nikolopoulou) and Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) – (John Cornell) the recording and slides will be available shortly.

PS. I apologise if the Office have not responded as quickly to requests, but we have been busy due to the reduced staff level. We have tried to ensure the office has continued as much as normal where the public is concerned.

It is

RECOMMENDED that the report be received.