



Cambridge East Community Forum 6 November 2024

Questions and answers.

Springstead Village

Q: Where are the secondary school and associated sports facilities to be located and when will they be delivered?

A: The site is adjacent to Airport Way and currently has a 200 homes occupation trigger for its delivery to the County Council. The County Council's programme for delivering the school is not known at the present time.

Q: When is the 200th occupation due?

A: We're currently at 43 occupations, so 200 due in approximately 18 months.

Q: What are the triggers for the delivery of public transport services for Springstead?

A: We don't have those numbers to hand right now but will provide them as a post meeting note. *

Greater Cambridge Partnership

Q: Will the assessment of the current park and ride site use by Marleigh residents for e.g. the school and hanger building be taken in to account when providing the new site?

A: The preferred site will be further away but is proposed to include better access and connectivity provision in terms of walking, scooters etc.

Q: The current sites' lack of extended provision such as a café and toilets are one of the factors that football ground users have identified as detrimental to its use. Will the new one provide a range of facilities, maybe click and collect and dry cleaning that are provided in some sites nationally?

A: There are limitations to what can be offered due to green belt planning restrictions. It is the intention to keep the development of the new site as flexible to allow different uses if possible.

Q: Other transport improvement schemes are being undertaken at present such as Milton Road access. Are lessons being learnt from these?

A: Yes, there is a learning process that has been designed in to those improvements. An example being the 'Dutch style' roundabouts and a road safety audit before and after to clearly understand its effects.

Q: Where will the access point be to the new travel hub be?

A: That is part of on-going work at present with a few options being considered. Factors that determine this will include: existing trees, local ecology, bus routes, road safety and release to Newmarket Road as well as costs.

Stagecoach

David Boden of Stagecoach did arrive at the meeting at the correct allocated time. Unfortunately, the meeting had been closed by then, but he will be invited to present at a future meeting.

General Questions

Q: Before the improvements to the access of Newmarket Road, will the surface be improved?

A: Rather than doing costly and disruptive patch up work, we intend to completely re-surface the whole of the road all at once.

Q: Do you know if the range of Voi E-scooters will be improved?

A: Yes, the proposal is to extend the range of the E-scooters and bikes to Northstowe, Horningsea, Babraham, Cambridge University's Laundry Farm and sports facility, and Waterbeach.

Q: The route 51 cycle path has some non-working low-level lighting in one section, can this be rectified?

A: This will be taken back to the responsible body and an up-date included in the notes of the meeting. *

Q: The bus route from the new proposed travel hub should remain along Newmarket Road rather than through the development Airport site.

A: The new route mentioned would be as well as, not instead of the existing route, so there will be enhanced provision.

Post meeting notes.

- Public transport provision – Springstead Village: Written Update:

A bus service contribution of over one million pounds was secured through the legal agreement associated with the outline planning permission 2024. This is to be paid by the developer in instalments to the County Council, as a contribution towards the provision of a direct bus service from the site to the City Centre via Mill Road, or Coldhams Lane. The payments are made in instalments from first occupation, over a period of five years.

- The issue relating to the lighting of street light columns and bollards along part of Cycle Route 51 has been followed up with UK Power Networks, who are the responsible authority.