

Girton Parish Council

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Girton Recreation Ground
Cambridge Road, Girton
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Minutes of an extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday 6 February 2007 at St Vincent's Close Community Centre

Present: M Wilson (Chairman), D de Lacey (Vice-Chairman), J Ford-Smith, R Gordon,
R Hodgkinson (from 19.2), J Mayfield (from 19.2), A Meek, M Taylor

Action/Power

Also present were Toby Williams (City Council Officer) and four members of the public.

07/16 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Barrett, Godby, Mayfield (to be late), Starling, Tutt and the Clerk Helen Bracey.

07/17 Members' declarations of interests

No interests declared.

07/18 That Standing Orders be suspended for an Open Session for the public

Cllr Wilson prop to suspend Standing Orders, sec Cllr Gordon, carried unanimously.

1. Members of the public. No speakers.

2. Presentation re NIAB from City Council Officer. Mr Williams summarised the proposals and highlighted some of the main issues affecting Girton, including highway impact and access to the University site, building heights at the Girton boundary, drainage and schools. He mentioned that S106 moneys can only be allocated to projects directly related to the development. The ecological requirements were in line with the current Local Plan and the Council cannot demand anything above this.

07/19 Standing Orders reinstated

Cllr Wilson prop, sec Cllr de Lacey, carried unanimously.

07/20 To formulate a response on the NIAB proposal to be received by 19 February 2007

The following response was formulated to be sent in letter form:

HB

1. That a transport feasibility study be undertaken which includes projected traffic flows from the Wellbrook Way site in Girton. Prop Cllr de Lacey, sec Cllr Ford-Smith, carried unanimously.
2. That more consideration be given to the needs of cyclists who intend to commute to work by cycle, by meeting the standards of documents such as *Cycle Friendly Infrastructure*. Prop Cllr de Lacey, sec Cllr Ford-Smith, carried unanimously.
3. That consideration be given to expanding Girton Glebe School as a facility for some families on the development. Prop Cllr Meek, sec Cllr Gordon, carried unanimously.
4. That all houses in the development should be designed to a higher standard of ecological design in accordance with Government thinking. Prop Cllr Ford-Smith, sec Cllr Hodgkinson, carried unanimously.
5. That Girton Parish Council be informal of all S106 and reserved matters discussions which impact on Girton, and be involved in all those to do with traffic and transport which may use the Huntingdon Road. Prop Cllr de Lacey, sec Cllr Meek, carried unanimously.
6. The Parish Council is concerned that the main highway through the site has not addressed a clear need for orbital roads around the perimeter of Cambridge. The proposed junction

with Huntingdon Road does not permit the route to continue directly into the proposed north-west University Cambridge site development. Prop Cllr de Lacey, sec Cllr Meek, carried unanimously.

7. The Parish Council is concerned at the effect of the proposed construction of four-storied dwellings along the edge of the site facing Whitehouse Lane and the effect on the boundary skyline. Prop Cllr Wilson, sec Cllr Meek, carried unanimously.
8. That the developers build more closely to the views expressed at its consultations which for example did not favour a line of tall buildings along the north boundary. Prop Cllr Taylor, sec Cllr Gordon, carried unanimously.

The meeting closed at 2045hrs.